

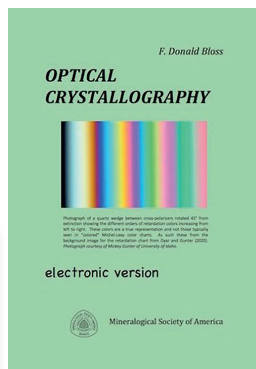
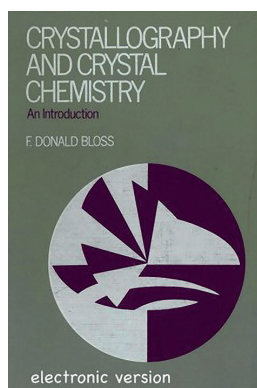


# International Mineralogical Association

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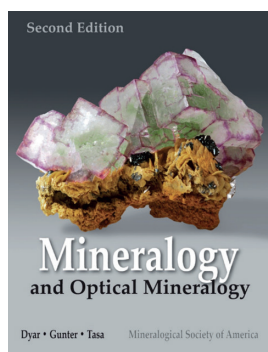
## F. DONALD BLOSS PUBLICATIONS NOW IN DIGITAL FORMAT

*Crystallography and Crystal Chemistry: An Introduction* and *Optical Crystallography* are both now available as watermarked downloadable pdfs. Both classics in their field and still in use after many years, these publications can be ordered through MinPubs.org.



## DID YOU KNOW?

- The *American Mineralogist* has been published from 1916 to the present day. All issues from 1916 through 1999 are available on MSA's website through the link "Online Access" to *American Mineralogist*.
- The images, animations, and videos that are part of the *Mineralogy & Optical Mineralogy* textbook (Dyar, Gunter, and Tasa, 2020) are on the MSA website under the "Publications/Textbook" pulldown menu. The full-color graphics are organized chapter-by-chapter and are easily identifiable through thumbnail illustrations on the website.



The 2020 International Mineralogical Association (IMA) Council Meeting and IMA Business Meeting were initially scheduled to take place during Fall 2020, during the 3<sup>rd</sup> European Mineralogical Conference (emc<sup>2020</sup>) in Kraków (Poland). However, the conference was postponed until August 2021 (<https://emc2020.ptmin.eu>) because of the global pandemic, and it was decided that the needs of our association and its membership would be best served by conducting the council and business meetings online – in the best traditions of our time! Between January 11<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>, members of the IMA Council met with one another and with national representatives from across 17 time zones to discuss the future of our association, the achievements of its committees and commissions, changes to the council membership, upcoming IMA meetings, and other timely topics. While we all would have preferred to interact in person (perhaps over a glass of Kraków nalewka), and some of us may not have been fully awake at 6 a.m. or it was well past our bedtime at 1 a.m., the meetings were a great success.



Snapshot of the January 2021 online IMA Council Meeting. **TOP ROW:** Patrick Cordier (Past President), Anhuai Lu (President), Hans-Peter Schertl (1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President), Anton Chakhmouradian (Communication Officer); **SECOND ROW:** Razvan Caracas (2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President), Travis Olds (Treasurer), Catherine McCammon (Councillor), Sergey Smirnov (Councillor); **THIRD ROW:** Marco Pasero (Councillor), Sylvie Demouchy (Secretary), Hiroaki Ohfuji (Councillor), Ross Angel (Councillor); **BOTTOM ROW:** Peter Burns (retiring Past President), Mark Welch and Jane Gilotti (retiring Councillors).

The IMA Council welcomed new Secretary Sylvie Demouchy and councillors Ross Angel and Hiroaki Ohfuji, and thanked its retiring members Peter C. Burns (former past president), Mark Welch, and Jane Gilotti. Anhuai Lu became IMA's nineteenth president, Patrick Cordier its past president, and Hans-Peter Schertl its first vice-president. Changes to the IMA Medal Committee were also approved (stay tuned at [www.ima-mineralogy.org](http://www.ima-mineralogy.org)). Incoming President Lu addressed the new council by reflecting on his first IMA conference experience in 1990 in Beijing (China), thanking the retiring and continuing councillors for their contributions, sharing his vision for new committees and working groups under the IMA umbrella, and expressing hope that China will make a successful bid to host the 2026 IMA General Meeting.

In the meantime, preparations are well underway for IMA 2022 in Lyon (France) under the leadership of Second Vice-President Razvan Caracas ([www.ima2022.fr](http://www.ima2022.fr)). Do not miss your chance to submit a proposal to the IMA 2022 Scientific Committee for an interesting session or a fieldtrip!