



PRECAMBRIAN in YOUNGER FOLD BELTS

**European Variscides,
the Carpathians and Balkans**

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This book is the first to survey current research into the structure and development of the Precambrian basement in the Central – West European Variscan belt, in the Carpathian and Balkan mountains. A complex picture is created using stratigraphy, tectonics, petrology, volcanism, metamorphism, metallogeny, geochemistry and palaeontology. The evolution of the Phanerozoic orogens was founded on and influenced by the nature of their Precambrian basement. Stratigraphy is used as the fundamental viewpoint for research, even when it is difficult to recognize it in the Precambrian polystructural and polymetamorphic basement.

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