

**Perbøeite-(La)**

**Crystal Data:** Monoclinic. *Point Group:* 2/m. As anhedral grains to 0.5 mm and granular aggregates to 3 mm in concentrically zoned, ovoid nodules.

**Physical Properties:** *Cleavage:* Good on {100} and imperfect on {001}. *Tenacity:* Brittle. *Fracture:* Uneven. Hardness = ~6 D(calc.) = 4.483 Nonfluorescent.

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

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

*Optical Class:* Biaxial (+).  $\alpha = 1.778(8)$   $\beta = 1.783(8)$   $\gamma = 1.805(8)$   $2V(\text{meas.}) = 40(10)^\circ$   $2V(\text{calc.}) = 51.5^\circ$  *Pleochroism:* Strong,  $X =$  colorless, thicker ones,  $Y =$  medium dark brown,  $Z =$  nearly colorless or brownish. *Absorption:*  $Y > Z \approx X$ . *Dispersion:* Noticeable, inclined. *Anisotropy:* Very weak.

$R_1$ - $R_2$ : (470) 8.3-8.6, (546) 8.1-8.4, (589) 8.0-8.3, (650) 7.9-8.1

**Cell Data:** *Space Group:*  $P2_1/m$ .  $a = 8.9652(4)$   $b = 5.7306(2)$   $c = 17.6770(9)$   $\beta = 116.053(6)^\circ$   $Z = 2$

**X-Ray Diffraction Pattern:** Mochalin Log REE deposit, Chelyabinsk Oblast', South Urals, Russia. 3.009 (100), 3.523 (99), 15.85 (83), 4.665 (68), 3.116 (56), 2.874 (55), 2.640 (54), 8.03 (41)

**Chemistry:**

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CaO	4.81	FeO	[3.35]
MnO	0.92	Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	[3.78]
La <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	22.16	TiO <sub>2</sub>	0.19
Ce <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	20.05	SiO <sub>2</sub>	27.35
Pr <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	1.09	F	0.23
Nd <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	2.18	H <sub>2</sub> O	[1.54]
MgO	1.38	<u>-O = F</u>	<u>0.10</u>
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	11.25	Total	101.50
ThO <sub>2</sub>	0.32		

(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>0.94</sub>Th<sub>0.01</sub>La<sub>1.49</sub>Ce<sub>1.34</sub>Nd<sub>0.14</sub>Pr<sub>0.07</sub>) $\Sigma=3.99$ (Al<sub>2.42</sub>Fe<sup>3+</sup><sub>0.52</sub>Fe<sup>2+</sup><sub>0.51</sub>Mg<sub>0.38</sub>Mn<sub>0.14</sub>Ti<sub>0.03</sub>) $\Sigma=4.00$ Si<sub>4.99</sub>O<sub>20</sub>[(OH)<sub>1.87</sub>F<sub>0.13</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:** Ferriperbøeite-(La), allanite-(Ce), allanite-(La), bastnäsite-(Ce), bastnäsite-(La), ferriallanite-(Ce), ferriallanite-(La), ferriperbøeite-(Ce), perbøeite-(Ce), törnebohmit-(Ce), törnebohmit-(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 *perbøeite*-(Ce).

**Type Material:** A.E. Fersman Mineralogical Museum, Russian Academy of Sciences, Moscow, Russia (5253/1; 96484).

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