editorial

Applications in Instrumentation and Measurement

e are excited to bring you this Special Issue, where we have selected a set of 10 articles covering the most topical application areas in our field – infrastructure, environment, automation, and healthcare.

The first set of four articles covers emerging technologies



for Infrastructure and Safety. Starting with precision construction, we bring you an Experimental Test of Ground Settlement Measurement Using Distributed Fiber Optic Sensing Technology, which covers a new study showing more precise ground settlement measurements in construction projects using zigzag fiber optic cables. Next, we have the Application of the Measurement Method of Building Surface Cracks Based

on Image Processing Technology to enhance the safety of existing buildings with more precise inspections. Our electricity grid infrastructure also gets a boost from the development of smarter power lines with Enhancing Transmission Line Safety: Real-Time Detection of Foreign Objects Using MFMAM-YOLO Algorithm, presenting an AI system that performs real-time monitoring. On the roads, Vision-Based Accident Anticipation & Detection Using Deep Learning introduces technology for driver safety. We then transition to advanced environmental monitoring with a set of three articles. *Instrumentation and Measurements of Magnetic Coil Schumann Resonance Receivers* looks at detecting faint electromagnetic signals related to global lightning activity and Earth's magnetic field. Still looking to the skies, the *Research on Atmospheric Turbulence Observation by LiDAR Based on Imaging Detection Technology* measures atmospheric turbulence at 0.75 m intervals via a new LiDAR system. Then to contrast these applications, we look under the atmosphere and measure light pollution in Warsaw by *Using a Single Sky Quality Meter for Simplified Light Pollution Changes Analysis Across Big City*.

To round off, we have a set of three articles focusing on automation and healthcare. Readers with an interest in precision agriculture will find *A Method of Robot Picking Citrus Based on 3D Detection* an interesting piece on automated fruit ripeness identification in orchards. New automation technology via smart real-time machine control is introduced in the article *Real-Time Recognition of the User's Arm Gestures in 2D Space with a Smart Camera*, which has a vast impact on robotics, gaming, and education. We end our special issue with instrumentation and measurement in healthcare by looking at *Design, Development and Analysis of an Image Processing based Advanced System for Testing, Calibration and Type Approval of Blood Pressure Devices*.

We hope you enjoy reading the applications of instrumentation and measurement in this Special Issue as much as we have enjoyed putting it together.

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