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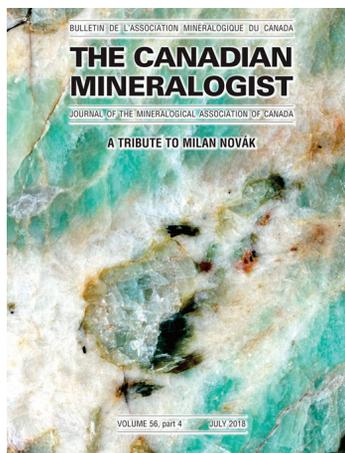
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The latest thematic issue of *The Canadian Mineralogist* comprises contributions from the 8th International Symposium of Granitic Pegmatites (PEG2017), which was held in Kristiansand (Norway). The issue is dedicated to Milan Novák, a distinguished Czech Republic researcher in the field of pegmatite mineralogy and petrology.

Milan spent his research career at two institutions. Between 1977 and 1999, he worked at the Moravian Museum in Brno (Czech Republic) as a curator of the mineralogical collections, rising to become Head of the Department of Mineralogy and Petrology. Between 1999 and 2003, he was employed at Masaryk University in Brno as Director of the Department of Mineralogy, Petrology and Geochemistry. After the merging of two geological departments at the university, he was Director of the Department of Geological Sciences (2003–2007; 2016–2017) until his partial retirement in 2017. His research in the field of granitic pegmatites benefited from his early experiences of collecting and field surveying for the Moravian Museum and from his teachers during the 1970s and 1980s: J. Staněk, P. Povondra, F. Čech, M. Rieder, D. Němec, and, in particular, Petr Černý.



Milan's research activities broadly fell into three categories. First, the mineralogy, petrology, and geochemistry of granitic pegmatites generally. The granitic pegmatites of the Czech Republic (Moldanubian Zone, Silesicum, Lugićum) were favorites of Milan, along with localities from Canada, USA, Slovakia, Madagascar, Argentina, Sweden, and Poland. Second, the crystal chemistry, petrology, and geochemistry of minerals of the tourmaline supergroup and other boron-bearing minerals. His research was enhanced by the abundance of tourmaline in the Bohemian Massif and cooperation with Prof. Frank Hawthorne (and his Canadian students Winnipeg). Third, topics related to petrology, geology, and descriptive mineralogy. His experience of working at the Moravian Museum in Brno drove his study of the processes and minerals that form different, but highly attractive, forms of pegmatites, such as non-granitic pegmatites, eclogites, the evolution of Carboniferous clastic sediments, the geological setting of melagranites, environmental minerals, and secondary minerals.

NEW HOST AND IMPROVED PLATFORM FOR THE CANADIAN MINERALOGIST

We are pleased to announce that we have moved the content of our journal, *The Canadian Mineralogist*, to a new host with an improved platform.

Practically since the implementation of GeoScienceWorld, *The Canadian Mineralogist* has been hosted on the GeoScienceWorld platform. Until recently, content was only available to GSW subscribers. To provide access to Mineralogical Association of Canada subscribers, *The Canadian Mineralogist* was hosted on another HighWire platform. GeoScienceWorld recently implemented an option to provide access to individual titles. We decided to discontinue posting our content to two separate platforms and implement the access control from the GeoScienceWorld platform for our subscribers.

All subscribers now access *The Canadian Mineralogist* through GeoScienceWorld. This change from two platforms to one has required minimal effort from our institutional and individual subscribers to apply the change. But having just one platform will enhance customers' experience for accessing content in the future. For example, GeoScienceWorld recently implemented a more modern platform through the services of a new technology vendor, Silverchair, which offers plenty of new and redesigned features, which include the following:

- A more prominent search bar in the header, with a better format for Google Scholar indexing
- Search results displayed toward the top of the page
- More visible tool bar for easier access to drop down options
- Easily identifiable icons indicating accessible content.

UNDERGRADUATE AWARDS 2017–2018

The Mineralogical Association of Canada Undergraduate Student Awards are given annually to undergraduate students (2nd year of study or higher) at a recognized Canadian university or institute of higher education for excellence in one of the specialties supported by the society: mineralogy, crystallography, geochemistry, petrology, and mineral deposits. Congratulations to the following students who received this award in 2017–2018.

Erin Bohlender (University of Calgary)
 Joshua Boucher (University of Windsor)
 Laurestine L. Bradford (University of Toronto)
 Ryan J. Brigham (Brock University)
 Michelle R. Brooks (Douglas College)
 Kelsey Meghan Bulbuc (University of Alberta)
 Rebecca Canam (University of British Columbia)
 Ryan Desjarlais (University of Manitoba)
 Caitlin P. Fischer (Queen's University)
 François Fournier-Roy (Université Laval)
 Philippe Guertin, (Université du Québec à Montréal)
 Andrew Jedemann (Lakehead University)
 Kelsey Koerner (University of New Brunswick)
 Kim MacRae (University of British Columbia, Okanagan)
 Rae Lyn McClintock (University of Regina)
 Taylor Alexis McPherson (Brandon University)
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 Nikol M. Posnov (University of Western Ontario)
 Laura-Pier Perron-Desmeules (Université du Québec à Chicoutimi)
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 R, William Scott (Laurentian University)
 Crystal Smith (Acadia University)
 Casey C. Taylor (University of Victoria)
 Rachael Turner (St. Francis Xavier University)
 Leela Witvoet (Mount Royal University)
 Sean Wong (University of Waterloo)

UPCOMING GAC-MAC-IAH JOINT MEETING

Where Geosciences Converge

12–15 May 2019

Québec City, Quebec (Canada)

The Geological Association of Canada (GAC®), the Mineralogical Association of Canada (MAC) and the Canadian National Chapter of the International Association of Hydrogeologists (IAH-CNC) are currently preparing the GAC-MAC-IAH/CNC 2019 conference. So, please mark '12–15 May 2019' on your calendar so you won't miss this event! The conference will be held in historic Québec City, a UNESCO World Heritage site. Participants will have the opportunity to visit and discover the warmth and charms of this beautiful city and to explore its many attractive nearby natural sites. Under the theme "Where Geosciences Converge", the organizing committee wishes to promote collaboration and to stimulate discussion among geologists, mineralogists, petrologists, hydrogeologists, geophysicists and geochemists. The conference will comprise the following themes:

- Geosystems and hydro-geosystems
- Resources, energy and environment
- Data science for geosciences
- Geosciences and society
- General Sessions to include the following:
 - Mineralogy and crystallography
 - Igneous and metamorphic petrology
 - Sedimentology, stratigraphy and paleontology

- Geophysics
- Structural geology and tectonics
- General hydrogeology
- Glacial geology and geomorphology in Canada.

The plenary speakers will be:

- Barbara Sherwood Lollar (Professor, University of Toronto, Canada)
- Darrel Beaulieu (President and Chief Executive Officer of Denendeh Investment Incorporated, a for-profit investment group for the First Nations of the Northwest Territories);
- Guy Desharnais (Director of Mineral Resources Evaluation, Osisko Gold Royalties, Québec, Canada).

Call for Abstracts

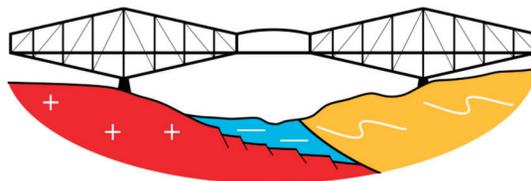
You are invited to submit your abstract electronically from **19 November 2018 through 28 January 2019** (submission details and information on symposia, special and general sessions, short courses, and field trips available at gacmacquebec2019.ca). Abstracts should be submitted in English or French. Once accepted, they will be published on-line prior to the conference. HOPE TO SEE YOU IN QUEBEC CITY!

STUDENT TRAVEL/RESEARCH GRANTS

The MAC awards travel and research grants to assist honors undergraduate and graduate students in the mineral sciences. For more information, see www.mineralogicalassociation.ca/. Deadline to apply: 15 January 2019.

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