

## Special Issue

# Mine Fire Safety and Ventilation Control

### Message from the Guest Editor

One of the most serious risks for the mining industry operation is fires. They can be triggered by a range of causes, such as spontaneous combustion, electrical sparks, heat from friction, ignition by machinery, or mishandling of flammable substances. Underground fires can disrupt ventilation by causing pressure imbalances, creating airflow reversals, and increasing airway resistance. Proper ventilation also plays a crucial role in fire safety and emergency response in underground mines. It helps remove smoke and heat generated by a fire to the surface. Finally, mine ventilation creates safer conditions for evacuation and rescue operations. We cordially invite the submission of articles addressing mine fires and ventilation control in mining operations. Relevant subject areas include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Fires in underground mines
- Spontaneous combustion of coal
- Mine equipment fires
- Fire control and extinguishing
- Rescue operations in mines
- Design of fires in underground mines
- Emergency fire response plans
- Simulations of mine fires in ventilation systems

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