

**Bergenite****Ca<sub>2</sub>Ba<sub>4</sub>(UO<sub>2</sub>)<sub>9</sub>O<sub>6</sub>(PO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>6</sub>·16H<sub>2</sub>O**

**Crystal Data:** Monoclinic. *Point Group:* 2/m. As thin tabular to needlelike crystals, to 3 mm.

**Physical Properties:** Hardness = n.d. D(meas.) = ~4.1 D(calc.) = 4.82 Radioactive.  
Pale green fluorescence under SW UV.

**Optical Properties:** Semitransparent. *Color:* Yellow to greenish yellow. *Streak:* Pale yellow.  
*Optical Class:* Biaxial (-).  $\alpha = 1.660$   $\beta = \text{n.d.}$   $\gamma = 1.722$   $2V(\text{meas.}) = 60^\circ$

**Cell Data:** *Space Group:* P2<sub>1</sub>/c.  $a = 10.092(1)$   $b = 17.245(2)$   $c = 17.355(2)$   $\beta = 113.678(2)^\circ$   $Z = 2$

**X-ray Powder Pattern:** Streuberg, Germany.

7.73 (100), 3.837 (80), 3.054 (60), 2.874 (50), 2.826 (50), 8.54 (40), 3.742 (40)

<b>Chemistry:</b>	(1)	(2)
UO <sub>3</sub>	62.54	62.4
P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	10.98	11.4
CaO	2.44	2.5
BaO	13.98	13.2
H <sub>2</sub> O	[10.06]	[10.5]
Total	[100.00]	[100.0]

(1) Streuberg, Germany; by electron microprobe, average of five analyses, H<sub>2</sub>O by difference; corresponds to Ca<sub>2</sub>(Ba<sub>3.69</sub>Ca<sub>0.31</sub>)(UO<sub>2</sub>)<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub>(PO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>]<sub>3</sub>·16H<sub>2</sub>O, based on structure analysis. (2) Do.; by electron microprobe, H<sub>2</sub>O by difference.

**Mineral Group:** Phosphuranylite group.

**Occurrence:** On a mine dump (Streuberg, Germany) and in uranium deposits (Black Forest, Germany). In graphitic uranium ore (Korea).

**Association:** "Uranocircite", torbernite, autunite, dewindtite, barian uranophane (Streuberg, Germany).

**Distribution:** In Germany, from the Streuberg, near Bergen, Saxony, and at Menzenschwand, Black Forest. In the Black Slate Formation, Republic of South Korea.

**Name:** For the first-noted occurrence of the mineral near *Bergen*, Germany.

**Type Material:** n.d.

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