## lamellar crystal

A type of crystal with a large extension in two dimensions and a uniform thickness. A lamellar crystal is usually of a thickness in the 5 - 50 nm range, and it may be found individually or in aggregates. The parallel chain stems intersect the lamellar plane at an angle between  $45^{\circ}$  and  $90^{\circ}$ . The lamellae often have pyramidal shape owing to differences in the fold domains; as a result, one can deduce different fold planes and fold surfaces from the lamellar morphology.

*Source:* Purple Book, p. 81