

Special Issue

Recent Developments in Mineral Processing at University of Cape Town

Message from the Guest Editor

This Special Issue aims to showcase research in the general area of mineral processing from the University of Cape Town. The University has a number of large, well-established research groups working in areas covering many aspects of the minerals value chain, from ore to final metal product, and related areas such as sustainable development. These research groups include the Centre for Minerals Research, Centre for Bioprocess Engineering Research, Crystallization and Precipitation Research Unit, Energy and Industrial Systems Research Group, Hydrometallurgy Research Group and the Minerals to Metals Research Initiative. These groups conduct research in areas of the minerals value chain including geometallurgy, process mineralogy, comminution, classification, flotation, hydro and bio-hydrometallurgy as well as metal refining. These groups also conduct research in areas considering the integration of, and factors affecting, the minerals value chain such as process integration, techno-economic evaluation, energy efficiency and integration, water minimization and treatment, waste treatment and repurposing of waste as well as socio-economic factors in mining communities.

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