

Vinogradovite



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Crystal Data: Monoclinic, pseudo-orthorhombic. *Point Group:* $2/m$. In prismatic crystals, elongated along [100], sword-shaped or bladed, to 4 mm; commonly in spherulites, to 1 cm, and irregular fibrous aggregates. *Twining:* On {010}, uncommon.

Physical Properties: *Cleavage:* {010}, perfect. *Fracture:* Uneven. *Tenacity:* Brittle. Hardness = ~ 4 D(meas.) = 2.85–2.97 D(calc.) = 2.88

Optical Properties: Transparent. *Color:* Colorless, white, mauve, pink; in transmitted light, colorless to brownish. *Luster:* Vitreous.

Optical Class: Biaxial (-). *Pleochroism:* Weak; X = colorless; Z = brownish. *Orientation:* Y = b; X \wedge a = 7° . *Dispersion:* $r > v$. $\alpha = 1.691\text{--}1.745$ $\beta = 1.769\text{--}1.773$ $\gamma = 1.773\text{--}1.818$ 2V(meas.) = $41^\circ\text{--}82^\circ$

Cell Data: *Space Group:* C2/c. a = 24.38–25.01 b = 8.66–8.72 c = 5.21–5.23 $\beta = 99.50^\circ\text{--}104.43^\circ$ Z = 2

X-ray Powder Pattern: Khibiny massif, Russia. 3.21 (10), 3.07 (10), 1.614 (8), 2.72 (7), 1.558 (7), 1.494 (7), 1.434 (7)

Chemistry:

	(1)	(2)
SiO ₂	40.70	39.18
TiO ₂	33.60	28.87
Al ₂ O ₃	6.20	7.08
Fe ₂ O ₃		1.67
Nb ₂ O ₅		1.39
MgO	0.36	0.05
CaO	1.00	
BaO		1.02
Na ₂ O	12.00	15.81
K ₂ O	1.78	1.46
H ₂ O	4.80	3.68
Total	100.44	100.21

(1) Khibiny massif, Russia. (2) Mont Saint-Hilaire, Canada, by electron microprobe, H₂O by TGA; corresponds to $(\text{Na}_{4.18}\text{K}_{0.31}\text{Ba}_{0.14})_{\Sigma=4.63}(\text{Ti}_{3.67}\text{Fe}_{0.20}\text{Nb}_{0.11})_{\Sigma=3.98}(\text{Si}_{6.62}\text{Al}_{1.41})_{\Sigma=8.03}\text{O}_{26} \cdot (\text{H}_2\text{O}, \text{Na})$.

Occurrence: A late-stage hydrothermal mineral in cavities and veins, and replacing titanium-bearing minerals, in alkalic pegmatites in differentiated alkalic massifs (Kola Peninsula, Russia).

Association: Lorenzenite, lamprophyllite, catapleite, neptunite, labuntsovite, titanite, calcite.

Distribution: In the Khibiny, Lovozero, and Kovdor massifs, Kola Peninsula, and the Inagli massif, 30 km west of Aldan, Yakutia, Russia. At Mont Saint-Hilaire, Quebec, Canada. In the Ilímaussaq intrusion, southern Greenland.

Name: In honor of Academician Aleksander Pavlovich Vinogradov (1895–1975), Russian geochemist, Director of the Vernadsky Institute of Geochemistry and Analytical Chemistry, Academy of Sciences, Moscow, Russia.

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