



Advances in the Application of Electrochemistry in Mineral Processing and Extractive Metallurgy

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Message from the Guest Editors

Research is becoming more and more specialized to particular problems of multidisciplinary character related to chemistry, physics, biology and materials science. Electrochemical reactions that are accelerated using catalysts lie at the heart of many processes for extracting minerals from various grade ores. The electrochemical phenomena depends on the electrical properties of the solid material and the redox characteristics of the solution. Electrochemical processes (electrodeposition/electrowinning) involve selective metal recovery with reduced solvent and energy consumption from the leachate solution. Overall, electrochemical approaches in metal recovery have several advantages such as uniformity in metal deposition, high purity, automation, easy control, cost effectiveness, and relatively fast processing time. Electrochemical separation technologies provide a sustainable approach to metal recovery, through possible integration with renewable energy, the minimization of external chemical input, as well as reducing secondary pollution.





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