

Thadeuite



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Crystal Data: Orthorhombic. *Point Group:* 222. Cleavable massive, to ~1 cm, also granular.

Physical Properties: *Cleavage:* On {010}, very good; another perpendicular. Hardness = < 4 D(meas.) = 3.25(1) D(calc.) = 3.21

Optical Properties: Translucent. *Color:* Yellow-orange. *Streak:* White. *Luster:* Vitreous. *Optical Class:* Biaxial (-). *Orientation:* X = c; Y = b; Z = a. $\alpha = [1.568]$ $\beta = 1.597(2)$ $\gamma = 1.600(2)$ $2V(\text{meas.}) = 33(2)^\circ$

Cell Data: *Space Group:* C222₁. a = 6.412(3) b = 13.563(8) c = 8.545(5) Z = 4

X-ray Powder Pattern: Panasqueira, Portugal. 3.38 (100), 3.00 (31), 2.793 (31), 2.626 (23), 2.185 (18), 3.61 (16), 1.696 (11)

Chemistry:	(1)
P ₂ O ₅	38.7
FeO	11.3
MnO	5.6
MgO	24.3
CaO	14.7
F	2.4
OH	[7.1]
-O = (F ₂ , OH)	[4.3]
Total	[99.8]

(1) Panasqueira, Portugal; by electron microprobe, average of three analyses, total Fe as FeO, total Mn as MnO; (OH)¹⁻ calculated for P:(OH+F) = 1:1; corresponds to (Ca_{0.96}Mn_{0.04})_{Σ=1.00}(Mg_{2.21}Fe_{0.57}Mn_{0.25})_{Σ=3.03}(PO₄)_{2.00}[(OH)_{1.53}F_{0.46}]_{Σ=1.99}.

Occurrence: A very rare primary mineral in the margins of hydrothermal veins, formed between 230°–360° C and 100–1000 bars.

Association: Fluorapatite, wolfeite, topaz, muscovite, sphalerite, quartz, chalcopyrite, pyrrhotite, siderite, arsenopyrite, chlorite, vivianite, althausite, panasqueiraite.

Distribution: In the Panasqueira Sn–W deposit, Portugal.

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