Wangdaodeite FeTiO<sub>3</sub>

Crystal Data: Hexagonal. Point Group: 3m. As irregular grains to  $20 \mu m$ .

**Physical Properties**: Cleavage: None observed. Fracture: n.d. Tenacity: n.d.

Hardness = 5-5.5 (estimated from relief compared to ilmenite) D(meas.) = n.d. D(calc.) = 4.72

**Optical Properties**: n.d. *Color*: n.d. *Streak*: n.d. *Luster*: n.d.

Optical Class: n.d.

 $R_1$ - $R_2$ : (470) 21.0-18.7, (546) 19.9-17.9, (589) 20.1-18.0, (650) 20.4-18.3

**Cell Data**: *Space Group*: R3c. a = 5.13(1) c = 13.78(1) Z = 6

X-ray Powder Pattern: Suizhou L6 chondrite meteorite.

2.72 (100), 2.56 (89), 3.75 (72), 1.86 (59), 2.23 (57), 1.51 (44), 1.48 (44)

## **Chemistry**:

	(1)
FeO	41.05
MgO	2.79
MnO	2.74
$Al_2O_3$	0.04
$V_2O_3$	0.19
$Cr_2O_3$	0.04
TiO <sub>2</sub>	52.69
Total	99.54

(1) Suizhou L6 chondrite meteorite; average of 11 electron microprobe analyses supplemented by Raman spectroscopy; corresponds to  $(Fe_{0.86}Mg_{0.10}Mn_{0.06})_{\Sigma=1.02}Ti_{0.99}O_3$ .

**Polymrphism & Series**: High-pressure polymorph of ilmenite.

**Occurrence**: In or adjacent to shock-melt veinlets in chondritic parts of a meteorite, P-T conditions of formation estimated to be 20-24 GPa and >1200 °C.

Association: Ringwoodite, majorite, xieite.

**Distribution**: From the Suizhou L6 chondrite meteorite that fell in the suburb of Suizhou City, Hubei Province, China.

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**Type Material**: Geological Museum, Guangzhou Institute of Geochemistry, Chinese Academy of Sciences, Guangzhou, China (15010) and the Mineral Museum, University of Arizona (21312) and the RRUFF Project (R150142), Tucson, Arizona, USA.

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