

**Crystal Data:** Triclinic. *Point Group:*  $\bar{1}$ . Crystals display {100}, {001}, {1̄10}, {1̄11}, {012} and {111}, are flattened on {001}, or form stout prisms, elongated along [110], to  $\sim 0.5$  mm.  
**Twinning:** Cross-hatched twins in transmitted light and crossed polars.

**Physical Properties:** *Cleavage:* Perfect on {001}. *Fracture:* Irregular. *Tenacity:* Brittle.  
 Hardness = 2       $D(\text{meas.}) = \text{n.d.}$        $D(\text{calc.}) = 2.167$       Soluble in water.

**Optical Properties:** Transparent. *Color:* Yellow to orange-brown. *Streak:* Tan.  
*Luster:* Vitreous.

*Optical Class:* Biaxial (-).  $\alpha = 1.576(1)$     $\beta = 1.585(1)$     $\gamma = 1.591(1)$   
 $2V(\text{meas.}) = 80(1)^\circ$     $2V(\text{calc.}) = 78^\circ$    *Dispersion:* Strong;  $r > v$ . *Orientation:*  $X \approx \perp \{001\}$ ;  
 $Z \approx [110]$ . *Pleochroism:*  $X = \text{yellow}$ ;  $Y = Z = \text{orange}$ . *Absorption:*  $X < Y \approx Z$ .

**Cell Data:** Space Group:  $P\bar{1}$ .  $a = 9.5927(2)$     $b = 9.7679(3)$     $c = 18.3995(13)$     $\alpha = 93.250(7)^\circ$   
 $\beta = 95.258(7)^\circ$     $\gamma = 117.993(8)^\circ$     $Z = 2$

**X-ray Powder Pattern:** Huron River burn site, Ohio, USA.  
 9.23 (100), 7.57 (43), 3.144 (41), 8.26 (40), 4.93 (23), 3.328 (20), 3.035 (16)

<b>Chemistry:</b>	(1)	(2)	(3)
$(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{O}$	[12.75]	12.30	13.34
$\text{Na}_2\text{O}$	0.79	0.76	
$\text{K}_2\text{O}$	0.59	0.57	
$\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3$	25.70	24.79	24.54
$\text{SO}_3$	50.67	48.88	49.21
$\text{H}_2\text{O}$	[13.16]	12.70	12.92
Total	103.66	100.00	100.00

(1) Huron River burn site, Ohio, USA; average of 7 electron microprobe analyses supplemented by Raman and IR spectroscopy,  $(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{O}$  and  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  calculated from structure analysis. (2) Analysis (1) normalized; corresponding to  $[(\text{NH}_4)_{4.64}\text{Na}_{0.24}\text{K}_{0.12}]_{\Sigma=5.00}\text{Fe}^{3+}_{3.05}\text{O}(\text{SO}_4)_6 \cdot 6.93\text{H}_2\text{O}$ .  
 (3)  $(\text{NH}_4)_5\text{Fe}^{3+}_3\text{O}(\text{SO}_4)_6 \cdot 7\text{H}_2\text{O}$ .

**Occurrence:** Formed by a natural fire in oil-bearing shale exposed along a cliff.

**Association:** Anhydrite, boussingaultite, gypsum, lonecreekite.

**Distribution:** From a cliff (the Huron River burn site 2009-2011) along the Huron River,  $\sim 6.1$  km WSW of Milan, Ohio, USA.

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**Type Material:** Natural History Museum of Los Angeles County, Los Angeles, California, USA (65544 and 65545).

**References:** (1) Kampf, A.R., R.P. Richards, B.P. Nash, J.B. Murowchick, and J.F. Rakovan (2016) Carlsonite,  $(\text{NH}_4)_5\text{Fe}^{3+}_3\text{O}(\text{SO}_4)_6 \cdot 7\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , and huizingite-(Al),  $(\text{NH}_4)_9\text{Al}_3(\text{SO}_4)_8(\text{OH})_2 \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , two new minerals from a natural fire in an oil-bearing shale near Milan, Ohio. Amer. Mineral., 101, 2095-2107.