



Texture and Microstructural Analysis of Crystalline Solids

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Microstructure and crystallographic preferred orientation (texture) have been revealed as key features to understand the genesis and evolution of natural and man-made crystalline solids. Non-random spatial distribution of minerals and their orientations in an aggregate commonly result in anisotropy of physical and chemical properties.

Real 3D microstructural information can be obtained with microtomography, which, for instance, improves the understanding of ore genesis and constrains parameters required for mineral or metallurgical processing. Texture and microstructure modeling (e.g. VPSC, FF-VPSC, ELLE, etc.) are quickly evolving to face paramount challenges on polycrystal plasticity. This Special Issue aims to publish review papers on seminal topics (methods and applications), as well as appropriate examples of texture and microstructure analysis of rocks, ore-minerals and biominerals. Papers providing experimental data and modeling to explore texture/microstructure and growth/deformation/recrystallization mechanisms are also welcome.





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