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Mineralization and Geochemistry of VMS Deposits

Message from the Guest Editors

Volcanogenic or volcanic-hosted massive sulfides (VMSs) form in submarine volcanic and volcanosedimentary successions located at, or close to, divergent margins, convergent arcs, and back-arc spreading settings. In general, they can be connected with nearly all possible geotectonic environments related to volcanic activity in deep marine settings, regardless of the type of volcanism. VMS bear several characteristics beneficial to mankind, present since the earliest stages of human history, including ease of identification, mining, and ore processing. Their significance is primarily their base metal potential. Due to the large diversity in the geologic and geotectonic setting, the geochemical and mineralogical characteristics vary both between the various VMS types, as well as within the same type. These variations determine the recoverable commodities. The objective of this Special Issue is to compile available and newly aguired geochemical and mineralogical information on VMS and demonstrate how these data may be employed and utilized in the development of new deposits.

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