

Special Issue

Feature Papers in Mineral Exploration Methods and Applications 2025

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This Special Issue, "Feature Papers in Mineral Exploration Methods and Applications 2025", will focus on recent developments in mineral exploration methods and their applications in studying mineral deposits. The Special Issue will present by-invitation-only original research and review papers from prominent researchers in the field of mineral exploration, including geological, geophysical, geochemical methods, and remote sensing. Contributions on historical, technical, and practical aspects of exploration for mineral deposits will be highlighted. We invite contributions especially those emphasizing emerging mineral exploration techniques and novel interpretation schemes, including machine learning and AI-added data analysis. Finally, papers on novel methods of mineral resource prospecting and their application, including mathematical aspects of multiple data processing and joint interpretation and examples of successful case studies will also be welcomed. The main focus of this Special Issue will be on presenting the key technical and scientific advances that will improve exploration success and lead to the discovery and successful development of mineral deposits.

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