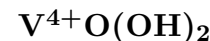


Duttonite



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Crystal Data: Monoclinic; pseudo-orthorhombic. *Point Group:* $2/m$. In crusts and masses of six-sided, platy, pseudo-orthorhombic crystals, to 1 mm, flattened $\parallel \{001\}$, with $\{100\}$ and $\{110\}$.

Physical Properties: *Cleavage:* $\{001\}$, good to perfect. Hardness = ~ 2.5 D(meas.) = n.d. D(calc.) = 3.24

Optical Properties: Transparent. *Color:* Pale brown, becoming greenish with alteration. *Luster:* Vitreous.

Optical Class: Biaxial (+). *Pleochroism:* X = pale pinkish brown; Y = pale yellow-brown; Z = pale brown. *Orientation:* $X = a$; $Y = c$; $Z = b$. *Dispersion:* $r < v$, moderate. $\alpha = 1.810(3)$ $\beta = 1.900(3)$ $\gamma = > 2.01$ $2V(\text{meas.}) = \sim 60^\circ$

Cell Data: *Space Group:* $I2/c$. $a = 8.80(2)$ $b = 3.95(1)$ $c = 5.96(2)$ $\beta = 90^\circ 40(5)'$ $Z = 4$

X-ray Powder Pattern: Peanut mine, Colorado, USA.

4.40 (100), 3.61 (85), 1.838 (21), 2.480 (15), 2.454 (15), 1.974 (14), 3.29 (13)

Chemistry:

	(1)	(2)
V_2O_4	78.1	82.16
V_2O_3	2.7	
FeO	0.4	
H_2O	18.8	17.84
Total	[100.0]	100.00

(1) Peanut mine, Colorado, USA; by spectrophotometry, H_2O by CHN analyzer; recalculated to 100% after deduction of 4.2% insoluble selenium and quartz. (2) $\text{VO}(\text{OH})_2$.

Occurrence: A secondary mineral formed by the low-temperature hydrothermal alteration of vanadium-bearing minerals.

Association: Melanovanadite, lenoblite, selenium, simplotite, montroseite, paramontroseite, uraninite, coffinite (Peanut mine, Colorado, USA); hewettite, fervanite, schoderite, metaschoderite, stracekite (Wilson Springs, Arkansas, USA).

Distribution: In the USA, found at the Peanut mine, Bull Canyon area, Uravan district, Montrose Co., and at the Sundown claim, Gypsum Valley, Slick Rock district, San Miguel Co., Colorado; in the Wilson Springs (Potash Sulphur Springs) mine, Garland Co., Arkansas. From the Urcal deposit, La Rioja, Argentina. At the Mounana uranium mine, Franceville, Gabon.

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