

Radekškodaite-(Ce)**(CaCes)(Al₄Fe²⁺)[Si₂O₇][SiO₄]₅O(OH)₃**

Crystal Data: Monoclinic. *Point Group:* 2/m. As isolated anhedral grains to 2 mm, intimately intergrown with ferriperboeite-(La).

Physical Properties: *Cleavage:* One good direction and one imperfect direction. *Tenacity:* Brittle. *Fracture:* Uneven. Hardness = ~6.5 VHN = 800–922, 862 average (150 g load). D(meas.) = n.d. D(calc.) = 4.651

Optical Properties: Translucent. *Color:* Greenish brown. *Streak:* Brown. *Luster:* Vitreous.

Optical Class: Biaxial (+). $\alpha = 1.798(6)$ $\beta = 1.806(6)$ $\gamma = 1.833(8)$ 2V(meas.) = 65(10)°

2V(calc.) = 58° *Pleochroism:* Weak, marsh green hues. *Absorption:* Z > Y > X.

Dispersion: Weak, $r < v$.

Cell Data: *Space Group:* P2₁/m. $a = 8.9702(4)$ $b = 5.7044(2)$ $c = 25.164(1)$ $\beta = 116.766(6)$ ° $Z = 2$

X-ray Powder Pattern: Mochalin Log REE deposit, Chelyabinsk Oblast', South Urals, Russia. 3.031 (100), 3.528 (99), 2.654 (87), 4.640 (76), 2.844 (46), 8.08 (42), 22.5 (38)

Chemistry:	(1)	(2)	(1)	(2)
CaO	2.74	3.50	MnO	0.69
La ₂ O ₃	22.23		FeO	2.76
Ce ₂ O ₃	24.30	51.29	Fe ₂ O ₃	2.57
Pr ₂ O ₃	1.48		TiO ₂	0.04
Nd ₂ O ₃	3.18		SiO ₂	26.10
ThO ₂	0.24		F	0.09
MgO	1.04		H ₂ O	1.63
Al ₂ O ₃	10.84	12.75	=O = F	1.69
			Total	99.89
				100.00

(1) Mochalin Log REE deposit, Chelyabinsk Oblast', South Urals, Russia; average electron microprobe and Raman spectroscopic analyses, FeO:Fe₂O₃ for charge balance, H₂O from stoichiometry; corresponds to $(\text{Ca}_{0.79}\text{Mn}_{0.16}\text{Th}_{0.01}\text{Ce}_{2.39}\text{La}_{2.20}\text{Nd}_{0.30}\text{Pr}_{0.14})_{\Sigma=5.99}(\text{Al}_{3.43}\text{Fe}^{2+}_{0.62}\text{Fe}^{3+}_{0.52}\text{Mg}_{0.42}\text{Ti}_{0.01})_{\Sigma=5.00}\text{Si}_{7.00}\text{O}_{28}[(\text{OH})_{2.92}\text{F}_{0.08}]$. (2) (CaCes)(Al₄Fe²⁺)[Si₂O₇][SiO₄]₅O(OH)₃.

Occurrence: In polymineralic REE-bearing nodules composed mainly of allanite-ferriallanite, bastrnäsite, fluorbritholite-(Ce), törnebohmite.

Association: Albite, alexkuznetsovite-(Ce), alexkuznetsovite-(La), biraite-(Ce), cerianite-(Ce), REE-bearing epidote, ferriperboeite-(Ce), heulandite-Ca, hollandite, lanthanite-(La), monazite, nontronite, perboeite, perrierite, rhabdophane-(La), thorianite, thorite.

Distribution: From dump no. 2, Mochalin Log REE deposit, 14 km north of Kyshtym, Chelyabinsk Oblast', South Urals, Russia.

Name: The suffix identifies the Ce analogue of *radekškodaite*-(La). The root name honors Czech mineralogist *Radek Škoda* (b. 1979), Associate Professor, Masaryk University, Brno, Czech Republic.

Type Material: A.E. Fersman Mineralogical Museum, Russian Academy of Sciences, Moscow, Russia (5363/1; 96698).

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