

## Special Issue

# Mechanical Properties and Fracture Behavior of Rocks

### Message from the Guest Editors

Over the last few decades, the stability of rock engineering under various geological environments has attracted attention both from academics and engineering practice. It is well known that rock masses contain a number of flaws at multiple scales, such as cracks, joints, and faults, varying from the microscopic to macroscopic, which are induced during the initial formation stage of rock masses and successive tectonic motion processes. The mechanical behavior of rock masses is controlled by mechanical properties and fracture behavior of rocks. Therefore, research on mechanical properties and fracture behavior of rocks is required. The aim of this Special Issue is to gather original fundamental and applied research concerning mechanical properties and fracture behavior of rocks. Both original research papers and review articles are welcome.

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