

## **Khvorovite**

## **Pb<sub>4</sub><sup>2+</sup>Ca<sub>2</sub>[Si<sub>8</sub>B<sub>2</sub>(SiB)O<sub>28</sub>]F**

**Crystal Data:** Triclinic. *Point Group:*  $\bar{1}$ . As irregular grains, some with square or rectangular cross sections to 150  $\mu\text{m}$ ; in aggregates to 0.5 mm.

**Physical Properties:** *Cleavage:* None. *Fracture:* Uneven. *Tenacity:* Brittle. Hardness = 5-5.5 VHN = 620 (50 g load). D(meas.) = 3.96(2) D(calc.) = 3.968

**Optical Properties:** Transparent. *Color:* Colorless to white. *Streak:* White. *Luster:* Vitreous. *Optical Class:* Biaxial (+).  $\alpha = 1.659(3)$   $\beta(\text{calc.}) = 1.671(2)$   $\gamma = 1.676(3)$   $2V(\text{meas.}) = 64(3)^\circ$   $2V(\text{calc.}) = \text{n.d.}$  *Dispersion:* Medium,  $r < v$ .

**Cell Data:** *Space Group:*  $I\bar{1}$ .  $a = 11.354(2)$   $b = 10.960(2)$   $c = 10.271(2)$   $\alpha = 90.32(3)^\circ$   $\beta = 90.00(3)^\circ$   $\gamma = 90.00(3)^\circ$  Z = 2

**X-ray Powder Pattern:** Darai-Pioz massif, upper reaches of the Darai-Pioz River, Tajikistan. 7.86 (100), 7.65 (90), 7.55 (90), 3.81 (90), 3.55 (90), 2.934 (90), 5.15 (80)

<b>Chemistry:</b>	(1)
SiO <sub>2</sub>	36.98
B <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	6.01
Y <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.26
PbO	40.08
BaO	6.18
SrO	0.43
CaO	6.77
K <sub>2</sub> O	1.72
Na <sub>2</sub> O	0.41
F	0.88
- O = F <sub>2</sub>	0.37
Total	99.35

(1) Darai-Pioz massif, upper reaches of the Darai-Pioz River, Tajikistan; average of 10 electron microprobe analyses, supplemented by Raman spectroscopy; corresponding to  $(\text{Pb}^{2+})_{2.76}\text{Ba}_{0.62}\text{K}_{0.56}\text{Na}_{0.16})_{\Sigma=4.10}(\text{Ca}_{1.86}\text{Sr}_{0.06}\text{Y}_{0.04}\text{Na}_{0.04})_{\Sigma=2}[\text{Si}_8\text{B}_2(\text{Si}_{1.46}\text{B}_{0.65})_{\Sigma=2.11}\text{O}_{28}](\text{F}_{0.71}\text{O}_{0.29})$ .

**Mineral Group:** Hyalotekite group.

**Occurrence:** In the moraine of the Darai-Pioz glacier which erodes a multiphase, boron-enriched, alkaline intrusive complex.

**Association:** Pectolite, quartz, Sr-rich fluorite, aegirine, polylithionite, turkestanite, baratovite, calcite, pyrochlore-group minerals, reedmergneite, stillwellite-(Ce), pekovite, zerafshanite, senkevichite, sokolovaite, mendeleevite-(Ce), alamosite, orlovite, leucosphenite.

**Distribution:** From the Darai-Pioz alkaline massif in the upper reaches of the Darai-Pioz river, Alaisky mountain ridge, Tien-Shan Mountains, Tajikistan.

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