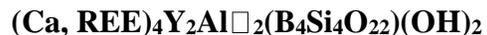


**Hellandite-(Y)**

**Crystal Data:** Monoclinic. *Point Group:* 2/m. Crystals prismatic || [001], tabular || [010], to 30 cm. *Twinning:* Contact and polysynthetic, || {001} and {100}.

**Physical Properties:** *Cleavage:* Poor on {100}, {010}. Hardness = 4.5-6.5 D(meas.) = 2.95-3.63 D(calc.) = 3.161-4.06

**Optical Properties:** Semitransparent. *Color:* Nut-brown, brownish red, black, gray, green, yellow, cream, pinkish. *Luster:* Vitreous to dull.

*Optical Class:* Biaxial (+). *Orientation:*  $X = b$ ,  $Z \wedge c = 44^\circ-53^\circ$ .  $\alpha = 1.652-1.656$   $\beta = 1.657-1.712$   $\gamma = 1.662-1.668$   $2V(\text{meas.}) = 48^\circ-86^\circ$

**Cell Data:** *Space Group:* P2/a.  $a = 18.99(1)$   $b = 4.715(5)$   $c = 10.30(1)$   $\beta = 111.4(1)^\circ$   $Z = 2$

**X-ray Powder Pattern:** Kragerö, Norway.

2.812 (100), 4.69 (80), 2.635 (80), 2.603 (80), 3.436 (70), 3.198 (70), 3.068 (70)

<b>Chemistry:</b>	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
SiO <sub>2</sub>	26.65	25.57	24.41	24.35
TiO <sub>2</sub>	0.39	< 0.2	< 0.02	
ThO <sub>2</sub>	1.46		0.57	0.09
B <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	10.5	[14.85]	8.47	15.32
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	2.58	3.04	4.59	4.85
Y <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	21.68	18.07	26.53	31.60
RE <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	15.63	16.0	19.19	5.96
Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	3.07	3.77	2.29	0.62
FeO	0.07			
MnO	0.41	0.70	0.58	7.71
MgO	0.60			
CaO	11.51	15.22	9.28	7.65
H <sub>2</sub> O <sup>+</sup>	3.75	[4.50]	5.3	
H <sub>2</sub> O <sup>-</sup>	1.89		2.0	[1.83]
Total	100.19	[101.92]	103.23	99.98

(1) Kragerö, Norway. (2) Predazzo, Italy; total Fe as Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>; B<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> and H<sub>2</sub>O from stoichiometry. (3) Evans-Lou quarry, Canada. (4) Heftetjern pegmatite, Tørdal, Norway; electron microprobe analysis, H<sub>2</sub>O calculated; corresponds to Ca<sub>1.34</sub>Mn<sub>1.07</sub>Y<sub>2.75</sub>Yb<sub>0.38</sub>Al<sub>0.92</sub>Fe<sub>0.08</sub>Si<sub>4</sub>B<sub>4</sub>O<sub>21.21</sub>(OH)<sub>2.79</sub>.

**Mineral Group:** Hellandite group.

**Occurrence:** In granite pegmatite (Norway; Wakefield Lake, Canada).

**Association:** Tourmaline, thorite, allanite, apatite, phenakite, zircon, titanite (Kragerö, Norway); quartz, chlorite, fergusonite, kainosite-(Y), tenerite, xenotime, wakefieldite, thorogummite (Evans-Lou quarry, Canada); microcline, albite, schorl, monazite, zircon (Crestmore, California, USA).

**Distribution:** At the Lindvikskollen pegmatite, near Kragerö and the Heftetjern pegmatite, Tørdal, Telemark, Norway. At Predazzo, Trentino-Alto Adige; Lago Vico, Viterbo, and near Vetralla, Lazio, Italy. In the Trimouns talc deposit, six km northeast of Luzenac, Ariège, France. At Crestmore, Riverside Co., California, USA. In the Evans-Lou quarry, near Wakefield Lake, Quebec, Canada.

**Name:** For geologist Amund Theodor *Helland* (1846-1918), of Oslo, Norway. The suffix indicates the dominant REE at the Y site.

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