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April 29 – May 4, 2018
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Beneficiation of Phosphates: Theory and Practice
December 5-10, 1993
Palm Coast, Florida
Conference Chairs:
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Beneficiation of Phosphates II
December 6 - 11, 1998
Palm Coast, Florida
Conference Chairs:
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Hassan El-Shall, Florida Institute Phosphate Research, USA

Beneficiation of Phosphates III
December 2-7, 2001
St. Petersburg, Florida
Conference Chairs:
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Beneficiation of Phosphates IV
December 5-10, 2004
Miami Beach, Florida
Conference Chairs:
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Beneficiation of Phosphates V
February 17-22, 2008
Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
Conference Chairs:
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Laurindo Leal Filho, University of Sao Paulo, Brazil
Karen Swager, Mosaic Fertilizer LLC, USA

Beneficiation of Phosphates VI
March 6-11, 2011
Kunming, China
Conference Chair:
Patrick Zhang  Florida Institute of Phosphate Research, USA
Beneficiation of Phosphates VII
March 29-April 3, 2015
Melbourne, Australia

Conference Chairs:
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Sunday, April 29, 2018

16:30 – 18:00  Registration (Foyer of Conference Venue Hall A, Ground floor of conference center)

18:00 – 19:00  Welcome Reception - Wine Tasting (Business Lounge, 1st floor of conference center)

19:00 – 21:30  Dinner (Meeting Room 11, 1st floor of conference center)

NOTES

- Technical Sessions will be held in Conference Venue Hall A, on the ground floor of conference center.
- The ECI office will be the Organizer Office, ground floor of conference center.
- Breakfasts for those staying in the hotel will be in the hotel’s Square Cafe and Wine Bar.
- Dinners on Sunday, Monday and Thursday will be in Meeting Room 11, 1st floor of conference center.
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Monday, April 30, 2018

07:00 – 08:30  Breakfast

08:30 – 08:40  **Welcoming Remarks**  
Conferenc Co-Chair, Marius Porteus, Foskor, South Africa

08:40 – 08:50  **Opening Remarks**  
Conference Chair, Patrick Zhang, Florida Industrial and Phosphate Research Institute, USA

08:50 – 09:00  **ECI & Vital Conference Information**  
Conference Organizer, Kevin Korpics, ECI, USA

09:00 – 12:05  **Session I: Sustainability and the Environment**  
Session Co-Chairs: Marius Porteus, Foskor, South Africa  
Luca Moore, ArrMaz, USA

09:00 – 09:35  **Keynote 1**  
Surface Chemistry and Flotation Behavior of Monazite, Apatite, Ilmenite, Quartz, Rutile, and Zircon with Octanohydroxamic Acid  
Corby Anderson, Colorado School of Mines, USA

09:35 – 10:00  **Resource-Saving Technology for Processing By-Products of the Wet Phosphoric Acid Process – Phosphogypsum and Fluosilicic Acid to Produce Ammonium Sulfate**  
Maksim Tcikin, The Research Institute for Fertilizers, Russia

10:00 – 10:25  **Recovery of High Purity Calcium Sulfate from Phosphogypsum I: Thermodynamic Study of SO\textsubscript{4}^{2-} Purification**  
Zeqiang Zhang, Wuhan Institute of Technology

10:25 – 10:55  Coffee break

10:55 – 11:20  **Dry Beneficiation of Phosphate Minerals Using a Triboelectric Belt Separator**  
Kyle Flynn, ST Equipment & Technology, USA

11:20 – 11:45  **Removal of Coarse Fraction from Phosphatic Clays for Clay Settling Area Reduction and Additional Phosphate**  
Charles Guan, Mosaic Fertilizer, LLC, Florida, USA

11:45 – 12:05  **Upgrading Phosphogypsum for Uses as Construction Materials**  
Wending Xiao, Wuhan Institute of Technology, China

12:15 – 14:00  Lunch
Monday, April 30, 2018 (continued)

14:30 – 17:40  
**Session II: Comprehensive Extraction**

**Session Co-Chairs:** Neil Snyders, Stellenbosch University, South Africa  
Barend du Plessis, University of Pretoria, South Africa

14:30 – 15:05  
**Keynote 2:**  
Rare Earths Occurrence in Florida Phosphate Ore and Their Fate during Mining and Chemical Processing  
Patrick Zhang, Florida Industrial and Phosphate Research Institute, USA

15:05 – 15:30  
The Recovery of Rare Earth Elements from Phosphate Rock and Phosphate Mining Waste Products Using A Novel Water-Insoluble Adsorption Polymer  
Joseph Laurino, Periodic Products, Inc., Florida, USA

15:30 – 15:55  
A Novel Process to Recover Sulfur, Lime and Rare Earths from Gypsum  
David van Vuuren, University of Pretoria, South Africa

15:55 – 16:25  
Coffee break

16:25 – 16:50  
Hydrothermal Pre-Treatment Process of Phosphogypsum for Enhanced Rare Earths Recovery  
Volha Yahorava, Mintek, South Africa

16:50 – 17:15  
Simultaneous Recovery of Rare Earths and Uranium from Wet Process Phosphoric Acid Using Solvent Extraction with D2EHP  
Shengxi Wu, National Engineering Research Center for Rare Earth Materials, General Research Institute for Nonferrous Metals, Beijing, China

17:15 – 17:40  
Recovery of Thorium from Phosphogypsum by Acid Leaching  
Tebogo Mashifana, University of Johannesburg, South Africa

19:00 – 20:30  
Dinner

20:30 – 21:30  
Social Hour (Business Lounge, 1st floor of conference center)
Tuesday, May 1, 2018

07:00 – 08:30  Breakfast

08:30 – 12:20  **Session III: Flotation Fundamentals and Reagents**  
**Session Co-Chairs:** Charles Guan, The Mosaic Company, USA  
André Silva, Federal University of Goiás, Brazil

08:30 – 09:05  **Keynote 3**  
History and Future of Phosphate Mining and Beneficiation in South Africa  
Marius Porteus, Foskor, South Africa

09:05 – 09:30  **How to Truly Optimize Phosphate Flotation, When Feed Grade is Ever-changing**  
Lucas R. Moore, ArrMaz, USA

09:30 – 09:55  **New Reagent Development for the Beneficiation of Various Phosphate Ores**  
Pablo Dopico, Clariant Mining Solutions, USA

09:55 – 10:20  **Mine Arnaud Project: Flotation Circuit Adjustment and Collector Reduction**  
Christine Croteau, COREM, Canada

10:20 – 10:40  Coffee break

10:40 – 11:05  **Case Study for Processing Phosphate Ores Worldwide**  
Guoxin Wang, ArrMaz, USA

11:05 – 11:30  **Evaluation of the Effect of Ca²⁺ Ion Concentration on Calcite Flotation of Santa Quitérias’S Ore Using Carbonic Gas**  
Amanda Soares, Centro de Tecnologia Mineral (CETEM), Brazil

11:30 – 11:55  **Investigation of the Mechanism of Apatite/Carbonates Separation in Acidic Flotation Process Using In Situ Raman Spectroscopy**  
Lev Filippov, Université de Lorraine, France

Mohammed El Asri, Sidi Mohamed Ben Abdellah University, Morocco

12:30 – 14:00  Lunch

14:00  Free time/Optional self-organized excursion(s)

Dinner on your own
**Wednesday, May 2, 2018**

07:00 – 08:30  
**Breakfast**

**Session IV: Flotation Fundamentals and Reagents Part 2**

08:30 – 12:00  
Session Co-Chairs: Pablo Dopico, Clariant Mining Solutions, USA  
Volha Yahorava, Mintek, South Africa

08:30 – 09:00  
**Tailoring Collectors to Allow for Sea Water Usage in Phosphate Beneficiation**  
Lucas R. Moore, ArrMaz, USA

09:00 – 09:30  
**The Surface Chemistry and Microflotation of Xenotime and Depression of Gangue Minerals**  
Corby Anderson, Colorado School of Mines, USA

09:30 – 10:00  
**Heavy Metal Contamination and Health Risk Assessment in Waste Mine Water Dewatering Using Phosphate (oral132s1) Beneficication Processes**  
Mohammad Salem Al-Hwaiti, Al-Hussein Bin Talal University, Jordan

10:00 – 10:30  
**Coffee break**

10:30 – 11:00  
**Alternative Depressor for Apatite Flotation**  
André Carlos Silva, Federal University of Goiás, Brazil

11:00 – 11:30  
**Separation of Dolomite from Phosphate at Low Cost and Reduced Environmental Impact**  
Wending Xiao, Hubei Bonan Technology Co., Ltd, China

11:30 – 12:00  
**Using Two Alternative Vegetable Oil’s as Collector in Apatite Froth Flotation**  
André Carlos Silva, Federal University of Goiás, Brazil

12:30 – 14:00  
**Lunch**

14:00 – 19:00  
**Group Tour (City tour of Cape Town and trip up Table Mountain) followed by transfer to Gold Restaurant**

19:00 – 21:00  
**Off site dinner at Gold Restaurant (with transfer back to hotel)**
Thursday, May 3, 2018

07:00 – 08:30  Breakfast

08:30 – 11:40  **Session V: Hydrometallurgy**
**Session Co-Chairs:** Christine Croteau, COREM, Canada
Guven Akdogan, Stellenbosch University

08:30 – 09:05  **Keynote 4**
**Latest Trend for Fluorine in the Phosphoric Industry: Absorption Efficiency Improvement, Conversion into Raw Material**
Tibaut Theys, Prayon Technologies, Belgium

09:05 – 09:30  **Can Your P₂O₅ Be Commercially Exploited?**
Ewan Wingate, WorleyParsons, Australia

09:30 – 09:55  **How Phosphate Rock Quality Impacts the Phosphoric Acid and Granulation Plant Operations**
Curtis Griffin, PegasusTSI, USA

09:55 – 10:20  **Recovery of Rare Earths and P from Pre-concentrated Phosphate Flotation Tails by Sulfuric Acid Leaching**
Patrick Zhang, FIPR Institute, USA

10:20 – 10:50  Coffee break

Gary Albarelli, Florida Industrial and Phosphate Research Institute, USA

11:15 – 11:40  **Recovery of Rare Earth Elements from Phosphate Rock by Hydrometallurgical Processes - A Critical Review**
Shengxi Wu, National Engineering Research Center for Rare Earth Materials, General Research Institute for Nonferrous Metals, Beijing, China

12:00 – 13:30  Lunch
Thursday, May 3, 2018 (continued)

14:00 – 17:15  
**Session VI: Advances in Processing Technology and Equipment**
**Session Co-Chairs:** Dan Darlington, JR Simplot Co., USA  
Johan Van Niekerk, Ultimate Flotation, South Africa

14:00 – 14:25  
**Physical Separation of High Grade and Low Grade African Phosphates**  
Deepika Babu Dayal, Mintek, South Africa

14:25 – 14:50  
**Evaluation of an Aguia Resources-Três Estradas Brazilian Phosphate Ore Using Column Flotation**  
Khosana Mohlabane, Eriez Flotation Division - SA, South Africa

14:50 – 15:15  
**Influence of the Impeller Speed on Phosphate Rock Flotation**  
André Carlos Silva, Federal University of Goiás, Brazil

15:15 – 15:40  
**Successful Applications of Vertical-Roller-Mills in Phosphate Processing**  
Jonathan Smith, Loesche South Africa, South Africa

15:40 – 16:00  
Coffee break

16:00 – 16:25  
**A Comparative Study of Different Columns Sizes for Ultrafine Apatite Flotation**  
Elves Matiolo, Centro de Tecnologia Mineral, Brazil

16:25 – 16:50  
**The Fundamentals, Unique Features and Performance of A Newly Improved Packed Column Jig for Phosphate Processing**  
Wending Xiao, Wuhan Institute of Technology, China

16:50 – 17:15  
**Milling of the Phosphate Rock Flotation Circuit Circulating Load Aiming Production Increase and Iron Content Reduction in the Final Concentrate**  
André Carlos Silva, Federal University of Goiás, Brazil

17:15 – 17:40  
**GEOSCAN-M use at Ma’aden Phosphate Al Jalamid mine, Saudi Arabia**  
Luke Balzan, Scantech International, Australia

19:00 – 21:00  
Banquet
Friday, May 4, 2018

07:00 – 08:30  Breakfast
Departures

For the Technical Excursion group: Trip to Phalaborwa and tour of Foskor phosphate mine
Poster Presentations

1. **The Ultimate Phosphate Flotation solution**
   Johan Swanepoel, Ultimate Flotation, South Africa

2. **New approach to phosphate ore beneficiation coupling chemistry and hydrodynamic of flotation process**
   Inna V. Filippova, University of Lorraine, France

3. **Best practices of Russia in extracting ree from fertilizer waste**
   Sergey Kirillov, Ural Federal University, Russia

4. **Beneficiation of Estonian phosphate ore by flotation**
   Kadiann Tamm, Tallinn University of Technology, Estonia