

Crystal Data: Orthorhombic. *Point Group:* 2/m 2/m 2/m. As tabular crystals to 50 μm.

Physical Properties: *Cleavage:* Good in one direction. *Fracture:* n.d. *Tenacity:* n.d.
Hardness = 5-5.5 VHN = 550-680 (100 g load). D(meas.) = n.d. D(calc.) = 3.37

Optical Properties: Transparent. *Color:* Blue, colorless in thin section. *Streak:* White.
Luster: Vitreous.

Optical Class: Biaxial (+). $\alpha = 1.664(2)$ $\beta = 1.674(2)$ $\gamma = 1.688(2)$ $2V(\text{calc.}) = 81^\circ$

Cell Data: *Space Group:* Cmc₂m. $a = 6.031(2)$ $b = 8.945(2)$ $c = 13.219(4)$ $Z = 4$

X-ray Powder Pattern: Itoigawa-Ohmi district, Niigata Prefecture, central Japan.
2.68 (vvs), 4.26 (vs), 3.31 (vs), 2.75 (vs), 4.68 (s), 2.63 (s), 2.50 (s)

Chemistry:	(1)
SiO ₂	32.98
TiO ₂	0.87
Al ₂ O ₃	27.67
Fe ₂ O ₃	0.39
MgO	0.27
CaO	0.45
SrO	27.71
H ₂ O	[9.66]
Total	100.00

(1) Itoigawa-Ohmi district, Niigata Prefecture, central Japan; average electron microprobe analysis, H₂O by difference; corresponds to (Sr_{0.97}Ca_{0.03}Mg_{0.02}) $\Sigma=1.02$ (Al_{1.97}Ti_{0.04}Fe_{0.02}) $\Sigma=2.03$ Si_{1.99}H_{3.89}O₁₀.

Mineral Group: Lawsonite group.

Occurrence: Product of late-stage high-P/T metamorphism, in a thin veinlet cutting a lavender-colored Ti-bearing jadeitite boulder in a river cutting serpentinite melange.

Association: Jadeite, natrolite, Sr-bearing pectolite, rutile, titanite.

Distribution: From the seashore of Oyashirazu, ~15 km west southwest of Itoigawa Station, Itoigawa-Ohmi district, Niigata Prefecture, central Japan.

Name: For the district in Japan, *Itoigawa*-Ohmi, where the first samples were collected.

Type Material: National Science Museum, Tokyo (NSM M-27872) and at Fossa Magna Museum, Itoigawa, Niigata (FMM00662), Japan.

References: (1) Miyajima, H., S. Matsubara, R. Miyawaki, and K. Ito (1999) Itoigawaite, a new mineral, the Sr analogue of lawsonite, in jadeitite from the Itoigawa-Ohmi district, central Japan. *Mineral. Mag.*, 63(6), 909-916. (2) (2000) *Amer. Mineral.*, 85(5-6), 874 (abs. ref. 1).