

Crystal Data: Orthorhombic. *Point Group:* 2/m 2/m 2/m. As elongated inclusions in pyrrhotite to 20 μm (Jordan) or in diamond to ~2 μm (Brazil).

Physical Properties: Cleavage: n.d. *Tenacity:* n.d. *Fracture:* n.d. Hardness = n.d.; 4.5-5 (Israel) D(meas.) = n.d. D(calc.) = 4.609; 5.217 (Israel)

Optical Properties: Transparent; opaque (Israel). *Color:* Bright green; black (Israel). *Streak:* n.d. *Luster:* n.d.; submetallic (Israel). *Optical Class:* n.d.

Cell Data: *Space Group:* Pnma. *a* = 9.0875(2) *b* = 2.9698(1) *c* = 10.6270(3) *Z* = 4

X-ray Powder Pattern: Zohar wadi, near Arad, southern part of the Hatrurim Basin, Israel. 2.567 (100), 2.424 (69), 2.418 (62), 2.589 (54), 1.767 (35), 2.148 (34), 4.434 (23)

Chemistry:	(1)
TiO ₂	1.27
Fe ₂ O ₃	1.43
Cr ₂ O ₃	65.44
Al ₂ O ₃	1.71
SrO	0.54
CaO	27.95
<u>MgO</u>	<u>0.62</u>
Total	98.96

(1) Jordan; average electron microprobe and Raman spectroscopic analyses; corresponding to (Ca_{1.00}Sr_{0.01})_{Σ=1.01}(Cr³⁺_{1.79}Al_{0.07}Ca_{0.04}Fe³⁺_{0.04}Ti⁴⁺_{0.03}Mg_{0.03})_{Σ=2.00}O₄. (2) Mato Grosso State, Brazil; EDX analysis as atomic percent Ca 35.72, Cr 57.02, Fe 1.93, Mg 0.79, Mn 0.69, Al 0.80, Ti 1.09, V 1.96; corresponds to Ca_{1.07}(Cr_{1.71}Fe³⁺_{0.06}V_{0.06}Ti_{0.03}Al_{0.0307}Mg_{0.02}Mn_{0.02})_{Σ=1.93}O₄.

Occurrence: In pyrometamorphic paralava (Israel) and spurite marble (Jordan). In a diamond (Brazil). Forms under highly reduced conditions at high temperatures (>1000 °C).

Association: Calcite, ettringite, mcconnellite, fluorapatite, priscillagrewite-(Y), brownmillerite-srebrodolskite series, cuprite (Jordan); ferropericlase (+magnesioferrite), orthorhombic MgCr₂O₄, iron carbide, graphite (Brazil); Cr-rich pyrrhotite, gehlenite, rankinite, larnite-flamite, Si-rich perovskite, fluorapatite, cuspidine, chromite-magnesiochromite, hydrated calcium silicates (Israel).

Distribution: From the Tulul Al Hammam area, Daba-Siwaqa area, central Jordan (holotype). From Zohar wadi, near Arad, southern Hatrurim Basin, Israel. In a diamond from gravels, Sorriso Creek, a tributary of Rio Aripuanã, Mato Grosso State, Brazil (cotype).

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Type Material: A.E. Fersman Mineralogical Museum, RAS, Moscow (5439/1 holotype), the Central Siberian Geological Museum, Sobolev Institute of Geology and Mineralogy, Siberian Branch of the RAS, Novosibirsk (VII-102/1 holotype), and the Vernadsky Institute of Geochemistry and Analytical Chemistry, Moscow (Kaminsky collection, 8/108 cotype), Russia.

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