

Hingganite-(Ce)**(Ce, Y)BeSiO₄(OH)**

Crystal Data: Monoclinic. Point Group: $2/m$. As rims on prismatic crystals of hingganite-(Y).

Physical Properties: Hardness = 5-6 D(meas.) = n.d. D(calc.) = [4.82]
Cleavage: None detected.

Optical Properties: Transparent. *Color:* Pale tan. *Streak:* White.

Luster: Vitreous. Nonfluorescent.

Optical Class: Biaxial (+). $\alpha = 1.745(5)$ $\gamma = 1.770(5)$ $2V > 75^\circ$

Cell Data: Space Group: $P2_1/a$ [by analogy to hingganite-(Y)]. $a = 9.8973(1)$ $b = 7.6282(8)$
 $c = 4.7505(6)$ $\beta = 90.416(8)^\circ$ $Z = 2$

X-ray Powder Pattern: Iwaguro Sekizai quarry, Japan.

2.85 (100), 3.13 (86), 2.56 (46), 6.06 (42), 3.74 (37), 3.44 (34), 2.21 (33)

Chemistry:	(1)	(2)	(3)
SiO ₂	22.27	25.47	23.27
B ₂ O ₃	trace		
Y ₂ O ₃	10.91	0.72	
La ₂ O ₃	3.40	11.11	
Ce ₂ O ₃	16.77	28.32	63.56
RE ₂ O ₃	30.73	7.33	
FeO	5.65	3.61	
BeO	[9.27]	[10.60]	9.69
CaO	0.39	7.07	
H ₂ O	[1.90]	[2.88]	3.49
Total	[101.29]	97.10	100.00

(1) Iwaguro Sekizai quarry, Japan; by electron microprobe, BeO calculated so Be:Si = 1:1; RE₂O₃ = Nd₂O₃ 9.79%, Pr₂O₃ [3.5%], Sm₂O₃ 4.70%, Eu₂O₃ trace, Gd₂O₃ 4.18%, Tb₂O₃ [0.5%], Dy₂O₃ 3.82%, Ho₂O₃ 1.08%, Er₂O₃ 1.84%, Tm₂O₃ trace, Yb₂O₃ 1.02%, Lu₂O₃ [0.3%]; corresponds to (Ce_{0.54}Y_{0.51}RE_{1.07}) $\Sigma=2.12$ Fe_{0.41}Be_{1.96}Si_{1.96}O_{8.87}(OH)_{1.13}. (2) Iwaguro Sekizai quarry, Japan; by electron microprobe, Be and B confirmed by SIMS; RE₂O₃ = Pr₂O₃ 2.11, Nd₂O₃ 4.70, Sm₂O₃ 0.39, Gd₂O₃ 0.08, Tb₂O₃ trace, Dy₂O₃ 0.05, Ho₂O₃ trace, Er₂O₃ trace, Tm₂O₃ trace, Yb₂O₃ trace, Lu₂O₃ trace; corresponds to (Ce_{0.82}La_{0.32}Nd_{0.13}Pr_{0.06}Y_{0.03}Sm_{0.01}Gd_{0.002}Dy_{0.001}Ca_{0.60}) $\Sigma=1.15$ S_{1.97}Fe_{0.24}Be_{2.02}(SiO₄)_{2.02}(OH)_{1.52}. (3) CeBeSiO₄(OH).

Mineral Group: Gadolinite group.

Occurrence: In drusy pegmatite.

Association: Quartz, potassium feldspar, albite, zinnwaldite, cassiterite, stokesite, fluorite, chlorite, titanite,

Distribution: In the Iwaguro Sekizai quarry, Tahara, Gifu Prefecture, Japan.

Name: For the predominance of cerium and relation to *hingganite-(Y)*.

Type Material: National Science Museum, Tokyo, Japan (NSM-M28552).

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