

# Special Issue

## Characterization and Design of Cement and Concrete Materials

### Message from the Guest Editors

Cement and concrete stand out as the predominant materials in construction, surpassing the combined usage of all other construction materials. This *Special Issue* will focus on reporting the interesting results of research on the properties and performance of cement and concrete materials. This issue of cement is interpreted including not only Portland-based materials, but also blended cement and other binding materials. Contributions are expected to cover the topics listed below, but more topics can be included if they fit the field: Comments and deep thinking on the significance of cement characterization and design (invited only); Development of new characterization methods; Revealing the relationship between characterization and design; Characterization by modeling; Advanced techniques for cement characterization; Cutting-edge cement-based material design; The chemical reaction of hydration, pozzolanic, alkali-activated process or any other process in cement (or concrete) generation.

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