Advanced energy storage and power conversion devices are developed in order to ensure better energy performance, reduced operating cost, and higher lifetime of future transportation systems including not only road vehicles, but also more electric trains, subways, ships and airplanes. Research on advanced electric powertrain technologies is much required, in order to push electric vehicles to a large-scale commercialization.

In order to further promote excellence of research in Vehicle Power and Propulsion, in conjunction with the 13th IEEE Vehicle Power and Propulsion Conference (VPPC 2016), a special section in the IEEE Transactions on Vehicular Technology is proposed to focus on the state-of-the-art research and development as well as future trends in the electric powertrains for future vehicles. Papers related to the components by themselves will not be considered in this special section. Topics of interest include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Batteries, ultracapacitors, flywheels systems embedded in hybrid & electrical vehicles
- Power converters (electrical to electrical, electrical to mechanical, chemical to electrical, thermal to electrical, …) designed and embedded in more electrical vehicles
- Design, modeling and simulation of powertrains
- Durability issues and accelerated stress tests
- Control & fault-tolerant control
- Hybrid Vehicles, Electrical Vehicles, Fuel Cell Vehicles, …
- Automotive, railway, subway, ships, aeronautic, aerospace, and robotic applications

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