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Each mineral is described in the following format:

IMA No. (any relationship to other minerals)

Chemical Formula

Crystal system, space group  
unit cell parameters

Colour; lustre; diaphaneity.

Optical properties.

Strongest lines in the X-ray powder diffraction pattern.

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**1996 PROPOSALS**

IMA No. 96-001

$\text{Cu}_5(\text{Te}^{6+}\text{O}_4)_2(\text{As}^{5+}\text{O}_4)_2 \cdot 3\text{H}_2\text{O}$

Triclinic: P1 or P $\bar{1}$

a 8.984, b 10.079, c 8.975 Å,  $\alpha$  102.68°,  $\beta$  92.45°,  $\gamma$  70.45°

Emerald green; vitreous to adamantine; transparent to translucent

Biaxial, indices of refraction calculated from reflectance measurements are 1.71–1.73

9.28 (70), 4.65 (70), 3.097 (100), 3.018 (60), 2.658 (50), 2.468 (50), 1.740 (50)

IMA No. 96-002 The calcium-dominant analogue of guilleminite

[Ca<sub>0.75</sub>(H<sub>3</sub>O)<sub>0.25</sub>](UO<sub>2</sub>)<sub>3</sub>(SeO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>(OH)<sub>3.75</sub>·2.5H<sub>2</sub>O

Orthorhombic: Pmn2<sub>1</sub> or Pmmn

a 7.010, b 17.135, c 17.606 Å

Lemon-yellow; pearly; translucent

Biaxial (–),  $\alpha$  1.154 calc.,  $\beta$  1.73,  $\gamma$  1.75, 2V(meas.) 33°

8.79 (80), 8.56 (40), 3.51 (100), 3.24 (40), 3.093 (50), 3.032 (100), 1.924 (40)

IMA No. 96-003 The Fe<sup>3+</sup>-dominant analogue of winstanleyite

(Fe<sup>3+</sup>,Te<sup>6+</sup>,Ti<sup>4+</sup>,Mg<sup>2+</sup>)Te<sub>3</sub><sup>4+</sup>O<sub>8</sub>

Cubic: Ia3

a 11.011 Å

Orange; adamantine; translucent

Isotropic, n(calc) = 2.17

4.486 (29), 3.175 (100), 2.943 (23), 2.749 (37), 2.592 (22), 1.944 (44), 1.658 (45)

IMA No. 96-004

Al<sub>2</sub>(OH)<sub>5</sub>Cl·2H<sub>2</sub>O

Cubic: Im3m

a 19.878 Å

Yellow-orange to yellow-brown; vitreous; transparent

Isotropic, n 1.53–1.55

8.11 (70), 7.03 (50), 4.47 (60), 3.23 (70), 2.706 (100), 2.446 (80), 1.957 (70)

IMA No. 96-005

Mg<sub>2</sub>(CO<sub>3</sub>)Cl(OH)·3H<sub>2</sub>O

Hexagonal (trigonal): R3c or R $\bar{3}$ c

a 23.163, c 7.221 Å

White; lustre and diaphaneity unknown

Uniaxial,  $\omega$  1.510,  $\epsilon$  1.510

11.66 (100), 3.396 (17), 3.356 (17), 3.264 (21), 3.218 (21), 3.000 (41), 2.657 (22)

- IMA No. 96-006  
 $\text{NaZn}_4(\text{SO}_4)(\text{OH})_6\text{Cl}\cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$   
 Hexagonal (trigonal):  $\text{P}3$   
 a 8.359, c 13.059 Å  
 Colourless to white; pearly; translucent  
 Uniaxial (−),  $\omega$  1.5607,  $\epsilon$  1.5382  
 14.244 (100), 6.501 (23), 4.339 (15), 3.258 (14), 2.967 (10)
- IMA No. 96-007  
 $(\text{K},\text{Na})_5\text{Fe}^{3+}[\text{Si}_{20}\text{O}_{50}(\text{OH})_6]\cdot 12\text{H}_2\text{O}$   
 Triclinic:  $\text{P}1$   
 a 14.86, b 20.54, c 5.29 Å,  $\alpha$  95.6°,  $\beta$  92.3°,  $\gamma$  94.4°  
 Pink-brownish; silky to earthy; translucent  
 Biaxial (+),  $\alpha$  1.523,  $\beta$  1.525,  $\gamma$  1.550, 2V(meas.) 30°, 2V(calc.) 32°  
 12.36 (100), 11.60 (40), 10.21 (14), 3.411 (37), 3.281 (15), 2.896 (12)
- IMA No. 96-008 The  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$ -dominant analogue of beryl  
 $(\text{Fe},\text{Mg},\text{Al})_2(\text{Na})_3[\text{Be}_3\text{Si}_6\text{O}_{18}]\cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$   
 Hexagonal:  $\text{P}6/\text{mcc}$   
 a 9.387, c 9.202 Å  
 Light-blue; vitreous; transparent  
 Uniaxial (−),  $\omega$  1.625,  $\epsilon$  1.619  
 8.12 (S), 4.00 (M), 3.278 (VS), 2.903 (S), 2.553 (MW), 1.752 (MW)
- IMA No. 96-009  
 $\text{Ca}_3[\text{B}_5\text{O}_6(\text{OH})_7]\text{Cl}_2\cdot 8\text{H}_2\text{O}$   
 Monoclinic:  $\text{Pn}$   
 a 17.42, b 8.077, c 17.33 Å,  $\beta$  121.48°  
 Colourless to white; vitreous; transparent to translucent  
 Biaxial (−),  $\alpha$  1.506,  $\beta$  1.527,  $\gamma$  1.532, 2V(meas.) 56°, 2V(calc.) 51°  
 8.10 (10), 4.04 (4), 3.56 (2), 2.834 (2), 2.535 (2), 2.276 (2)
- IMA No. 96-010 The  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$ -dominant analogue of tomichite  
 $(\text{Fe}^{3+},\text{Ti})_4\text{Ti}_3\text{AsO}_{13}(\text{OH})$   
 Monoclinic:  $\text{A}2/\text{m}$   
 a 7.184, b 14.289, c 5.006 Å,  $\beta$  105.17°  
 Black; metallic; opaque  
 In reflected light: greyish-white, no bireflectance, nonpleochroic.  $R_1$  &  $R_2$ : (20.1, 20.8 %)460nm, (18.7, 19.3 %)540nm, (18.2, 18.9 %)580nm, (17.5, 18.1 %) 660nm  
 3.117 (30), 2.846 (80), 2.681 (100), 2.029 (30), 1.5825 (50)
- IMA No. 96-012  
 $\text{Ca}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_3(\text{C}_2\text{O}_4)$  or  $\text{CaC}_2\text{O}_4\cdot 3\text{H}_2\text{O}$   
 Triclinic:  $\text{P}1$   
 a 6.097, b 7.145, c 8.434 Å,  $\alpha$  76.54°,  $\beta$  70.30°,  $\gamma$  70.75°  
 Colourless; vitreous; transparent
- Biaxial (−),  $\alpha$  1.483,  $\beta$  1.516(calcd.),  $\gamma$  1.533, 2V(meas.) 70°, 2V(calc.) 70°  
 7.92 (M), 5.52 (VS), 5.26 (M), 4.99 (M), 3.642 (M), 2.834 (S), 2.758 (M), 2.732 (M)
- IMA No. 96-013  
 $\text{Fe}^{2+}(\text{UO}_2)_2(\text{SO}_4)_2(\text{OH})_2\cdot 3\text{H}_2\text{O}$   
 Orthorhombic:  $\text{Pnnm}$  or  $\text{Pnn}2$   
 a 15.908, b 16.274, c 6.903 Å  
 Pale yellow to white; vitreous; transparent  
 Biaxial (−),  $\alpha$  1.470,  $\beta$  1.492,  $\gamma$  1.504(calcd.), 2V(meas.) 73°  
 7.95 (81), 5.91 (100), 3.941 (71), 3.451 (67), 3.166 (50), 2.894 (41), 2.596 (70)
- IMA No. 96-014  
 $\text{Pb}_{14}\text{Sb}_{30}\text{S}_{54}\text{O}_5$   
 Monoclinic:  $\text{C}2/\text{m}$   
 a 52.00, b 8.148, c 24.311 Å,  $\beta$  104.09°  
 Bluish-black; metallic; opaque  
 In reflected light: black with blue-red reflections, low anisotropism, low bireflectance, nonpleochroic.  $R_1$  &  $R_2$ : (40.03, 42.90 %)470nm, (36.46, 40.92 %)546nm, (35.65, 40.25 %)589nm, (32.40, 36.00 %)650nm  
 4.04 (m), 3.47 (s), 3.44 (m), 3.04 (m), 2.96 (s), 2.296 (m)
- IMA No. 96-015  
 $\text{Cu}_5\text{O}_2(\text{SeO}_3)_2\text{Cl}_2$   
 Monoclinic:  $\text{P}2_1/\text{c}$   
 a 6.045, b 13.778, c 5.579 Å,  $\beta$  95.76°  
 Chestnut to dark brown; very strong vitreous to adamantine; translucent  
 Biaxial (−),  $\alpha$  2.06,  $\beta$  2.11,  $\gamma$  2.15, 2V(meas.) large, 2V(calc.) 82°  
 6.88 (68), 5.511 (50), 2.990 (100), 2.963 (94), 2.566 (67), 2.296 (95)
- IMA No. 96-017 A triclinic polymorph of clinoclase  
 $\text{Cu}_3(\text{AsO}_4)(\text{OH})_3$   
 Triclinic:  $\text{P}1$   
 a 5.445, b 5.873, c 5.104 Å,  $\alpha$  114.95°,  $\beta$  93.05°,  $\gamma$  91.92°  
 Green-blue; vitreous; transparent  
 Biaxial (−),  $\alpha$  1.760,  $\beta$  1.80,  $\gamma$  1.83, 2V(meas.) 77°, 2V(calc.) 80°  
 4.613 (100), 4.580 (50), 3.390 (60), 2.713 (40), 2.543 (40), 2.445 (30)
- IMA No. 96-019  
 $\text{NaCa}_3(\text{CO}_3)_2\text{F}_3\cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$   
 Hexagonal (trigonal):  $\text{P}3_2$   
 a 6.718, c 15.050 Å  
 Colourless to white; vitreous; transparent to translucent  
 Uniaxial (+),  $\omega$  1.538,  $\epsilon$  1.563  
 5.809 (30), 5.010 (30), 3.358 (30), 2.791 (50), 2.508 (40), 2.010 (100), 1.939 (40)

- IMA No. 96-020  
 $\text{Pb}_{12}\text{O}_6\text{Mn}(\text{Mn},\text{Mg})_4(\text{Mg},\text{Mn})_2(\text{SO}_4)(\text{CO}_3)_4\text{Cl}_4(\text{OH})_{12}$   
 Tetragonal:  $\text{P}4_2/\text{nmm}$   
 a 12.627, c 12.595 Å  
 Apple green to emerald green; vitreous to adamantine; transparent  
 Anomalously biaxial (+),  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ , and  $\gamma > 1.92$   
 8.95 (20), 7.30 (20), 3.99 (30), 2.975 (100), 2.752 (30), 2.473 (20), 1.716 (20)
- IMA No. 96-022 A polymorph of fluorapatite  
 $(\text{Ca},\text{R})_5(\text{PO}_4)_3\text{FR} = \text{Sr, Na, REE}$   
 Hexagonal:  $\text{P}6_3$   
 a 9.485, c 7.000 Å  
 Pale yellow; vitreous; transparent  
 Uniaxial (-),  $\omega$  1.649,  $\epsilon$  1.637  
 3.498 (45), 3.104 (22), 2.838 (100), 2.814 (48), 2.740 (53), 1.963 (21), 1.865 (31)
- IMA No. 96-023 A manganese- and fluorine-rich member of the eudialyte group  
 $(\text{Na},\text{RE})_{15}(\text{Ca},\text{RE})_6\text{Mn}_3\text{Zr}_3\text{NbSi}_{25}\text{O}_{76}\text{F}_2$   
 Hexagonal (trigonal):  $\text{R}3m$   
 a 14.1686, c 30.0847 Å  
 Yellow-brown; vitreous; transparent  
 Uniaxial (-),  $\omega$  1.628,  $\epsilon$  1.623  
 11.362 (43), 7.084 (41), 5.681 (30), 4.296 (34), 3.382 (37), 2.962 (91), 2.840 (100)
- IMA No. 96-024 The scandium-dominant analogue of xenotime-(Y)  
 $\text{ScPO}_4$   
 Tetragonal:  $\text{I}4_1/\text{amd}$   
 a 6.589, c 5.806 Å  
 Pale-pink; vitreous; transparent  
 Uniaxial (+),  $\omega$  1.790,  $\epsilon$  1.86  
 3.293 (100), 2.464 (8), 2.178 (4), 2.055 (4), 1.693 (6), 1.647 (6)
- IMA No. 96-025 A member of the zeolite group  
 $\text{Na}_3\text{Ca}_4\text{Al}_{11}\text{Si}_{85}\text{O}_{192}\cdot60\text{H}_2\text{O}$   
 Orthorhombic:  $\text{Pnma}$   
 a 20.223, b 20.052, c 13.491 Å  
 Colourless to milky-white; silky to vitreous; opaque to transparent  
 Biaxial (-),  $\alpha$  1.485,  $\beta$  1.487,  $\gamma$  1.488, 2V(cal.) 70°  
 11.20 (84), 9.98 (35), 3.85 (100), 3.75 (98), 3.67 (27), 3.00 (32)
- IMA No. 96-026 An orthorhombic polymorph of cordierite  
 $\gamma\text{-Hg}_3\text{S}_2\text{Cl}_2$   
 Orthorhombic:  $\text{Ammm}$ ,  $\text{A}222$  or  $\text{A}2\text{mm}$  ( $\text{Am}2\text{m}$ ,  $\text{Amm}2$ )  
 a 9.332, b 16.82, c 9.108 Å  
 Canary yellow; glassy; transparent  
 Biaxial (+), mean index of refraction 2.25, 2V(meas.) > 70°  
 In reflected light: white, anisotropism and bireflection not observed,  $R(\text{est.})$  15%
- 3.65 (90), 3.11 (51), 2.83 (36), 2.60 (49), 2.58 (100), 2.33 (41), 2.11 (31)
- IMA No. 96-027  
 $\text{NaCu}_5\text{O}_2(\text{SeO}_3)_2\text{Cl}_3$   
 Orthorhombic:  $\text{Pbnm}$   
 a 10.482, b 17.732, c 6.432 Å  
 Emerald-green; vitreous; transparent  
 Biaxial (-),  $\alpha$  1.845,  $\beta$  1.968,  $\gamma$  1.975, 2V(meas.) 20°, 2V(cal.) 31°  
 9.01 (10), 8.84 (60), 5.24 (100), 3.251 (40), 2.955 (27), 2.626 (25), 2.513 (12)
- IMA No. 96-028  
 $\text{NaFe}_4^{2+}(\text{PO}_4)_3$   
 Hexagonal (trigonal):  $\text{R}\bar{3}$   
 a 14.97, c 41.66 Å  
 Very pale amber; waxy; transparent  
 Uniaxial (+),  $\omega$  1.72,  $\epsilon$  1.75  
 4.13 (80), 3.47 (50), 3.21 (50), 3.01 (90), 2.93 (50), 2.85 (50), 2.71 (100), 2.57 (50)
- IMA No. 96-029  
 $\text{Al}_{16}\text{B}_6\text{Si}_2\text{O}_{37}$   
 Monoclinic:  $\text{C}2/\text{m}$ ,  $\text{Cm}$  or  $\text{C}2$   
 a 14.767, b 5.574, c 15.079 Å,  $\beta$  91.959°  
 White; vitreous; transparent  
 Biaxial (+),  $\alpha$  1.629,  $\beta$  1.640,  $\gamma$  1.654, 2V(meas.) 82°, 2V(cal.) 84°  
 5.41 (70), 5.19 (100), 4.95 (60), 4.31 (70), 3.378 (60), 2.162 (40)
- IMA No. 96-030  
 $(\text{Rh},\text{Pd})_2\text{As}$   
 Orthorhombic:  $\text{Pnma}$  or  $\text{Pn}2_1\bar{a}$   
 a 5.866, b 3.893, c 7.302 Å  
 Colour not observed, metallic, opaque  
 In reflected light: brownish with a pale green tinge, anisotropism moderate-distinct from dark brown to pale greyish green, bireflectance weak, pleochroism brownish to greenish.  $R_{\min.}$  &  $R_{\max.}$ : (45.5, 46.3 %)470nm, (47.6, 48.4 %)546nm, (48.2, 49.5%)589nm, (49.8, 51.2 %)650nm  
 2.426 (7), 2.348 (4), 2.237 (10), 2.067 (8), 1.935 (6), 1.860 (5)
- IMA No. 96-032  
 $\text{NaY}(\text{CO}_3\text{F}_2$   
 Orthorhombic:  $\text{Pmcn}$   
 a 6.964, b 9.173, c 6.302 Å  
 Colourless to pale yellow; vitreous; transparent and translucent  
 Biaxial (-),  $\alpha$  1.457,  $\beta$  1.543,  $\gamma$  1.622, 2V(meas.) 82°, 2V(cal.) 83°  
 5.19 (90), 3.477 (100), 2.800 (50), 2.087 (50), 2.057 (50), 1.966 (50), 1.849 (50), 1.763 (50)
- IMA No. 96-033  
 $\text{Na}_3\text{Ce}_2(\text{CO}_3)_4\text{F}$   
 Hexagonal:  $\text{P}6_3/\text{mmc}$

- a 5.068, c 22.87 Å  
 Colourless to slightly beige; vitreous to somewhat pearly; transparent to translucent  
 Uniaxial (−),  $\omega$  1.728,  $\epsilon$  1.542  
 4.31 (100), 3.169 (70), 2.877 (60), 2.534 (70), 2.192 (90B), 1.978 (70)
- IMA No. 96-034 The magnesium- and phosphate-dominant analogue of allactite  
 $Mg_7(PO_4)_2(OH)_8$   
 Monoclinic:  $P2_1/n$   
 a 5.250, b 11.647, c 9.655 Å,  $\beta$  95.93°  
 Colourless; pearly; transparent  
 Biaxial (−),  $\alpha$  1.5945,  $\beta$  1.6069,  $\gamma$  1.6088, 2V(meas.) 46°, 2V(calc.) 43°  
 4.436 (75b), 3.521 (80), 3.145 (70), 3.087 (70), 2.905 (100), 2.794 (75), 2.199 (80)
- IMA No. 96-035 The phosphate-dominant analogue of gartrellite  
 $PbCuFe^{3+}(PO_4)_2(OH,H_2O)_2$   
 Triclinic: P1 or  $\bar{P}1$   
 a 5.320, b 5.528, c 7.434 Å,  $\alpha$  67.61°,  $\beta$  69.68°,  $\gamma$  70.65°  
 Green; vitreous to adamantine; transparent to translucent  
 Biaxial (+),  $\alpha$  1.90,  $\beta$  1.93 (calc.),  $\gamma$  2.00, 2V(meas.) 70°  
 4.720 (67), 4.502 (61), 4.360 (100), 3.250 (70), 3.138 (57), 2.885 (89), 2.868 (69)
- IMA No. 96-036 The calcium-dominant analogue of staceyite  
 $Th(Ca,Na)_2(K_{1-x})Si_8O_{20}\cdot nH_2O$   
 Tetragonal: P4/mcc  
 a 7.592, b 7.592, c 14.824 Å  
 Apple-green to dark-green and brown; vitreous; transparent  
 Uniaxial (−),  $\omega$  1.611,  $\epsilon$  1.606  
 5.36 (40), 5.31 (70), 3.40 (100), 3.33 (65), 2.654 (59), 2.231 (50)
- IMA No. 96-037  
 $(Ba,Ca,K,Na)_x[(V,Al)_2P(O,OH)_8]\cdot 6H_2O$   
 Cubic:  $I\bar{4}3m$   
 a 15.470 Å  
 Pale greenish blue; vitreous; transparent  
 Isotropic,  $n$  1.566  
 10.8 (29), 7.73 (34), 3.164 (100), 2.827 (28), 2.738 (29), 2.582 (37), 2.445 (36)
- IMA No. 96-038 The copper-dominant analogue of carboydite and glaucocerinitite  
 $[Cu_{1-x}Al_x(OH)_2][(SO_4)_{x/2}(H_2O)_n]$   $0 < x < 0.67$  and  $n > 3x/2$   
 Hexagonal (trigonal):  $R\bar{3}m$   
 a 3.070, c 31.9 Å  
 Blue to pale blue; vitreous; translucent
- Uniaxial (+),  $n_{min}$  1.549,  $n_{max}$  1.565  
 10.5 (100), 5.26 (17), 3.50 (6), 2.60 (5), 2.46 (2), 2.23 (2), 1.524 (5b)
- IMA No. 96-039 The chromium-dominant analogue of haxonite  
 $(Cr,Fe)_{23}C_6$   
 Cubic:  $Fm\bar{3}m$   
 a 10.65 Å  
 Iron-grey; metallic; opaque  
 In reflected light: white. R: (46.5 %)470nm, (43.7 %) 546nm, (43.2 %)589nm, (44.4 %)660nm  
 2.38 (3), 2.17 (5), 2.05 (10)
- IMA No. 96-040 The antimony-dominant analogue of calzirtite  
 $Ca_2(Zr,Ti)_5(Sb^{5+},Mn^{3+})_2O_{16}$   
 Tetragonal:  $I4_1/acd$   
 a 15.199, c 10.181 Å  
 Bright red; adamantine; translucent  
 Uniaxial (+),  $\omega$  2.12,  $\epsilon$  2.16  
 3.45 (40), 2.92 (100), 2.539 (60), 1.794 (90), 1.535 (80), 1.0353 (40)
- IMA No. 96-041 The titanium-dominant analogue of brannockite  
 $KLi_3Ti_2Si_{12}O_{30}$   
 Hexagonal: P6/mcc  
 a 9.903, c 14.276 Å  
 White; vitreous; transparent  
 Uniaxial (−),  $\omega$  1.635,  $\epsilon$  1.630  
 7.15 (40), 4.29 (50), 4.07 (85), 3.57 (80), 3.16 (100), 2.895 (95), 2.742 (30)
- IMA No. 96-043 The antimony-dominant analogue of fleischerite (with  $AsO_4$  replacing one  $SO_4$ )  
 $Pb_3Sb^{5+}(SO_4)(AsO_4)(OH)_6\cdot 3H_2O$   
 Hexagonal:  $P6_322$   
 a 8.939, c 11.102 Å  
 Colourless; adamantine; transparent  
 Uniaxial (+),  $\omega$  1.760,  $\epsilon$  1.801  
 6.35 (44), 3.655 (100), 3.481 (80), 3.175 (31), 2.675 (62), 2.235 (35)
- IMA No. 96-044  
 $Ag_2Pd_3Se_4$   
 Monoclinic:  $P2_1/m$  or  $P2_1$   
 a 6.350, b 10.387, c 5.683 Å,  $\beta$  114.90°  
 Colour unknown, only visible in polished section; metallic; opaque  
 In reflected light: buff to slightly grey-green buff; moderate anisotropism, rotation tints rose-brown, grey-green, pale bluish grey and dark steel-blue; bireflectance weak (air), moderate (oil); very weak pleochroism.  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$ ;  $^{im}R_1$ ,  $^{im}R_2$ : (39.7, 47.2; 26.2, 34.4 %)470nm, (43.1, 48.8; 29.3, 35.15 %)546nm, (44.3, 49.4; 30.4, 35.5 %)589nm, (44.4, 49.2; 31.0, 35.6 %)650nm  
 2.868 (50b), 2.742 (100), 2.688 (80), 2.367 (50), 1.956 (100), 1.829 (30)

## IMA No. 96-045

$\text{Pb}_{7.5}\text{B}_{0.5}(\text{OH})_{3.5}\text{O}_{4.5}\text{Cl}_4$  or  $\text{Pb}_8\text{O}_4(\text{OH})_4\text{Cl}_4$   
Monoclinic: C2/c

a 5.673, b 5.580, c 13.152 Å, β 90.47°

Pale yellow to reddish orange; vitreous, resinous;  
translucent

In reflected light: grey; internal reflections ubiquitous,  
amber to light yellow; anisotropism masked (if  
present) by the internal reflections; bireflectance  
weak, nonpleochroic.  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$ ;  $^{im}R_1$ ,  $^{im}R_2$ : (15.2, 16.3;  
4.07, 4.67 %)470nm, (14.2, 15.3; 3.59, 4.17 %)  
546nm, (13.9, 15.0; 3.44, 4.02 %)589nm, (13.7,  
14.7; 3.37, 3.91 %)650nm

6.581 (37), 3.785 (48), 3.267 (35), 2.930 (100), 2.825  
(43), 2.780 (36), 2.182 (37), 1.980 (33)

3.10 (100), 2.79 (10), 1.92 (80), 1.89 (70), 1.64 (60),  
1.60 (20)

IMA No. 96-051 A polymorph of sibirskite  
 $\text{Ca}_2\text{B}_2\text{O}_5\cdot\text{H}_2\text{O}$ 

Monoclinic: P2<sub>1</sub>/m

a 6.722, b 5.437, c 3.555 Å, β 93.00°

White; weak pearly; translucent

Biaxial (+), α 1.556, β 1.593, γ 1.663, 2V(calc.) 75°  
6.73 (70), 3.354 (30), 2.975 (60), 2.855 (20), 2.237  
(100), 1.776 (20)

IMA No. 96-052 The mercury-dominant analogue of  
ernite and stannite

$\text{Cu}_2\text{HgSnS}_4$

Tetragonal: I $\bar{4}$

a 5.555, c 10.911 Å

Dark grey; metallic; opaque

In reflected light: greenish-grey to light grey with  
greenish-brownish tint, moderate anisotropism  
with faded colour effects from violet-blue to dark-  
greenish blue, insignificant bireflectance, weakly  
pleochroic from yellowish-olive-green to  
brownish-olive.  $R_{max.}$ : (26.0 %)470nm, (26.3 %)  
546nm, (25.6 %)589nm, (24.8 %)650nm  
3.17 (10), 1.958 (2.5), 1.941 (8), 1.671 (4), 1.646 (3.5),  
1.264 (2.5)

IMA No. 96-047 The iron-dominant analogue of  
cuprorhodsite

$(\text{Fe},\text{Cu})(\text{Rh},\text{Ir},\text{Pt})_2\text{S}_4$

Cubic: Fd3m

a 9.89 Å

Black; metallic; opaque

In reflected light: white, isotropic. R: (41.4 %)470nm,  
(41.8 %)546nm, (41.8 %)589nm, (41.7 %)650nm  
5.72 (7), 2.99 (10), 2.471 (8), 1.903 (7), 1.750 (9),  
1.674 (3), 1.009 (3)

## IMA No. 96-048

$\text{Cu}_9\text{O}_2(\text{SeO}_3)_4\text{Cl}_6$

Monoclinic: I2

a 14.110, b 6.27, c 12.997 Å, β = 113.0°

Tobacco-green; strong vitreous; transparent

Biaxial (-), α 1.87, β 1.92, γ 1.94, 2V(meas.) 66°,  
2V(calc.) 63°

11.29 (63), 5.56 (83), 3.450 (100), 3.239 (39), 2.714  
(33), 2.486 (61)

## IMA No. 96-049

$\text{CaMgNa}_6(\text{IO}_3)_6[(\text{Cr}_{0.84}\text{S}_{0.16})\text{O}_4]_2 \cdot 12\text{H}_2\text{O}$

Monoclinic: C2/c

a 23.645, b 10.918, c 15.768 Å, β 114.42°

Pale yellow to bright lemon yellow; vitreous;  
transparent to translucent

Biaxial (+), α 1.647, β 1.674, γ 1.704, 2V(calc.) 88°  
10.69 (100), 6.36 (50), 5.65 (50), 3.590 (70), 3.121  
(80), 3.051 (80)

IMA No. 96-050 The cadmium-dominant analogue of  
briartite

$\text{Cu}_2\text{CdGeS}_4$

Tetragonal: I $\bar{4}2m$

a 5.45, c 10.6 Å

Colour unknown, only visible in polished section;  
metallic; opaque

In reflected light: grey with pale violet tint, very weak  
anisotropism, very weak bireflectance and very  
weak pleochroism. R and  $^{im}R$ : (24.42, 10.79 %)  
460nm, (23.29, 9.85 %)540nm, (23.04, 9.59 %)  
580nm, (23.46, 9.91 %)660nm

IMA No. 96-053 The sulphate-dominant  
rhombohedral analogue of hydrocalumite

$\text{Ca}_4\text{Al}_2(\text{OH})_{12}(\text{SO}_4)_6\cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$

Hexagonal (trigonal): R $\bar{3}$  or R3

a 5.76, c 53.66 Å

White; vitreous; transparent

Uniaxial (-), α 1.504, ε 1.485

8.972 (100), 4.476 (70), 2.362 (40), 2.190 (40), 2.071  
(35)

IMA No. 96-054 The Fe<sup>2+</sup>-dominant analogue of  
hawthorneite

$\text{Ba}[\text{Fe}_6^{2+}\text{Ti}_5\text{Mg}]O_{19}$

Hexagonal: P6<sub>3</sub>/mmc

a 5.926, c 23.32 Å

Colour unknown, only visible in polished section;  
metallic; opaque

In reflected light: light grey; very weak anisotropism,  
nearly isotropic; bireflectance very weak, but  
measurable; nonpleochroic.  $R_E$ ,  $R_O$ ;  $^{im}R_E$ ,  $^{im}R_O$ ,  
 $R_{min.}$ : (16.9, 17.3; 5.13, 5.37 %)470nm, (16.35, 16.8;  
4.90, 5.19 %)546nm, (16.3, 16.9; 4.92, 5.29 %)  
589nm, (16.4, 17.1; 5.00, 5.42 %)650nm

2.963 (44), 2.795 (90), 2.641 (100), 2.437 (46), 1.676  
(37), 1.634 (47), 1.481 (47)

IMA No. 96-055 The cerium-dominant analogue of  
96-057, but structurally different

$(\text{Ce},\text{Nd},\text{La})\text{Al}(\text{SO}_4)_2(\text{C}_2\text{O}_4)\cdot 12\text{H}_2\text{O}$

Monoclinic: C2/c

a 8.718, b 18.313, c 13.128 Å, β 93.90°

Very pale pink (incandescent light) and very pale blue

- (fluorescent light); vitreous; transparent  
 Biaxial (+),  $\alpha$  1.455,  $\beta$  1.485,  $\gamma$  1.528, 2V(meas.) 85°,  
 $\gamma$  2V(calc.) 82°  
 7.9 (100), 5.36 (50), 5.01 (40), 3.93 (70), 3.74 (20),  
 3.29 (20), 3.07 (20)
- IMA No. 96-056  
 $(Ce,Nd,La)_2(SO_4)_2(C_2O_4) \cdot 12H_2O$   
 Triclinic:  $P\bar{1}$   
 a 6.007, b 8.368, c 9.189 Å,  $\alpha$  99.90°,  $\beta$  105.55°,  $\gamma$   
 107.71°  
 Pale pink (incandescent light), pale blue (fluorescent  
 light), some cream-coloured; vitreous; transparent  
 Biaxial (-),  $\alpha$  1.544,  $\beta$  1.578,  $\gamma$  1.602, 2V(meas.) 65°,  
 $\gamma$  2V(calc.) 78°  
 8.52 (70), 6.72 (60), 5.48 (100), 4.26 (50), 3.84 (60),  
 3.35 (40), 2.744 (40)
- IMA No. 96-057 The yttrium-dominant analogue of  
 96-055, but structurally different  
 $(Y,Nd,Ce)Al(SO_4)_2(C_2O_4) \cdot 12H_2O$   
 Monoclinic: P2/n  
 a 10.289, b 19.234, c 11.015 Å,  $\beta$  108.50°  
 Colourless; vitreous; transparent  
 Biaxial (+),  $\alpha$  1.48,  $\beta$  1.49,  $\gamma$  1.55, 2V(meas.) 7°,  
 $\gamma$  2V(calc.) 46°  
 9.3 (100), 6.28 (90), 5.20 (40), 4.89 (60), 4.63 (30),  
 4.09 (50), 3.700 (30)
- IMA No. 96-058 The rubidium-dominant analogue of  
 microcline  
 $(Rb,K)AlSi_3O_8$   
 Triclinic:  $P\bar{1}$   
 a 8.81, b 13.01, c 7.18 Å,  $\alpha$  90.3°,  $\beta$  115.7°,  $\gamma$  88.2°  
 Colourless; vitreous; transparent  
 Biaxial, indices of refraction slightly higher than host  
 microcline  
 5.82, 5.77, 4.62, 3.88, 3.61, 3.60, 3.59, 2.94, 2.65,  
 2.63, 2.61, 2.56 (electron diffraction, no intensities)
- IMA No. 96-059  
 $Fe^{3+}Mo_2O_6(OH)_3 \cdot H_2O$   
 Triclinic:  $P\bar{1}$
- a 5.878, b 7.536, c 9.436 Å,  $\alpha$  71.66°,  $\beta$  83.43°,  $\gamma$   
 72.85°  
 Green with a yellowish tinge; vitreous to earthy;  
 transparent to opaque  
 Biaxial (-),  $\alpha$  1.91,  $\beta$  2.03,  $\gamma$  2.11, 2V(meas.) ~ 90°,  
 $\gamma$  2V(calc.) 74°  
 5.620 (70), 4.711 (50), 4.095 (70), 3.319 (100), 3.232  
 (90), 2.614 (50), 1.956 (50)
- IMA No. 96-060 The scandium-dominant analogue of  
 overite and segelerite  
 $CaMgSc(PO_4)_2(OH) \cdot 4H_2O$   
 Orthorhombic: Pbca  
 a 15.03, b 18.95, c 7.59 Å  
 Colourless, light yellow to yellowish brown; vitreous;  
 transparent  
 Biaxial (-),  $\alpha$  1.574,  $\beta$  1.579,  $\gamma$  1.582, 2V(meas.) ~  
 50°, 2V(calc.) 75°  
 9.49 (100), 4.75 (17), 3.440 (31), 2.942 (27), 2.912  
 (44), 2.890 (35), 2.018 (15)
- IMA No. 96-062  
 $(Ti,Cr,Fe)[O_{2-x}(OH)_x]$   
 Monoclinic: P2<sub>1</sub>/c  
 a 7.688, b 4.5495, c 20.147 Å,  $\beta$  92.27°  
 Black; metallic; translucent to opaque  
 Biaxial, mean  $n$  2.47 (calc.). In reflected light: grey,  
 with  $R$  lower than that of rutile, crichtonite, and  
 sriankite and higher than that of pyrope  
 3.766 (66), 2.835 (100), 2.660 (73), 1.6842 (94),  
 1.6760 (73), 1.6574 (71)
- IMA No. 96-063 The sodium-dominant analogue of  
 lemoynite with additional  $H_2O$   
 $Na_4Zr_2Si_{10}O_{26} \cdot 9H_2O$   
 Monoclinic: C2/m  
 a 10.5150, b 16.2534, c 9.1029 Å,  $\beta$  105.46°  
 Colourless to white; vitreous; transparent to trans-  
 lucent  
 Biaxial (-),  $\alpha$  1.533,  $\beta$  1.559,  $\gamma$  1.567, 2V(meas.) 63°,  
 $\gamma$  2V(calc.) 57°  
 8.832 (30), 8.135 (100), 5.975 (40), 3.974 (35), 3.693  
 (30), 3.564 (40), 3.490 (35), 2.804 (30)