## Wetting behaviors of calcium ferrite on gangues in iron ore sintering process

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## **Abstract**

A dripping method was used to investigate the wetting behaviors of calcium ferrite (CF) on gangue components (Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, MgO, SiO<sub>2</sub> and TiO<sub>2</sub> substrate) at 1523K. The results indicated that the CF have good wettability on gangues, the initial apparent contact angle was in range of  $30\sim50^\circ$ , and the equilibrium apparent contact angle was less than 15°. The wetting of CF on Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> and SiO<sub>2</sub> were dissolutive wetting, while the CF on MgO and TiO<sub>2</sub> were reactive wetting. The spreading width: MgO>Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>>SiO<sub>2</sub>>TiO<sub>2</sub>, the spreading duration: MgO>Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>>TiO<sub>2</sub>>SiO<sub>2</sub>, and the corrosion depth: SiO<sub>2</sub>>Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>>TiO<sub>2</sub>>MgO. The dissolution and interfacial reaction intensity significantly influenced the spreading dynamics.