

INTRODUCTION

Beryl, 15 x 7 x 5 cm.
Fersman Mineralogical Museum, No 84273

Chamber granite pegmatites, the terminology having been introduced by N.P. Ermakov, have other names: zanorysh (a term by Fersman), miarolitic, crystal-bearing, and pegmatites of shallow depths. The latter term is used in one of the presently accepted classifications for granite pegmatites, in which the first formation consists of hypabyssal pegmatites, formed at 1.5–3.5 km depth (Ginzburg *et al.*, 1970). They are a source of piezo-quartz, optical fluorite, also gems and specimens for collectors.

Figure 1
The region of Volynian chamber pegmatites.
Hatched area on the right-hand side image is shown
on Figure 2.1.1.





Entrance to the Museum of Precious and Decorative Stones, Volodarsk-Volynskiy, Ukraine, 2006

V.I. Kamenchuk, Director of the Museum of Precious and Decorative Stones (left), and V.I. Pavlishin, 2006

L.L. Vasyuk, Keeper of the Museum of Precious and Decorative Stones, 2006

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