



Igneous Rocks: Minerals, Geochemistry and Ore Potential

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Igneous rocks are primary rocks. They are highly variable in mineral and chemical composition. Igneous rocks were formed by all geological times and are being formed today in continents and oceans. They are primary rocks on Mars, Venus, and Mercury, Moon, Io and large asteroids; though samples from these planetary bodies are incomparably less abundant to what geologists have in their collections for Earth. Therefore, it is not surprised that many geological journals are focusing on study of igneous rocks in principle or produced special issues devoted to them.

This Special Issue of *Minerals* finds its niche in the scope of the journal's primary aims by focusing on igneous rocks mineral composition and chemical characterization (including isotopes). In addition to these, papers exploring association of igneous rocks with ore deposits are particularly welcomed.

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- ore deposits





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