

Crystal Data: Hexagonal. *Point Group:* $\bar{3}$. As thin tabular crystals with a hexagonal outline to 3 mm.

Physical Properties: *Cleavage:* None. *Fracture:* Conchoidal. *Tenacity:* Brittle. Hardness = n.d. D(meas.) = n.d. D(calc.) = 4.66

Optical Properties: Opaque. *Color:* Black. *Streak:* Black. *Luster:* Metallic. *Optical Class:* n.d. *Anisotropism:* Weak. $R_{\text{air-Roil}}$: (470) 19.2-6.7, (546) 17.9-5.9, (589) 17.6-5.7, (650) 17.4-5.8

Cell Data: *Space Group:* $R\bar{3}$. $a = 10.411(3)$ $c = 20.97(3)$ $Z = 3$

X-ray Powder Pattern: Sambuco di Vinadio, Stura Valley, Piedmont, Italy. 3.002 (100), 1.606 (95), 2.892 (70), 2.258 (70), 1.809 (60), 2.852 (50), 2.434 (50)

| Chemistry: | (1) | | (1) |
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| K ₂ O | 0.01 | La ₂ O ₃ | 0.14 |
| PbO | 7.53 | Ce ₂ O ₃ | 0.70 |
| BaO | 0.19 | Nd ₂ O ₃ | 0.20 |
| SrO | 1.56 | UO ₂ | 0.33 |
| ZnO | 0.99 | TiO ₂ | 59.47 |
| MnO | 1.45 | Nb ₂ O ₅ | 0.32 |
| CaO | 0.12 | <u>V₂O₅</u> | <u>0.22</u> |
| Fe ₂ O ₃ | 24.14 | Total | 100.40 |
| Y ₂ O ₃ | 3.03 | | |

(1) Sambuco di Vinadio, Piedmont, Italy; average of 10 electron microprobe analyses supplemented by IR spectroscopy; corresponding to (Pb_{0.61}Sr_{0.27}Ba_{0.02}U_{0.02}) $\Sigma=0.93$ (Y_{0.49}Mn_{0.37}Ce_{0.08}Ca_{0.04}Nd_{0.02}La_{0.02}) $\Sigma=1.01$ (Ti_{13.53}Fe_{5.49}Zn_{0.22}V_{0.04}Nb_{0.04}) $\Sigma=19.33$ O₃₈.

Mineral Group: Crichtonite group.

Occurrence: In hydrothermal quartz veins cutting biotite gneiss (Italy); in metamorphosed bodies of brecciated bauxite and marble (Greece).

Association: Quartz, albite, muscovite, anatase, brookite, rutile, fluorapatite, xenotime, pyrite, a mineral of the synchysite series, dessauite-(Y), senaite (Italy); diaspore, hematite, muscovite, chloritoid, calcite, rutile, monazite-(Ce), bastnäsite-(La), parisite-(Ce) (Greece).

Distribution: At Sambuco di Vinadio, Stura Valley, Piedmont, Italy and from Mikri Lakka, eastern coast of Samos Island, Greece.

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Type Material: At the Natural History Museum, University of Pisa, Italy (# 18299).

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