

## Special Issue

# Mechanochemistry in Mineral Processing and Waste Resource Recovery

### Message from the Guest Editors

Mechanochemistry is a branch of science concerned with chemical and physico-chemical changes in solids due to the influence of mechanical forces. This force may break down crystals, thus exposing fresh, active surfaces and enhance the mass transfer required for reaction partners in the solid state to make the contact required for initiating a chemical reaction. The mechanical activation of minerals makes it possible to reduce their decomposition temperature or causes such a degree of disordering that the thermal activation may be omitted entirely. In this process, the complex influence of surface and bulk properties occurs. The mineral activation may increase the chemical reactivity of the processed material and has been extensively utilized in extractive metallurgy, synthesis of mineral composite materials, crystal engineering, and waste treatment. This Special Issue mainly focuses on the new mechanism, new materials, and new applications developed in the mechanochemistry upon minerals processing and waste resources recovery and aims to contribute to the minerals, environment, and resources science.

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