

Clinotobermorite**Ca₄Si₆O₁₇(H₂O)₂·(Ca·3H₂O)**

Crystal Data: Monoclinic or triclinic. *Point Group:* 2/m (MDO₁ polytype) or 1 (MDO₂ polytype). Crystals tabular \perp [001], or acicular along [010], to 5 mm, and as aggregates. *Twinning:* On {001} or along [100], well-developed polysynthetic on a microscopic scale.

Physical Properties: *Cleavage:* Perfect on {001}, poor on {100}. Hardness = 4.5 D(meas.) = 2.58 D(calc.) = 2.69

Optical Properties: Semitransparent. *Color:* Colorless to white; colorless in thin section.

Luster: Vitreous.

Optical Class: Biaxial. $\alpha = 1.575$ $\beta = 1.580$ $\gamma = 1.585$ 2V(meas.) = n.d. 2V(calc.) = 89.8°

Cell Data: *Space Group:* Cc. $a = 11.331(9)$ $b = 7.353(7)$ $c = 22.67(2)$ $\beta = 96.59(7)^\circ$ MDO₁ Z = 2 C1. $a = 11.274(2)$ $b = 7.3439(7)$ $c = 11.468(2)$ $\alpha = 99.18(1)^\circ$ $\beta = 97.19(1)^\circ$ $\gamma = 90.09(1)^\circ$ MDO₂

X-ray Powder Pattern: Fuka, Japan.

11.25 (100), 3.034 (60), 2.794 (60), 3.304 (51), 3.068 (45), 2.811 (41), 3.012 (37)

Chemistry:

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SiO ₂	46.55
TiO ₂	0.01
B ₂ O ₃	0.23
Al ₂ O ₃	0.36
Fe ₂ O ₃	0.01
MnO	0.06
MgO	0.11
CaO	39.04
Na ₂ O	0.02
K ₂ O	0.10
F	0.18
H ₂ O	13.75
$\text{--O}=\text{F}_2$	0.08
Total	100.34

(1) Fuka, Japan; by electron microprobe, wet chemical analysis for B, F, and H₂O; corresponds to (Ca_{5.29}Mg_{0.02}K_{0.02})_{Σ=5.33}(Si_{5.90}Al_{0.05}B_{0.05})_{Σ=6.00}[O_{16.54}(OH)_{1.39}F_{0.07}]_{Σ=18.00}·5.1H₂O.

Polymorphism & Series: Dimorphous with tobermorite. Two polytypes.

Occurrence: In gehlenite-spurrite-bearing skarns.

Association: Calcite, tobermorite, plumbierite, apophyllite.

Distribution: At Fuka, near Bicchu, Okayama Prefecture, Japan. From the Wessels mine, Kalahari manganese field, South Africa.

Name: A prefix, *clino*, for its monoclinic crystal system and chemical identity to *tobermorite*.

Type Material: National Science Museum, Tokyo, Japan.

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