



## Advances in Precious and Critical Mineral Beneficiation and Extraction

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Dear Colleagues,

With the increasing demand for valuable metals, advanced techniques are required for processing complex ore bodies and secondary metal sources or wastes (e.g., printed circuit boards). These complex ore bodies and secondary metal sources host precious and critical minerals that will aid the development of high technology equipment and the transition to a clean energy economy. The current Special Issue focusses on novel and advanced beneficiation and extractive metallurgical methods for precious (e.g., gold, silver, and platinum group metals) and critical (e.g., nickel, cobalt, and rare earth elements) metals recovery and/or extraction from primary and secondary sources. The Special Issue is organized into three sections and invites contributions accordingly:

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- Section 2: Developments in hydrometallurgical (including biological) and aqueous extraction of complex ores and wastes containing precious and critical minerals.
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