# **Special Issue**

# Advances in the Thermochemistry of Natural and Synthetic Minerals

## Message from the Guest Editor

Thermochemistry as a part of physical chemistry studies the energy changes associated with materials chemical transformations under the temperature influence and related energy states and transitions. The thermochemistry of minerals, natural and synthetic, plays a large role in modern material science. Mineral formation and change studies, by their crystal–chemical and microstructural properties, are of fundamental importance for advanced mineral systems investigations. Studies on mineral thermochemistry are carried out by measuring their physical properties as a function of temperature or time by varying the speed of heating or cooling in adjustable gaseous media.

This Special Issue aims to cover the latest research on minerals thermochemistry, including solid-phase synthesis, thermal decomposition, phase transitions, and thermal phenomena. The obtained new knowledge about minerals thermochemistry will enable a detailed study of their crystal chemistry, microstructure, calorimetery, heat capacity, thermal conductivity, thermal decomposition mechanism, and potential applications.

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