

**Ferriperbøeite-(La)**

**Crystal Data:** Monoclinic. *Point Group:* 2/m. As anhedral grains to 0.3 mm and granular aggregates to 1.5 mm in concentrically zoned, ovoid nodules.

**Physical Properties:** *Cleavage:* Good on {100} and imperfect on {001}. *Tenacity:* Brittle. *Fracture:* Uneven. Hardness = ~6 D(calc.) = 4.510 Nonfluorescent.

**Optical Properties:** Translucent. *Color:* Brownish black, dark gray in reflected light.

*Streak:* Brown. *Luster:* Vitreous.

*Optical Class:* Biaxial (+).  $\alpha = 1.788(5)$   $\beta = 1.790(5)$   $\gamma = 1.810(5)$   $2V(\text{meas.}) = 40(10)^\circ$   $2V(\text{calc.}) = 35^\circ$  *Pleochroism:* Weak,  $X =$  nearly colorless in thin grains to pale brownish in thicker ones,  $Y$  and  $Z =$  greenish brown. *Absorption:*  $Z > Y > X$ . *Anisotropy:* Weak.

$R_1$ - $R_2$ : (470) 8.0-8.5, (546) 7.9-8.4, (589) 7.8-8.3, (650) 7.8-8.4

**Cell Data:** *Space Group:*  $P2_1/m$ .  $a = 8.9458(2)$   $b = 5.7297(1)$   $c = 17.6192(3)$   $\beta = 115.950(2)^\circ$   $Z = 2$

**X-Ray Diffraction Pattern:** Mochalin Log REE deposit, Chelyabinsk Oblast', South Urals, Russia. 3.003 (100), 15.81 (72), 2.636 (60), 3.521 (53), 4.700 (43), 2.868 (39), 2.687(33)

Chemistry:	(1)		(1)
CaO	4.91	FeO	[3.04]
MnO	1.07	Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	[5.31]
La <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	23.75	TiO <sub>2</sub>	0.19
Ce <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	19.69	SiO <sub>2</sub>	27.47
Pr <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.85	F	0.11
Nd <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	1.48	H <sub>2</sub> O	[1.61]
MgO	1.47	<u>-O = F</u>	<u>0.05</u>
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	10.68	total	101.58

(1) Mochalin Log REE deposit, Chelyabinsk Oblast', South Urals, Russia; average electron microprobe analysis, Fe<sup>3+</sup>:Fe<sup>2+</sup> from charge balance, H<sub>2</sub>O by stoichiometry; corresponds to (Ca<sub>0.95</sub>La<sub>1.58</sub>Ce<sub>1.30</sub>Nd<sub>0.10</sub>Pr<sub>0.06</sub>) $\Sigma=3.99$ (Al<sub>2.27</sub>Fe<sup>3+</sup><sub>0.72</sub>Fe<sup>2+</sup><sub>0.46</sub>Mg<sub>0.40</sub>Mn<sub>0.16</sub>Ti<sub>0.03</sub>) $\Sigma=4.04$ Si<sub>4.96</sub>O<sub>20</sub>[(OH)<sub>1.94</sub>F<sub>0.06</sub>].

**Mineral Group:** Gatelite supergroup.

**Occurrence:** Nodules of the deposit have a contact metasomatic origin, probably formed during fenitization of granitic pegmatites in the exocontact of an alkaline intrusion.

**Association:** Perbøeite-(La), allanite-(Ce), allanite-(La), bastnäsite-(Ce), bastnäsite-(La), ferriallanite-(Ce), ferriallanite-(La), ferriperbøeite-(Ce), perbøeite-(Ce), törnebohmitte-(Ce), törnebohmitte-(La).

**Distribution:** At the Mochalin Log REE deposit, 14 km north of Kyshtym, Chelyabinsk Oblast', South Urals, Russia.

**Name:** The suffix indicates the La-analogue of *ferriperbøeite*-(Ce).

**Type Material:** A.E. Fersman Mineralogical Museum, Russian Academy of Sciences, Moscow, Russia (5253/1, 96276).

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