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ANNUAL MEETINGS OF THE PETROLOGY SECTION OF THE MINERALOGICAL SOCIETY OF POLAND

Since 1994, the Petrology Section of the Mineralogical Society of Poland (PTMin) has been organizing annual scientific sessions every October in various geologically interesting places across Poland, and sometimes even abroad. These sessions are a great opportunity to share what we're working on, present new research findings, engage in lively discussions, and plan collaborations. They're also important for bringing together petrologists from different academic centers.

This year's event, the 29th Session of the Petrology Section and the 10th Joint Session of PTMin, took place on October 16–20, 2024, in Bobrovec, Slovakia. It was organized by researchers from multiple institutions, including the AGH University of Science and Technology in Krakow, Uppsala University, the Swedish Museum of Natural History, the Polish Academy of Sciences, the Andalusian Institute of Earth Sciences, the Polish Geological Institute, Comenius University in Bratislava, and the Geological Club Bratislava. The organizing committee was chaired by Prof. Jarosław Majka, and the main theme was "Orogenic processes in the Western Carpathians and related mountain belts."

About 100 researchers from eight countries participated, presenting their work in 22 talks organized into eight thematic sessions (FIG. 1). These covered topics like the similarities and differences between the Western Carpathians and the Alps, granitoid magmatism, environmental geochemistry, mineralogy and petrology, and planetary geology. Additionally, 40 posters were presented (FIG. 1), and Prof. Vojtěch Janoušek conducted a workshop on his new GCDkit.Mineral software.

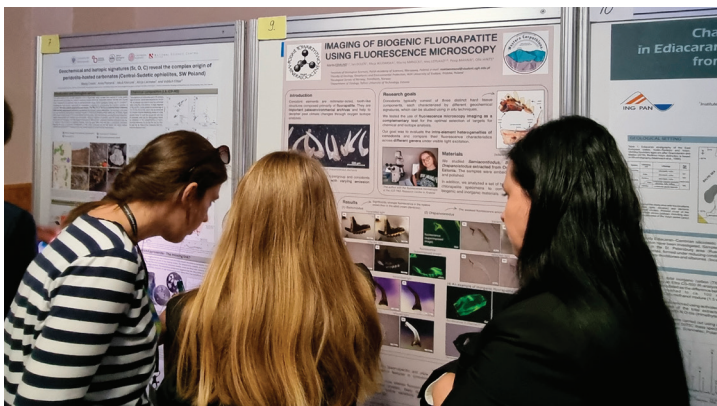


FIGURE 1 Participants of the 29th Session of the Petrology Section during the oral and poster sessions.



FIGURE 2 Winners of the Ryszard Kryza Awards for young researchers, accompanied by members of the judging committee and sponsors.

The invited speakers included Dušan Plašienka (Comenius University Bratislava), Vojtěch Janoušek (Czech Geological Survey), Marian Janák (Slovak Academy of Sciences), Igor Broska (Slovak Academy of Sciences), Alessia Borghini (AGH University of Krakow), Pavel Uher (Comenius University Bratislava), and Francesca Piccoli (University of Bern).

As is tradition, awards were given for the best oral presentation and poster by young researchers. A committee made up of members of the scientific board and PTMin management board selected the winners. The Ryszard Kryza Award went to Błażej Cieślak (University of Wrocław) for the best oral presentation and Daniel Buczko (University of Wrocław) for the best poster (FIG. 2). Each received a voucher worth 5,000 PLN, sponsored by Bureau Veritas, to cover the costs of chemical analysis.

The conference also included a field trip to the Western Tatras, led by Michał Bukała, Jarosław Majka, Marian Janák, Mateusz Mikołajczak, Ludwik de Doliwa Zieliński, and Jolanta Burda. They showcased the provenance and tectonometamorphic evolution of the rocks in the area (FIG. 3).



FIGURE 3 Participants of the 29th Session of the Petrology Section during the field trip.

The conference materials were published in Volume 51 of *Mineralogia – Special Papers*, which contains 130 pages, 56 abstracts, and descriptions of the six field trip stops.