

# **Ikranite** $(\text{Na},\text{H}_3\text{O})_{15}(\text{Ca},\text{Mn},\text{REE})_6\text{Fe}^{3+}_2\text{Zr}_3(\square,\text{Zr})(\square,\text{Si})\text{Si}_{24}\text{O}_{66}(\text{O},\text{OH})_6\text{Cl}\bullet\text{nH}_2\text{O}$

**Crystal Data:** Hexagonal. *Point Group:*  $3m$ . As tabular crystals to 2 cm.

**Physical Properties:** *Cleavage:* Imperfect. *Fracture:* Conchoidal. *Tenacity:* Brittle.  
Hardness = 5      D(meas.) = 2.82(3)      D(calc.) = 2.83

**Optical Properties:** Transparent. *Color:* Yellow to brownish yellow. *Streak:* White.  
*Luster:* Vitreous.  
*Optical Class:* Uniaxial (+).  $\omega = 1.612(1)$     $\varepsilon = 1.615(2)$    Some grains anomalously biaxial.  
*Pleochroism:* Weak, colorless to yellow.

**Cell Data:** *Space Group:*  $R\bar{3}m$ .  $a = 14.167(2)$     $c = 30.081(2)$     $Z = 3$

**X-ray Powder Pattern:** Mt. Karnasurt, Lovozero alkaline massif, Kola Peninsula, Russia.  
2.841 (100), 2.963 (92), 4.30 (91), 3.521 (57), 3.205 (44), 6.41 (41), 2.588 (37)

<b>Chemistry:</b>	(1)	(1)	
$\text{Na}_2\text{O}$	7.95	$\text{SiO}_2$	48.91
$\text{K}_2\text{O}$	0.44	$\text{TiO}_2$	0.37
$\text{CaO}$	6.29	$\text{ZrO}_2$	13.94
$\text{SrO}$	1.61	$\text{HfO}_2$	0.28
$\text{MnO}$	3.40	$\text{Nb}_2\text{O}_5$	0.28
$\text{FeO}$	0.38	F	0.10
$\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3$	4.80	Cl	0.89
$\text{La}_2\text{O}_3$	0.62	$\text{H}_2\text{O}$	7.70
$\text{Ce}_2\text{O}_3$	1.53	$\text{-O} = \text{F} + \text{Cl}$	0.24
$\text{Nd}_2\text{O}_3$	0.19	Total	99.44

(1) Mt. Karnasurt, Lovozero alkaline massif, Kola Peninsula, Russia; average of 3 electron microprobe analyses supplemented by IR spectroscopy,  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  by TGA; corresponding to  $\text{Na}_{7.56}(\text{H}_3\text{O})_{6.64}\text{K}_{0.27}\text{Ca}_{3.31}\text{Sr}_{0.46}\text{Ce}_{0.27}\text{La}_{0.11}\text{Nd}_{0.03}\text{Mn}^{2+}_{1.41}\text{Fe}^{2+}_{0.16}\text{Fe}^{3+}_{1.77}\text{Zr}_{3.33}\text{Ti}_{0.14}\text{Hf}_{0.04}\text{Nb}_{0.06}\text{Si}_{24}\text{O}_{72}\text{Cl}_{0.74}\bullet 2.64\text{H}_2\text{O}$ .

**Mineral Group:** Eudialyte group.

**Occurrence:** In an agpaitic pegmatite in an alkaline igneous complex.

**Association:** Aegirine, microcline, lorenzenite, nepheline, lamprophyllite, murmanite, arfvedsonite.

**Distribution:** At Mt. Karnasurt, Lovozero alkaline massif, Kola Peninsula, Russia.

**Name:** From the Russian acronym IKRAN, for the Institut Kristallografi Rossiiskoy Akademii Nauk.

**Type Material:** A.E. Fersman Mineralogical Museum, Russian Academy of Sciences, Moscow, Russia.

**References:** (1) Chukanov, N.V., I.V. Pekov, A.E. Zadov, V.V. Korovushkin, I.A. Ekimenkova, and R.K. Rastsvetaeva (2003) Ikranite,  $(\text{Na},\text{H}_3\text{O})_{15}(\text{Ca},\text{Mn},\text{REE})_6\text{Fe}^{3+}_2\text{Zr}_3(\square,\text{Zr})(\square,\text{Si})\text{Si}_{24}\text{O}_{66}(\text{O},\text{OH})_6\text{Cl}\bullet\text{nH}_2\text{O}$  and raslakite  $\text{Na}_{15}\text{Ca}_3\text{Fe}_3(\text{Na},\text{Zr})_3\text{Zr}_3(\text{Si},\text{Nb})(\text{Si}_{25}\text{O}_{73})(\text{OH},\text{H}_2\text{O})_3(\text{Cl},\text{OH})$  - new eudialyte-group minerals from the Lovozero massif, Kola Peninsula. Zapiski Vseross. Mineral. Obshch., 132(5), 22-33 (in Russian, English abs.). (2) (2004) Amer. Mineral., 89, 1827-1828 (abs. ref. 1).