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Towards Zn-Dominant Tourmaline: A Case of Zn-Rich Fluor-Elbaite and Elbaite from the Julianna System at Piława Górna, Lower Silesia, SW Poland

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Abstract: Tourmalines are a group of minerals which may concentrate various accessory components, e.g., Cu, Ni, Zn, Bi, Ti, and Sn. The paper presents fluor-elbaite and elbaite from a dyke of the Julianna pegmatitic system at Piława Górna, at the NE margin of the Bohemian Massif, SW Poland, containing up to 6.32 and 7.37 wt % ZnO, respectively. Such high amounts of ZnO are almost two times higher than in the second most Zn-enriched tourmaline known to date. The compositions of the Zn-rich tourmalines from Piława Górna, studied by electron micropropy and Raman spectroscopy, correspond to the formulae: ${}^{X}(Na_{0.733}Ca_{0.013}\Box_{0.254})_{\Sigma1}{}^{Y}(Al_{1.033}Li_{0.792})_{\Sigma1}{}^$ $Zn_{0.755}Fe^{2+}_{0.326}Mn_{0.094})_{\Sigma3}{}^{Z}Al_{6}({}^{T}Si_{6}O_{18})(BO_{3})_{3}{}^{V}(OH)_{3}{}^{W}(F_{0.654}OH_{0.344}), and {}^{X}(Na_{0.779}Ca_{0.015}\Box_{0.206})_{\Sigma1}$ ${}^{Y}(Al_{1.061}Li_{0.869}Zn_{0.880}Fe^{2+}{}_{0.098}Mn_{0.094})_{\Sigma3}{}^{Z}Al_{6}({}^{T}Si_{6}O_{18})(BO_{3})_{3}{}^{V}(OH)_{3}{}^{W}(OH_{0.837}F_{0.163}), \ respectively,$ with Zn as one of the main octahedral occupants. A comparison with other tourmalines and associated Zn-rich fluor-elbaite and elbaite from the pegmatite indicates that atypically high Zn-enrichment is not a result of Zn-Fe fractionation, but dissolution and reprecipitation induced by a late (Na,Li,B,F)-bearing fluid within the assemblage of gahnite spinel and primary schorl-type tourmaline. This strongly suggests Na-Li-B-F metasomatism of gahnite-bearing mineral assemblages as that is the only environment that can promote crystallization of a hypothetical Zn-dominant tourmaline. The compositions of the Zn-rich fluor-elbaite and elbaite suggest three possible end-members for such a hypothetical tourmaline species: NaZn₃Al₆(Si₆O₁₈)(BO₃)₃(OH), $\Box(Zn_2Al)Al_6(Si_6O_{18})(BO_3)_3(OH)_3(OH) \text{ and } Na(Zn_2Al)Al_6(Si_6O_{18})(BO_3)_3(OH)_3O \text{ by analogy}$ with other tourmalines with divalent Y occupants, such as schorl/foitite/oxy-schorl and dravite/magnesio-foitite/oxy-dravite.

Keywords: tourmaline; fluor-elbaite; elbaite; Zn-enrichment; electron microprobe; Raman spectroscopy; granitic pegmatites; Piława Górna; Sudetes

1. Introduction

Tourmalines are a supergroup of accessory minerals, common in various igneous, metamorphic and sedimentary rocks. They are complex borosilicates with the generalized chemical formula



 $XY_3Z_6(T_6O_{18})(BO_3)_3V_3W$ [1], where X, Y, Z, T, B, V (=O3) and W (=O1) denote structural sites occupied by:

X—Na⁺, K⁺, Ca²⁺, Pb²⁺, \Box (vacancy), Y—Fe²⁺, Mg²⁺, Mn²⁺, Al³⁺, Li⁺, Fe³⁺, Cr³⁺, V³⁺, Ti⁴⁺, Zn²⁺, Cu²⁺, Ni²⁺, ... Z—Al₃₊, Fe³⁺, Cr³⁺, V³⁺, Mg²⁺, Fe²⁺, ... T—Si⁴⁺, Al³⁺, B³⁺, B—B³⁺; V—OH⁻, O²⁻, W—OH⁻, F⁻, O²⁻.

An extremely complex chemical composition results in a number of minerals accepted as valid species by the Commission on New Minerals, Nomenclature and Classification of the International Mineralogical Association (IMA CNMNC), or reported but not IMA-approved, e.g., an unnamed Pb-dominant tourmaline (up to 17.5 wt % PbO; [2]). Varieties atypically enriched in other elements, which do not attain the status of the dominant component in any structural site in any tourmaline species, are also occasionally found. For example, apart from the relatively common (Fe²⁺, Mg²⁺, Mn²⁺, Al³⁺, Al³⁺+Li⁺, Fe³⁺, Cr³⁺ or V³⁺)-dominant tourmalines, there are also known crystals enriched in Ti⁴⁺ (up to 4.07 wt % TiO₂; [3]), Sn⁴⁺ (up to 0.42 wt % SnO₂; [4]), Bi³⁺ (up to 0.49 wt % Bi₂O₃; [5]), Cu²⁺ (up to 3.51 wt % CuO; [6]), Ni²⁺ (up to 3.96 wt % NiO; [7]), and Zn²⁺. Other admixtures may also be present although they do not attain such spectacular concentrations. Exceptional diversity of chemical composition results in numerous color varieties, and the most beautiful tourmaline crystals are precious gems. In geological sciences, tourmalines are highly treasured as records of a signature of the conditions and chemistry of their environments due to their (1) widespread occurrence and stability over a significant portion of the pressure-temperature-composition space of the crust; (2) accommodation of exceptional range of geochemically different elements; (3) response and reflection of physical and chemical formation conditions by their trace element and isotopic compositions and of element source-reservoirs; and (4) negligible intracrystalline element diffusion over geologic time, even at high temperatures [8].

Zinc is found in numerous tourmalines, although commonly at amounts not exceeding a few tenths of wt %. Rare findings of tourmalines with ZnO > 1 wt % have been reported, for instance, from Cross Lake, MB, Canada (1.24 wt %; [9]), Minas Gerais (1.72 wt %; [10]; 1.88 wt %; [11]) and Rio Grande do Norte (2.15 wt %; [12]; 2.43 wt %; [13]; 3.01 wt %; [14]) in Brazil, and from Congo (2.85 wt %; [15]). The most Zn-enriched tourmaline (3.83 wt % ZnO) has been described from Russia [16].

In this paper, we describe fluor-elbaite and elbaite with almost 7.5 wt % ZnO from the Julianna system of anatectic pegmatites at Piława Górna, Góry Sowie Block, SW Poland. We discuss their chemistry and Raman spectra especially in the range of OH vibrations, propose possible explanations for such high Zn enrichment and suggest the most probable environments for formation of even more Zn-rich crystals.

2. Geological Setting

Zinc-enriched tourmaline was found in a pegmatite of the Julianna pegmatitic system exposed in an amphibolite-migmatite quarry (50°42′11.77″ N, 16°44′12.36″ E) near Piława Górna, ~50 km southwest of Wrocław, SW Poland (Figures 1 and 2). The quarry is located in the Góry Sowie Block (GSB), a tectono-stratigraphic unit that is mostly built of a polymetamorphic metasedimentary-metavolcanic sequence and is situated at the north-eastern periphery of the Bohemian Massif in the European Variscides. The Piława Górna quarry exploits the migmatite-amphibolite rock deposit with over 320 millions Mt of estimated resources for crushing rocks aggregates. Migmatite accounts for about 72% of the raw rock and the rest is mainly amphibolite, with minor bodies of granitic pegmatite. The Julianna pegmatitic system is composed of coeval and cogenetic dykes, apophyses and lenticular bodies, up to 6–7 m thick, extending along 30–40 m in vertical section, 80–100 m in planar view

along a NNE–SSW running zone of strongly tectonized amphibolite [17]. The pegmatites show a broad range of textural differentiation from homogeneous and subhomogeneous to simply zoned bodies (border zone + wall zone + graphic intermediate zone + blocky-feldspar intermediate zone + quartz core \pm quartz-albite zone \pm spodumene–"lepidolite" core). Geochemical variability varies from primitive and moderately fractionated pegmatites, enriched in Nb-REE-Be-B and belonging to the NYF (niobium-yttrium-fluorine) pegmatitic family, to rare and much more strongly fractionated pods located in the axial parts of the largest dykes that contain Li-Cs-Ta-Be-B mineralization of the LCT (lithium-cesium-tantalum) type [17–20]. The pegmatites are formed mainly of microcline, Na-plagioclase, quartz, "biotite" and muscovite, accompanied by schorl, almandine-spessartine garnet and beryl. Rare-element mineralization of the prevalent NYF-affiliated pegmatites includes, among others, columbite-group minerals, ixiolite, ferrowodginite, samarskite-, euxenite- and fergusonite-group minerals, pyrochlore-supergroup minerals, cassiterite, ilmenite and titanite, gadolinite-group minerals, hellandite-(Y), keiviite-(Y), pilawite-(Y), allanite-group minerals, xenotime-(Y), and monazite-(Ce). Highly fractionated pods with the LCT-type mineralization contain, among others, "zinnwaldite", "lepidolite", a Cs-bearing dark mica, spodumene, pollucite, cassiterite, spessartine, tantalite-(Mn), minerals of the microlite group, elbaite-liddicoatite-rossmanite tourmaline, Cs-bearing beryl and pezzottaite. Mineralogy and petrography of the Julianna pegmatites have been systematically studied [17,19,21–23] and the occurrence is the type locality for pilawite-(Y), bohseite and żabińskiite [24–26].



Figure 1. Simplified geological map of the Góry Sowie Block with the location of the Piława Górna quarry (modified after Szuszkiewicz et al. [17]).

Dating of Julianna pegmatites gave an emplacement age of 377.6 ± 1.3 Ma [U-Th-Pb; monazite-(Ce)] and 380.7 ± 2.4 Ma (U-Pb-Th; uraninite) [20,27]. These ages point to their formation by the anatectic melting of the metasedimentary-metavolcanic GSB rocks during tectonic exhumation at 385-370 Ma [28–30]. Recent studies of trace elements in quartz from the Julianna pegmatites and their host rocks comply with this model and suggest that the pegmatite-forming melt was most probably

generated at pressures ~500 MPa, at a slightly greater depth than the present day exposure level [31]. The geochemical diversity of the metasedimentary-metavolcanic protolith, similar to paragneisses and amphibolites exposed in the Piława Górna quarry, is a plausible source for highly enriched partial melts with hybrid NYF + LCT characteristics.



Figure 2. A fragment of the Julianna pegmatitic system in a migmatite-amphibolite quarry at Piława Górna; (year 2010).

3. Occurrence

The pegmatite dyke with the Zn-rich tourmaline was exposed in the Piława Górna quarry in 2010, when it could be observed along a few tens of meters in horizontal section with a maximum thickness of ~3–4 m. The dyke showed typical zoning, and the assemblage of accessory minerals locates it as transitional between NYF- and LCT-type pegmatites. Fan-shaped aggregates of muscovite, a few centimeters in length, in the graphic zone are a characteristic feature of this pegmatite. Short prismatic crystals of light-grey-bluish beryl, up to 5 cm long, occur together with quartz in interstices among feldspar crystals in the blocky feldspar zone and in the quartz core [22]. The blocky feldspar zone and the quartz core contain also up to 7 cm long intergrowths and radial aggregates of black tourmaline, up to 4–5 cm large quartz–garnet (almandine–spessartine series) symplectitic intergrowths, a few centimeter sized books of pale greenish muscovite, relatively abundant cassiterite (up to 3 cm large) and columbite-group minerals (up to 4 cm in length), as well as subordinate, a few millimeter sized dark greenish crystals of gahnite. Lithium-bearing tourmalines were found only occasionally in the form of small, up to 2 cm long, dark green crystals within the books of greenish K-mica. Electron microprobe studies of the collected material reveal also the presence of columbite-(Fe) and columbite-(Mn), ferrowodginite and wodginite, various pyrochlore-supergroup minerals (fluorcalciomicrolite, hydroxylcalciomicrolite or kenocalciomicrolite, hydroxylplumbomicrolite or oxyplumbomicrolite, hydromicrolite and hydropyrochlore grading to zero-valence-dominant microlite and pyrochlore, and fluorcalcioroméite), Fe-bearing Cs-dominant dark mica, genthelvite, uraninite, monazite-(Ce), xenotime-(Y), cheralite, zircon, scheelite, sphalerite, ferronigerite and zinconigerite, lithiophilite, alluaudite, hydroxylapatite, mitridatite and other unrecognized phosphates, pucherite, and probably also cookeite and chamosite. Zinc-rich tourmaline was found only along the contact between adjacent pale greenish, transparent gahnite and primary schorl-type tourmaline evolving to secondary fluor-elbaite. This Zn-rich tourmaline, like other Li-tourmalines of the pegmatite system at Piława Górna, has no gemological value not only due to its very small dimensions and exceptional rarity, but mainly due to numerous inclusions and general nontransparency. Its pale greenish color originates from the presence of traces of Fe²⁺ and Mn²⁺, whereas Zn²⁺ as an element of the first transition series with electron configuration [Ar] 3d¹⁰4s² is not a coloring agent.

4. Methods

4.1. Electron Microprobe Analysis (EMPA)

Electron microprobe analyses of tourmalines and other rare minerals of the pegmatite were performed at the Inter-Institute Analytical Complex for Minerals and Synthetic Substances at the University of Warsaw, Poland, using a Cameca SX 100 electron microprobe (CAMECA, Cedex, France). Samples were prepared as 1-inch discs containing small fragments of the pegmatite with crystals designed for analyses, with grinded and polished surface. Polished surfaces of the discs were coated with carbon. Zinc-rich tourmaline was found during analyzing crystals of transparent, pale greenish gahnite associated with dark tourmaline. The microprobe operated in wavelength-dispersive mode under the following conditions: accelerating voltage of 15 kV, beam current of 10 nA, beam diameter of 2 μ m, peak count-time of 20 s, background time of 10 s. Standards, diffracting crystals, analytical lines and mean detection limits (in wt %) were as follows: fluorophlogopite—F (PC0, $K\alpha$, 0.12), albite—Na (TAP, $K\alpha$, 0.03), diopside—Mg (TAP, $K\alpha$, 0.02), Si (TAP, $K\alpha$, 0.03) and Ca (PET, $K\alpha$, 0.02), orthoclase—Al (TAP, $K\alpha$, 0.03) and K (PET, $K\alpha$, 0.02), rutile—Ti (LPET, $K\alpha$, 0.02), rhodonite—Mn (LIF, $K\alpha$, 0.09), hematite—Fe (LIF, $K\alpha$, 0.08), V₂O₅—V (LIF, $K\alpha$, 0.06), Cr₂O₃—Cr (LPET, $K\alpha$, 0.02), and sphalerite—Zn (LIF, $K\alpha$, 0.09). The raw data were reduced with the PAP routine of Pouchou and Pichoir [32].

Atomic contents were normalized to 15 Y + Z + T atoms per formula unit (*apfu*) for schorl-type tourmalines with Y + Z > 9 *apfu* (Li_{calc.} = 0 *apfu*), and on the basis of 6 Si *apfu* for Li-bearing tourmalines, with B₂O₃ calculated with the assumption of 3 B *apfu*, Li = 9 – (Y + Z)_{EMPA} *apfu*, where (Y + Z)_{EMPA} denotes the total of all octahedral Y- and Z-site occupants determined by EMPA, Fe_{total} = Fe²⁺, and H₂O occurring as OH groups calculated by stoichiometry based on electroneutrality of the formulae. For analyses showing OH + F > 4 *apfu* due to excesses of microprobe determined SiO₂ (quartz nanoinclusions), the amount of the component was reduced to a value for which the stoichiometric OH + F = 4 *apfu* was achieved, i.e., the highest content accepted for the tourmaline structure. The estimation of the Li₂O amounts from EMPA on the basis of a multiple regression equation given by Pesquera et al. [33] is not applicable in our case, because the calculated Li₂O amount seems to be ZnO dependent for high ZnO contents (Figure 3). Comparing the contents of Li₂O obtained from our calculation procedure and the amounts from the regression equation by Pesquera et al. [33], all data points corresponding to Zn-rich tourmaline deviate distinctly from the 1:1 trend and, in our opinion it is due to high contents of ZnO, a component which was not included as an important independent variable in the multiple regression by Pesquera et al. [33].



Figure 3. Covariation between wt % Li₂O of fluor-elbaite and elbaite calculated on the basis of the used normalization vs. amounts calculated from the regression equation of Pesquera et al. [33]. Symbols: dark squares—analyses with ZnO < 1.20 wt %, grey diamonds—analyses with ZnO > 3.50 wt %.

4.2. Raman Spectroscopy

Raman spectra were collected in back-scattered geometry at the Faculty of Materials Science and Ceramics, AGH UST, Cracow, Poland, with a Horiba Labram HR spectrometer integrated with an Olympus BX 40 confocal microscope equipped with a Nd: YAG, 532 nm (10 mW) laser and 1800 g/mm grating. The spectra were recorded in the range 4000–50 cm⁻¹ on randomly oriented surfaces of crystals mounted in epoxy resin in a 1-inch disc that was used also for EMPA studies. The Raman measurements were carried out with an estimated analytical spot size of ~1 μ m, the microscope magnification 100×, an acquisition time of 600 s and accumulation of 2 scans. Calibration was done using the 520.7 cm⁻¹ line of Si, and for deconvolution of the recorded spectra we used the commercially available program SPECTRA-CALCTM (sc) [34].

5. Results

5.1. Primary Tourmalines

The only tourmalines discernible by naked eye in hand specimens are a few centimeters large, black, and sometimes radially intergrown crystals of primary schorl (Tur I; the used abbreviations for mineral names according to Whitney and Evans [35]). The crystals display almost constant FeO contents [13.27(30)–12.66(29) wt %; 1.88(4)–1.81(4) Fe *apfu* on average] and small Si deficiency [5.97(2) and 5.94(3) Si *apfu*, respectively] (Table 1). However, they show some heterogeneity in other chemical components as well as some Mn-Fe fractionation. The most primitive variety is Tur IA, with Mn/(Mn + Fe) = 0.010(2), and depletion in Al [6.14(6) *apfu* on average]. More evolved, is Tur IB that show Mn/(Mn + Fe) = 0.029(14)–0.034(4), and much higher Al content of 6.79(11)–6.91(4) *apfu*. Compared to Tur IB, Tur IA is also enriched in Na [0.66(3) vs. 0.58(3)–0.54(5) *apfu*] and Mg [0.81(6) vs. 0.26(11)–0.23(5) *apfu*], and shows higher contents of such trace components as Ca [0.09(2) vs. 0.01(1) *apfu*] and Ti [0.14(4) vs. 0.011(4) *apfu*], and lower amounts of Mn [0.020(4) vs. 0.056(26) *apfu*] and Zn [0.009(8) vs. 0.038(12) *apfu*]. Fluorine contents are almost the same in Tur IA and Tur IB [0.08(3) vs. 0.07(4)–0.12(2) *apfu*, respectively] and the *W* site in both types of schorl is dominated by monovalent anions (OH⁻ + F⁻) with OH⁻ > F⁻, with slightly increasing ^WO²⁻ in the more evolved variety [0.24(5) vs. 0.36(9) *apfu* in Tur IA and Tur IB, respectively].

5.2. Secondary Dark Bluish Li-Bearing Tourmaline in Quartz

Anhedral inclusions (<1 mm) of dark bluish Li-bearing tourmaline (Tur IIA) in quartz, replacing schorl and fluor-schorl, are discernible under a stereomicroscope or in back-scattered-electron (BSE) images. The schorl-type primary tourmaline is slightly enriched in Li₂O (up to ~0.61 wt %; 0.404 Li *apfu*) (Table 2; anal. 223/9 and 217/3). However, low contents of Ca (0.006–0.021 *apfu*) and Ti (up to 0.019 *apfu*), depletion in Fe down to 1.400 *apfu*, enrichment in Al (6.834–7.030 *apfu*), Mn (0.098–0.173 *apfu*) and Zn (0.059–0.069 *apfu*; 0.49–0.56 wt % ZnO), as well as the degree of Mn-Fe fractionation [Mn/(Mn + Fe) = 0.066–0.103] indicate that it corresponds to the primary Al-bearing Tur IB. The ^WO^{2–} content in this tourmaline reaches 0.46 *apfu*.

Secondary Tur IIA represents elbaite and fluor-elbaite with rather constant Na (0.721-0.802 apfu). Compared to its Tur IB precursor, it has generally higher, although partly overlapping Mn/(Mn + Fe) ratio of 0.079–0.183, similar or slightly higher contents of Al (up to 7.069 *apfu*) and Mn (0.091-0.170 apfu), a noticeable increase of Zn (0.044-0.141 apfu; up to 1.17 wt % ZnO), decrease of Fe (down to 0.704 apfu) and constant low contents of Ca (0.026-0.043 apfu), Mg (up to 0.011 apfu) and Ti (up to 0.010 apfu). Lithium can increase up to 0.941 apfu and F up to 0.676 apfu.

anta	Tur IA Sample 224	Tur IB Sample 226				
арји	<i>n</i> = 13	<i>n</i> = 13	<i>n</i> = 54			
SiO ₂	35.21(25)	35.11(27)	34.84(28)			
TiO ₂	1.11(30)	0.09(3)	0.10(3)			
$B_2O_{3(calc)}$	10.25(6)	10.26(4)	10.19(6)			
Al_2O_3	30.86(38)	34.28(48)	34.38(32)			
FeO	13.27(30)	13.04(31)	12.66(29)			
MnO	0.14(3)	0.39(18)	0.45(6)			
MgO	3.19(23)	1.03(43)	0.89(18)			
ZnO	0.07(06)	0.30(10)	0.27(4)			
CaO	0.48(10)	0.06(6)	0.03(2)			
Na ₂ O	2.01(10)	1.77(10)	1.64(14)			
K ₂ O	0.04(2)	0.03(1)	0.04(1)			
H_2O	3.25(6)	3.16(11)	3.07(5)			
F ₂	0.14(7)	0.14(8)	0.23(3)			
$-O=F_2$	-0.06(3)	-0.06(4)	-0.10(1)			
Total	99.96(56)	99.60(44)	98.68(59)			
apfu						
^X Na ⁺	0.660(33)	0.582(33)	0.544(48)			
$^{X}K^{+}$	0.009(4)	0.006(2)	0.008(1)			
^X Ca ²⁺	0.087(18)	0.010(11)	0.006(3)			
x	0.244(42)	0.402(40)	0.443(49)			
ΣΧ	1.000	1.000	1.000			
Mg ²⁺	0.806(57)	0.261(107)	0.227(46)			
Fe ²⁺	1.882(43)	1.847(41)	1.807(43)			
Mn ²⁺	0.020(4)	0.056(26)	0.064(8)			
Zn ²⁺	0.009(8)	0.038(12)	0.034(5)			
Al ³⁺	6.142(63)	6.787(108)	6.912(37)			
Ti ⁴⁺	0.142(39)	0.011(4)	0.013(4)			
$\Sigma(Y + Z)$	9.000	9.000	9.000			
^B B ³⁺	3.000	3.000	3.000			
^T Si ⁴⁺	5.973(22)	5.945(36)	5.943(34)			
^T Al ³⁺	0.027(22)	0.055(36)	0.057(34)			
ΣT	6.000	6.000	6.000			
0	27.000	27.000	27.000			
VOH-	3.000	3.000	3.000			
$^{W}O^{2-}$	0.241(53)	0.363(85)	0.386(51)			
WOH-	0.683(62)	0.565(117)	0.491(51)			
$w_{F^{-}}$	0.076(35)	0.073(45)	0.123(16)			
ΣW	1.000	1.000	1.000			
Mn#	0.010(2)	0.029(14)	0.034(4)			
Zn#	0.005(4)	0.020(6)	0.019(3)			
Zn1#	0.011(2)	0.043(17)	0.046(4)			

Table 1. Average compositions of primary schorl-type tourmaline.

Mn# = Mn/(Mn + Fe); Zn# = Zn/(Zn + Fe); Zn1# = (Zn + Mn)/(Zn + Mn + Fe + Mg); *n*—number of analyses; calc.—calculate. Data in parentheses denote standard deviations.

5.3. Secondary Dark Greenish Fluor-Elbaite in Muscovite Books

Dark greenish translucent Li-tourmaline (Tur IIB) is extremely rare, although relatively large, with euhedral crystals being up to 2 cm in length and 0.5 cm in diameter. In spite of the differences in color and size, the crystals are compositionally close to Tur IIA, except that the most Fe-enriched domains with 8.24–7.39 wt % FeO (1.141–1.013 Fe *apfu*) are even more Al-enriched (up to 7.293 *apfu*) (Table 2). With increasing Mn-Fe fractionation [Mn/(Mn + Fe) = 0.082–0.161], Tur IIB shows a decrease of Fe down to 0.684 *apfu*, coupled with an increase of Al and Mn up to 7.315 *apfu* and 0.131 *apfu*, respectively. Simultaneously, the calculated Li content increases from 0.526 *apfu* to

0.875 *apfu*. The amounts of Mg and Ti are negligible, 0.014–0.038 *apfu* and 0.006–0.012 *apfu*, respectively. The contents of Zn vary randomly (0.13–0.93 wt % ZnO; up to 0.111 Zn *apfu*), although generally, they increase in sectors with higher Mn-Fe fractionation degrees. With fluorine contents from 0.382 up to 0.591 *apfu* and $^{W}OH^{-} << ^{W}F^{-}$, Tur IIB classifies as fluor-elbaite. Only several Al-poorest and Fe-richest compositions, with lowest measured F and calculated Li contents and $^{W}O^{2-} > ^{W}F^{-} + ^{W}OH^{-}$, might be classified as Fe-bearing darrelhenryite [the end-member composition Na(LiAl₂)Al₆B₃Si₆O₂₇(OH)₃O].

. 0/	Tur IIA					Tur IIB				
Wt %	223/9	217/3	217/4	217/6	217/5	112/28	112/23	112/16	112/17	112/20
SiO ₂	36.36	35.68	37.00	36.77	36.73	36.25	36.64	37.03	37.13	37.45
TiO ₂	0.03	0.15	0.07	0.07	0.02	0.19	0.07	0.08	0.08	0.08
$B_2O_{3(calc.)}$	10.53	10.34	10.72	10.65	10.64	10.50	10.61	10.73	10.76	10.85
Al ₂ O ₃	35.14	35.47	36.12	36.71	36.64	36.60	37.79	37.97	38.09	38.74
FeO	10.96	9.95	8.64	5.44	5.52	8.24	7.49	6.53	5.67	5.10
MnO	1.24	0.69	0.73	0.90	0.99	0.73	0.69	0.85	0.82	0.97
MgO	0.05	0.07	0.08	0.03	0.02	0.13	0.13	0.10	0.11	0.13
ZnO	0.49	0.56	0.49	1.03	1.17	0.17	0.13	0.38	0.93	0.57
CaO	0.03	0.12	0.18	0.17	0.15	0.60	0.07	0.10	0.12	0.15
Li ₂ O(calc.)	0.61	0.54	1.14	1.43	1.38	0.82	0.80	1.03	1.11	1.18
Na ₂ O	1.74	2.17	2.38	2.54	2.51	2.28	2.35	2.52	2.41	2.47
K ₂ O	0.02	0.04	0.05	0.02	0.00	0.03	0.02	0.00	0.03	0.00
$H_2O_{(calc.)}$	3.49	2.87	3.32	3.28	3.08	2.74	2.80	2.82	2.89	2.95
F ₂	0.27	0.61	0.80	0.83	1.25	0.73	0.75	1.03	1.05	0.90
O=F2	-0.12	-0.26	-0.34	-0.35	-0.53	-0.31	-0.32	-0.43	-0.44	-0.38
Total	100.85	99.00	101.37	99.53	99.58	99.69	100.04	100.73	100.74	101.15
apfu										
^X Na ⁺	0.558	0.708	0.750	0.802	0.794	0.731	0.746	0.793	0.753	0.767
$^{X}K^{+}$	0.005	0.008	0.010	0.004	0.000	0.006	0.004	0.000	0.006	0.000
^X Ca ²⁺	0.006	0.021	0.031	0.029	0.026	0.106	0.012	0.018	0.020	0.025
x	0.431	0.264	0.209	0.165	0.180	0.157	0.239	0.189	0.220	0.207
ΣΧ	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
Li^+	0.404	0.365	0.741	0.941	0.906	0.543	0.528	0.670	0.721	0.761
Mg ²⁺	0.013	0.018	0.018	0.000	0.005	0.031	0.031	0.024	0.026	0.031
Fe ²⁺	1.513	1.400	1.171	0.742	0.754	1.141	1.026	0.885	0.767	0.684
Mn ²⁺	0.173	0.098	0.101	0.124	0.137	0.102	0.096	0.116	0.112	0.131
Zn ²⁺	0.059	0.069	0.058	0.124	0.141	0.021	0.016	0.045	0.111	0.067
Al ³⁺	6.834	7.030	6.902	7.060	7.054	7.139	7.293	7.250	7.253	7.315
Ti ⁴⁺	0.003	0.019	0.008	0.009	0.003	0.024	0.009	0.010	0.010	0.010
$\Sigma(Y + Z)$	9.000	9.000	9.000	9.000	9.000	9.000	9.000	9.000	9.000	9.000
^B B ³⁺	3.000	3.000	3.000	3.000	3.000	3.000	3.000	3.000	3.000	3.000
^T Si ⁴⁺	6.000	6.000	6.000	6.000	6.000	6.000	6.000	6.000	6.000	6.000
0	27.000	27.000	27.000	27.000	27.000	27.000	27.000	27.000	27.000	27.000
VOH-	3.000	3.000	3.000	3.000	3.000	3.000	3.000	3.000	3.000	3.000
$^{W}O^{2-}$	0.011	0.462	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.593	0.555	0.429	0.351	0.392
WOH-	0.846	0.214	0.589	0.570	0.355	0.024	0.054	0.044	0.113	0.153
^w F ⁻	0.143	0.324	0.411	0.430	0.645	0.382	0.391	0.527	0.536	0.455
ΣW	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
Mn#	0.103	0.066	0.079	0.143	0.154	0.082	0.086	0.116	0.127	0.161
Zn#	0.038	0.047	0.047	0.143	0.158	0.018	0.016	0.048	0.127	0.089
Zn1#	0.132	0.106	0.118	0.251	0.268	0.095	0.096	0.151	0.220	0.217
	Sch	F-sch	Elb	Elb	F-elb	Dh	Dh	F-elb	F-elb	F-elb

Table 2. Representative compositions of dark bluish (Tur IIA) and dark green (Tur IIB) tournaline.

 $\label{eq:main_scheme} \begin{array}{l} Mn\# = Mn/(Mn+Fe); Zn\# = Zn/(Zn+Fe); Zn1\# = (Zn+Mn)/(Zn+Mn+Fe+Mg); Abbreviations: Sch—schorl, F-sch—fluor-schorl, Elb—elbaite, Dh—darrelhenryite, F-elb—fluor-elbaite; 223/9—sample ID/analysis number, calc.—calculate. \end{array}$

5.4. Zn-Rich Tourmaline from Gahnite Dissolution—Fluor-Elbaite + Elbaite Reprecipitation Zones

Zn-rich tourmaline (Tur III) was found as a secondary phase in a metasomatically altered assemblage of adjacent Tur IB (oxy-schorl to fluor-schorl) and gahnite. Highly fractionated pale greenish gabnite with composition $Zn(Al_{1.98}Fe^{3+}_{0.02})O_4$ [Zn/(Zn + Fe) = 0.965(3)], typically occurs as fractured crystals, up to a few hundred micrometers in size, that are partly overgrown by Tur III (Figure 4). Tur IB is usually largely dissolved and replaced by Tur IIIA (Zn-rich fluor-elbaite), forming clearly zoned crystals up to 1 millimeter in size (Figure 4). Compositional maps (Figure 5) present elemental distribution of Fe, Mn, Zn and Al in two areas, in which Zn-enriched tourmaline was detected. In both cases, Fe concentration decreases gradually, coupled with increasing Zn and Al from the center of the zoned crystals outwards (i.e., from Tur IB to Tur IIIA) and towards the adjacent gahnite. A local increase in Mn content in Tur IIIA is also marked. Tur IIIB (Zn-rich elbaite) occurs only as tiny domains, with the highest Zn concentration marked in Figure 5 (Zn) as yellowish points within the greenish matrix of Tur IIIA. The Zn-rich fluor-elbaite (Tur IIIA) and elbaite (Tur IIIB) appear only along the gahnite margins as a discontinuous zone with a maximum thickness of $\sim 100 \,\mu m$. Secondary Tur III sometimes contains relics of the primary Tur IB and numerous inclusions of mainly quartz and albite, sometimes gahnite, and very rarely sphalerite. Table 3 presents representative analyses of primary tourmaline and both secondary Zn-rich tourmalines. The chemical compositions of Tur IB in the gahnite-tourmaline assemblage do not differ from typical compositions of primary schorl Tur IB (Table 1). Tur IIIA corresponds to fluor-elbaite with 0.535–0.658 apfu F and contains 6.993–7.051 apfu Al, 0.256–0.567 apfu Fe and 0.082–0.113 apfu Mn. Tur IIIB, on the other hand, classifies as elbaite with 0.163–0.388 apfu F, and has slightly higher contents of Al (7.042–7.150 apfu), and similar amounts of Fe (0.058–0.198 apfu) and Mn (0.054–0.097 apfu). Magnesium and Ti are below detection limits in both secondary tourmalines.



Figure 4. Back-scattered-electron images of Zn-rich tourmaline (Tur III): (**a**) Tur III overgrowing gahnite; (**b**,**c**) Tur III overgrowing primary schorl-type Tur IB and Tur IB1; (**d**) a zone of Tur III around gahnite. Abbreviations: Ab—albite, Qz—quartz, Ghn—gahnite, Tur IB—primary, schorl-type tourmaline, Tur IB1—fluor-schorl, Tur III—Zn-rich fluor-elbaite.

	Tur IB	Tur IB1		Tur IIIA				Tur IIIB		
wt %	225/1	225/2	225/3	225/4	225/5	225/6	225/7	225/8	225/9	225/10
SiO ₂	34.96	35.83	36.73	37.08	37.03	37.05	36.61	37.25	36.79	37.11
TiO ₂	0.18	0.06	0.03	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
$B_2O_{3(calc.)}$	10.13	10.38	10.64	10.74	10.73	10.73	10.61	10.79	10.66	10.75
Al ₂ O ₃	33.57	35.08	36.48	36.98	36.83	37.17	36.86	37.67	36.99	37.05
FeO	13.27	9.76	3.21	1.92	2.40	1.26	1.17	0.62	0.51	0.71
MnO	0.82	1.06	0.72	0.76	0.68	0.52	0.60	0.48	0.54	0.69
MgO	0.18	0.06	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
ZnO	0.93	1.66	4.73	5.68	6.32	6.67	6.72	6.87	6.97	7.37
CaO	0.03	0.06	0.10	0.10	0.08	0.02	0.04	0.02	0.02	0.08
Li ₂ O _(calc.)	0.00	0.49	1.32	1.39	1.22	1.33	1.25	1.37	1.38	1.34
Na ₂ O	1.99	2.15	2.52	2.62	2.33	2.43	2.16	2.33	2.50	2.49
K ₂ O	0.03	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.00
$H_2O_{(calc.)}$	2.80	2.97	3.12	3.14	3.09	3.39	3.33	3.50	3.48	3.56
F ₂	0.52	0.68	1.17	1.19	1.28	0.65	0.69	0.47	0.42	0.32
-O=F ₂	-0.22	-0.29	-0.49	-0.50	-0.54	-0.28	-0.29	-0.20	-0.18	-0.13
Total	99.19	99.95	100.26	101.10	101.45	100.96	99.77	101.16	100.08	101.32
apfu										
^x Na ⁺	0.664	0.698	0.799	0.822	0.733	0.764	0.688	0.727	0.791	0.779
XK^+	0.007	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.004	0.000	0.000	0.000
^X Ca ²⁺	0.005	0.011	0.017	0.016	0.013	0.004	0.006	0.003	0.003	0.015
x	0.324	0.292	0.184	0.162	0.254	0.232	0.302	0.269	0.206	0.206
ΣΧ	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
Li ⁺	0.000	0.331	0.865	0.906	0.792	0.867	0.824	0.884	0.906	0.869
Mg ²⁺	0.047	0.015	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Fe ²⁺	1.904	1.367	0.439	0.260	0.326	0.170	0.161	0.084	0.075	0.098
Mn ²⁺	0.120	0.151	0.099	0.104	0.094	0.071	0.083	0.065	0.070	0.094
Zn ²⁺	0.117	0.205	0.570	0.679	0.755	0.798	0.813	0.817	0.840	0.880
Al ³⁺	6.789	6.924	7.023	7.051	7.033	7.095	7.119	7.150	7.109	7.061
Ti ⁴⁺	0.023	0.007	0.004	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
$\Sigma(Y + Z)$	9.000	9.000	9.000	9.000	9.000	9.000	9.000	9.000	9.000	9.000
^B B ³⁺	3.000	3.000	3.000	3.000	3.000	3.000	3.000	3.000	3.000	3.000
¹ Si ⁴⁺	6.000	6.000	6.000	6.000	6.000	6.000	6.000	6.000	6.000	6.000
0	27.000	27.000	27.000	27.000	27.000	27.000	27.000	27.000	27.000	27.000
VOH-	3.000	3.000	3.000	3.000	3.000	3.000	3.000	3.000	3.000	3.000
^W O ²⁻	0.515	0.327	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
WOH-	0.201	0.313	0.398	0.389	0.344	0.665	0.643	0.759	0.785	0.837
[₩] F [−]	0.284	0.360	0.602	0.611	0.656	0.335	0.357	0.241	0.215	0.163
ΣW	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
Mn#	0.059	0.099	0.184	0.286	0.223	0.293	0.340	0.439	0.517	0.495
Zn#	0.058	0.130	0.565	0.723	0.699	0.824	0.835	0.907	0.923	0.901
Zn1#	0.108	0.205	0.604	0.751	0.723	0.836	0.848	0.913	0.929	0.910
	O-sch	F-sch	F-elb	F-elb	F-elb	Elb	Elb	Elb	Elb	Elb

Table 3. Representative compositions of tourmalines of the Zn-rich assemblage.

 $\label{eq:main_state} \hline Mn\# = Mn/(Mn + Fe); \\ Zn\# = Zn/(Zn + Fe); \\ Zn1\# = (Zn + Mn)/(Zn + Mn + Fe + Mg). \\ Abbreviations: O-sch-oxy-schorl, \\ F-sch-fluor-schorl, \\ F-elb-fluor-elbaite, \\ Elb-elbaite. \\ 225/1-sample ID/analysis number, \\ calc.-calculate. \\ \hline Sch-fluor-schorl, \\ F-elb-fluor-schorl, \\ F-elb$



Figure 5. Fe-, Mn-, Zn- and Al-mapping for two occurrences of Zn-rich tourmaline (compare with Figure 3). Abbreviations of mineral names as in Figure 4. Color scale of increasing concentrations of the elements: dark blue–blue–green–yellow–orange–red–purple–white.

The content of Zn, generally below 0.20 *apfu* in primary Tur IB, increases up to 0.755 Zn *apfu* (6.32 wt % ZnO) in Tur IIIA and up to 0.880 Zn *apfu* (7.37 wt % ZnO) in Tur IIIB. Thus, in the absence of Mg, the content of bivalent cations Zn + Fe²⁺ + Mn²⁺ varies from 0.990 to 1.175 *apfu* in Tur IIIA and from 0.933 to 1.148 *apfu* in Tur IIIB, with Zn >> Fe²⁺ > Mn²⁺. However, because in all acquired compositions Zn + Fe²⁺ + Mn²⁺ <1.5 *apfu*, they do not correspond to Zn-dominant tourmaline of the hypothetical formula NaZn₃Al₆B₃Si₆O₂₇(OH)₃(OH) (Figure 6). This hypothetical end-member reaches the maximum content of about 40 mol %, and Zn can only be the most important second-rank component in the tourmalines. The most Zn-enriched compositions yield the formulae: ${}^{X}(Na_{0.733}Ca_{0.013}\Box_{0.254})_{\Sigma1}{}^{Y}(Al_{1.033}Li_{0.792}Zn_{0.755}Fe^{2+}_{0.326}Mn_{0.094})_{\Sigma3}{}^{Z}Al_{6}({}^{T}Si_{6}O_{18})(BO_{3})_{3}{}^{V}(OH)_{3}{}^{W}(F_{0.654}OH_{0.344})$ for Tur IIIA and ${}^{X}(Na_{0.779}Ca_{0.015}\Box_{0.206})_{\Sigma1}{}^{Y}(Al_{1.061}Li_{0.869}Zn_{0.880}Fe^{2+}_{0.098}Mn_{0.094})_{\Sigma3}{}^{Z}Al_{6}({}^{T}Si_{6}O_{18})(BO_{3})_{3}{}^{V}(OH)_{3}{}^{W}(F_{0.654}OH_{0.344})$ for Tur IIIA and ${}^{X}(Na_{0.779}Ca_{0.015}\Box_{0.206})_{\Sigma1}{}^{Y}(Al_{1.061}Li_{0.869}Zn_{0.880}Fe^{2+}_{0.098}Mn_{0.094})_{\Sigma3}{}^{Z}Al_{6}({}^{T}Si_{6}O_{18})(BO_{3})_{3}{}^{V}(OH_{0.837}F_{0.163})$ for Tur IIIB.

The extent of Mn-Fe fractionation increases from Tur IIIA to Tur IIIB, with Mn/(Mn+Fe) ranging from 0.166 to 0.286 and from 0.293 to 0.517, respectively. However, because Zn fractionates along with Mn, the ratio (Mn + Zn)/(Mn + Zn + Fe + Mg) is a better fractionation index yielding, respectively, 0.490–0.759 and 0.827–0.938.



Figure 6. Compositional plots of tourmalines from the pegmatite that contain Zn-rich fluor-elbaite and Zn-rich elbaite in the system: (**a**) schorl+tsilaisite—elbaite—hypothetical Zn-tourmaline; (**b**) Fe–Mn–Zn, showing relationships between second-rank divalent Y-site occupants. Symbols: dark crosses—primary schorl-type tourmaline Tur I, dark blue circles—inclusions of dark blue elbaite and fluor-elbaite (Tur IIA), dark green circles—green fluor-elbaite from mica books (Tur IIB), green diamonds—Zn-rich fluor-elbaite (Tur IIIA), pale green diamonds—Zn-rich elbaite (Tur IIIB), violet triangles—Zn-bearing tourmalines from the mineralogical literature [10–14,16].

5.5. Compositional Relationships

Figure 7 presents variations in concentrations of the most important elements in the tourmalines as functions of Mn + Zn fractionation expressed by the ratio (Mn + Zn)/(Mn + Zn + Mg + Fe). Mafic elements, such as Mg, Fe²⁺ and Ti display rather coherent decreasing trends (Figure 7a–c). While present as minor components in Tur IA, Mg and Ti disappear in Tur IB, and may be present only as traces in more fractionated Tur II and Tur III. Iron decreases rapidly from Tur IA to Tur IIB, reaching a relatively constant content of ~0.70–0.75 apfu. Tur III shows a further steady decrease down to 0.058 Fe apfu along with Mn + Zn fractionation. Calcium, a subordinate component in Ti-bearing Tur IA, decreases very rapidly to a trace level in Tur IB (Figure 7d). However, there is a weak increase in Tur IIA–IIB at the (Mn + Zn)/(Mn + Zn + Mg + Fe) of 0.30–0.40, followed by a regular decrease in more fractionated compositions. Zinc, Mn, ^YAl, Na and F show, at least partly, opposite tendencies (Figure 7e-i). There is a sharp increase of Mn and Al contents in Tur I owing to Mn-Fe fractionation, as well as dehydroxylation and alkali-vacant substitutions: $Al^{3+} + O^{2-} \rightarrow {}^{Y}(Fe,Mg)^{2+} + OH^{-}$ and $AI^{3+} + \Box \rightarrow {}^{Y}(Fe,Mg)^{2+} + {}^{X}Na^{+}$, respectively. In Zn-poor Tur IIA and Tur IIB, both components fluctuate around values of 0.10–0.15 Mn apfu and ~1.0–1.3 Al apfu. The appearance of Li in tourmaline (from Tur IB to Tur III) changes the compositional relationships between ^YAl and divalent Y-site cations due to the coupled substitution $Li^+ + Al^{3+} + F^- \rightarrow 2 {}^{Y}Fe^{2+} + {}^{W}OH^-$ at the Y and W sites. This leads to the crystallization of fluor-elbaite and elbaite (some compositions of Tur II). As a result, Al, Li and $Fe^{2+} + Mn^{2+} + Zn$ become the only significant Y-site occupants in more fractionated tourmalines. Further compositional evolution is a result of local fluctuation among activities of these components, especially due to dissolution and reprecipitation caused by the (Na,Li,F,B)-enriched fluid, and Mn + Zn vs. Fe fractionation.

With fractionation, zinc forms a well-defined increasing trend (Figure 7e), reaching 0.020 *apfu* (0.16 wt % ZnO) in Tur IA, 0.061 *apfu* (0.48 wt % ZnO) in Tur IB, 0.141 *apfu* (1.17 wt % ZnO) in Tur IIA, and 0.111 *apfu* (0.93 wt % ZnO) in Tur IIB. Dissolution of gahnite and primary Tur IB and crystallization of secondary Zn-rich Tur III are marked by a sharp increase of Zn content up to 6.32 wt % ZnO (0.755 Zn *apfu*) in Tur IIIA and to 7.37 wt % (0.880 Zn *apfu*) in Tur IIIB. The stage of atypically high enrichment in Zn in these tourmalines is clearly shown in the (Mn + Zn)/(Mn + Zn + Mg + Fe) vs. Mn/(Mn + Fe) plot (Figure 7j). These two parameters show a simple linear relationship in all tourmaline generations, in which the increasing content of Zn can be attributed only to geochemical fractionation. In the relatively less evolved tourmalines (Tur I–IIB), the maximum values of the two ratios are relatively low, less than 0.20 and 0.30 for Mn/(Mn + Fe) and (Mn + Zn)/(Mn + Zn + Mg + Fe), respectively. In Tur III adjacent to

gahnite, Zn suddenly increases, which is marked by the interruption of the trend and a sudden jump of the (Mn + Zn)/(Mn + Zn + Mg + Fe) value to ~0.5–0.7. However, the trend is back to normal at the stage of Tur IIIB crystallization, which suggests the dominance of Mn and Zn fractionation over dissolution–reprecipitation. Such behavior is synchronous with a distinct decrease in F activity, reflected





Figure 7. Compositional relationships in tourmalines evolving to Zn-rich fluor-elbaite and elbaite: (a) Mg vs. (Mn + Zn)/(Mn + Zn + Mg + Fe); (b) Fe vs. (Mn + Zn)/(Mn + Zn + Mg + Fe); (c) Ti vs. (Mn + Zn)/(Mn + Zn + Mg + Fe); (d) Ca vs. (Mn + Zn)/(Mn + Zn + Mg + Fe); (e) Zn vs. (Mn + Zn)/(Mn + Zn + Mg + Fe); (f) Mn vs. (Mn + Zn)/(Mn + Zn + Mg + Fe); (g) YAl vs. (Mn + Zn)/(Mn + Zn + Mg + Fe); (h) Na vs. (Mn + Zn)/(Mn + Zn + Mg + Fe); (i) F vs. (Mn + Zn)/(Mn + Zn + Mg + Fe), (j) (Mn + Zn + Mg + Fe); (k) Na vs. (Mn + Zn)/(Mn + Zn + Mg + Fe); (k) F vs. (Mn + Zn)/(Mn + Zn + Mg + Fe), (j) (Mn + Zn + Mg + Fe); (k) Na vs. (Mn + Zn)/(Mn + Fe). Symbols as in Figure 6.

5.6. Raman Spectroscopy

Raman spectroscopy is a widely applied method for the identification of minerals as well as recognition of their compositional relationships; it is also used frequently in studies of tourmalines [36–44]. Because of the particular location of OH groups, which are bound to the octahedral Y and Z cations in the tourmaline structure, the OH vibration bands code crystallochemical information on occupation of both octahedral sites. Therefore, interpretation of the bands is useful in discussing distribution of octahedral cations between the Y and Z sites (e.g., [39,40,42–45]).

Figure 8 shows representative unoriented Raman spectra recorded on relicts of primary Li,Al-bearing schorl Tur IB and secondary fluor-elbaite Tur IIIA (with compositions close to analyses 225/2 and 225/4 presented in Table 3). Generally, the spectra resemble those for schorl and fluor-elbaite presented by Watenphul et al. ([44]; Figure 3), with bands in the wavenumber range of 50–1200 cm⁻¹ interpreted as results from Me–O stretching vibrations on the Y and Z sites, Si–O vibrations in the Si₆O₁₈ ring, and stretching vibrations of the B–O bonds [37–45].



Figure 8. Raman spectra of schorl-type tourmaline Tur IB (black) and Zn-rich fluor-elbaite Tur IIIA (violet) in the range $50-4000 \text{ cm}^{-1}$.

In the range of OH stretching vibration modes (3350–3800 cm⁻¹), the spectrum of Zn-rich Tur IIIA has three intense peaks with maxima at 3497, 3561 and 3597 cm⁻¹ (Figure 9a). Peaks with similar Raman shifts in the spectrum of fluor-elbaite (3494 \pm 8, 3562 \pm 4 and 3593 \pm 4 cm⁻¹) were related by Watenphul et al. [44] to the most probable variants of configurations of the octahedral cations in this tourmaline variety: ^YLi^ZAl^ZAl-2^YAl^ZAl^ZAl, 2^YFe^{*2+Z}Al^ZAl-^YAl^ZAl^ZAl and 2^YLi^ZAl^ZAl-^YAl^ZAl^ZAl, where ^YFe^{*2+} denotes the total of all divalent Y-site occupants (^YFe^{*2+} = ^YFe²⁺ + ^YMn²⁺ + ^YZn²⁺ + ^YMg²⁺). A visible small asymmetry of the peak 3497 cm⁻¹ centered at ~3475 cm⁻¹ could come from ^YFe^{*2+Z}Al^ZAl-2^YAl^ZAl^ZAl complexes of Y and Z octahedra in the interpretation of Watenphul et al. [44].

However, we would like to discuss the positions and intensities of the observed bands adopting a slightly different approach (Table 4). Because in the tourmaline structure, ^VOH groups occur with an at least 75% abundance relative to the total content of hydroxyls [3VOH + W(OH,F,O)], the resulting Raman bands have relatively high intensities. The ^VOH groups are bound to one Y and two Z atoms in the tourmaline structure. Therefore, in all Li-bearing tourmalines, with the Z site occupied exclusively by Al, only ^YAl^ZAl^ZAl, ^YFe^{*2+Z}Al^ZAl and ^YLi^ZAl^ZAl arrangements are possible for the YZZ triad around the V=O(3) site. The ^ZAl–O(3) and ^YAl–O(3) are the longest bonds in the Z and Y octahedra, e.g., [46], but the differences with other Z–O or Y–O bonds seems rather too small among various tourmaline species to explain such significant differences in Raman shift of the resulting bands. Similarly, this spectral differentiation cannot be explained by different atomic masses of the Y occupants (Li = 6.94, Al = 26.98, Fe = 55.85, Zn = 65.38, ...), because the positions of the absorption bands assigned to different variants of configurations of octahedral cations do not correlate with these data. Therefore, the only plausible explanation seems to be that when distribution of electrons around their nuclei is not-fully spherical, different positive charges of the Y-occupants (3+, 2+ or 1+) draw the electron density away from the ^VO–H bond. As a result, the bond length increases, but its strength decreases, in accordance with the sequence ^YAl³⁺ ... ^VO–H (the largest O–H distance; the lowest Raman shift), ^YFe^{*2+} ... ^VO–H, and ^YLi⁺ ... ^VO–H (the shortest O–H distance; the highest Raman shift). This interpretation model is consistent with some previous explanations of OH stretching vibration modes in various tourmaline varieties (e.g., [40,42,45]). The peak around 3497 cm⁻¹ with visible small asymmetry in the spectrum of Zn-rich fluor-elbaite Tur IIIA, related generally to ^VOH-^YAl^ZAl^ZAl arrangement associated with the Na-occupied or vacant X site.

The spectrum of Li,Al-bearing schorl-type tourmaline Tur IB (Figure 9b), with three visible maxima in the range of Raman shift below 3600 cm⁻¹, is dominated by 3562 cm⁻¹ absorption, which is interpreted as dominantly coming from stretching vibrations in the ^VOH-^YFe^{*2+Z}Al^ZAl arrangement. The two remaining maxima are related to ^VOH-^YLi^ZAl^ZAl (3602 cm⁻¹) and a relatively wide unresolved band (3503 cm⁻¹), which we interpret as a superposition of ^VOH-^YAl^ZAl^ZAl-^XNa and ^VOH-^YAl^ZAl^ZAl-^XD bands, similarly as in the case of Tur IIIA.

		Tur	IB		Tur IIIA			
]	Fe* ²⁺ :Zn <<	< Fe + Mn	Fe* ²⁺ :Zn >> Fe + Mn				
Band (cm ⁻¹)	Rel. int. (%)	Calc. int. (%)	Assignment	Band (cm ⁻¹)	Rel. int. (%)	Calc. int. (%)	Assignment	
				3478	17	01	$^{V}OH^{-Y}Al^{Z}Al^{-X}\Box$	
3503	41	28	^V OH- ^Y Al ^{+Z} Al ^Z Al	3497	18	31	^V OH- ^Y Al ^Z Al ^Z Al- ^X Na	
				3556	11	(9)	^W OH ^X Na	
3562	43	53	^V OH- ^Y Fe*2+ZAlZAl	3561	34	31	^V OH- ^Y Fe* ^{2+Z} Al ^Z Al	
3602	8	10	^V OH- ^Y Li ^Z Al ^Z Al	3597	18	27	^V OH- ^Y Li ^Z Al ^Z Al	
3630	3	2	$^{W}OH-^{Y}Fe^{*2+Y}Al^{Y}Al-^{X}\Box$	-	-	-		
3644	1	1	$^{W}OH^{-Y}Fe^{*2+Y}Fe^{*2+Y}Al^{-X}\Box$	-	-	-	^W OH- ^Y Fe* ^{2+Y} Fe* ^{2+Y} Al- ^X □	
3671	1	1	^W OH- ^Y Li ^Y Fe ^{*2+Y} Al- ^X □	3676	1	1	^W OH- ^Y Li ^Y Fe ^{*2+Y} Al- ^X □	
3688	2	2	^W OH- ^Y Fe*2+YFe*2+YAl-XNa	-	-	-	^W OH- ^Y Fe ^{*2+Y} Fe ^{*2+Y} Al- ^X Na	
3720	1	2	^W OH- ^Y Fe ^{*2+Y} Fe ^{*2+Y} Fe ^{*2+-X} Na	3709	1	1	^W OH- ^Y Fe ^{*2+Y} Fe ^{*2+Y} Fe ^{*2+-X} Na	

Table 4. Assignments of the O–H stretching bands in the Raman spectra of Tur IB (fluor-schorl) and Tur IIIA (Zn-rich fluor-elbaite).

The ^WOH group is bound to three Y occupants. The presence of Al, Fe^{*2+} and Li at the Y site of the described Zn-rich fluor-elbaite results in eight allowed models of the YYY triad (LiLiLi and LiLiFe^{*2+} local arrangements are not allowed because local anion bond valence requirements around the W=O(1) site would not be satisfied [47]). It should be expected that with the small proportion of ^WOH in the total OH content (<25%) the abundances of individual YYY arrangements should be subordinate and the resulting intensities of the respective stretching vibration bands should be low. Therefore, they only have the potential to modify the basic pattern of the spectrum configured essentially by ^VOH bands. Applying to the YYY cationic arrangements the same reasoning as the one used above for the YZZ triad, it can be observed that the strongest effect of shifting the electron density away from the ^WO-H bond would take place in the ^YAl^YAl^YAl arrangement, and the weakest for the ^YLi^YLi^YAl triad. Consequently, the ^WO-H bond should be the weakest in case of the first-type triad, and the strongest for the last.



Figure 9. Representative Raman spectra of: (a) primary schorl-type tourmaline (Tur IB) and (b) Zn-rich fluor-elbaite (Tur IIIA) in the range of OH stretching vibrations. Line colors: black—the recorded spectrum, red—the fitted spectrum; green—bands dominated by ^VOH stretching vibrations, blue—bands dominated by ^WOH stretching vibrations.

In the case of absence of Na or Ca at the X site (i.e., the presence of X-site vacancy as e.g., in foitite), Watenphul et al. ([44]; Figure 5) observed a few subordinate bands at wavenumbers generally above 3600 cm⁻¹. They assigned them to stretching vibrations in ^WOH groups bound to a YYY triad and associated with an unoccupied X site (YYY- $^{X}\Box$) or the site occupied by Na (YYY- X Na). The X-site vacancy is a result of a common substitution in the tourmaline structure: $\Box + Me^{3+} \rightarrow {}^{X}Na+ + {}^{Y}Me^{2+}$. In this substitution, Me³⁺ cation replaces Me²⁺ in one octahedron of the Y triad. This means that the only valid YYY cationic arrangements in the structure of various tourmaline species with vacancy at the X site are: ${}^{Y}Al^{Y}Al^{-X}\Box$, ${}^{Y}Fe^{*2+Y}Al^{Y}Al^{-X}\Box$, ${}^{Y}Fe^{*2+Y}Fe^{*2+Y}Al^{-X}\Box$, ${}^{Y}Li^{Y}Fe^{*2+Y}Al^{-X}\Box$ and ^YLi^YAl^YAl-^X \square . As a consequence, weak peaks at 3630, 3644 and 3671 cm⁻¹ in the Raman spectrum of primary schorl-type tourmaline Tur IB can be interpreted as caused by, respectively, ^YFe^{*2+Y}Al^YAl^{-X}, $^{Y}Fe^{*2+Y}Fe^{*2+Y}Al^{X}$ and $^{Y}Li^{Y}Fe^{*2+Y}Al^{X}$ arrangements, as was proposed by Watenphul et al. [44]. However, the bands are almost invisible in the spectrum of Zn-bearing fluor-elbaite Tur IIIA, although the EMPA data suggest that the X site is not fully occupied in this tourmaline (Tables 3 and 4). We interpret it as an indication that the W site in the arrangements is essentially occupied by fluorine. The very weak band at 3676 cm⁻¹, related mainly to the ${}^{Y}Li^{Y}Fe^{*2+Y}Al-{}^{X}\Box$ arrangement, is the only one of this group to appear in the spectrum of Zn-rich fluor-elbaite Tur IIIA. It can easily be explained by the fact that the three cations are the main Y-constituents in this tourmaline. Low intensity bands around 3688 and 3710–3720 cm⁻¹ are assigned to the ^WOH-^YFe^{*2+Y}Fe^{*2+Y}Al-^XNa and ^WOH-^YFe^{*2+Y}Fe^{*2+Y}Fe^{*2+-X}Na arrangements, whereas an additional band at 3556 cm⁻¹ in the spectrum of Zn-rich fluor-elbaite Tur III A is related to vibrations of ^WOH group, probably bound with some Al-dominant YYY arrangements associated with Na-occupied X sites.

6. Discussion: Is Natural Zn-Dominant Tourmaline Possible?

The Zn-rich tourmaline from the Julianna system of anatectic pegmatites at Piława Górna is fluor-elbaite (Tur IIIA) and elbaite (Tur IIIB) with a composition close to Na(LiAlZn)Al₆B₃Si₆O₂₇(OH)₃F, where Zn can be partly replaced by Fe²⁺ and Mn²⁺ (Zn >> Fe > Mn). Sokolov et al. [16], described a Zn-bearing tourmaline with a Zn content about half of that measured in the Piława Górna tourmaline, and suggested the possible end-member composition NaZn₃Al₆B₃Si₆O₂₇(OH)₃(OH) for a hypothetical Zn-tourmaline. However, two other hypothetical end-members are also possible: \Box (Zn₂Al)Al₆B₃Si₆O₂₇(OH)₃(OH) and Na(Zn₂Al)Al₆B₃Si₆O₂₇(OH)₃O₄ by analogy with other tourmalines with divalent Y-occupants, such as schorl/foitite/oxy-schorl and dravite/magnesio-foitite/oxy-dravite. In order to discuss the possibility of the existence of natural Zn-tourmaline two issues should be considered: (1) whether Zn alone or Zn + 0.5Al could dominate the Y site; and (2) which anion might be expected to be dominant at the W site of this tourmaline.

Zinc is only a very subordinate incompatible component of silicate magmas, and its lithophile affinity is restricted by the presence of sulphide species. Geochemical fractionation leads to the enrichment of granitic melts, particularly peralkaline magmas, in Zn and favors crystallization of gahnite as a minor accessory mineral in peraluminous leucogranites, pegmatitic granites and granitic pegmatites, as well as incorporation of traces of Zn into crystal structures of some primary phosphates, e.g., triphylite, lithiophilite, sarcopside or graftonite-group minerals [48]. Lithophile behavior of Zn in the Piława Górna pegmatitic system is evidenced by the crystallization of accessory Zn-bearing ilmenite-pyrophanite and gahnite in moderately fractionated dykes, and the assemblage of gahnite, Zn-bearing ferronigerite and zinconigerite, as well as genthelvite and Zn-bearing helvine in highly-fractionated ones.

In tourmaline-supergroup minerals, Zn is an accessory component commonly occurring in amounts of up to a few tenths of ZnO wt %. Such low concentrations indicate that Zn only slightly fractionates versus Fe in the tourmaline structure. In the Piława Górna pegmatites, even tourmalines from highly-fractionated dykes only occasionally have more than 1 wt % ZnO. This fact suggests that hypothetical Zn-dominant tourmaline will rather not form due to Zn-Fe fractionation even in geochemically highly-evolved environments. Thus, it seems that the only specific mechanism that

can promote crystallization of Zn-rich tourmaline is Na-Li-B-F metasomatism of a gahnite-bearing mineral assemblage. The Zn-rich fluor-elbaite + elbaite (Tur III) from Piława Górna are an example, where the local crystallization environment was controlled by dissolution of gahnite by aggressive (Na,Li,F,B)-bearing fluids. Crystallization of Zn-rich tourmaline was, however, limited to a relatively narrow 0.1-millimetre-sized zone around gahnite, which suggests low diffusion of Zn toward fluor-elbaite overgrowths. Therefore, single crystals of Zn-dominant tourmaline seem rather unlikely in nature and intergrowths of gahnite with Li-bearing tourmalines (Na-Li-B-F metasomatism around gahnite) might be the most favorable environment where zones/domains of Zn-dominant tourmaline could form.

All known tourmalines with elevated Zn contents are elbaite or fluor-elbaite ([10–16]; present study). The excesses of Al over Li and high amounts of X-site vacancies or $^{W}O^{2-}$ could favor the formation of Zn-tourmaline with dominance of the end-members \Box (Zn₂Al)Al₆B₃Si₆O₂₇(OH)₃(OH) or Na(Zn₂Al)Al₆B₃Si₆O₂₇(OH)₃O. However, Zn-rich fluor-elbaite with the presence of significant X-site vacancies or $^{W}O^{2-}$ could also be interpreted as a solid solution of NaZn₃Al₆B₃Si₆O₂₇(OH)₃(OH) tourmaline with fluor-elbaite + rossmanite or darrelhenryite end-members, and such a case is shown by the Raman spectrum of Zn-rich fluor-elbaite Tur IIIA (the absences of OH vibration bands, which would originate from $^{Y}Zn^{Y}Al^{Y}Al^{-X}\Box$, $^{Y}Zn^{Y}Zn^{Y}Al^{-X}\Box$ arrangements). This implies that fluorine, as a significant component of the Zn-rich tourmalines, should be intimately related to the fluor-elbaite constituent, and the W site in Zn-dominant tourmaline should rather be dominated by OH or O.

7. Conclusions

Atypically high Zn enrichment in tourmaline is generally connected with certain elbaites and fluor-elbaites. The enrichment in Zn does not result from Zn-Fe fractionation, but rather from dissolution of gahnite by (Na,Li,F,B,Be)-bearing fluid and reprecipitation of Zn-bearing secondary fluor-elbaite or elbaite in the nearest neighborhood of the decomposing gahnite. As fluorine is incorporated into tourmaline by the fluor-elbaite component, three potential Zn-dominant end-members for Zn-tourmaline are possible: NaZn₃Al₆B₃Si₆O₂₇(OH)₃(OH), \Box (Zn₂Al)Al₆B₃Si₆O₂₇(OH)₃(OH) and Na(Zn₂Al)Al₆B₃Si₆O₂₇(OH)₃O. Future structural studies are needed to determine which of the hypothetical end-members is more likely.

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