



Advances in Reagents for Mineral Processing

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Message from the Guest Editor

Mineral processing is an applied technical subject for the separation of valuable minerals from gangue minerals. Reagents, especially those used for flotation, such as collectors and depressants are always employed to tune the wettability of mineral particle surfaces in this process. Mineral processors usually use collectors to cause a valuable mineral surface to become sufficiently hydrophobic, while depressants cause gangue minerals to become hydrophilic. In recent years, with leaner and more complex ores, there are great challenge to our long-held technological solutions, especially in flotation reagents. In this Special Issue, we aim to discuss the latest developments in reagents for mineral processing. We invite you to contribute to this Special Issue by submitting research articles or comprehensive reviews concerning flotation reagents, including their molecular design and synthesis, quantitative structure–activity relationship, the mineral flotation behavior, the interaction between flotation reagents and mineral surfaces, etc.





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