

Preface

The unexpected decease of Prof. Dr. GY. GRASSELLY touched not only the geochemical and petrographical scientific life but in several respect the Hungarian interdisciplinary research programs, in this way in an important measure our laboratory too.

It is a long time ago, that together with Dr. P. SIMONCSICS we started the investigation of the spore-pollen assemblages of the Hungarian manganese ore layers. These studies represented one part of the complex research program on the manganese ore layers organized by Prof. Dr. GY. GRASSELLY. The paper presented in this subject in this number is the last of this scientific cooperation. The first results on the spore-pollen assemblages of the celadonite layers of Úrkút, together with the supplementary investigations on the Shaft III in Úrkút, were the subject of our last, and unfinished discussions with Prof. Dr. GY. GRASSELLY. A very important scientific cooperation was broken.

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