

Hydroxyplumbopyrochlore

(Pb_{1.5}□_{0.5})Nb₂O₆(OH)

Crystal Data: Cubic. *Point Group:* 4/m $\bar{3}$ 2/m. As euhedral octahedral crystals to 0.06 mm slightly modified by rhombododecahedra or cubes.

Physical Properties: *Cleavage:* None. *Tenacity:* Brittle. *Fracture:* Conchoidal. Hardness = ~5.5 D(meas.) = n.d. D(calc.) = 6.474

Optical Properties: Transparent. *Color:* Pale yellow to pale brown. *Streak:* White.

Luster: Adamantine.

Optical Class: Isotropic. *n*(calc.) = 2.26(3)

Cell Data: *Space Group:* Fd $\bar{3}$ m. *a* = 10.5456(6) Z = 8

X-Ray Diffraction Pattern: Jabal Sayid granitic complex, Arabian Shield, Saudi Arabia. 3.043 (100), 1.591 (43), 2.636 (42), 1.862 (36), 1.183 (12), 6.051 (8), 1.521 (8)

Chemistry:	(1)
CaO	0.32
SrO	0.16
FeO	0.17
Ce ₂ O ₃	0.07
Pr ₂ O ₃	0.02
PbO	51.69
Nb ₂ O ₅	40.06
SiO ₂	0.05
TiO ₂	1.68
Ta ₂ O ₅	4.74
H ₂ O	[0.95]
F	0.0
Total	99.90.

(1) Jabal Sayid granitic complex, Arabian Shield, Saudi Arabia; average electron microprobe analysis supplemented by Raman spectroscopy, H₂O calculated from structure; corresponds to ^A(Pb_{1.34}Ca_{0.03}Fe_{0.01}Sr_{0.01}□_{0.61})_{Σ=2.00}^B(Nb_{1.75}Ti_{0.12}Ta_{0.12}Si_{0.01})_{Σ=2.00}^XO₆^Y[(OH)_{0.53}O_{0.08}□_{0.39}]_{Σ=1.00}.

Mineral Group: Pyrochlore supergroup, pyrochlore group.

Occurrence: From pegmatite-aplite in a peralkaline granitic complex.

Association: Quartz, microcline, “biotite,” rutile, zircon, calcite, rhodochrosite, columbite-(Fe), goethite, thorite, bastnäsite-(Ce), xenotime-(Y), samarskite-(Y), euxenite-(Y), “hydropyrochlore,” fluornatropyrochlore.

Distribution: From the Jabal Sayid peralkaline granitic complex, Arabian Shield, Saudi Arabia.

Name: The first prefix, *hydroxy*, indicates dominant OH at the Y site, the second prefix, *plumbo*, indicates the dominant lead in the A site of a member of the *pyrochlore* subgroup.

Type Material: Geological Museum of China, Beijing, China (M13239).

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