Kolarite PbTeCl<sub>2</sub>

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Crystal Data: Orthorhombic. Point Group: 2/m 2/m, mm2, or 222. As flamelike aggregates and veinlets, to 20  $\mu$ m across, in rims and intergrowths with other tellurides and sulfides.

**Physical Properties:** Hardness = n.d. D(meas.) = n.d. D(calc.) = 9.14

Optical Properties: Opaque. Color: Gray in reflected light.

Optical Class: Biaxial.

 $\begin{array}{l} R_1-R_2\colon (400)\ 25.0-26.1,\ (420)\ 25.3-26.2,\ (440)\ 25.6-26.5,\ (460)\ 25.9-27.0,\ (480)\ 26.5-27.5,\ (500)\ 27.0-27.9,\ (520)\ 27.4-28.3,\ (540)\ 27.7-28.6,\ (560)\ 28.1-29.0,\ (580)\ 28.3-29.2,\ (600)\ 28.5-29.4,\ (620)\ 28.6-29.6,\ (640)\ 28.6-29.6,\ (660)\ 28.6-29.5,\ (680)\ 28.6-29.5,\ (700)\ 28.6-29.5 \end{array}$ 

**Cell Data:** Space Group: Pmmm, Pmm2, or P222. a = 5.93(5) b = 3.25(5) c = 3.89(5) Z = 1

**X-ray Powder Pattern:** Champion Reef mine, India; by electron diffraction. 3.27 (100), 2.35 (50), 3.91 (40), 2.00 (40), 1.86 (30), 1.79 (30), 1.50 (30)

Chemistry:

	(1)	(2)
Pb	50.05	51.07
Te	32.87	31.45
$\mathbf{S}$	0.00	
Cl	16.88	17.48
Total	[99.80]	100.00

(1) Champion Reef mine, India; by electron microprobe, original total given as 99.60%; leading to  $Pb_{1.00}Te_{1.06}Cl_{1.94}$ . (2)  $PbTeCl_2$ .

Occurrence: Of primary origin, in a hydrothermal gold-quartz vein containing sulfides and selenides.

**Association:** Galena, altaite, cotunnite, radhakrishnaite, volynskite, hessite, pyrrhotite, chalcopyrite, ullmannite, hawleyite, cadmian tetrahedrite, cadmian sphalerite.

**Distribution:** From the Champion Reef mine, Kolar Gold Fields, Karnataka, India.

Name: For its occurrence in the Kolar deposit, India.

**Type Material:** Institute of Geology of Ore Deposits, Petrography, Mineralogy and Geochemistry, Moscow; A.E. Fersman Mineralogical Museum, Academy of Sciences, Moscow, Russia.

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