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He co-edited the first book on Plasmonic Catalysis (Wiley, 2021) and serves on the editorial boards of ACS Nano, ACS Energy Letters, Advanced Photonics Nexus, and eScience. He has also guest-edited special issues in ACS Photonics and Communications Chemistry.