Woodwardite $\text{Cu}_4\text{Al}_2(\text{SO}_4)(\text{OH})_{12} \cdot 2 \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O} (?)$

Crystal Data: Hexagonal. Point Group: $\overline{3}2/m$ (probable). Fibrous, spherulitic.

Physical Properties: Hardness = n.d. $D(\text{meas.}) = 2.38$ $D(\text{calc.}) = \text{n.d.}$


Cell Data: Space Group: $R\overline{3}m$ (probable). $a = 5.306(2)$ $c = 26.77(2)$ $Z = \text{n.d.}$

8.9 (100), 4.47 (90), 2.55 (60), 2.28 (50), 2.65 (30), 1.98 (30), 1.93 (30)

Chemistry:

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\begin{array}{cc}
\text{SO}_4 & 13.95 \quad 13.04 \\
\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3 & 17.97 \quad 18.64 \\
\text{CuO} & 48.34 \quad 48.67 \\
\text{H}_2\text{O} & 18.48 \quad [19.65] \\
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\text{Total} & 98.74 \quad [100.00]
\end{array}
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(1) Cornwall, England; corresponds to $\text{Cu}_{3.49}\text{Al}_{2.02}(\text{SO}_4)_{1.00}(\text{OH})_{11.04} \cdot 0.36\text{H}_2\text{O}$. (2) Do.; $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ by difference, corresponds to $\text{Cu}_{3.76}\text{Al}_{2.24}(\text{SO}_4)_{1.00}(\text{OH})_{12.24} \cdot 0.58\text{H}_2\text{O}$. (3) Do.; by electron microprobe, analyses not given, Cu:Al ratios stated to fall between 1.73 and 2.03.

Occurrence: A rare secondary mineral in the oxidized zone of copper deposits.

Association: n.d.

Distribution: In England, from Cornwall, the original locality not known; at the South Caradon mine, St. Cleer, and from Wheals Cock and Hazard, and the Botallack mine, St. Just. At Klausen, Tirol, Italy. In the USA, from the Maid of Sunshine mine, Courtland, Cochise Co., Arizona, and at the Deer Trail mine, six km southwest of Marysvale, Piaute Co., Utah. From the Kabasaka and Nyukaku mines, Kyogo Prefecture, Japan. As the species definition is somewhat uncertain, all reported localities may need reassessment.

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