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# **Crystallography and Mineralogy of Phosphates**

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## Message from the Guest Editor

Dear Colleagues,

We are pleased to invite you to participate in a Special of Minerals dedicated to Crystallography and Mineralogy of Phosphates. Phosphates are all around us in fact, they are even inside us! This issue is the place where to write about phosphates as minerals. Mainly in nature, they display a large variety of structures, all with isolated (PO<sub>4</sub>) tetrahedral units, although they can build clusters, chains, sheets, and frameworks with octahedral units. synthetic Polyphosphates are common among compounds. Phosphates can be grouped as: (i) primary phosphates that have crystallized from a liquid; or (ii) secondary phosphates formed by the alteration of primary phosphates.











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