

**Crystal Data:** Hexagonal. *Point Group:* 32. Granular, to 6 mm, massive.  
**Twinning:** Subparallel twinning lamellae.

**Physical Properties:** *Fracture:* Conchoidal. Hardness = ~6.5 D(meas.) = 2.64–2.66  
D(calc.) = 2.618 May fluoresce dark red under UV.

**Optical Properties:** Transparent to translucent. *Color:* Colorless, pale gray, may be pale rose; colorless in transmitted light. *Luster:* Vitreous.

*Optical Class:* Uniaxial (+).  $\omega = 1.524(1)$   $\epsilon = 1.532(1)$

**Cell Data:** Space Group: *P*3<sub>1</sub>21 (synthetic).  $a = 4.941(2)$   $c = 10.940(3)$  Z = 3

**X-ray Powder Pattern:** Synthetic.

3.369 (100), 4.28 (25), 1.835 (16), 2.471 (12), 2.306 (12), 1.393 (12), 1.389 (12)

**Chemistry:**

	(1)	(2)
P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	58.43	58.20
SiO <sub>2</sub>	0.13	
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	41.88	41.80
Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.04	
Total	100.48	100.00

(1) Mt. Perry, Australia; by electron microprobe, total Fe as Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>. (2) AlPO<sub>4</sub>.

**Occurrence:** A rare high-temperature hydrothermal or metasomatic mineral.

**Association:** Augelite, attakolite, kyanite, pyrophyllite, scorzalite, lazulite, gatumbaite, burangaite, amblygonite, phosphosiderite, purpurite, apatite, muscovite, quartz, hematite (granite pegmatites); alunite, aragonite, collophane, crandallite, francoanellite, gypsum, huntite, hydromagnesite, leucophosphite, nesquehonite, niter, nitrocalcite (Paddy's River mine, Australia).

**Distribution:** In the Västanå mine, near Näsum, Skåne, and at Hålsjöberg, Värmland, Sweden. In Rwanda, in the Buranga and Rusororo pegmatites, Gatumba district. In Australia, on Mt. Perry, 75 km southwest of Bundaberg, Queensland, and at Paddy's River mine, Australian Capital Territory. From the Sapucaia pegmatite mine, about 50 km east-southeast of Governador Valadares, Minas Gerais, Brazil.

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