



Flotation of Fine-Grained Minerals

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Message from the Guest Editors

Flotation is used as the principal method for concentrating minerals, which accounts for more than half of world's production. Flotation performance deteriorates rapidly when operating in particle fines due to the complicated interface phenomenon and unfavored hydrodynamics. Flotation of particle fines could also cause problems such as high reagent consumption, non-selective reagent adsorption, excessive froth stability, and mechanical entrainment. To overcome the disadvantages of conventional flotation of particle fines, many techniques have recently been developed to deal with the flotation of minerals fines, such as dissolved air flotation, floc-flotation, and nano-bubble flotation. The aim of this issue is to publish recent progress in the flotation of minerals fines to promote better understanding of flotation of particle fines. Research related to interaction between reagent, bubble, and minerals surface, hydrodynamics and interface phenomenon in the flotation of minerals fines is welcome in this issue.





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