

# Madocite

# Pb<sub>18</sub>(Sb, As)<sub>15</sub>S<sub>41</sub>

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**Crystal Data:** Orthorhombic. *Point Group:*  $2/m\ 2/m\ 2/m$  or  $mm2$ . Crystals are elongated and striated along [001], to 1.5 mm.

**Physical Properties:** *Cleavage:* Perfect on {010}. *Fracture:* Conchoidal. Hardness = n.d. VHN = 155 (50 g load). D(meas.) = n.d. D(calc.) = 5.98

**Optical Properties:** Opaque. *Color:* Gray-black. *Streak:* Gray-black, shining. *Luster:* Metallic. *Pleochroism:* Strong, from white to gray. *Anisotropism:* Strong. R<sub>1</sub>–R<sub>2</sub>: n.d.

**Cell Data:** *Space Group:*  $Pbam$  or  $Pba2$ .  $a = 27.2$   $b = 34.1$   $c = 8.12$   $Z = 4$

**X-ray Powder Pattern:** Madoc, Canada.

3.396 (100), 3.355 (90), 2.720 (80), 3.67 (70), 2.925 (60), 3.87 (50), 3.110 (40)

## Chemistry:

	(1)	(2)
Pb	55.0	54.5
Sb	22.8	23.1
As	3.1	2.2
S	19.9	19.3
Total	100.8	99.1

(1) Madoc, Canada; by electron microprobe, average of three analyses; corresponds to Pb<sub>17.54</sub>(Sb<sub>12.37</sub>As<sub>2.73</sub>)<sub>Σ=15.10</sub>S<sub>41.00</sub>. (2) Do.; by electron microprobe, corresponds to Pb<sub>17.92</sub>(Sb<sub>12.92</sub>As<sub>2.00</sub>)<sub>Σ=14.92</sub>S<sub>41.00</sub>.

**Occurrence:** In the marbles of the Precambrian Grenville Limestone, at the margin of an intrusive (Madoc, Canada); in a hydrothermal deposit in dolomitic limestones with other As–Tl minerals (Jas Roux, France).

**Association:** Jamesonite, boulangerite, arsnopyrite (Madoc, Canada); chabournéite, pierrotite, parapierrrotite, stibnite, pyrite, sphalerite, twinnite, zinkenite, andorite, smithite, laffittite, routhierite, aktashite, wakabayashilite, realgar, orpiment (Jas Roux, France).

**Distribution:** From near Madoc, Huntington Township, Ontario, Canada [TL]. At the Jas Roux deposit, 10 km east of Chapelle-en-Valgaudemar, Hautes-Alpes, France. From Novoye, Khaydarkan, Fergana Valley, Alai Range, Kyrgyzstan. At Boliden, Västerbotten, Sweden. From Colquiri, Bolivia.

**Name:** For the locality at Madoc, Canada.

**Type Material:** Canadian Geological Survey, Ottawa, Canada, 12146; National Museum of Natural History, Washington, D.C., USA, 160247.

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