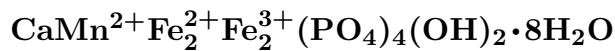


**Jahnsite-(CaMnFe)**

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**Crystal Data:** Monoclinic. *Point Group:*  $2/m$ . As bladed crystals and warty crystal aggregates, to 3 mm; in “splinters” intergrown with rockbridgeite.

**Physical Properties:** *Cleavage:* [Good on {001}] [by analogy to jahnsite-(CaMnMg)].  
*Fracture:* Splintery. *Tenacity:* [Brittle.] *Hardness* = [4] *D*(meas.) = 2.86 *D*(calc.) = [2.88]

**Optical Properties:** Translucent. *Color:* Yellow-brown. *Luster:* [Vitreous to subadamantine.]

*Optical Class:* Biaxial (-). *Pleochroism:* *X* = pale yellow-brown; *Y* = yellow-brown; *Z* = dark yellow-brown. *Dispersion:*  $r > v$ , strong.  $\alpha = 1.682$   $\beta = 1.695$   $\gamma = 1.707$   
*2V*(meas.) = Large.

**Cell Data:** *Space Group:*  $P2_1/a$ .  $a = 15.01(3)$   $b = 7.15(2)$   $c = 9.87(2)$   $\beta = 111^\circ 14(10)'$   
 $Z = 2$

**X-ray Powder Pattern:** Fletcher mine, New Hampshire, USA.  
9.150 (100), 2.808 (55), 4.602 (40), 3.483 (30), 3.451 (30), 4.961 (25), 1.874 (20)

**Chemistry:**

	(1)
P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	29.6
Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	22.8
MnO	10.2
MgO	2.7
CaO	2.6
Na <sub>2</sub> O	0.4
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Total	

(1) Fletcher mine, New Hampshire, USA; partial electron microprobe analysis, total Fe as Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, total Mn as MnO; which approximates (Ca<sub>0.50</sub>Mn<sub>0.36</sub>Na<sub>0.14</sub>)<sub>Σ=1.00</sub>Mn<sub>1.00</sub><sup>2+</sup>(Fe<sub>0.96</sub>Mg<sub>0.72</sub>Mn<sub>0.20</sub><sup>2+</sup>Fe<sub>0.12</sub><sup>3+</sup>)<sub>Σ=2.00</sub>Fe<sub>2.00</sub><sup>3+</sup>(PO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>4</sub>(OH)<sub>2</sub>•8H<sub>2</sub>O.

**Mineral Group:** Whiteite group; Fe<sup>3+</sup> > Al in the M(3) structural site.

**Occurrence:** A late-stage hydrothermal decomposition product of primary phosphate minerals in complex granite pegmatites.

**Association:** Rockbridgeite (Fletcher mine, New Hampshire, USA); frondelite, bermanite, huréaulite, strunzite, johnsomervilleite (Sapucaia mine, Brazil).

**Distribution:** In the USA, from the Fletcher and Palermo # 1 mines, near North Groton, Grafton Co., New Hampshire; in the Dunton quarry and the Bell pit, Newry, Oxford Co., Maine. At Hagendorf, Bavaria, Germany. From the Sapucaia pegmatite mine, about 50 km east-southeast of Governador Valadares, Minas Gerais, Brazil.

**Name:** By analogy to *jahnsite*-(CaMnMg); the suffix indicates sequentially the dominant atom in the X, M(1), and M(2) structural positions.

**Type Material:** National Museum of Natural History, Washington, D.C., USA, 127153.

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