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# NEW MINERAL NAMES Michael Fleischer

## Talnakhite

I. A. BUD'KO, AND E. A. KULAGOV (1963) Natural cubic chalcopyrite. *Dokl. Akad. Nauk* SSSR, 152, 408–410 [in Russian].

L. J. CABRI (1967) A new copper-iron sulfide. Econ. Geol. 62, 910-925.

I. A. BUD'KO AND E. A. KULAGOV (1968) The new mineral talnakhite, a cubic variety of chalcopyrite. Zap. Vses. Miner. Obshch. 97, 63 [in Russian].

The mineral was first described by B. and K. from Noril'sk, western Siberia. It was later proved by Cabri not to be the face centered cubic high-temperature polymorph of chalcopyrite, but to have the composition  $Cu_{18}$ (Fe, Ni)<sub>18</sub>S<sub>32</sub>, electron probe analysis giving Cu 36.1, Fe 31.6, Ni 0.7 S 31.9 sum, 100.3 percent. Cabri reports it to be cubic, space group probably *I*43*m* but possibly *Im*3*m* or *I*43; *a* 10.64<sub>8</sub>Å. The strongest lines are 7.52 (3) (110), 3.75(4) (220), 3.043(10) (222), 2.656(5) (400), 1.879(9) (440), 1.598(7) (622), 1.327(4) (800), 1.210(5) (662). (calc) 4.36, measured 4.24. At 80–100° the mineral decomposes to tetragonal cubanite+bornite

The later data of B. and K. agree with those above except that they give the unit cell as  $a 5.280\pm0.005$  Å. They named the mineral talnakhite (approved by the IMA Commission on New Minerals and Mineral Names) for the Talnakh ore deposit, where it is associated with chalcopyrite, cubanite, and pentlandite.

## Bohdanowiczite

MARIAN BANAS AND JOACHIM OTTEMANN (1969) New data on bohdanowiczite. Przegl. Geol. 17, 235–238 [in Polish].

The name had been given earlier without data (*Amer. Mineral.* 53, 2103). The mineral occurs at Kletna, Poland, in magnetite-fluorite veins and in fluorite-quartz-sulfide veins. Associated minerals are uraninite, clausthalite, chalcocite, emplectite. It is also reported to occur at Julienehaab, Greenland, where it is associated with clausthalite and bornite. The mineral shows polysynthetic twin lamellae.

Electron probe analysis gave Ag 22.6, Bi 44.7, Se 32.1, S 0.7, sum 100.1 percent, corresponding to AgBiSe<sub>2</sub>, the selenium analogue of matildite. X-ray data could not be obtained. It occurs in anhedral grains. Reflectivity in white light 55 percent, higher than those of clausthalite and chalcopyrite, and of matildite (40–44 percent). Anisotropy weak, but distinct, stronger in immersion oils. Hardness 96 kg/mm<sup>2</sup>=3.2 (Mohs). Birefringence difficult to observe except at grain edges.

### Titanochromite

## (=titanian chromite and chromian ulvöspinel)

E. N. CAMERON (1970) Opaque minerals in lunar samples. Science 167, 623-625.

S. O. AGRELL, A. PECKETT, F. R. BOYD, S. E. HAGGERTY, T. E. BUNCH, E. N. CAMERON, M. R. DENCE, J. A. V. DOUGLAS, A. G. PLANT, R. J. TRAILL, O. B. JAMES, K. KEIL, AND M. PRINZ (1970) Titanian chromite, aluminian chromite, and chromian ulvöspinel from Apollo XI rocks. *Geochim. Cosmochim. Acta Suppl. Proc. Apollo XI Lunar Sci. Conf.* 1, 81-86.

The second paper cited is a summary of work by 8 laboratories; it includes electron microprobe analyses of 12 samples from the moon rocks that are essentially solid solutions of chromite (FeCr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>), ulvöspinel (TiFe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>), and hercynite (FeAl<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>), with considerable

amounts of MgO. The term titanochromite, used in the first paper, is replaced in the second by the term titanian chromite; it is an unnecessary name.

#### Armalcolite

This is a summary report, combining the data by seven laboratories, some of which were published previously in *Science*, **167**, 587, 597, 613, 617, 623, 644, Jan. 30, 1970.

Microprobe analyses of 10 grains by 6 different laboratories gave TiO<sub>2</sub> 70.9–75.6, Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> 0.97–2.18, Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> 0.97–2.18, FeO 11.32–18.01, MnO 0.01–0.08, MgO 5.52–11.06 percent. CaO was determined in 3 samples 0.01–0.13, V<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> in one as 0.07 percent. Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> was not determined, but must be very low since only traces were found in the rocks. The composition is (Mg, Fe) Ti<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> with Mg:Fe close to 1:1, but ranging on both sides, Mg/Fe varying from 0.55 to 1.74. The mineral is a member of the pseudobrookite group; the composition showing the replacement (Mg, Fe<sup>2+</sup>)Ti for Fe<sup>+3</sup><sub>2</sub>. The end-members FeTi<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> and MgTi<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> and three intermediate compositions have been synthesized by heating the components in evacuated silica tubes at 1300°C. FeTi<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> breaks down at 1140 ± 10°C to ilmenite+TiO<sub>2</sub>.

X-ray powder data are given. The strongest lines are 3.468~(100)~(101,~220),~2.763~(25)(230),~2.454~(25)(301),~1.958~(80)(430). These are indexed on a cell with  $a~9.743\pm0.03$ ,  $b~10.023\pm0.02$ ,  $c~3.738\pm0.03$  Å.

The mineral is gray, opaque.  $\rho(\text{calc})$  4.94. Strongly anisotropic, colors ranging from pale gray to dark bluish-gray. Reflectivities are given at  $\delta$  wave lengths from 450 to 640 nm; they decrease with increasing wave length; extremes  $R_1$  14.1, 13.0;  $R_2$  15.2, 14.1 percent. Pleochroic. No internal reflections.

The mineral occurs as grains, generally rectangular in outline, with longest dimension 100–300  $\mu$ m, in rocks collected by the Apollo XI mission, at Tranquillity Base, Moon. It commonly has an overgrowth of ilmenite.

The name is for Neil A. ARMstrong, Edwin E. ALdrin, and Michael COLlins, the astronauts responsible for the collection and return of the Apollo XI samples from the moon. Type material is deposited at the Lunar Science Institute, Houston, Texas.

The mineral and name were approved in advance of publication by the Commission on New Minerals and Mineral Names, IMA.

DISCUSSION.—Here the middle range of a binary solid solution series has been named; it is more usual to name the end-members. The names "ferropseudobrookite" and "karrooite" have been given to the synthetic end members  $FeTi_2O_5$  and  $MgTi_2O_5$  (ferropseudobrookite was used for armalcolite in the first reports), but these names have no standing in mineralogy. Nevertheless, serious problems of nomenclature may be raised if the end members are found to occur naturally.

#### Unnamed Ce phosphate

E. I. SEMENOV (1969) Mineralogy of the Ilimaussaq Alkaline Massif, Southern Greenland. Inst. Mineral., Geokhim., Kristallokhim. Redk. Elementov, Izdat. "Nauka" 1969, 164 p. [in Russian], (p. 41-42).

A white cerium phosphate was found in hydrothermal natrolite-analcime rocks, Narsak River. Analysis by G. V. Lyubomilova gave  $P_2O_5$  29.63, SiO<sub>2</sub> 1.34, TR<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> 56.50, CaO 4.18, Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> 1.10, H<sub>2</sub>O (by diff.) 7.24 percent. Formula (Ce, Ca, H)PO<sub>4</sub>·H<sub>2</sub>O. The X-ray pattern by R. A. Aleksandrova shows 8 lines (in kX): 4.41 (5), 3.08 (7), 2.82 (10), 2.16 (7), 1.875

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(5), 1.707 (3), 1.316 (5), 1.269 (3). It is optically biaxial (?), sign not given, elongation negative,  $ns \alpha 1.62$ ,  $\gamma 1.64$ . It forms dense microgranular deposits up to  $0.1 \times 0.5$  cm, cut by veinlets of rhabdophane.

### **Pyroxferroite**

E. C. T. CHAO, J. A. MINKIN, C. FRONDEL, C. KLEIN, JR., J. C. DRAKE, L. FUCHS, B. TANI, J. V. SMITH, A. T. ANDERSON, P. B. MOORE, G. R. ZECHMAN, JR., R. J. TRAILL, A. G. PLANT, J. A. V. DOUGLAS, AND M. R. DENCE (1970) Pyroxferroite, a new calciumbearing iron silicate from Tranquillity Base. Geochim. Cosmochim. Acta. Suppl. Proc. A pollo XI Lunar Sci. Conf. 1, 65-79.

This is a summary report, combining the data by five laboratories, some of which were published previously in *Science*, **167**, **501**, 583, 587, 594, 644, 656, 681, Jan. 30, 1970. Five analyses by electron probe show SiO<sub>2</sub> 44.7–47.0, TiO<sub>2</sub> 0.2–0.7, Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> 0.0 to 1.2, FeO 44.6–47.9, MnO 0.1–1.3, MgO 0.3–1.2, CaO 5.4–6.3 percent, average ( $Fe_{0.84}Ca_{0.13}Mgg_{0.02}Mn_{0.02}$ ) SiO<sub>3</sub>, the iron analogue of pyroxmangite. The mineral, composition ( $Fe_{0.85}Ca_{0.15}$ )SiO<sub>3</sub>, was synthesized by Lindsley (1967) *Carnegie Inst. Wash. Year Book* **65**, 230–232.

Weissenberg and precession data show the mineral to be triclinic; average of 6 determinations is a 6.62, b 7.54, c 17.35 Å.,  $\alpha$  114.4,  $\beta$  82.7,  $\gamma$  94.5°, Z = 14. X-ray powder data (70 lines) are given; the average for the strongest lines are, 4.68 (40)(110), 3.09 (45)(021 211, 212), 2.934 (100)(014, 210), 2.674 (60)(026), 2.621 (30)(14), 2.579 (35)(222), 2.156 (40)(206, 312), 1.410 (35).

The mineral is yellow.  $\rho$  3.68, 3.76 measured: 3.82–3.83 calculated from X-ray data. Optically biaxial, positive, 2V 34–40°, the extremes of *n*s reported are  $\alpha$  1.748,  $\beta$  1.750,  $\gamma$  1.768;  $\alpha$ 1.756  $\beta$  1.758,  $\gamma$  1.767. In thick grains faintly pleochroic pale yellow to yellow orange, X' > Z'.

The mineral occurs as discrete grains in rocks collected by the Apollo XI mission to the Sea of Tranquillity, Moon. The rocks are microgabbros or diabases with major clinopyroxene, plagioclase, and ilmenite, with minor pyroxferroite, cristobalite, tridymite, fayalite, fluorapatite, and K feldspar.

The name is for the composition. The mineral and name were approved before publication by the Commission on New Minerals and Mineral Names, IMA. Type material is preserved at the Lunar Science Institute, Houston, Texas.

DISCUSSION.—It is suggested that the series pyroxferroite-pyroxmangite be divided at Fe=Mn. Five of the analyses in the literature of "pyroxmangite," including the type material from Iva, S. Carolina, have Fe>Mn and are therefore to be renamed as manganoan pyroxferroite. The lunar material is calcian pyroxferroite.

#### Unnamed Na Nb silicate

E. I. SEMENOV, (1969) Mineralogy of the Ilimaussay Alkaline Massif, Southern Greenland. Inst. Mineral., Geokhim., Kristallokhim. Redk. Elementov, Izdat. "Nauka" 1969, 164 p. [in Russian] (p. 55-60).

Analysis by M. E. Kazakova gave SiO<sub>2</sub> 16.46, TiO<sub>2</sub> 5.27, Nb<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> 50.23, Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>8</sub> 0.48, Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> 1.38, CaO 5.30, TR<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> 0.46, Na<sub>2</sub>O 13.71, H<sub>2</sub>O 4.64, F 2.50, sum 100.43; (O=F<sub>2</sub>) 1.05=99.38 percent, corresponding approximately to (Na, Ca)<sub>2</sub>(Nb, Ti)<sub>2</sub>SiO<sub>8</sub> or (Na, Ca)<sub>2</sub>(Nb, Ti)<sub>2</sub>  $\cdot$ SiO<sub>7</sub>(OH)<sub>2</sub>.

The X-ray pattern (50 lines) by M. Dans gives strongest lines (in Å): 12.364 (18)(020), 7.034 (15)(011), 6.359 (15)(120), 5.464 (18)(031), 3.278 (15)(102, 211), 2.174 (20)(240, 122), 3.149 (20)(042), 2.749 (15)(260), 2.732 (15)(062), 2.604 (12)(202), 1.788 (15)(012, 210). This is indexed by Dans on a unit cell with a 7.411 $\pm$ 0.002, b 24.612 $\pm$ 0.008, c 7.318 $\pm$ 0.003 Å,  $V = 1340A^3$ . It was indexed by G. A. Sidorenko (Ito method) as orthorhombic a 11.37, b 6.99, c 6.32A., V 528A<sup>3</sup>, and by E. B. Khalezova on a tetragonal cell (pyrochlore type) with a 10.37, c 10.59A., V 1135A<sup>3</sup>.

The mineral occurs as white platy deposits (pseudomorphs after epistolite(?)), up to  $5 \times 3 \times 1$  cm., associated with neptunite on the north slope of Nakalak Mt. Luster dull. Fracture conchoidal.  $\rho$  3.3 (apparently low). Optically positive, uniaxial or slightly biaxial. Under the microscope, square to long prismatic crystals with two cleavages at right angles. Extinction parallel. *n* considerably above 1.8. The infra-red absorption spectrum indicates the presence of both molecular water and hydryoxyl.

# Unnamed "gray minerals"

E. I. SEMENOV, (1969) Mineralogy of the Ilimaussaq Alkaline Massif, Southern Greenland. Inst. Mineral., Geokhim., Kristallokhim. Redk. Elementov, Izdat. "Nauka" 1969, 164 p. [in Russian] (p. 106-110).

Analysis by B. A. Solominskaya from Nakalak Mt., Ilimaussaq, gave SiO<sub>2</sub> 46.64, TiO<sub>2</sub> 0.68, Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> 20.56, Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub> 5.64, FeO 3.59, MnO 0.50, MgO 2.68, CaO 3.28, Na<sub>2</sub>O 5.92, K<sub>2</sub>O 2.62, H<sub>2</sub>O+6.22, H<sub>2</sub>O-2.18, sum 100.51 percent. Four similar analyses from Lovozero massif, Kola Peninsula are given; they show small amounts of Zr, Ba, Li, F, Cl, and rare earths. The formula is given as KFeAl<sub>2</sub>Si<sub>4</sub>O<sub>13</sub>·3H<sub>2</sub>O; the mineral may be a zeolite. The DTA curve shows endothermic breaks at about 100° and 350°. The mineral loses H<sub>2</sub>O gradually from 20°C to 500°C; it melts at 1150°C. The infra-red absorption curve indicates some crystallinity.

X-ray data by R. A. Aleksandrova show 40 lines; the strongest (kX): 6.50 (9), 5.85 (6), 4.38 (7), 2.99 (10), 2.84 (8), 2.71 (5), 1.799 (7).

Color light gray to bluish-greenish-gray. Optically isotropic or shows weak aggregate polarization, n about 1.55. Fracture conchoidal.

The mineral is rather widely distributed; occurs in ussingite veins cutting naujaite rock, Nakalak Mt., Greenland, filling cavities in druses of ussingite, natrolite, and analcime, also occurs at several localities in the Lovozero massif, Kola Peninsula, in hydro-thermally altered foyaites, juvites and malignites.

# "Mn-sepiolite," "Mn-ferrisepiolite"

E. I. SEMENOV (1969) Mineralogy of the Ilimaussaq Alkaline Massif, Southern Greenland. Inst. Mineral., Geokhim., Kristallokhim. Redk. Elementov, Izdat. "Nauka" 1969, 164 p. [in Russian] (p. 103-106).

Spectrographic analysis showed high Mn, Fe, Al, Si, Na; also present Ca, Be, Zn, Ti, Sn, Nb. No analysis is given, but the formula is given as  $Mn_4Fe_4Si_{12}O_{30}(OH)_6 \cdot 8H_2O$  in one place, as (Fe, Mn)<sub>9</sub>  $Si_{12}O_{30}(OH)_6 \cdot 10H_2O$  in another. The X-ray pattern (S. I. Berkhin) is similar to that of sepiolite. The strongest of the 19 lines are (kX): 12 (10), 4.59 (8), 4.27 (8), 3.75 (7), 3.39 (8), 3.27 (8), 2.68 (8), 2.58 (7), 2.55 (7), 2.45 (7).

Color dark brown. ns,  $\alpha$  1.72,  $\gamma$  1.74. Pleochroic, X yellowish, Z red-brown, abs. Z > X. Z=c. Occurs in the analcime zone of foyaite pegmatite of Nakalak Mt., Ilimaussaq Greenland, in spherulites up to 3 mm diameter of acicular and fibrous crystals. Compare "red Mn-silicate" below.

#### "Red Mn-silicate"

E. I. SEMENOV (1969), Mineralogy of the Ilimaussaq Alkaline Massif, Southern Greenland: Inst. Mineral., Geokhim., Kristallokhim. Redk. Elementov, Izdat. "Nauka" 1969, 1-164 (in Russian), p. 103-106.

Compare "Mn-sepiolite" above.

Analysis by M. E. Kazakova gave SiO<sub>2</sub> 42.45, TiO<sub>2</sub> 0.41, Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> 1.85 (Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>+FeO) 22.85, MnO 14.61, CaO 1.48, Na<sub>2</sub>O 1.44, H<sub>2</sub>O<sup>+</sup> 8.96, H<sub>2</sub>O<sup>-</sup> 5.56, sum 99.61 percent. The

formula is given in one place as  $(Mn, Fe)_9Si_{12}O_{30}(OH)_6 \cdot 10H_2O$ , in two places as  $Mn_4Fe_5 \cdot Si_{12}O_{30}(OH)_6 \cdot 8H_2O$ .

X-ray powder data by S. I. Berkhin gave 26 lines; the strongest are (kX): 13 (10d), 4.59 (5), 2.77 (8), 2.65 (9). 2.44 (7), 2.22 (5b), 1.599 (6b). Single crystal study by V. I. Bukin showed the mineral to be monoclinic, a 33.5 ( $5.58 \times 6$ ), b 32.2 ( $3.22 \times 10$ ), c 27.6 A,  $\beta$  95°30'.

Color dark red, luster adamantine.  $\rho$  2.36 (low?). Optically negative, 2V small,  $\alpha \sim 1.64$ . Sections perpendicular to the cleavage are apleochroic with X yellowish, Z reddish-brown, abs. Z > X. The infra-red spectrum indicates the presence of both hydroxyl and molecular water.

The mineral occurs with "Mn-sepiolite" in the same foyaite pegmatite of Nakalak Mt., associated with pyrochlore and polylithionite. It forms isometric to spherulitic accumulations up to 1 cm of platy crystals; individual crystals are up to  $3 \times 2 \times 0.5$  mm.

Perhaps a polytype of sepiolite.

# "Mn-palygorskite," "Mn-ferripalygorskite"

E. I. SEMENOV (1969) Mineralogy of the Ilimaussaq Alkaline Massif, Southern Greenland: Inst. Mineral., Geokhim., Kristallokhim. Redk. Elementov, Izdat. "Nauka" 1969, 164 p. [in Russian] (p. 100–102).

Analysis by A. V. Bykova from Karnasurt gave SiO<sub>2</sub> 41.26, TiO<sub>2</sub> 1.21, Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> 6.40' Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> 15.00, FeO none, MgO 4.20, MnO 6.58, CaO 1.30, Na<sub>2</sub>O 2.70, K<sub>2</sub>O 0.80, H<sub>2</sub>O<sup>+</sup> 10.52' H<sub>2</sub>O<sup>-</sup> 10.00, sum 99.97 percent, corresponding to NaMgMnFe<sub>2</sub>AlSi<sub>7</sub>O<sub>20</sub>(OH)<sub>2</sub>·10H<sub>2</sub>O. The DTA curve shows an endothermic break at 50–170°C and an indistinct endothermal break at 400°C. The H<sub>2</sub>O is lost gradually to 1000°, mostly below 600°C.

The X-ray pattern 924 lines) by S. I. Berkhin agrees fairly well with that of palygorskite; the strongest lines indexed on the palygorskite cell: (kX) 10.56 (10)(110), 4.44 (4)(040), 3.65 (4)(310), 3.28 (6)(400).

The mineral is rose to red.  $\rho$  2.62. Optically biaxial, neg., 2V large, Z=c. ns (Greenland)  $\alpha$  1.56,  $\gamma$  1.58; (Lovozero)  $\alpha$  1.545,  $\gamma$  1,56. Pleochroic, X yellowish, Z red-brown, abs. Z>X.

Occur rather commonly in alkalic pegmatites and hydrothermal naujasites at southern Siorarsuit, Ilimaussaq, Greenland, and at Karnasurt Mt., Lovozero, Kola Peninsula, as spherulites of diameter up to 1.5 cm. Associated minerals are natrolite, albite, analcime, sphalerite, and neptunite.

#### Unnamed "white mica"

E. I. SEMENOV (1969) Mineralogy of the Ilimaussaq Alkaline Massif, Southern Greenland. Inst. Mineral., Geokhim., Kristallokhim. Redk. Elementov, Izdat. "Nauka" 1969, 164 p. [in Russian] (p. 96–97).

Analysis by T. A. Kapitonova gave SiO<sub>2</sub> 34.12, Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> 49.70, Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> 0.49, CaO 0.88, Li<sub>2</sub>O 0.50, Na<sub>2</sub>O 4.50, K<sub>2</sub>O 0.60, H<sub>2</sub>O (10.0), total 100.79 percent, corresponding to (Na<sub>0 83</sub>  $\cdot$  Li<sub>0.17</sub>)Al<sub>4</sub>(AlSi<sub>3</sub>)O<sub>10</sub>(OH)<sub>8</sub>, *i.e.* the Na-analogue of cookeite.

The strongest X-ray lines (S. I. Berkhin) of 34 given are (in kX): 9.48 (9)(002), 4.41 (6)(020), 3.51 (5)(--), 2.52 (9)(200), 2.41 (8)(008), 2.08 (6)(--), 1.919 (7)(0.0.10), 1.599 (7)(0.0.12), 1.476 (9)(060). From these and an electron diffraction pattern by B. B. Zvya-gin, a = 5.11, b = 8.86,  $c \sin \beta = 9.6(\times 2)$ .

The mineral occurs in alkalic pegmatite with natrolite and albite in white plates up to  $3\times2\times1$  mm in size. Optically negative, nearly uniaxial. The DTA curve shows endothermal breaks at 380° and 900°C; the mineral does not melt at 1200°C. The X-ray pattern indicates that gamma-Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> is formed when the mineral is heated.