

Special Issue

Concrete and Mortar with Non-conventional Materials

Message from the Guest Editors

Dear Colleagues Since the demand for concrete and mortar is rapidly increasing, many non-conventional materials have been recommended to be used in these cement-based materials for sustainability reasons. Some of these materials have been often studied by researchers and used in concrete. Nevertheless, there are other potential non-conventional materials that can also be used in concrete with environmental benefits. Thus, the ultimate goal of this Special Issue is to focus on the less studied non-conventional materials. This Special Issue of *Applied Sciences* is therefore dedicated to comprehensive reviews and original studies on the resource use (e.g., non-renewable energy consumption), environmental impacts (e.g., global potential warming), technical performance (e.g., durability and mechanical) and cost of concrete containing less common non-conventional materials. Additionally, techniques used or any attempts (listed below, though not exhaustively) to reduce the resources use and environmental impacts of concrete are welcome.

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