

Maneckiite**NaCa₂Fe₂²⁺(Fe³⁺Mg)Mn₂(PO₄)₆(H₂O)₂**

Crystal Data: Orthorhombic. *Point Group:* 2/m 2/m 2/m. As imperfect crystals (sometimes zoned) to $\sim 150\ \mu\text{m}$.

Physical Properties: *Cleavage:* Good on {010}. *Tenacity:* Brittle. *Fracture:* Splintery. Hardness = ~5 D(meas.) = n.d. D(calc.) = 3.531

Optical Properties: Transparent. *Color:* Dark brown. *Streak:* Colorless. *Luster:* Vitreous. *Optical Class:* Biaxial (+). $\alpha = 1.698(2)$ $\beta = 1.706(2)$ $\gamma = 1.727(2)$ $2V(\text{meas.}) = 65.9(1.5)^\circ$ $2V(\text{calc.}) = 64^\circ$ *Orientation:* $X \parallel a$, $Y \parallel b$, $Z \parallel c$. *Dispersion:* Obscured. *Pleochroism:* X = dark green, Y = dark blue-green, Z = light brown/tan. *Absorption:* $X > Y > Z$.

Cell Data: *Space Group:* Pcab. $a = 12.526(4)$ $b = 12.914(5)$ $c = 11.664(4)$ $Z = 4$

X-ray Powder Pattern: Michałkowa, Góry Sowie Block, Lower Silesia, southwestern Poland. 2.759 (100), 2.916 (78), 3.020 (68), 2.844 (35), 2.869 (31), 2.825 (30), 2.121 (30)

Chemistry:	(1)
P ₂ O ₅	42.45
Fe ₂ O ₃	[8.65]
FeO	[15.19]
MnO	11.64
CaO	11.07
MgO	4.56
SrO	0.15
Na ₂ O	2.81
H ₂ O	[3.58]
Total	100.02

(1) Michałkowa, Góry Sowie Block, Lower Silesia, southwestern Poland.; average of 14 electron microprobe analyses, H₂O, FeO and Fe₂O₃ calculated for electroneutrality and the stoichiometry of the wicksite group; corresponds to (Na_{0.91}□_{0.09})_{Σ=1.00}(Ca_{1.98}Sr_{0.01})_{Σ=2.00}(Fe²⁺_{1.77}Mg_{0.23})_{Σ=2.00}(Fe³⁺_{1.09}Mg_{0.91})_{Σ=2.00}(Mn_{1.65}Fe²⁺_{0.35})_{Σ=2.00}(PO₄)₆(H₂O)₂.

Mineral Group: Wicksite supergroup.

Occurrence: In the outer zone of phosphate nodules. A product of Na- and Ca-metasomatism in a weakly fractionated anatectic lithium-cesium-tantalum pegmatite induced by a hydrothermal fluid in the presence of Al³⁺ from a neighboring aluminosilicate melt.

Association: Fluorapatite, wolfeite, Ca-rich graftonite, alluaudite-group minerals.

Distribution: From Michałkowa, Góry Sowie Block, Lower Silesia, southwestern Poland.

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Type Material: Mineralogical Museum, University of Wrocław, Wrocław, Poland (MMWr IV7674 and MMWr IV7677).

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