

Nabiasite**BaMn₂(VO₄, AsO₄)₆(OH)₂**

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Crystal Data: Triclinic. *Point Group:* 1. As rounded pseudo-hexagonal inclusions, to 7 mm, in thermonatrite.

Physical Properties: *Fracture:* Conchoidal. Hardness = 3 D(meas.) = 2.85
D(calc.) = 2.88 Soluble in H₂O.

Optical Properties: Transparent. *Color:* Colorless. *Luster:* Vitreous.
Optical Class: Biaxial (-). *Dispersion:* $r > v$, weak. $\alpha = 1.508(2)$ $\beta = 1.515(2)$ $\gamma = 1.520(2)$
 $2V(\text{meas.}) = 80^\circ$

Cell Data: *Space Group:* P1. $a = 13.387(7)$ $b = 13.383(5)$ $c = 7.072(3)$ $\alpha = 90.25(3)^\circ$
 $\beta = 89.73(4)^\circ$ $\gamma = 133.12(3)^\circ$ $Z = [8]$

X-ray Powder Pattern: Mt. Rasvumchorr, Kola Peninsula, Russia.
2.649 (100), 3.054 (45), 3.049 (40), 2.005 (40), 1.762 (33), 3.51 (24), 1.470 (21)

Chemistry:

	(1)	(2)
P ₂ O ₅	36.00	35.48
MnO	0.39	
CaO	26.66	28.04
SrO	0.55	
Na ₂ O	31.44	30.98
K ₂ O	0.10	
F	9.32	9.50
-O = F ₂	3.92	4.00
Total	100.54	100.00

(1) Mt. Rasvumchorr, Kola Peninsula, Russia; corresponding to Na_{1.99}(Ca_{0.94}Sr_{0.01}Mn_{0.01})_{Σ=0.96}P_{1.00}O_{3.97}F_{0.97}. (2) Na₂Ca(PO₄)F.

Occurrence: A rare late-stage mineral in ijolite-urtite pegmatite.

Association: Thermonatrite, villiaumite, aegirine, apatite, barytolamprophyllite.

Distribution: On Mts. Rasvumchorr, Yukspor, and Koashva, Khibiny massif, Kola Peninsula, Russia.

Name: For sodium, NAtrium, CAlcium, and PHosphorus in the composition.

Type Material: Geology Museum, Kola Branch, Academy of Sciences, Apatity, 5534; Mining Institute, St. Petersburg, 1116/2; A.E. Fersman Mineralogical Museum, Academy of Sciences, Moscow, Russia, 79854; The Natural History Museum, London, England, 1994,15.

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