



## Characterization of the Interactions between Cutting Tools and Rocks during Mechanized Tunneling from a Metallurgical and Rock Mechanical Point of View

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