Karenwebberite

Na(Fe\(^{2+}\),Mn\(^{2+}\))PO\(_4\)

Crystal Data: Orthorhombic.  
Point Group: 2/m 2/m 2/m.  
As lamellae to 100 μm thick.

Physical Properties: Cleavage: Perfect on {001}.  
Fracture: Irregular.  
Tenacity: Brittle.  
Hardness = 4.5  
D(meas.) = n.d.  
D(calc.) = 3.65

Optical Properties: Transparent to translucent.  
Color: Pale to dark green, brownish if oxidized.  
Streak: Very pale grayish green.  
Luster: Greasy to vitreous.  
Optical Class: Biaxial (+).  
α = 1.701(2)  
β = 1.708(2)  
γ = 1.717(2)  
2V(meas.) = 87(4)°  
2V(calc.) = 41°  
Orientation: Z = b.  
Pleochroism: moderate;  
X = dark gray, Y = brown, Z = yellow.

Cell Data: Space Group: Pbnm.  
a = 4.882(1)  
b = 10.387(2)  
c = 6.091(1)  
Z = 4

X-ray Powder Pattern: Malpensata pegmatite, Colico commune, Lecco Province, Italy.  
2.817 (100), 2.559 (100), 4.44 (90), 3.56 (90), 3.93 (80), 3.04 (80), 5.16 (50)

Chemistry:  
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 & (1) & (2) \\
P_2O_5 & 41.12 & 40.91 \\
Fe_2O_3 & [7.00] & \\
FeO & [25.82] & 27.74 \\
MgO & 0.23 & \\
ZnO & 0.11 & \\
MnO & 9.31 & 13.49 \\
CaO & 0.10 & \\
Na_2O & 14.66 & 17.86 \\
Total & 98.35 & 100.00 \\
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(1) Malpensata pegmatite, Colico commune, Lecco Province, Italy; average of 16 electron microprobe analyses, FeO:Fe\(_2\)O\(_3\) calculated for charge balance; corresponds to (Na\(_{0.817}\)Ca\(_{0.003}\)Mn\(_{0.001}\)Fe\(_{0.622}\)Mg\(_{0.010}\)Zn\(_{0.002}\)F\(_{0.019}\))\(_{0.999}\)PO\(_4\).  
(2) Na(Fe\(^{2+}\),Mn\(^{2+}\))PO\(_4\).

Mineral Group: Triphylite group.

Occurrence: As late-magmatic exsolation lamellae hosted by graftonite in plagioclase within the central portion of a granitic pegmatite dike.

Association: Graftonite, Na-bearing ferrisicklerite.

Distribution: From the Malpensata pegmatite dike, Colico commune, Lecco Province, Italy.

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