

**Chlorellestadite****Ca<sub>5</sub>(SiO<sub>4</sub>, SO<sub>4</sub>, PO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>3</sub>(Cl, F)**

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**Crystal Data:** Hexagonal or monoclinic, pseudohexagonal. *Point Group:* 6/m or 2/m. Massive, granular.

**Physical Properties:** Cleavage: Indistinct on {0001} and {1010}. Hardness = ~5  
D(meas.) = 3.068 D(calc.) = 3.046

**Optical Properties:** Translucent. Color: Pale rose, rose-pink, orange. Luster: Vitreous.  
Optical Class: Uniaxial (-).  $\omega = 1.655(2)$   $\epsilon = 1.650(2)$

**Cell Data:** Space Group: P6<sub>3</sub>/m.  $a = 9.530(2)$   $c = 6.914(2)$  Z = 2

**X-ray Powder Pattern:** Crestmore, California, USA.  
2.843 (100), 2.751 (70), 3.458 (50), 2.800 (40), 1.964 (40), 1.855 (40), 2.651 (30)

| Chemistry:                     | (1)   | (1)                           |       |
|--------------------------------|-------|-------------------------------|-------|
| SiO <sub>2</sub>               | 17.31 | Cl                            | 1.64  |
| Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> | 0.13  | H <sub>2</sub> O <sup>+</sup> | 0.53  |
| Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> | 0.22  | H <sub>2</sub> O <sup>-</sup> | 0.10  |
| MnO                            | 0.01  | CO <sub>2</sub>               | 0.61  |
| MgO                            | 0.47  | P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> | 3.06  |
| CaO                            | 55.18 | SO <sub>3</sub>               | 20.69 |
| F                              | 0.57  | —O = (F, Cl) <sub>2</sub>     | 0.61  |
|                                |       | Total                         | 99.91 |

(1) Crestmore, California, USA.

**Mineral Group:** Ellestadite group.

**Occurrence:** In veinlets cutting contact metamorphosed limestone.

**Association:** Diopside, wollastonite, vesuvianite, monticellite, okenite, calcite.

**Distribution:** From Crestmore, Riverside Co., California, USA.

**Name:** For Dr. Reuben B. Ellestad (1900– ), American analytical chemist, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota, USA, and chlorine in the chemical composition.

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