Gungerite TlAs<sub>5</sub>Sb<sub>4</sub>S<sub>13</sub>

**Crystal Data**: Orthorhombic. *Point Group*: 2/m 2/m 2/m. As fine-grained aggregates to 0.5 cm. *Twinning*: On (101). On the structural level, by a twofold screw axis parallel to [101] with a shift of  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the full [101] repetition period instead of  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the repetition period of the usual screw axis.

**Physical Properties**: Cleavage: Perfect on {010}. Tenacity: Brittle. Fracture: Uneven. Hardness = 2-2.5 VHN = 74-98, 84 average (10 g load). D(meas.) = n.d. D(calc.) = 4.173

**Optical Properties**: Translucent. *Color*: Bright orange; yellowish white in reflected light, at contact with stibnite light gray with a weak bluish tint. *Streak*: Orange. *Luster*: Greasy. *Optical Class*: *Bireflectance*: Very weak. *Anisotropism*: Distinct, masked by strong, bright orange internal reflections.

 $R_1$ - $R_2$ : (470) 29.8-27.0, (546) 27.4-26.1, (589) 25.9-24.5, (650) 23.9-22.4

**Cell Data**: Space Group: Pbcn. a = 20.1958(3) b = 11.5258(2) c = 20.1430(2) Z = 8

**X-Ray Diffraction Pattern**: Vorontsovskoe gold deposit, Sverdlovskaya Oblast, N. Urals, Russia. 5.755 (100), 2.878 (14), 3.030 (10), 2.901 (10), 2.821 (10), 3.705 (6), 2.850 (5)

Chemistry:		(1)	(2)
	Tl	13.68	13.78
	As	26.77	25.26
	Sb	30.97	32.85
	S	28.02	28.11
	Total	99 44	100.00

(1) Vorontsovskoe gold deposit, Sverdlovskaya Oblast, Northern Urals, Russia; average electron microprobe analysis supplemented by Raman spectroscopy; corresponds to  $Tl_{0.99}As_{5.29}Sb_{3.77}S_{12.95}$ . (2)  $TlAs_5Sb_4S_{13}$ .

**Occurrence**: By late stage, low temperature, hydrothermal processes in limestone breccias composed of calcite and dolomite cemented by orpiment, pyrite, realgar, stibnite, baryte, quartz.

**Association**: Bernardite, minerals of the chabournéite-dalnegroite and vorontsovite-ferrovorontsovite series, cinnabar, coloradoite, gold, greigite, hutchinsonite, parapierrotite, routhierite.

**Distribution**: From the Vorontsovskoe gold deposit, ~13 km south of Krasnoturinsk, Sverdlovskaya Oblast, Northern Urals, Russia.

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