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ABSTRACT

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INTRODUCTION

Zeolites were discovered more than two centuries ago, and nearly 50 distinct species now have been recognized. Numerous zeolites also have been synthesized, but most have no natural counterparts. Zeolites occur in rocks that are diverse in lithology and age, and they have formed in many different geological environments. The most common and perhaps best known zeolite occurrences are in the cavities and fractures of igneous rocks, particularly basaltic rocks. Most of the large, attractive zeolite specimens in museum collections have been obtained from igneous rocks. In recent years, zeolites have been recognized as important rock-forming constituents in low-grade metamorphic rocks and in various sedimentary rocks, particularly rocks that were originally rich in vitric material. The zeolites in sedimentary rocks are very finely crystalline and do not appeal to mineral collectors, but deposits of this type are voluminous and have economic potential for many industrial, environmental, and agricultural processes.

DESCRIPTION OF BIBLIOGRAPHY

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cannot be added with the demonstration disk. Searches can be made by author, year, title, journal, publisher, or keywords.

The keywords added to each bibliographic entry include the zeolite name as well as terms relating to the fields of geology, properties, and uses. Keywords under geology are the following: formation name and age of the host rock, lithology (includes tuff, sandstone, shale or mudstone, and carbonate), depositional environment (includes fluvial, lacustrine, marine, subaerial, soil, and hydrothermal or geothermal), location (includes country and state), and resources. The keywords under properties are the following: chemical composition, cell dimensions, refractive indices, cation exchange, adsorption, isotopes, heating, synthesis, and modification. Keywords under uses are the following: agriculture (includes plant, animal, and aquaculture), rad (radioactive) waste, pollution, energy, building materials, beneficiation, and health. Search items can be combined by using the Boolean And, Or, and Not features.


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