**Browneite** MnS

**Crystal Data:** Cubic. *Point Group:*  $\bar{4}$  3*m*. As a fractured grain to 20  $\mu$ m.

**Physical Properties:** Cleavage: n.d. Tenacity: Brittle. Fracture: n.d. Hardness = n.d. D(meas.) = n.d. D(calc.) = 3.291

**Optical Properties:** Translucent. *Color*: Yellowish brown. *Streak*: n.d. *Luster*: n.d. *Optical Class*: n.d.

**Cell Data:** Space Group:  $F\overline{4}$  3m. a = 5.601 Z = 4

X-ray Powder Pattern: Calculated pattern.

3.234 (100), 1.980 (63), 1.689 (39), 1.143 (19), 1.285 (14), 0.947 (14), 0.886 (14)

<b>Chemistry:</b>	(1)
S	36.46
Fe	0.62
Ca	0.10
Mn	62.31
Total	99.49

(1) Zakłodzie meteorite; average of 6 electron microprobe analyses supplemented by micro-Raman spectroscopy; corresponds to  $(Mn_{0.993}Fe_{0.010}Ca_{0.002})_{\Sigma=1.005}S_{0.995}$ .

Mineral Group: Sphalerite group.

Polymorphism & Series: Polymorphous with alabandite and rambergite.

**Occurrence:** In an enstatite-rich achondrite meteorite, postdates the impact melting and subsequent crystallization of an enstatite-rich rock.

**Association:** Plagioclase, enstatite, troilite.

**Distribution:** From the Zakłodzie meteorite.

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**Type Material:** National Museum of Natural History, Washington, D.C., USA (USNM 7607).

**References:** (1) Chi Ma, J.R. Beckett, and G.R. Rossman (2012) Browneite, MnS, a new sphalerite-group mineral from the Zakłodzie meteorite. Amer. Mineral., 97, 2056-2059.