New arsenate minerals from the Arsenatnaya fumarole, Tolbachik volcano, Kamchatka, Russia. IV. Shchurovskyite, $K_2CaCu_6O_2(AsO_4)_4$ and dmisokolovite, $K_3Cu_5AlO_2(AsO_4)_4$

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ABSTRACT

Two new minerals shchurovskyite, ideally $K_2CaCu_4O_2(AsO_4)_4$, and dmisokolovite, ideally $K_3Cu_5AlO_2(AsO_4)_4$, are found in sublimates of the Arsenatnaya fumarole at the Second scoria cone of the Northern Breakthrough of the Great Tolbachik Fissure Eruption, Tolbachik volcano, Kamchatka Peninsula, Russia. They are associated with one another and with johillerite, bradaczekite, tilasite, melanarsite, tenorite, hematite, aphthitalite, langbeinite, orthoclase, etc. Shchurovskyite occurs as coarse tabular or prismatic crystals up to 0.15 mm in size or anhedral grains forming parallel aggregates and crusts up to $1.5 \text{ cm} \times 2 \text{ cm}$ across. Dmisokolovite forms tabular, prismatic or dipyramidal crystals up to 0.2 mm in size, commonly combined in clusters or crusts up to 0.7 cm \times 1.5 cm across. Both minerals are transparent with a vitreous lustre. They are brittle, with Mohs' hardness ≈ 3 . Shchurovskyite is olive-green or olive drab. Dmisokolovite is bright emerald-green to light green. $D_{calc} = 4.28$ (shchurovskyite) and 4.26 (dmisokolovite) g cm⁻³. Both are optically biaxial; shchurovskyite: (+), $\alpha = 1.795(5)$, $\beta = 1.800(5)$, $\gamma =$ 1.810(6), $2V_{meas} = 70(15)^{\circ}$; dmisokolovite: (-), $\alpha = 1.758(7)$, $\beta = 1.782(7)$, $\gamma = 1.805(8)$, $2V_{meas} = 85(5)^{\circ}$. The Raman spectra are given. Chemical data (wt.%, electron-microprobe; first value is for shchurovskyite, second for dmisokolovite): Na2O 0.00, 0.83; K2O 8.85, 10.71; Rb2O 0.11, 0.00; MgO 0.00, 0.35; CaO 4.94, 0.21; CuO 43.19, 38.67; ZnO 0.42, 0.20; Al₂O₃ 0.04, 4.68; Fe₂O₃ 0.00, 0.36; P₂O₅ 0.59, 0.78; V₂O₅ 0.01, 0.04; As₂O₅ 40.72, 43.01; SO₃ 0.35, 0.00; total 99.22, 99.84. The empirical formulae, based on 18 O a.p.f.u., are shchurovskyite: K_{2.05}Rb_{0.01}Ca_{0.96}Cu_{5.92}Zn_{0.06}Al_{0.01}P_{0.09}S_{0.05}As_{3.86}O₁₈; dmisokolovite: Na_{0.28}K_{2.36}Mg_{0.09}C $a_{0.04}Cu_{5.04}Zn_{0.04}Al_{0.95}Fe_{0.05}^{3+}P_{0.11}As_{3.88}O_{18}$. The strongest reflections of X-ray powder patterns [d, Å(I)(hkl)]are shchurovskyite: 8.61(100)(200, 001), 5.400(32)(110), 2.974(32)(312, 510), 2.842(47)(003, 020), 2.757(63) (601, 511), 2.373(36)(512, 420) and 2.297(31)(421, 222, 313); dmisokolovite: 8.34(95)(002), 5.433(84)(110), 2.921(66)(510, 314), 2.853(58)(511, 020) and 2.733(100)(006, 512, 602). Shchurovskyite is monoclinic, C2, a = 17.2856(9), b = 5.6705(4), c = 8.5734(6) Å, $\beta = 92.953(6)^\circ, V = 839.24(9)$ Å³ and Z = 2. Dmisokolovite is monoclinic, $C^{2/c}$, a = 17.0848(12), b = 5.7188(4), c = 16.5332(12) Å, $\beta = 91.716(6)^{\circ}$, V = 1614.7(2) Å³ and Z=4. Their crystal structures [single-crystal X-ray diffraction data, R=0.0746 (shchurovskyite) and 0.1345 (dmisokolovite: model)] are closely related in the topology of the main building units. They are based on a quasi-framework consisting of AsO₄ tetrahedra and polyhedra centred by Cu in shchurovskyite or by Cu and Al in dmisokolovite. K and Ca are located in channels of the quasi-framework. The minerals are named in honour of outstanding Russian geologists and mineralogists Grigory Efimovich Shchurovsky (1803-1884) and Dmitry Ivanovich Sokolov (1788-1852).

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Introduction

THIS article continues a series of papers on the mineralogy and crystal chemistry of new arsenate species from the Arsenatnaya fumarole at the Second scoria cone of the Northern Breakthrough of the Great Tolbachik Fissure Eruption, Tolbachik volcano, Kamchatka Peninsula, Far-Eastern Region, Russia ($55^{\circ}41'N \ 160^{\circ}14'E$, 1200 m asl). General characterization of this active fumarole, discovered by us in July 2012, is given in the first paper of the series describing also the new mineral yurmarinite Na₇(Fe³⁺,Mg,Cu)₄(AsO₄)₆ (Pekov *et al.*, 2014*a*). The second article was devoted to two polymorphous modifications of Cu₄O(AsO₄)₂, ericlaxmanite and kozyrevskite (Pekov *et al.*, 2014*b*), and the third to popovite Cu₅O₂(AsO₄)₂ (Pekov *et al.*, 2015).

In this paper, we give mineral data and crystal chemical characteristics for two arsenates chemically and structurally related to one another: shchurovskyite K₂CaCu₆O₂(AsO₄)₄ and dmisokolovite K₃Cu₅AlO₂(AsO₄)₄. Shchurovskyite (Russian Cyrillic: шуровскиит) was named in honour of the outstanding Russian geologist, mineralogist and specialist in mineral deposits Professor Grigory Efimovich Shchurovsky (1803–1884). At Moscow University, he was a Head and Chair of Mineralogy and Geology in 1835-1861 and Head of the Chair of Geology and Paleontology in 1861-1881 and 1883-1884. Dmisokolovite (дмисоколовит) was named in honour of the famous Russian mineralogist and geologist Dmitry Ivanovich Sokolov (1788-1852), Professor of Mineralogy and Geology at St. Petersburg University, Academician of the Russian Academy of Sciences. He was among the founders of the Russian Mineralogical Society (1817) and one of the founders and first editor of Gornyi Zhurnal (Mining Journal), the first Russian periodical specializing in geology, mineralogy and mining sciences (1825). Prof. Sokolov wrote the best fundamental textbooks on mineralogy, petrography and geology in the mid-19th century in Russia, namely Textbook on Mineralogy with Additional Statistical Data on the Most Important Salts and Metals, 2 vols. (1832), Course of Geognosy, 3 vols. (1839) and Handbook of Geognosy, 2 parts. (1842). He was also one of first geologists who created volcanology as a science in Russia; his Handbook of Geognosy contains the special chapter On Volcanoes in which advanced concepts on volcanism phenomena were developed.

Both new minerals and their names have been approved by the IMA Commission on New Minerals, Nomenclature and Classification (shchurovskyite: IMA 2013–078; dmisokolovite: IMA 2013–079). The type specimens are deposited in the systematic collection of the Fersman Mineralogical Museum of the Russian Academy of Sciences, Moscow; the catalogue numbers are 94144, 94145 (shchurovskyite; #94144 is the holotype for which majority of the analytical data given below were obtained) and 94138 (dmisokolovite).

Occurrence and general appearance

Specimens that became the holotypes of shchurovskyite and dmisokolovite were found by us in

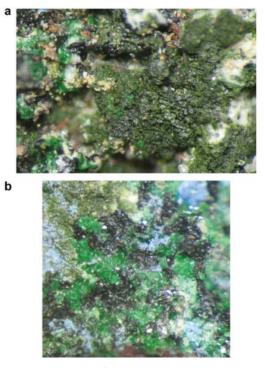


FIG. 1. Association of dark olive green shchurovskyite with emerald green dmisokolovite, blue bradaczekite and black tenorite. They form polymineralic crusts on basalt scoria altered by fumarolic gas. On (*a*) parallel intergrowths of coarse shchurovskyite crystals are shown. Field of view: (*a*) 3.2 mm wide, (*b*) 2.3 mm wide. Photos: I.V. Pekov and A.V. Kasatkin.

Arsenatnava in July 2012. In 2013 and 2014 we collected from the same fumarole more material for studies that gave additional data. Shchurovskyite and dmisokolovite occur in the same assemblage and are associated with one another (Fig. 1) and with other arsenates: johillerite NaMg₃Cu(AsO₄)₃, bradaczekite NaCu₄(AsO₄)₃, tilasite CaMg(AsO₄)F, svabite $Ca_5(AsO_4)_3F$, lammerite $Cu_3(AsO_4)_2$, lammerite- β Cu₃(AsO₄)₂, urusovite CuAlO(AsO₄), ericlaxmanite $Cu_4O(AsO_4)_2$, kozyrevskite $Cu_4O(AsO_4)_2$, popovite Cu₅O₂(AsO₄)₂, alarsite AlAsO₄, hatertite Na₂(Ca,Na) $(Fe^{3+},Cu)_2(AsO_4)_3$, yurmarinite Na₇(Fe³⁺,Mg, Cu)₄(AsO₄)₆, pharmazincite KZnAsO₄ (IMA2013-015), melanarsite K₃Cu₇Fe³⁺O₄(AsO₄)₄ (IMA2014-048) and katiarsite KTiO(AsO₄) (IMA2014-025). Other associated minerals are tenorite, hematite, fluorophlogopite, aphthitalite, langbeinite, calciolangkrasheninnikovite, steklite, beinite. anhydrite, As-bearing orthoclase, Cu-rich gahnite, corundum, wulffite $K_3NaCu_4O_2(SO_4)_4$ (IMA2013-035), arcanite, palmierite, dolerophanite, alumoklyuchevskite, vanthoffite, sylvite and OH-free fluoborite. All these minerals form polymineralic incrustations up to 0.5 cm thick on the surface of basalt scoria altered by fumarolic gas. This mineralization occurs in open fractures and pockets located in the interval from 0.3 to 0.8 m depth below the present surface. The temperature measured by us, using a chromel-alumel thermocouple, inside these pockets immediately after uncovering in July 2013 was 360-380°C. We believe that all the minerals listed were deposited directly from the gaseous phase, as volcanic sublimates, or

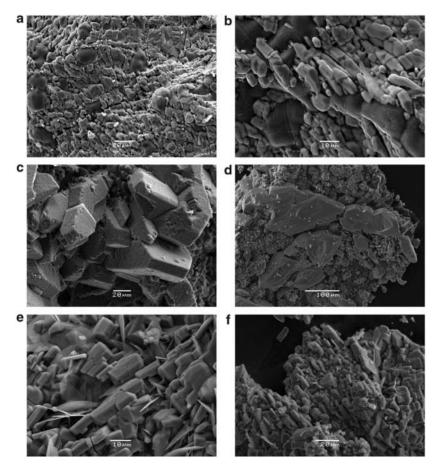


FIG. 2. SEM(SE) images showing the morphology of crystals and aggregates of shchurovskyite (a–b) and dmisokolovite (c–f). (a–b) Numerous coarse tabular to prismatic crystals of shchurovskyite partially cover an aphthitalite crust; (c) group of bipyramidal crystals of dmisokolovite; (d) tabular crystals of dmisokolovite on a crust of As-bearing orthoclase covering basalt scoria; and (e–f) near-parallel aggregates of prismatic crystals of dmisokolovite.

were formed in the result of gas-rock interactions (involving low-volatility Ca, Mg, Al and Si from host basalt) at temperatures not lower than 380°C. All the minerals of this assemblage are H free.

Shchurovskyite occurs as coarse tabular to coarse prismatic crystals (usually <0.03 mm, rarely up to 0.15 mm in size) or anhedral grains. The latter form parallel aggregates (up to 1 mm across) and thin,

typically interrupted crusts (up to $1.5 \text{ cm} \times 2 \text{ cm}$ in area and up to 0.05 mm thick) on basalt scoria and on aphthitalite incrustations (Figs 1 and 2a,b). Dmisokolovite forms tabular, prismatic or dipyramidal crystals (up to 0.2 mm in size), typically coarse, or equant to flattened grains. They are isolated or, more commonly, combined in groups, parallel or near-parallel aggregates, dense clusters

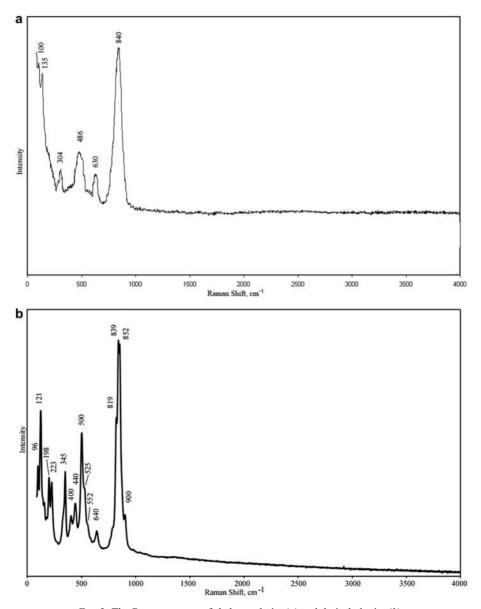


FIG. 3. The Raman spectra of shchurovskyite (a) and dmisokolovite (b).

(up to 1 mm across) and interrupted crusts (up to 0.7 cm \times 1.5 cm in area and up to 0.2 mm thick) overgrowing basalt scoria and aggregates of aphthitalite and tenorite (Figs 1 and 2*c*-*f*).

Physical properties and optical data

Both new minerals are transparent with a vitreous lustre. Shchurovskyite is olive-green to dark olivegreen, typically with a grey hue, or olive drab, with a pale greenish streak. Dmisokolovite is bright emerald-green to light green, sometimes with a bluish hue; its streak is light green. Both are brittle, with Mohs' hardness ≈ 3 . Dmisokolovite shows one direction of imperfect cleavage (observed under the microscope) while for shchurovskvite no cleavage or parting was observed. Both have an uneven fracture. Density was not measured because of a paucity of pure material for volumetric methods (massive, without caverns or inclusions, particles of both minerals are too small) and a lack of heavy liquids of necessary density. Density values calculated from the empirical formulae are 4.28 g cm⁻³ for shchurovskvite and 4.26 g cm⁻³ for dmisokolovite.

Shchurovskyite is optically biaxial (+), $\alpha = 1.795(5)$, $\beta = 1.800(5)$, $\gamma = 1.810(6)$ (589 nm), $2V_{\text{meas}} = 70(15)^\circ$, $2V_{\text{calc}} = 71^\circ$. Dispersion of optical axes is not observed. Pleochroism is weak, with the following absorption scheme: $Z \ge Y$ (grass-green) > X (yellowish green). Dmisokolovite is biaxial (-), $\alpha = 1.758(7)$, $\beta = 1.782(7)$, $\gamma = 1.805(8)$ (589 nm), $2V_{\text{meas}} = 85(5)^\circ$, $2V_{\text{calc}} = 88^\circ$. Dispersion is strong, r > v. Under the microscope, the mineral is pale green and nonpleochroic.

Raman spectroscopy

Raman spectra of shchurovskyite (Fig. 3a) and dmisokolovite (Fig. 3b) were obtained using an EnSpectr R532-50 instrument (Dept. of Mineralogy, Moscow State University) with a green laser ($\lambda = 532$ nm) at room temperature. The spectra were recorded from 100 to 3800 cm⁻¹ using a diffraction grating (1800 mm⁻¹) and with a resolution of $\sim 6 \text{ cm}^{-1}$. The diameter of the focal spot on the samples was about 10 µm for shchurovskyite and 15 µm for dmisokolovite. The backscattered Raman signal was collected with a $20\times$ objective: signal acquisition time for a single scan of the spectroscopic range was 1500 ms for shchurovskvite and 1000 ms for dmisokolovite: the signal was averaged over 70 scans for shchurovskvite and over 50 scans for dmisokolovite. The spectra were obtained for randomly oriented crystals of both minerals.

The Raman spectra of shchurovskyite and dmisokolovite, are different but have some common features (Fig. 3). In both spectra strong bands in the region $750-950 \text{ cm}^{-1}$, with a maximum at $\sim 840 \text{ cm}^{-1}$,

TABLE 1. Chemical composition (wt.%) of shchurovskyite and dmisokolovite.*

	Shchurovskyite	Dmisokolovite	Probe standard
Na ₂ O	bdl	0.83 (0.61–1.00 / 0.17)	albite
$\tilde{K_2O}$	8.85 (8.03-9.41 / 0.59)	10.71 (10.51–10.91 / 0.17)	orthoclase
Rb ₂ O	0.11 (0.00-0.42 / 0.11)	bdl	Rb ₂ Nb ₄ O ₁₁
MgO	bdl	0.35 (0.29-0.47 / 0.09)	olivine
CaO	4.94 (4.53-5.24 / 0.30)	0.21 (0.00-0.50 / 0.21)	$CaWO_4$
CuO	43.19 (42.43-44.11 / 0.83)	38.67 (37.96-39.07 / 0.51)	CuFeS ₂
ZnO	0.42 (0.00–0.66 / 0.29)	0.20 (0.00-0.40 / 0.20)	ZnS
Al ₂ O ₃	0.04 (0.00-0.10 / 0.04)	4.68 (3.98-5.73 / 0.78)	Al_2O_3
Fe ₂ O ₃ **	bdl	0.36 (0.00-0.60 / 0.27)	CuFeS ₂
P_2O_5	0.59 (0.00-0.99 / 0.42)	0.78 (0.50–1.34 / 0.38)	GaP
V ₂ O ₅	0.01 (0.00-0.05 / 0.01)	0.04 (0.00-0.12 / 0.04)	V
As ₂ O ₅	40.72 (39.96-41.93 / 0.85)	43.01 (42.51–43.65 / 0.51)	FeAsS
SO ₃	0.35 (0.00–1.39 / 0.35)	bdl	CuFeS ₂
Total	99.22	99.84	- · · · · <u>2</u>

*Average values from four spot analyses are given for each mineral; ranges / standard deviations are in parentheses. Contents of other elements with atomic numbers higher than carbon are below detection limits (bdl). **Fe in dmisokolovite is calculated as Fe^{3+} taking into account the strongly oxidizing conditions of the Arsenatnaya fumarole; only minerals with trivalent iron are found there (Pekov *et al.*, 2014*a*).

I _{obs}	$d_{\rm obs}$	$I_{calc}*$	d_{calc} **	h k l
100	8.61	52, 100	8.631, 8.562	200, 001
16	6.25	25	6.242	201
3	5.865	1	5.927	201
32	5.400	51	5.387	110
12	4.530	19	4.527	111
9	4.318	14	4.316	400
10	3.918	15	3.916	202
28	3.759	40	3.759	202
3	3.598	4	3.603	311
16	3.328	28	3.326	112
6	3.122	12	3.121	402
32	2.974	42, 14, 23	2.992, 2.964, 2.948	$\overline{3}12, 402, 510$
47	2.842	29, 56	2.854, 2.835	003, 020
63	2.757	46, 9, 73	2.771, 2.752, 2.751	601, 203, 511
10	2.684	5, 4, 4, 2	2.694, 2.692, 2.686, 2.669	220, 021, 601, 203
9	2.586	17	2.581	221
26	2.539	52	2.539	113
11	2.443	11, 6	2.447, 2.439	$\overline{6}02, \overline{4}03$
36	2.373	31, 37	2.380, 2.370	512, 420
31	2.297	26, 20, 15	2.301, 2.297, 2.292	$\overline{4}21, \overline{2}22, 313$
16	2.263	3, 2, 16	2.267, 2.264, 2.261	421, 222, 710
3	2.140	4	2.141	004
5	2.098	8, 1	2.103, 2.097	$\overline{2}04, \overline{5}13$
5	2.041	10	2.040	712
7	2.019	8	2.019	620
7	1.981	11, 2, 1, 1	1.982, 1.978, 1.976, 1.975	$\overline{6}21, 114, 603, \overline{2}23$
3	1.944	6	1.943	223
3	1.922	8	1.920	314
5	1.876	8, 2	1.879, 1.879	404, 130
5	1.859	8,6	1.864, 1.852	314, 622
3	1.798	1, 9, 1	1.801, 1.798, 1.795	622, 423, 911
3	1.763	5, 2, 7	1.766, 1.761, 1.760	803, 604, 911
2	1.751	2	1.752	331
2	1.727	4, 2	1.726, 1.724	10.0.0, 132
3	1.717	5, 5	1.717, 1.717	820, 132
3	1.705	1, 10	1.708, 1.697	024, 821

TABLE 2. Powder X-ray diffraction data for shchurovskyite.

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3	1.678	10, 2	1.677, 1.676	623, 604
4	1.666	4, 4	1.666, 1.663	332, 224
2	1.647	7	1.644	912
8	1.621	1, 10, 4, 13	1.624, 1.621, 1.621, 1.620	115, 623, 405, 531
4	1.595	14	1.597	315
4	1.575	12, 2	1.573, 1.572	133, 822
7	1.565	5, 1, 2, 9	1.568, 1.567, 1.565, 1.564	$\overline{9}13, 424, 133, 405$
3	1.534	13, 1	1.533, 1.531	532, 333
8	1.514	15, 2	1.512, 1.512	11.1.0, 10.0.3
12	1.503	1, 8, 18, 2	1.506, 1.500, 1.499, 1.496	$\overline{6}05, 730, \overline{8}23, \overline{6}24$
3	1.464	1, 6	1.466, 1.464	025, 10.2.1
9	1.443	3, 9, 5, 3, 6	1.445, 1.444, 1.443, 1.439, 1.439	823, 10.0.3, 10.2.1, 605, 12.0.0
8	1.419	4, 3, 2, 9	1.420, 1.420, 1.418, 1.418	$\overline{9}14$, $\overline{2}06$, 533, 040
6	1.407	10	1.407	425
4	1.374	5, 1, 2	1.376, 1.375, 1.375	805, 10.2.2, 116
4	1.367	3, 3, 3, 1	1.370, 1.367, 1.365, 1.365	425, 824, 334, 11.1.3
3	1.331	2, 5	1.333, 1.326	$\overline{2}42, 242$
4	1.312	4, 3, 2, 3, 5	1.313, 1.312, 1.311, 1.310, 1.309	824, 12.0.3, 10.0.4, 11.1.3, 805
2	1.285	4, 2	1.287, 1.283	10.2.3, 12.2.0
3	1.271	3, 1, 1, 2, 1	1.271, 1.270, 1.269, 1.269, 1.269	932, 043, 226, 135, 13.1.1
4	1.262	4, 6	1.262, 1.260	$\overline{6}41, \overline{2}43$
4	1.254	5, 2, 5, 1	1.255, 1.253, 1.253, 1.252	13.1.2, 606, 226, 243
2	1.245	3	1.249	335
1	1.227	2, 3, 1	1.229, 1.227, 1.226	335, 642, 443
2	1.207	4	1.207	11.3.0

*For the calculated pattern, only reflections with intensities ≥ 1 are given; ** for the unit-cell parameters calculated from single-crystal data.

I _{obs}	$d_{\rm obs}$	I_{calc} *	d_{calc} **	h k l
95	8.34	100	8.263	002
40	6.034	43	6.029	202
84	5.433	97	5.423	110
13	5.119	6	5.138	111
34	4.519	42	4.514	112
22	4.263	26	4.269	400
21	3.870	8, 7	3.883, 3.846	113, 402
30	3.774	33	3.763	204
22	3.657	23, 5	3.676, 3.656	204, 312
45	3.274	61	3.271	114
31	3.015	39	3.014	$\overline{4}04$
66	2.921	48, 12, 45	2.932, 2.925, 2.918	510, 404, 314
58	2.853	14, 38, 8, 3	2.874, 2.859, 2.856, 2.846	511, 020, 314, 600
100	2.733	41, 94, 53	2.754, 2.741, 2.716	006, 512, 602
10	2.585	2, 7	2.584, 2.584	315, 222
9	2.565	2, 6	2.569, 2.561	222, 513
4	2.537	1	2.538	023
47	2.451	42, 50	2.465, 2.446	<u>1</u> 16, 116
45	2.366	10, 29, 39, 9, 10	2.377, 2.376, 2.362, 2.357, 2.351	$\overline{6}04, 420, 514, \overline{4}21, 024$
34	2.284	23, 3, 26, 3	2.293, 2.284, 2.277, 2.273	$\overline{4}22, 406, \overline{2}24, 422$
25	2.248	4, 18, 20	2.257, 2.253, 2.244	224, 316, 710
6	2.175	7	2.172	117
4	2.156	1, 2	2.157, 2.151	117, 712
11	2.076	1, 8, 1, 5	2.087, 2.082, 2.075, 2.066	$225, \overline{8}02, \overline{4}24, 008$
26	2.004	12, 5, 11, 17	2.017, 2.010, 2.007, 1.995	620, 606, 621, 714
7	1.943	5	1.945	425
6	1.925	8	1.924	118
10	1.853	14	1.855	318
10	1.825	2, 12, 2	1.828, 1.823, 1.821	624, 318, 027
8	1.800	4	1.799	331
9	1.791	1, 3, 1	1.793, 1.790, 1.789	T33, 133, 2 27
8	1.781	2, 2	1.785, 1.784	911, 426
4	1.765	2, 1	1.770, 1.769	912, 332
15	1.711	3, 3, 6, 6, 3	1.713, 1.712, 1.710, 1.710, 1.708	333, 806, 820, 518, 10.0.0
10	1.687	5, 10	1.685, 1.683	319, 822
11	1.652	2, 1, 2, 4	1.654, 1.651, 1.649, 1.649	531, 228, 717, 608

TABLE 3. Powder X-ray diffraction data for dmisokolovite.

14	1.643	2, 3, 14, 1	1.646, 1.645, 1.644, 1.641	<u>1</u> 35, <u>8</u> 23, <u>6</u> 26, 135
6	1.611	3, 19	1.613, 1.611	2.0.10, 626
14	1.581	8, 18, 1	1.585, 1.580, 1.577	T.1.10, 335, 1.1.10
6	1.565	3, 2, 3	1.572, 1.567, 1.563	428, 824, 136
3	1.541	3	1.541	3.1.10
5	1.531	6	1.534	825
4	1.524	3, 1, 7, 3	1.527, 1.527, 1.526, 1.518	$\overline{9}16, \overline{2}29, 4.0.10, 3.1.10$
15	1.495	19, 3, 7	1.498, 1.496, 1.493	11.1.0, 11.1.1, 731
13	1.468	10, 11, 3	1.471, 1.469, 1.467	$\overline{10}.0.6, \overline{8}26, 11.1.2$
12	1.458	12	1.456	5.1.10
15	1.441	2, 9, 1, 5, 6	1.442, 1.442, 1.441, 1.438, 1.437	733, 337, 719, 826, 10.2.2
18	1.428	4, 8, 4, 4, 2, 3, 4, 6	1.434, 1.432, 1.431, 1.430, 1.429, 1.424, 1.424, 1.423	536, 10.0.6, 0.2.10, 040, 337, 041, 5.1.10, 12.0.0
16	1.415	6, 3, 17	1.417, 1.415, 1.411	2.2.10, 536, 6.0.10
6	1.378	11, 3	1.377, 1.377	0.0.12, 918
7	1.371	2, 4, 1, 3	1.371, 1.370, 1.368, 1.367	$10.2.4, 827, \overline{2}43, \overline{4}.2.10$
4	1.351	2, 1	1.352, 1.351	441, 5.1.11
6	1.338	2, 1, 1	1.338, 1.338, 1.336	931, 1.1.12, 10.0.8
7	1.331	2, 5, 1, 1	1.332, 1.332, 1.332, 1.330	244, 11.1.6, 932, 0.2.11
6	1.325	2, 3, 1	1.328, 1.326, 1.323	$10.2.5, \overline{8}.0.10, 5.1.11$
6	1.301	1, 6, 2, 1	1.302, 1.300, 1.300, 1.299	828, 11.1.6, 933, 4.0.12
6	1.294	3, 1, 2	1.294, 1.292, 1.292	339, 6.2.10, 444
4	1.281	1, 1, 3	1.282, 1.281, 1.280	11.1.7, 10.2.6, 12.0.6
5	1.275	2, 2	1.275, 1.274	641, 12.2.0
5	1.271	1, 1, 1	1.272, 1.271, 1.269	641, 934, 046
5	1.262	4, 1, 2	1.265, 1.260, 1.260	6.2.10, 10.2.7, 13.1.2
6	1.257	3, 2	1.258, 1.255	445, 935
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*For the calculated pattern, only reflections with intensities ≥ 1 are given; **for the unit-cell parameters calculated from single-crystal data.

Mineral	Shchurovskyite	Dmisokolovite*		
Formula (refined)	K ₂ CaCu ₆ O ₂ (AsO ₄) ₄	K ₂ (K _{0.6} Na _{0.4})Cu ₅ (Al _{0.9} Fe _{0.1})O ₂ (AsO ₄) ₄		
Formula weight	1087.20	1046.10		
Temperature, K		293(2)		
Radiation and wavelength, Å		ΜοΚα; 0.71073		
Crystal system, space group; Z	Monoclinic, C2; 2	Monoclinic, $C2/c$; 4		
Unit-cell parameters, Å/°	a = 17.2856(9)	a = 17.0848(12)		
• ·	b = 5.6705(4)	b = 5.7188(4)		
	c = 8.5734(6)	c = 16.5332(12)		
	$\beta = 92.953(6)$	$\beta = 91.716(6)$		
$V, Å^3$	839.24(9)	1614.7(2)		
Absorption coefficient μ , mm ⁻¹	16.190	15.532		
F ₀₀₀	1016	1956		
Crystal size, mm	$0.04 \times 0.10 \times 0.13$	0.03 imes 0.05 imes 0.07		
Diffractometer	Xcalibur S CCD			
θ range for data collection, °	3.26-26.35	3.38-28.28		
Index ranges	$-21 \le h \le 21$	$-22 \le h \le 22$		
C	$-7 \leq k \leq 7$	$-7 \leq k \leq 7$		
	$-10 \le l \le 10$	$-22 \le l \le 22$		
Reflections collected	5994	12,046		
Independent reflections	$1707 (R_{int} = 0.0857)$	$2000 (R_{int} = 0.2821)$		
Independent reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$	1598	850		
Structure solution		Direct methods		
Refinement method	Full-	matrix least-squares on F^2		
No. refined parameters	98	99		
Final R indices $[I > 2\sigma(I)]$	$R_1 = 0.0746$	$R_1 = 0.1345$		
ь х <i>у</i> а	$w\dot{R}_2 = 0.1450$	$wR_2 = 0.2968$		
Goof	1.208	1.010		
Largest diff. peak and hole, $e/Å^3$	1.688 and -1.565	4.171 and -2.380		

TABLE 4. Crystal data, data collection information and structure refinement details for shchurovskyite and dmisokolovite.

*Taking into account the relatively high value of $R_1 = 13.45\%$, we consider the structural data on dmisokolovite as a model (see text). $R_1 = \Sigma ||F_o| - |F_o|| / \Sigma ||F_o| \cdot wR_2 = \Sigma w(|F_o|^2 - |F_c|^2)^2 / \Sigma w|F_o|^2)^{1/2}$; $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0590P)^2 + 13.9460P]$ for shchurovskyite and $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.1410P)^2 + 0.00P]$ for dmisokolovite; $P = ([\max \text{ of } (0 \text{ or } F_o^2)] + 2F_o^2)/3$.

correspond to As⁵⁺–O stretching vibrations of AsO₄ anionic groups. Bands with frequencies <700 cm⁻¹ correspond to As⁵⁺–O bending vibrations and Cu²⁺–O stretching vibrations. Strong bands with maxima at 486 cm⁻¹ (shchurovskyite) and 500 cm⁻¹ (dmisokolovite) presumably correspond to the Cu²⁺–O stretching modes. An absence of bands with frequencies >950 cm⁻¹ indicates the absence of groups with O–H, C–H, C–O, N–H, N–O and B–O bonds in both minerals.

Chemical composition

Chemical data for shchurovskyite and dmisokolovite were obtained using a Jeol JSM-6480LV scanning electron microscope equipped with an INCA-Wave 500 wavelength-dispersive spectrometer (Laboratory of local methods of matter investigation, Faculty of Geology, Moscow State University). The WDS mode was used, with an acceleration voltage of 20 kV, a beam current of 20 nA and a 3 μ m beam diameter. Analytical data are given in Table 1.

The empirical formulae calculated on the basis of 18 O a.p.f.u. are: shchurovskyite: $K_{2.05}Rb_{0.01}Ca_{0.96}Cu_{5.92}Zn_{0.06}Al_{0.01}P_{0.09}S_{0.05}As_{3.86}O_{18}$; dmisokolovite: $Na_{0.28}K_{2.36}Mg_{0.09}Ca_{0.04}Cu_{5.04}Zn_{0.04}$ $Al_{0.95}Fe_{0.05}^{3+}P_{0.11}As_{3.88}O_{18}$.

The idealized formulae require the following contents of constituents (wt.%):

shchurovskyite, $K_2CaCu_6O_2(AsO_4)_4$: K_2O 8.66, CaO 5.16, CuO 43.90, As_2O_5 42.28, total 100.00; dmisokolovite, $K_3Cu_5AlO_2(AsO_4)_4$: K_2O 13.46, CuO 37.89, Al_2O_3 4.86, As_2O_5 43.79, total 100.00.

Atom	x/a	y/b	z/c	$U_{\rm eq}/~U_{\rm iso}$	Wyckoff position	Σs
As(1)	0.35388(8)	0.0693(3)	0.14994(17)	0.0065(4)	4 <i>c</i>	4.99
As(2)	0.40966(8)	0.5747(4)	0.65110(18)	0.0096(4)	4c	5.20
Cu(1)	0.67760(11)	0.5302(4)	0.0231(2)	0.0093(5)	4c	1.92
Cu(2)	0.58492(10)	0.5836(4)	0.7281(2)	0.0108(4)	4c	1.94
Cu(3)	1/2	0.3685(6)	0	0.0089(7)	2a	2.04
Cu(4)	1/2	0.8547(6)	0	0.0104(8)	2a	2.22
Ca	1/2	0.1113(9)	1/2	0.0121(10)	2b	0.79
Κ	0.7073(3)	0.0635(12)	0.3153(9)	0.067(2)	4c	1.80
O(1)	0.2843(7)	0.908(2)	0.0556(15)	0.013(3)*	4c	1.94
O(2)	0.3217(6)	0.346(2)	0.1811(14)	0.005(2)*	4c	2.10
O(3)	0.4833(7)	0.395(2)	0.7127(15)	0.012(3)*	4c	1.96
O(4)	0.4371(8)	0.850(3)	0.6560(17)	0.023(3)*	4c	2.01
O(5)	0.3858(7)	0.934(2)	0.3131(15)	0.014(3)*	4c	1.80
O(6)	0.5714(5)	0.6224(19)	0.9502(11)	0.002(2)*	4c	2.00
O(7)	0.4258(6)	0.105(2)	0.0235(12)	0.011(2)*	4c	2.13
O(8)	0.3846(7)	0.469(2)	0.4701(16)	0.018(3)*	4c	1.88
O(9)	0.3312(6)	0.535(2)	0.7518(13)	0.011(2)*	4c	2.05

TABLE 5*a*. Atom coordinates, isotropic displacement parameters (Å²), Wyckoff positions and bond-valence sums (Σ s) for shchurovskyite. Parameters for bond-valence calculations were taken from Brese and O'Keeffe (1991).

 $*U_{iso}$

X-ray diffraction data

Powder X-ray diffraction data for shchurovskyite (Table 2) and dmisokolovite (Table 3) were collected using a STOE IPDS II diffractometer equipped with an Image Plate area detector, using the Gandolfi method (MoK α radiation; detector-to-sample distance = 200 mm). The parameters for monoclinic unit cells refined from the powder data are shchurovskyite: a = 17.279(9), b = 5.671(2), c = 8.571(6) Å, $\beta = 93.00(5)^{\circ}$ and V = 839(1) Å³; dmisokolovite: a = 17.078(8), b = 5.717(3), c = 16.547(8) Å, $\beta = 91.65(4)^{\circ}$ and V = 1615(2) Å³. Single-crystal X-ray studies of both minerals were

carried out using an Xcalibur S diffractometer equipped with a CCD detector. The data were corrected for Lorentz and polarization effects. Unitcell parameters are given in Table 4. Crystal structures of both new minerals were studied based on single-crystal X-ray data. Experimental details are given in Table 4. An absorption correction was applied according to the shape of the crystals. The structure models were obtained by direct methods and refined to R = 0.0746 for shchurovskyite and to R = 0.1345 for dmisokolovite with the use of the *SHELX* software package (Sheldrick, 2008). The electron density residuals for shchurovskyite are located near As(2) [1.69 e Å⁻³ at 0.96 Å from

TABLE 5b. Anisotropic displacement parameters (Å²) for cations in shchurovskyite.

Atom	U^{11}	U^{22}	U^{33}	U^{23}	U^{13}	U^{12}
As(1)	0.0014(7)	0.0075(8)	0.0105(7)	-0.0024(9)	-0.0008(5)	-0.0010(8)
As(2)	0.0076(7)	0.0118(9)	0.0094(8)	-0.0031(9)	-0.0001(6)	-0.0013(8)
Cu(1)	0.0035(9)	0.0153(13)	0.0089(10)	-0.0040(9)	-0.0021(7)	0.0017(8)
Cu(2)	0.0106(9)	0.0142(11)	0.0075(9)	0.0019(11)	-0.0001(7)	-0.0006(11)
Cu(3)	0.0020(15)	0.0069(15)	0.0177(19)	0.000	-0.0010(13)	0.000
Cu(4)	0.0022(15)	0.0078(16)	0.022(2)	0.000	0.0063(14)	0.000
Ca	0.015(2)	0.008(3)	0.013(2)	0.000	0.0007(18)	0.000
Κ	0.038(3)	0.023(3)	0.146(6)	0.003(4)	0.052(3)	0.004(3)

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TABLE 6 <i>a</i> . Atom coordinates, isotropic displacement parameters (Å ²), W	Vyckoff positions and bond valence sums
(Σs) for dmisokolovite. Parameters for bond valence calculations were	re taken from Brese and O'Keeffe (1991).

Atom	x/a	y/b	z/c	$U_{\rm eq}\!/U_{\rm iso}$	Wyckoff position	Σs
As(1)	0.34898(15)	0.0501(5)	0.33237(13)	0.0171(8)	8 <i>f</i>	4.89
As(2)	0.58912(15)	0.5261(6)	0.91002(14)	0.0207(8)	8 <i>f</i>	5.31
Cu(1)	0.32150(18)	0.5861(7)	0.24700(16)	0.0222(10)	8 <i>f</i>	1.98
Cu(2)	0.91387(18)	0.9556(7)	0.89875(17)	0.0220(9)	8 <i>f</i>	2.07
Cu(3)	0	0.7427(9)	3/4	0.0210(12)	4e	1.94
Al**	1/2	0.732(2)	3/4	0.024(3)	4 <i>e</i>	2.96
K(1)	0.7869(5)	0.5042(14)	0.0681(6)	0.052(2)	8 <i>f</i>	0.83
K(2)***	0	1/2	0	0.082(6)	4b	1.54
O(1)	0.0498(10)	0.751(3)	0.3583(9)	0.015(4)*	8 <i>f</i>	1.89
O(2)	0.6664(12)	0.581(3)	0.3695(11)	0.028(5)*	8 <i>f</i>	2.19
O(3)	0.0184(11)	0.820(4)	0.9210(10)	0.025(4)*	8f	2.20
O(4)	0.8772(12)	0.863(4)	0.0024(11)	0.030(5)*	8 <i>f</i>	2.15
O(5)	0.3647(11)	0.786(3)	0.9153(10)	0.025(4)*	8f	1.82
O(6)	0.9354(10)	0.522(3)	0.2822(10)	0.015(4)*	8 <i>f</i>	2.16
O(7)	0.0718(9)	0.010(3)	0.2157(9)	0.009(3)*	8f	1.91
O(8)	0.2880(10)	0.197(3)	0.2673(9)	0.015(4)*	8f	1.87
O(9)	0.1789(9)	0.726(3)	0.6506(8)	0.013(3)*	8f	2.11

 U_{iso}

** Refined as Al_{0.9}Fe_{0.1}. *** Refined as K_{0.6}Na_{0.4}; this position is overbonded probably due to the presence of admixed of Cu, Mg or Zn.

As(2) and $-1.57 e Å^{-3}$ at 0.82 Å from As(2)] while for dmisokolovite the highest difference peak (4.17 $e Å^{-3}$) and hole (-2.38 $e Å^{-3}$) are at 0.96 Å from Cu(1) and 0.73 Å from Cu(2), respectively. Atom coordinates and equivalent isotropic displacement parameters are given in Table 5*a* for shchurovskyite and in Table 6*a* for dmisokolovite. Anisotropic displacement parameters were used only for cations in both structures (Table 5*b* for shchurovskyite and Table 6*b* for dmisokolovite) whereas all oxygen atoms were refined isotropically. Bond distances in the structures of both minerals are

presented in Table 7. Unfortunately even the best of many tested single crystals of dmisokolovite showed low quality because of a slightly divergent character that caused divergent reflections. As a result, a rather high final R value was obtained: 13.45%. Thus, we consider our results for dmisokolovite only as its structure model. However the reasonable values of thermal displacement parameters (Table 6a,b) and interatomic distances (Table 7), as well as good agreement between the measured and calculated X-ray powder-diffraction patterns (Table 3) show that the model is correct.

TABLE 6b. Anisotropic displacement parameters (Å²) for cations in dmisokolovite.

Atom	U^{11}	U^{22}	U^{33}	U^{23}	U^{13}	U^{12}
As(1)	0.0103(13)	0.035(2)	0.0055(11)	0.0000(10)	-0.0031(9)	0.0012(11)
As(2)	0.0125(14)	0.041(2)	0.0082(11)	0.0003(11)	-0.0020(9)	0.0023(12)
Cu(1)	0.0142(16)	0.046(3)	0.0058(13)	-0.0023(13)	-0.0027(11)	-0.0004(16)
Cu(2)	0.0136(16)	0.044(3)	0.0079(13)	0.0044(13)	-0.0038(11)	0.0017(15)
Cu(3)	0.013(2)	0.036(3)	0.0145(19)	0.000	0.0026(16)	0.000
Al	0.012(5)	0.053(9)	0.006(4)	0.000	-0.005(3)	0.000
K(1)	0.036(5)	0.042(6)	0.080(6)	0.013(4)	0.027(4)	0.002(4)
K(2)	0.063(12)	0.109(17)	0.074(12)	0.029(10)	0.011(10)	0.017(11)

Crystal structure: description and discussion

Shchurovskyite, ideally $K_2CaCu_6O_2(AsO_4)_4$, and dmisokolovite, ideally $K_3Cu_5AlO_2(AsO_4)_4$, demonstrate a relationship to one another in terms of both chemistry and crystal structure (Tables 1–3; Figs 4–5). At the same time, to our knowledge and also according to an Inorganic Structure Database investigation (ICSD, 2014) no other natural or synthetic compound structurally related to these minerals is known; both shchurovskyite and dmisokolovite represent novel structure types.

The crystal structure of shchurovskyite (Fig. 4a) is based upon the (001) layers formed by Cu-centred polyhedra (Fig. 5a). Each layer consists of the columns of the alternating edge-sharing $Cu(3)O_6$ octahedra with Jahn-Teller distortion running along the *b* axis [four short distances lie in the range of 1.957(11)-1.988(13) Å and two elongated bonds of 2.470(13) Å] and Cu(4)O₄ squares. The basis of the structure of dmisokolovite (Fig. 4b) is the (001) heteropolyhedral layer consisting of the Cu- and Alcentred polyhedra (Fig. 5b) that form heteropolyhedral columns of the alternating edge-sharing Cu(3)O₄ squares and AlO₆ octahedra running along the b axis. The Cu(3)-centred polyhedra in dmisokolovite could also be considered as octahedra with very strong Jahn-Teller distortion, with four short distances in the range of 1.958(18)-1.966(16) Å and two Cu(3)...O(3) distances of 2.869(16) Å (given in italics in Table 7). For better clarity, in Figs 4b and 5b Cu(3)-centred polyhedra are presented as flat squares. In the structures of both minerals the columns [consisting of $Cu(3)O_6$ octahedra and Cu(4)O₄ squares in shchurovskyite and of Cu(3)O₄ squares and AlO₆ octahedra in dmisokolovite] are linked via zig-zag chains of composition $Cu(1)O_5$ (distorted square pyramids sharing corners). Cu(2)O₅ trigonal bipyramids also participate in the cationic layer sharing edges with the Cu(1)-centred polyhedra to form dimers (Figs 5a,b). Two crystallographically independent As atoms centre tetrahedra which play different roles. The As(1)O₄ tetrahedra reinforce the linkage between the alternating zig-zag chains of the Cu(1)O₅ polyhedra and columns formed in shchurovskyite by the $Cu(3)O_6$ and $Cu(4)O_4$ polyhedra (Fig. 4a) and in dmisokolovite by the Cu(3)O₄ and AlO₆ polyhedra (Fig. 5a). Thus, the $As(1)O_4$ tetrahedra form together with the Cu-centred polyhedra (and Al-centred octahedra in dmisokolovite) a heteropolyhedral layer. The As(2)O₄ tetrahedra link neighbouring layers to form a three-dimensional heteropolyhedral Cu(Al)-As-O guasi-framework.

TABLE 7. Bond distances (Å) in the structures of shchurovskyite and dmisokolovite.

Shchurovskyite	Dmisokolovite
As(1) – O(5) 1.665(13)	As(1) – O(9) 1.675(17)
- O(1) 1.685(13)	- O(5) 1.677(18)
-O(2) 1.689(12)	-O(8) 1.697(17)
- O(7) 1.703(10)	- O(6) 1.722(17)
As(2) – O(4) 1.630(15)	As(2) – O(2) 1.62(2)
-O(9) 1.660(11)	-O(1) 1.666(17)
-O(3) 1.692(13)	-O(4) 1.667(19)
-O(8) 1.699(13)	-O(3) 1.70(2)
Cu(1) – O(9) 1.944(11)	Cu(1) – O(2) 1.944(19)
-O(1) 1.976(12)	-O(7) 1.956(16)
-O(6) 1.980(10)	-O(8) 1.982(17)
- O(2) 2.040(12)	- O(9) 2.006(15)
-O(1) 2.351(13)	-O(8) 2.325(19)
Cu(2) – O(8) 1.919(13)	Cu(2) – O(4) 1.916(19)
-O(6) 1.943(10)	-O(7) 1.926(15)
-O(3) 2.054(13)	-O(3) 1.97(2)
-O(5) 2.084(13)	-O(5) 2.09(2)
-O(2) 2.034(13) -O(2) 2.213(12)	- O(9) 2.197(16)
-0(2) 2.213(12)	-0(9)2.197(10)
Cu(3) – O(6) 1.957(11) × 2	Cu(3) – O(6) 1.958(18) × 2
- O(7) 1.988(13) × 2	– O(7) 1.966(16) × 2
- O(3) 2.470(13) × 2	$-O(3) 2.869(16) \times 2$
Cu(4) – O(6) 1.869(10) × 2	Al(1) – O(6) 1.875(19) × 2
$-O(7) 1.928(13) \times 2$	$-O(7) 1.943(18) \times 2$
	$-O(1) 1.963(15) \times 2$
K – O(2) 2.645(13)	
- O(4) 2.796(15)	K(1) – O(2) 2.74(2)
- O(9) 2.808(14)	- O(9) 2.792(18)
- O(9) 3.117(14)	- O(4) 2.81(2)
- O(1) 3.294(14)	-O(5) 3.09(2)
- O(1) 3.310(15)	-O(4) 3.10(2)
- O(8) 3.321(15)	- O(5) 3.148(19)
- O(8) 3.390(14)	- O(1) 3.324(19)
	- O(8) 3.474(18)
$Ca - O(4) 2.307(15) \times 2$	-O(8) 3.512(18)
$-O(3) 2.461(13) \times 2$	-O(2) 3.54(2)
$-O(5) 2.675(13) \times 2$	- (-) 010 ((2)
$-O(8) 2.846(13) \times 2$	K(2) – O(3) 2.28(2) × 2
0(0) 2.0 10(13) 1 2	$-O(1) 2.896(16) \times 2$
	$-O(5) 2.935(18) \times 2$
	$-O(4) 2.95(10) \times 2$
	0(1) 2.00(2) * 2

Italics indicates two short $Cu(3)\cdots O(3)$ distances.

In shchurovskyite, K cations are located in the wide channels of the quasi-framework forming eight K–O bonds in the range of 2.645(13)–3.390(14) Å. Ca cations occupy narrow channels (Fig. 4*a*) and centre eight-coordinate polyhedra with Ca–O distances in the range 2.307(15)–2.846(13) Å. In dmisokolovite, K(1) atoms are located in wide channels forming ten K–O bonds in the range 2.74(2)–3.54(2) Å while K(2) sites, corresponding

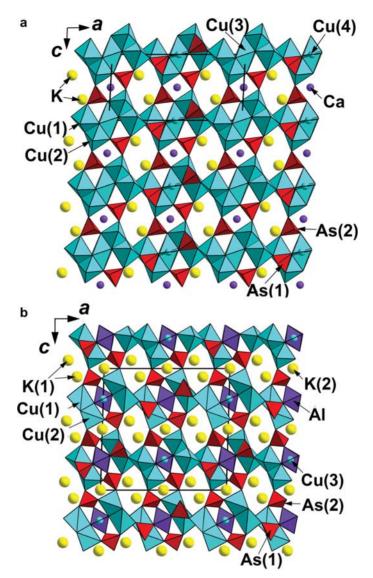


FIG. 4. The crystal structures of shchurovskyite (a) and dmisokolovite (b). The unit cells are outlined.

to Ca sites in shchurovskyite, occur in narrow channels and centre eight-coordinate polyhedra with K(2)–O distances in the range 2.28(2)–2.95(2) Å (Fig. 5*a*; Table 7). The K(2) site is characterized by shorter K–O distances and a lower number of electrons in comparison with the K(1) site (Tables 6*a* and 7) that is a reason for the conclusion that admixed Na occurs at the K(2) site. Based on the empirical formula of dmisokolovite (see above) with some deficiency of large cations [(K+Na+Ca)=2.68 a.p.f.u.] and some excess of

(Cu+Mg+Zn) = 5.16 a.p.f.u. in comparison with the idealized formula $K_3Cu_5AlO_2(AsO_4)_4$, we assume that the K(2) site can also contain minor amounts of Cu, Mg or Zn and may be partially vacant. This assumption is confirmed by the fact that K(2) is only one site that is strongly overbonded (1.54 vu) (Table 6*a*) and is characterized by shortened K(2)–O distances (Table 7).

Thus, the structures of shchurovskyite $K_2CaCu_6O_2(AsO_4)_4$ and dmisokolovite K_3Cu_5 $AlO_2(AsO_4)_4$ have a topologically close main

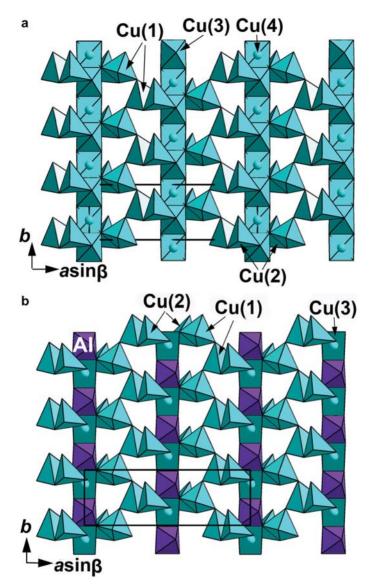


FIG. 5. Cationic layers formed by Cu-centred polyhedra in shchurovskyite (a) and by Cu- and Al-centred polyhedra in dmisokolovite (b) projected on the plane perpendicular to c axis. The unit cells are outlined.

structural unit, the (001) layer formed by the Cu- and Al-centred polyhedra in dmisokolovite (Fig. 5*b*) and by Cu-centred polyhedra in shchurovskyite (Fig. 5*a*). At the same time, there are some differences in the construction of the layer. In dmisokolovite, the AlO₆ octahedra participate in the layer while in shchurovskyite the same site is occupied by the Cu(4)O₄ square [another two Cu(4)–O distances are 3.090(15) Å, too long to be included in the primary coordination polyhedron]. The Cu(3)O₆ polyhedra in both minerals could be considered as octahedra with Jahn-Teller distortion, but in dmisokolovite this distortion is much stronger. The most important difference between the structures of these minerals is in the orientation of Cu(1)O₅ distorted square pyramids forming zig-zag chains (and, correspondingly, the orientation of the dimers formed by Cu(1)- and Cu(2)-centred polyhedra) in the adjacent layers. In shchurovskyite the neighbouring (001) layers have the same orientation

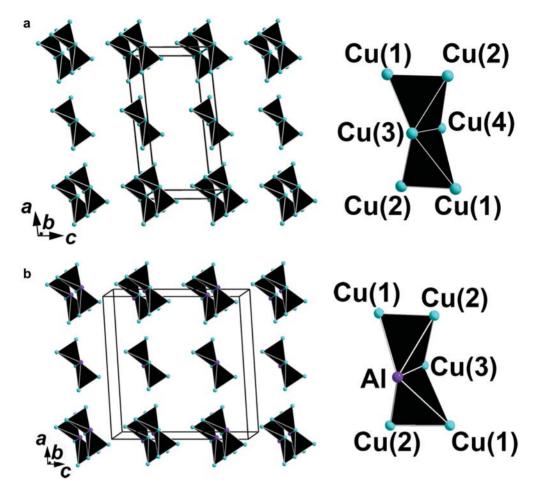


FIG. 6. Oxocentred tetrahedral motifs (*a*; the unit cells are outlined) and the dimers formed by the oxocentred tetrahedra (*b*) in shchurovskyite (upper drawings: the $[O_2Cu_6]$ dimers) and in dmisokolovite (lower drawings: the $[O_2Cu_5Al]$ dimers).

as these polyhedra (Fig. 4*a*) while in dmisokolovite in the neighbouring layers their orientation is opposite (Fig. 4*b*). In dmisokolovite, the AlO₆ octahedra are located under the Cu(3)O₄ squares, or under the Cu(3)O₆ octahedra with very strong Jahn-Teller distortion, of the next layer while in shchurovskyite the Cu(3)O₆ octahedra, as well as the Cu(4)O₄ squares, are located under the equivalent units of the adjacent layer (Fig. 4). This causes the doubling of the unit-cell parameter *c* of dmisokolovite in comparison with shchurovskyite (Table 4; Fig. 4). The role of AsO₄ tetrahedra in both structures is the same. The large cations have a similar arrangement; K cations are located in the wider channels of the quasi-framework in both while narrow channels are occupied by (K,Na) in dmisokolovite and by Ca in shchurovskyite (Fig. 4).

Note that the Jahn-Teller distortion of Cu²⁺centred polyhedra is observed widely in natural copper oxysalts. Among anhydrous arsenate and vanadate minerals known in the fumarolic exhalations at Tolbachik, strong Jahn-Teller distortion of CuO₆ octahedra was reported, e.g. for lammerite and lammerite- β , both Cu₃(AsO₄)₂ (Hawthorne, 1986; Starova *et al.*, 2012), bradaczekite, NaCu₄(AsO₄)₃ (Krivovichev *et al.*, 2001), pseudolyonsite Cu₃(VO₄)₂ (Zelenski *et al.*, 2011), grigorievite, Cu₃Fe³⁺₂Al₂(VO₄)₆ (Pekov *et al.*, 2014*c*), ericlaxmanite, Cu₄O(AsO₄)₂ (Pekov *et al.*, 2015).

The simplified structural formula of dmisokolovite can be written as K₂(K,Na)[Cu₅AlO₂][AsO₄]₄ whereas that of shchurovskyite is $K_2Ca[Cu_6O_2]$ $[AsO_4]_4$. Thus, the structures of both new minerals could also be described in terms of anion-centred tetrahedra (Krivovichev, 2009). In dmisokolovite, two [OCu₃Al] tetrahedra are linked via a common Cu-Al edge forming [O₂Cu₅Al] dimers. In shchurovskyite, such dimers are formed involving only Cu cations, $[O_2Cu_6]$ (Fig. 6). The same $[O_2Cu_6]$ complexes were found in the structures of euchlorine, NaK[Cu₃O](SO₄)₃ (Scordari and Stasi, 1990), fedotovite, K₂[Cu₃O](SO₄)₃ (Starova et al., 1991), and both triclinic and monoclinic modifications of synthetic Cu[Cu₃O](SeO₃)₃ (Effenberger and Pertlik, 1986). Unlike these, in dmisokolovite Al is involved in these dimers.

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