Special Issue

Separation, Reduction, and Metal Recovery in Slag Metallurgy

Message from the Guest Editors

This Special Issue highlights cutting-edge strategies to unlock the hidden value of metallurgical slags, focusing on selective separation, efficient reduction, and high-yield recovery of metals to drive sustainability in metal production. The issue prioritizes scalable, energy-efficient technologies that bridge lab innovations to industrial applications. Core topics include, but are not limited to, the following themes:

- 1. Advanced Separation:
- (1) Selective techniques
- (2) Crystallization control
- 2. Reduction and Recovery:
- (1) Low-carbon reduction
- (2) Hybrid extraction
- 3. Process Optimization
- 4. Sustainability Synergy:

Linking metal recovery with slag valorization to achieve zero-waste metallurgy.

This issue invites contributions that bridge laboratoryscale breakthroughs with industrial scalability. By integrating multi-disciplinary insights, it aims to redefine slag as a strategic resource in the transition toward green metallurgy.

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