Laflammeite Pd<sub>3</sub>Pb<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>

**Crystal Data**: Monoclinic. *Point Group*: 2/m. As euhedral to subhedral platelets, to 0.3 mm, and as intergrowths with vysotskite-braggite. *Twinning*: Finely twinned.

**Physical Properties**: *Cleavage*: Perfect on  $\{010\}$ . *Tenacity*: Brittle. Hardness =  $\sim 3.5$  VHN = 156-185, 171 average (50 g load). D(meas.) = n.d. D(calc.) = 9.41

**Optical Properties**: Opaque. *Color*: Cream with a brownish tint in reflected light.

Streak: Dark gray. Luster: Metallic. Anisotropism: Weak; brownish gray to grayish brown. Bireflectance: Weak.

 $\begin{array}{l} R_1 \hbox{-} R_2 \hbox{:} (400) \ 44.0 \hbox{-} 45.2, (420) \ 44.6 \hbox{-} 45.8, (440) \ 44.9 \hbox{-} 46.0, (460) \ 45.2 \hbox{-} 46.1, (480) \ 45.4 \hbox{-} 46.2, \\ (500) \ 45.6 \hbox{-} 46.4, (520) \ 45.9 \hbox{-} 46.8, (540) \ 46.3 \hbox{-} 47.2, (560) \ 46.7 \hbox{-} 47.8, (580) \ 47.4 \hbox{-} 48.5, (600) \ 48.0 \hbox{-} 49.0, \\ (620) \ 48.6 \hbox{-} 49.4, (640) \ 49.3 \hbox{-} 49.8, (660) \ 49.8 \hbox{-} 50.0, (680) \ 50.5 \hbox{-} 50.2, (700) \ 51.3 \hbox{-} 50.4 \end{array}$ 

**Cell Data**: *Space Group*: C2/m (by analogy to parkerite). a = 11.521(11) b = 8.294(10) c = 8.321(6)  $\beta = 134.38(5)^{\circ}$  Z = 4

**X-ray Powder Pattern**: Kirakkajuppura deposit, Finland. 4.144 (10), 2.917 (9), 2.413 (8), 2.365 (7), 5.953 (6), 2.082 (5), 3.379 (3)

Chemistry:

(1) Kirakkajuppura deposit, Finland; by electron microprobe, average of 26 analyses on two grains; corresponds to  $(Pd_{2.96}Ir_{0.05})_{\Sigma=3.01}Pb_{2.02}S_{1.98}$ . (2)  $Pd_3Pb_2S_2$ .

**Occurrence**: In a platinum-group-element deposit in a layered ultramafic intrusive complex, formed under relatively high-Pb, low-S conditions.

**Association**: Vysotskite, zvyagintsevite, cuprorhodsite-malanite, laurite-erlichmanite, irarsite, keithconnite, gold, chalcopyrite, bornite, millerite.

**Distribution**: From the Kirakkajuppura deposit, Penikat layered complex, northeast of Kemi, Finland [TL]. In the Fedorova-Pana layered complex, Kola Peninsula, and the Noril'sk deposit, Siberia, Russia. In the Marathon Cu-PGE-Au deposit, Coldwell Complex, Ontario, Canada.

**Name**: Honors Joseph Hector Gilles *Laflamme* (1947–), Canada Centre for Mineral and Energy Technology (CANMET), Ottawa, Canada, for his work on platinum-group minerals.

**Type Material**: Canadian Museum of Nature, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada (83195).

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