

Special Issue

Experimental and Numerical Studies of Mineral Comminution

Message from the Guest Editors

Comminution is the biggest energy-consuming operation in mineral processing. The aim is to liberate locked minerals in order to provide the best conditions for further separation units. If the liberation is not enough, the separation processes will be inefficient. Experimental studies on mineral comminution are essential in order to understand how mineral breaks and what the particle size distribution of the products will be after this breakage process. In this regard, experimental studies and numerical development take a leading role in defining comminution processes. With this information, industrial comminution may be optimized using particle size distribution sensors and advanced control systems with artificial intelligence. If we want to apply all of these technologies, we have to know the breakage process linked with the parameter process, and experimental and numerical studies allow us to collect these data. This Special Issue aims to collect new work in this field and to disseminate knowledge around the world in order to advance this area of mineral processing.

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