Special Issue

Hydrometallurgy in the Recovery of Precious Metals from Secondary Resources

Message from the Guest Editors

It is well known that the current supply of precious metals cannot satisfy the market requirements. The recovery of these elements from secondary resources may be regarded as a suitable solution to overcome this issue. However, the well-known hydrometallurgical technologies used for the treatment of primary ores cannot be considered suitable for the treatment of waste materials. This is primarily due to their completely different structures and heterogenous compositions. In addition, the use of certain reagents has a considerable negative environmental impact; their use has thus been restricted or even banned.

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