

Special Issue

Secondary Refining

Message from the Guest Editors

Secondary refining is a key process for the preparation of high-quality steels and alloys. The relevant technologies and processes extensively impact the properties and quality of steels and alloys. The development of new technologies, methods of process optimization, and alternative mechanisms in the field has been attracting the attentions of researchers, and there has been a proliferation of new achievements as a consequence. This Special Issue aims to promote the fast publication and communication of research achievements in secondary refining. We encourage researchers in relevant areas to submit both research papers and review articles for publication in the areas of process technology, mechanisms, and modeling; artificial intelligence applications, energy saving and emission reduction; the comprehensive utilization of resources; equipment upgrading, basic research and optimization of refining slag; research and application of pure alloy and high-quality refractory applications, testing and characterization technology; new refining technologies such as electromagnetic, electrochemical and bubble flotation; simulation; etc.

Guest Editors

Prof. Dr. Jianhua Liu

Prof. Dr. Olena Volkova

Dr. Yang He

Deadline for manuscript submissions

closed (31 March 2025)



Metals

an Open Access Journal
by MDPI

Impact Factor 2.5
CiteScore 5.3



mdpi.com/si/168247

Metals
Editorial Office
MDPI, Grosspeteranlage 5
4052 Basel, Switzerland
Tel: +41 61 683 77 34
metals@mdpi.com

[mdpi.com/journal/
metals](https://mdpi.com/journal/metals)





Metals

an Open Access Journal
by MDPI

Impact Factor 2.5
CiteScore 5.3



[mdpi.com/journal/
metals](https://mdpi.com/journal/metals)



About the Journal

Message from the Editorial Board

Metallic materials play a vital role in the economic life of modern societies; contributions are sought on fresh developments that enhance our understanding of the fundamental aspects related to the relationships between processing, properties and microstructure – disciplines in the metallurgical field ranging from processing, mechanical behavior, phase transitions and microstructural evolution, nanostructures, as well as unique metallic properties – inspire general and scholarly interest among the scientific community.

Editors-in-Chief

Prof. Dr. Hugo F. Lopez

Department of Materials Science and Engineering, College of Engineering & Applied Science, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, 3200 N. Cramer Street, Milwaukee, WI 53211, USA

Prof. Dr. Yong Zhang

Beijing Advanced Innovation Center of Materials Genome Engineering, State Key Laboratory for Advanced Metals and Materials, University of Science and Technology Beijing, 30 Xueyuan Road, Beijing 100083, China

Author Benefits

High Visibility:

indexed within Scopus, SCIE (Web of Science), Inspec, Ei Compendex, CAPlus / SciFinder, and other databases.

Journal Rank:

JCR - Q2 (Metallurgy and Metallurgical Engineering) /
CiteScore - Q1 (Metals and Alloys)

Rapid Publication:

manuscripts are peer-reviewed and a first decision is provided to authors approximately 18 days after submission; acceptance to publication is undertaken in 2.6 days (median values for papers published in this journal in the first half of 2025).