

Special Issue

Multi-Scale Characterization and Numerical Modelling of Geo-Materials

Message from the Guest Editors

This Special Issue focuses on multi-scale characterization and numerical modelling of geo-materials, such as concrete, rock, rock-like composites, and cemented backfills. Topics of interest include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Multi-scale experimental characterization of geo-materials, including CT, SEM, NMR, XRD, DIC, acoustic methods, etc.;
- Image-based geometrical model reconstruction and digital material representations;
- Multi-scale modelling methods, including homogenization and upscaling techniques; hierarchical and concurrent multi-scale frameworks; RVE analysis; micro–macro transition models; and coupled discrete–continuum approaches;
- Numerical modelling techniques of geo-materials using FEM, DEM, SPH, XFEM, and other simulation platforms;
- Numerical simulation of failure, damage, creep, and permeability across scales;
- Coupled THMC (Thermal–Hydraulic–Mechanical–Chemical) processes in geo-materials;
- AI- or data-assisted modelling techniques for multi-scale systems.

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