

Crystal Data: Monoclinic (MDO_2 polytype). **Point Group:** 2/m. Slender striated prismatic to acicular crystals, to 1.0 cm, elongated along [010], sometimes bent and grouped in irregular aggregates. **Twinning:** On {001}, universal.

Physical Properties: *Cleavage:* Perfect on {001}, near micaceous. Hardness = n.d. D(meas.) = n.d. D(calc.) = 7.02

Optical Properties: Opaque. *Color:* Gray-black, metallic gray to steel gray; creamy white in reflected light. *Luster:* Metallic.

Optical Class: Biaxial. *Anisotropism:* Distinct; bluish gray to yellowish gray. *Bireflectance:* Low. R₁-R₂: (400) 33.9-36.1, (420) 34.4-36.6, (440) 35.1-37.2, (460) 35.6-37.7, (480) 35.9-38.0, (500) 35.9-38.0, (520) 35.5-37.6, (540) 35.4-37.5, (560) 35.3-37.4, (580) 35.2-37.3, (600) 34.7-36.8, (620) 34.2-36.2, (640) 33.9-35.9, (660) 33.8-35.7, (680) 33.8-35.6, (700) 33.9-35

Cell Data: *Space Group:* C2/m (MDO_2 polytype). *a* = 14.1690(16) *b* = 4.0508(4) *c* = 13.9751(14) β = 118.292(6) $^\circ$ *Z* = 4

X-ray Powder Pattern: Levigliani mine, Italy.

3.05 (s), 2.914 (ms), 2.865 (ms), 3.86 (m), 3.55 (m), 2.644 (m), 1.913 (m)

Chemistry:	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
Hg	25.4	26.70	30.41	26.86
Cu		0.01	0.18	
Bi	57.6	54.67	35.56	55.97
Sb			13.81	
<u>S</u>	17.4	17.66	18.68	17.17
Total	100.4	99.04	99.65	100.00

(1) Levigliani mine, Italy; average electron microprobe analysis; corresponds to $Hg_{0.94}Bi_{2.04}S_4$.

(2) Rudňany deposit, Slovakia; average electron microprobe analysis; corresponding to $Hg_{0.985}Cu_{0.002}Bi_{1.936}S_4$. (3) Do.; corresponds to $Hg_{1.035}Cu_{0.019}(Bi_{1.194}Sb_{0.774})S_3$. (4) HgBi₂S₄.

Mineral Group: Pavonite homologous series.

Occurrence: Very rare, in quartz-carbonate veins in mercury deposit, probably formed during retrograde metamorphism.

Association: Cinnabar, mercurian sphalerite, mercury, pyrite (Italy); cinnabar, tetrahedrite, chalcopyrite, arsenopyrite, siderite, baryte (Slovakia).

Distribution: From the Levigliani mercury mine, near Levigliani, Tuscany, Italy [TL]. From the Droždiak vein, Rudňany deposit, ~11 km southeast of Spišská Nová Ves, northern part of Gemic Superunit, Spišsko-gemerské, Rudohorie Mts., Slovakia.

Name: For the GRUppo MIneralogico e Paleontological LUCchese, a group of amateur mineralogists who provided the specimens for study.

Type Material: Museum of Natural History, University of Pisa, Pisa, Italy (4262).

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