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### **General**

## Trends, developments and opportunities in the extraction and recovery of uranium

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# The impact of depressed uranium prices on the Namibian uranium industry

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## Mineralogy/Geology/Geometallurgy

Remaining uranium resources: where and how much?
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## Determining uranium mineral compositions through electron probe micro analysis

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# Geometallurgy of gangue mineral–reagent interaction and implications for uranium heap leaching

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## Geometallurgy of the Manyingee in situ recovery uranium deposit, Western Australia

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## **Mining**

# Adjustment options in mine planning to survive low commodity prices - uranium

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## Ventilation considerations in underground uranium mines

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# Implementation of drilling and blasting improvements in calcrete formations at Swakop Uranium Mine

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## **Minerals Processing**

## U-pgrade<sup>™:</sup> a technological breakthrough for surficial uranium ores

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## Innovation technologies that can be applied to uranium processing

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# The separation of carbonates from uranium minerals by flotation for the Karoo Sandstone deposits in South Africa

K. Pillay, M. Dlame, and S. Pillay, Mintek, South Africa

# Evaluation of polythionate formation during uranium recovery from sulphide flotation concentrate

V. Yahorava and V. Bazhko, Mintek, South Africa

## Flotation of gypsum and calcite from Trekkopje uranium

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### Leaching

# Minimizing reagent and utility consumption in uranium agitation and heap leaching operations

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# Investigation of the impact of uranium mineralization on alkaline leaching conditions

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# Uranium alkaline leaching: oxidative leach study of a uraninite-bearing ore

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# Heap leaching of uranium: the good, the bad and the ugly

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### Modelling of uranium leach kinetics

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## Separation/Purification

# Influence of radiation on a polypropylene membrane contactor used during membrane-based solvent extraction of uranium from nitric acid solutions

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## Uranium recovery from H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> eluates using strong acid cation resins

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## Uranium recovery from high chloride arid regions – treated water *vs* saline water

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# Uranium recovery from acid mine drainage generated by gold mines in South Africa

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# Removal of uranium at the low ppm or $\mu g/L$ range – a possible solution to decontamination of active or depleted mine site effluents

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# Recovery of uranium from waste matrices and mine process water using weak-base polyamine functionalized ion-exchange resins

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# Uranium purification by ion-exchange resins in batch and column system

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# Effect of impurities on the selective extraction and recovery of uranium from nuclear conversion plant

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### Nano-filtration technology for reagent recovery

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## Separation of contaminants from uranium by ion exchange and solvent extraction

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### Advances in precipitation

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## **Plant Optimization**

## Applications of dynamic simulation for Husab Uranium Mine

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## Capacity upgrades and leaching circuit modifications at the McClean Lake mill

A. McCombe, Hatch, Canada

## Rejuvenating the giant thickeners of yesteryear

A. Krassnokutski, South Africa

## Optimization of the Rössing counter-current decantation circuit for high calc ore

C. Anderson, S. Rabie, and N. Jansen van Rensburg, Hatch, South Africa

# **SOMAÏR: Soon 50 years of uranium production in Niger** N. Durupt, *Areva Mines, France*

#### **Nuclear**

## Behaviour and fate of uranium in high-level nuclear waste processing system

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# The shift from HEU to LEU for MTRs and the difficulties of U recovery from LEU fuel using wet chemical methods

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## **Projects**

Preferred uranium–gold (U–Au) co-production approach to unlock value and create environmental sustainability of the Louis Moore tailings dump, near Giyani, South Africa

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#### Flowsheet development of the Karoo Uranium Project

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## The impact of phosphates on the Mkuju River Uranium process flowsheet development

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## Uranium circuit development for a West African polymetallic deposit

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## **Health and Safety**

## Challenges and opportunities for sustainable rehabilitation of abandoned uranium mines in Namibia

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## Radiation exposures at Namibian uranium mines – what are the risks?

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## Advanced monitoring of dust emission at Rössing

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# The Namibian Uranium Association, the environment and sustainable development

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## Radiation-related compliance – a practitioner's perspective

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#### Water management in Namibian uranium mines

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## Process water supply to uranium mines in Namibia: problems and solutions

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## Investigation of magnesium potassium phosphate cement for stabilization of uranium wastes

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