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Hydrocarbon Generation and Accumulation in Unconventional Shale Reservoir: Up-to-Date Advances in Theory, Experiment, Method and Application

Message from the Guest Editors

Over the past three decades, great advances in drilling and completion technologies (e.g., horizontal drilling coupled with large-scale, multistage hydraulic stimulation) have significantly promoted the costeffective production of hydrocarbon (natural gas and crude oil) from low-permeability shale formations in the many countries (e.g., the USA, Canada, and China). The large volume of natural gas and liquid oil within the shale rocks has been the focus of hydrocarbon exploration and development in many petroliferous basins, which has also transformed the global energy outlook. However, there are still many scientific issues implicating the efficient extraction and sustainable development of these unconventional resources. including hydrocarbon generation, storage and accumulation in shale reservoir. Therefore, Minerals would like to announce a Special Issue on hydrocarbon generation and accumulation in unconventional shale reservoirs, and invites contributions to present up-todate advances in relevant theory, experiments, and methods, as well as their successful applications in the exploration of these unconventional resources. Original research and review articles are welcome.

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