

**Crystal Data:** Triclinic. *Point Group:*  $\bar{1}$ . Crystals, to 10  $\mu\text{m}$ , are elongated along [001] and flattened on (100). Also as fibers with rectangular cross-section apparently bound by {100} and {010}. Typically in random sprays or aggregates.

**Physical Properties:** *Cleavage:* Distinct on {010} and {100}. *Fracture:* Uneven. *Tenacity:* Brittle. Hardness = n.d. (easily crushed between two glass slides.) D(meas.) = n.d. D(calc.) = 2.934

**Optical Properties:** Transparent. *Color:* Pale to greenish yellow. *Streak:* Pale to greenish yellow. *Luster:* Vitreous. *Optical Class:* Biaxial (+).  $\alpha = 1.747(3)$   $\beta = \text{n.d.}$   $\gamma = 1.754(3)$  2V(meas.) = n.d. 2V(calc.) = n.d.

**Cell Data:** *Space Group:*  $P\bar{1}$ .  $a = 5.383(2)$   $b = 10.363(3)$   $c = 6.878(2)$   $\alpha = 96.42(4)^\circ$   $\beta = 109.19(3)^\circ$   $\gamma = 102.30(2)^\circ$   $Z = 1$

**X-ray Powder Pattern:** Eduardo pegmatite mine, Conselheiro Pena, Minas Gerais, Brazil. 6.35 (100), 9.85 (95), 2.960 (39), 2.884 (35), 3.158 (32), 3.671 (29), 2.680 (29)

Chemistry:	(1)	(2)
FeO	[11.50]	11.52
Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	[25.56]	25.61
P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	3.54	
As <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	33.51	36.86
H <sub>2</sub> O	[26.01]	26.01
Total	100.12	100.00

(1) Eduardo pegmatite mine, Minas Gerais, Brazil; average of 4 electron microprobe analyses supplemented by IR spectroscopy, FeO:Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> calculated by analogy to laueite group minerals, H<sub>2</sub>O calculated from stoichiometry; corresponds to  $\text{Fe}^{2+}_{0.98}\text{Fe}^{3+}_{1.96}[(\text{AsO}_4)_{1.79}(\text{PO}_4)_{0.31}](\text{OH})_{1.52} \cdot 8.08\text{H}_2\text{O}$ .  
 (2)  $\text{Fe}^{2+}\text{Fe}^{3+}_2(\text{AsO}_4)_2(\text{OH})_2 \cdot 8\text{H}_2\text{O}$ .

**Mineral Group:** Laueite group.

**Occurrence:** Filling a miarolitic cavity in a zoned granitic pegmatite, likely replacing arsenopyrite.

**Association:** Pharmacosiderite, scorodite, arsenopyrite.

**Distribution:** From the Eduardo pegmatite mine, near Boa Vista creek, Conselheiro Pena municipality, Minas Gerais, Brazil.

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