

## CRYSTAL STRUCTURE AND CRYSTAL CHEMISTRY OF LITHIUM-BEARING MUSCOVITE-2M<sub>1</sub>

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### ABSTRACT

Crystal-structure refinements were done on Li-bearing muscovite-2M<sub>1</sub> crystals from microgranite and granitic pegmatite rocks in order to characterize their crystal chemistry and their relationships with muscovite and trioctahedral lithium-containing micas. In addition to the substitution mechanism <sup>6</sup>Li<sup>+</sup> <sup>6</sup>Al<sup>3+</sup><sub>-1</sub> <sup>4</sup>Al<sup>3+</sup><sub>-2</sub> <sup>4</sup>Si<sup>4+</sup><sub>2</sub>, Li-bearing muscovite shows additional substitutions, such as mechanism <sup>6</sup>Li<sup>+</sup> <sup>6</sup>Fe<sup>2+</sup> <sup>6</sup>Al<sup>3+</sup><sub>-1</sub> <sup>6</sup>□<sub>-1</sub>, indicating that the structure deviates from ideal dioctahedral character. Single-crystal X-ray-diffraction data were collected for five crystals in space group C2/c; the agreement factor, R<sub>obs</sub>, varies between 0.033 and 0.042. The mean tetrahedral cation–oxygen atom distances range from 1.637 to 1.646 Å and from 1.629 to 1.647 Å for T1 and T2 sites, respectively. Variation in <T–O> distances is associated with the Li<sup>+</sup> / (Li<sup>+</sup> + Al<sup>3+</sup>) ratio, octahedral M2 site expansion (9.30 ≤ volume<sub>M2</sub> ≤ 9.90 Å<sup>3</sup>) and reduction in size of the M1 site. Moreover, as the Li<sup>+</sup> / (Li<sup>+</sup> + Al<sup>3+</sup>) ratio increases, the silicate ring becomes less distorted (5.9 ≤ α ≤ 11.4°), the basal oxygen-atom planes become less corrugated (0.147 ≤ Δz ≤ 0.232 Å), and the interlayer separation narrows (3.337 ≤ interlayer separation ≤ 3.422 Å).

*Keywords:* lithium, muscovite, crystal structure, crystal chemistry, octahedral occupancy.

### SOMMAIRE

Nous avons effectué des affinements de la structure cristalline de la muscovite lithinifère (polytype 2M<sub>1</sub>) provenant de microgranite et de pegmatite granitique afin d'en caractériser la cristallographie et les relations avec la muscovite et les micas trioctaédriques contenant le lithium. En plus du mécanisme de substitution <sup>6</sup>Li<sup>+</sup> <sup>6</sup>Al<sup>3+</sup><sub>-1</sub> <sup>4</sup>Al<sup>3+</sup><sub>-2</sub> <sup>4</sup>Si<sup>4+</sup><sub>2</sub>, la muscovite lithinifère fait preuve de mécanismes additionnels, par exemple <sup>6</sup>Li<sup>+</sup> <sup>6</sup>Fe<sup>2+</sup> <sup>6</sup>Al<sup>3+</sup><sub>-1</sub> <sup>6</sup>□<sub>-1</sub>, indication que la structure s'écarte d'un mica dicotaédrique idéal. Des données de diffraction X ont été prélevées sur cinq cristaux uniques répondant au groupe spatial C2/c; le facteur de concordance, R<sub>obs</sub>, varie entre 0.033 et 0.042. La distance moyenne entre le cation à coordinence tétraédrique et l'oxygène varie entre 1.637 et 1.646 Å et entre 1.629 et 1.647 Å pour les sites T1 et T2, respectivement. La variation en distances <T–O> dépend du rapport Li<sup>+</sup> / (Li<sup>+</sup> + Al<sup>3+</sup>), de l'expansion du site octaédrique M2 (9.30 ≤ volume<sub>M2</sub> ≤ 9.90 Å<sup>3</sup>) et de la réduction de la taille du site M1. De plus, à mesure que le rapport Li<sup>+</sup> / (Li<sup>+</sup> + Al<sup>3+</sup>) augmente, l'anneau de tétraèdres devient de moins en moins difforme (5.9 ≤ α ≤ 11.4°), le plan des atomes d'oxygène définissant la base des tétraèdres devient moins ondulante (0.147 ≤ Δz ≤ 0.232 Å), et la séparation inter-feuillet devient moins grande (3.337 ≤ séparation interfoliaire ≤ 3.422 Å).

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*Mots-clés:* lithium, muscovite, structure cristalline, cristallographie, taux d'occupation du site octaédrique.

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## INTRODUCTION

Lithium occurs in the octahedral sites of "trisilicic" K-rich micas according to the following exchange operators: (1)  $^{[6]}\text{Li}^+$   $^{[6]}\text{Al}^{3+}_{-1}$   $^{[4]}\text{Si}^{4+}_2$   $^{[4]}\text{Al}^{3+}_{-2}$  and  $^{[6]}\text{Li}^{+}_3$   $^{[6]}\text{Al}^{3+}_{-1}$   $^{[6]}\square_{-2}$  for Fe-free dioctahedral micas, and (2)  $^{[6]}\text{Li}^+$   $^{[6]}\text{Fe}^{2+}_{-1}$   $^{[4]}\text{Si}^{4+}_1$   $^{[4]}\text{Al}^{3+}_{-1}$  and  $^{[6]}\text{Li}^+$   $^{[6]}\text{Al}^{3+}$   $^{[6]}\text{Fe}^{2+}_{-2}$  for Fe-bearing trioctahedral micas, although other mechanisms of substitution intermediate between (1) and (2) were reported by Černý & Burt (1984).

Depending on the distribution of cations in the octahedral sites, Li-bearing trioctahedral micas may show complex patterns of long-range order. Some crystals show the common pattern, with a relatively large *trans* site, occupied by monovalent and divalent cations (usually  $\text{Li}^+$ ,  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$  and  $\text{Mg}^{2+}$ , rarely  $\text{Mn}^{2+}$ ), or vacancies (or both), and with two equivalent smaller *cis* sites preferentially occupied by relatively high-charge cations (typically  $\text{Al}^{3+}$ , rarely  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$ ) (Takeda & Burnham 1969, Takeda *et al.* 1971, Sartori *et al.* 1973, Sartori 1976, Guggenheim 1981, Swanson & Bailey 1981). In other crystals, trivalent cations are ordered at one of the two *cis* sites (*M2* or *M3*), whereas  $\text{Li}^+$  and divalent cations occupy the remaining positions (*i.e.*, *M1* and *M2*, or *M1* and *M3*), thus producing lower symmetry in the layer, from *C2/m* to *C2* (Guggenheim & Bailey 1977, Guggenheim 1981, Backhaus 1983, Mizota *et al.* 1986, Rieder *et al.* 1996, Brigatti *et al.* 2000).

The mechanism of Li incorporation in the brittle mica bityite- $2M_1$  [ $(\text{Ca}_{0.95}\text{Na}_{0.02}) (\text{Li}_{0.55}\square_{0.45}\text{Al}_{2.04}\text{Fe}^{3+}_{0.01}) (\text{Al}_{1.34}\text{Si}_{2.02}\text{Be}_{0.64}) \text{O}_{10} (\text{OH})_2$ ] suggests an octahedral occupancy midway between dioctahedral and trioctahedral (Lin & Guggenheim 1983). The *trans* *M1* site is occupied by  $\text{Li}^+$  and vacancies. The two *cis* *M2* sites are occupied by  $\text{Al}^{3+}$  cations. Lin & Guggenheim (1983) attributed this pattern of order to the existence of sheets of dioctahedral (with *M1* site vacant) and trioctahedral character (with Li-filled *M1* sites).

Monier & Robert (1986a, b) presented an experimental study of the miscibility gap between trioctahedral and dioctahedral micas in the system  $\text{K}_2\text{O}-\text{Li}_2\text{O}-\text{MgO}-\text{FeO}-\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3-\text{SiO}_2-\text{H}_2\text{O}-\text{HF}$  at  $600^\circ\text{C}$ , under 2 kbar  $\text{P}(\text{H}_2\text{O})$ . The gap between dioctahedral and trioctahedral micas was found to be large in the lithium-free system (Monier & Robert 1986a, Zane & Rizzo 1999), whereas its width decreases progressively with increasing Li content. For Li contents greater than 0.6 atoms per formula unit, a single Li mica phase intermediate between dioctahedral and trioctahedral micas was obtained (Monier & Robert 1986b).

In addition to octahedrally coordinated sites,  $\text{Li}^+$  may substitute for  $\text{K}^+$  in the interlayer. This homovalent exchange-mechanism was suggested by Volfinger & Robert (1979, 1980) and by Robert *et al.* (1983) for synthetic trioctahedral micas. In these micas, Li was found to be located in a pseudo-octahedral cavity defined by the basal oxygen atoms of two tetrahedra located in two adjacent layers.

At present, there are relatively few published studies on lithium-bearing muscovite. We report results of five crystal-structure refinements of muscovite crystals with varying Li contents, and we compare the results with those of previously published crystal-chemical studies on Li-bearing micas.

## SAMPLES

Crystals of Li-bearing muscovite were taken from samples of microgranite and granitic pegmatite. Sample 39, from the Fregeneda pegmatite, Salamanca, Spain, is associated with quartz, cassiterite and albite (Roda *et al.* 1995). Sample 2 is from the microgranite at Argemela, Portugal (Charoy & Noronha 1996). Samples 129 and 147 are from the anorogenic Pikes Peak batholith (Colorado). Sample 129 is from a miarolitic cavity in the Redskin Granite near Spruce Grove Campground (Tarryall area, Park County). The muscovite is associated with microcline, fluorite, and smoky quartz (Kile & Foord 1998). That highly evolved pluton is enriched in Li and Be (see Hawley 1969, Hawley & Wobus 1977, Desborough *et al.* 1980) and hosts topaz-bearing pegmatites. Sample 147 is from near Glen Cove (El Paso County) and is associated with microcline and smoky quartz (Kile & Foord 1998). As with the Tarryall area, this locality also involves a highly evolved pluton that contains topaz-bearing pegmatites. The high level of geochemical differentiation of these two Colorado localities is further indicated by the presence of dioctahedral mica within the miarolitic cavities, in contrast to trioctahedral mica that is found elsewhere in the Pikes Peak batholith (Kile & Foord 1998).

## EXPERIMENTAL METHODS

*Electron-microprobe analysis and normalization of the formula unit*

Chemical compositions of single crystals of muscovite (Table 1) were established by energy-dispersion and wavelength-dispersion methods (ARL-SEMQ equipped with Tracor Northern EDS apparatus, operating conditions: accelerating voltage 15 kV, sample current 15 nA, and beam diameter 5  $\mu\text{m}$ ). In each sample, several spots were analyzed to check for sample homogeneity. The F content was determined by the method reported by Foley (1989). No evidence of volatilization of F was observed. Analysis and data reduction were performed using the Probe software package of Donovan (1995). Lithium determinations were performed using inductively coupled plasma - atomic emission spectrometry (ICP-AES, Varian Liberty 200). Twenty-five mg of each sample was digested with a mixture of HF (62%) and  $\text{HNO}_3$  (38%) in closed Teflon crucibles in a microwave. The OH content was obtained on material from the same concentrate by means of Seiko SSC 5200 thermogravimetric analysis (TG) equipped with a mass

TABLE 1. AVERAGE CHEMICAL COMPOSITION AND CHEMICAL FORMULAE OF LITHIUM-BEARING MUSCOVITE CRYSTALS

	39	2a	2b	147	129
SiO <sub>2</sub> wt.%	45.86	46.43	47.46	46.58	47.20
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	36.29	33.77	32.65	27.33	26.48
TiO <sub>2</sub>	0.06	0.01	0.02	0.02	0.10
Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	b.d.t.	b.d.t.	b.d.t.	1.33	1.52
FeO	1.39	2.34	2.38	6.70	5.71
MgO	0.16	0.09	0.10	b.d.t.	0.04
MnO	0.03	0.11	0.12	0.18	0.43
Li <sub>2</sub> O	0.11	0.45	0.45	0.99	1.32
Na <sub>2</sub> O	0.42	1.11	1.13	0.10	0.11
Rb <sub>2</sub> O	0.19	0.50	0.52	0.59	0.35
K <sub>2</sub> O	11.05	10.02	10.00	10.85	11.04
H <sub>2</sub> O	4.00	3.80	3.82	3.38	3.08
F	0.43	1.36	1.34	1.95	2.61
Sum	99.99	99.99	99.99	100.00	99.99

Structural formulae based on O<sub>12-(x+y)</sub> OH<sub>x</sub> F<sub>y</sub>

<sup>29</sup> Si <i>apfu</i>	3.072	3.128	3.193	3.242	3.280
<sup>27</sup> Al	0.928	0.872	0.807	0.758	0.720
<sup>27</sup> Al	1.937	1.810	1.785	1.485	1.449
<sup>47</sup> Ti	0.003	....	0.001	0.001	0.005
<sup>56</sup> Fe <sup>3+</sup>	....	....	....	0.073	0.083
<sup>56</sup> Fe <sup>2+</sup>	0.078	0.132	0.133	0.390	0.332
<sup>24</sup> Mg	0.016	0.009	0.009	....	0.004
<sup>55</sup> Mn	0.002	0.006	0.007	0.010	0.025
<sup>7</sup> Li	0.030	0.122	0.122	0.277	0.369
<sup>63</sup> Sum	2.066	2.079	2.057	2.236	2.267
<sup>23</sup> Na	0.054	0.145	0.147	0.13	0.015
<sup>85</sup> Rb	0.008	0.022	0.022	0.026	0.015
<sup>39</sup> K	0.944	0.861	0.858	0.963	0.978
OH	1.787	1.707	1.714	1.569	1.427
F	0.091	0.289	0.285	0.429	0.573
O	10.122	10.004	10.001	10.002	10.000

b.d.t.: below detection threshold.

TABLE 2. DETAILS OF THE X-RAY DATA COLLECTION, STRUCTURE REFINEMENT, AND UNIT-CELL PARAMETERS OF LITHIUM-CONTAINING MUSCOVITE CRYSTALS

	N <sub>obs</sub>	R <sub>sym</sub> ×100	R <sub>obs</sub> ×100	a (Å)	b (Å)	c (Å)	β (°)	V (Å <sup>3</sup> )
39	1183	2.17	3.51	5.193(1)	9.016(3)	20.114(5)	95.77(2)	937.0
2a	1353	2.65	4.18	5.197(1)	9.019(2)	20.068(3)	95.71(1)	936.0
2b	934	2.77	3.32	5.190(2)	9.022(3)	20.057(4)	95.60(7)	934.7
147	1035	4.73	4.10	5.209(2)	9.038(3)	19.997(5)	95.70(3)	936.8
129	912	3.37	3.53	5.224(1)	9.081(3)	19.952(4)	95.63(2)	941.9

Note: standard deviations are given in parentheses.  $R_{sym} = \frac{\sum_{hkl} \sum_{|l|}^N |I_{hkl} - I_{hkl}|}{\sum_{hkl} \sum_{|l|}^N I_{hkl}}$ 

spectrometer (ESS, GeneSys Quadstar 422). A sample of about 2–3 mg of powder was heated at a rate of 10°C/min in Ar gas (flow rate 30 mL/min). The ratio of Fe<sup>2+</sup> to Fe<sup>3+</sup> was determined following the method reported by Meyrowitz (1970). Chemical compositions reported in Table 1 were obtained by combining the above results. The chemical formula was based on O<sub>12-x-y</sub>(OH)<sub>x</sub>F<sub>y</sub>.

## Collection of X-ray-diffraction data

Several crystals were examined initially by single-crystal precession photographs to determine crystal quality and the polytypes present. Crystals selected for further investigation were mounted onto a Siemens P4P rotating-anode fully automated four-circle diffractometer with graphite-monochromatized MoKα radiation (λ = 0.71073 Å, 50 kV, 140 mA) equipped with XSCANS software (Siemens 1993). The unit-cell parameters were refined on 40–50 reflections and are reported in Table 2. Intensities for reflections ±h, ±k, ±l were collected at 2θ ≤ 70.0° using the ω scan mode (window width from 2.5 to 4.0°), with scan speeds inversely proportional to intensity, varying from 1 to 5°/minute. The intensity data were then corrected for

TABLE 3. SELECTED BOND-LENGTHS (Å) FROM STRUCTURE REFINEMENT OF LITHIUM-CONTAINING MUSCOVITE CRYSTALS

	39	2a	2b	147	129
Tetrahedron (T1)					
T1-O11	1.637(2)	1.639(4)	1.634(2)	1.659(3)	1.647(3)
T1-O21	1.641(2)	1.650(4)	1.646(2)	1.624(3)	1.649(3)
T1-O22	1.647(2)	1.639(4)	1.638(2)	1.639(3)	1.628(3)
T1-O31	1.657(2)	1.644(3)	1.637(2)	1.628(3)	1.625(2)
<T1-O>	1.646	1.643	1.639	1.638	1.637
Tetrahedron (T2)					
T2-O11	1.645(2)	1.639(4)	1.626(2)	1.632(3)	1.613(3)
T2-O21	1.651(2)	1.645(4)	1.643(2)	1.643(3)	1.637(3)
T2-O22	1.642(2)	1.644(4)	1.649(2)	1.639(3)	1.643(3)
T2-O32	1.649(2)	1.642(3)	1.638(2)	1.621(3)	1.623(4)
<T2-O>	1.647	1.643	1.639	1.634	1.629
Octahedron (M2)					
M2-O31	1.928(2)	1.954(3)	1.959(2)	1.961(3)	1.993(3)
M2-O31'	1.936(2)	1.933(3)	1.939(2)	1.975(3)	1.959(3)
M2-O32	1.924(2)	1.927(3)	1.939(2)	1.963(3)	1.961(2)
M2-O32'	1.940(2)	1.943(3)	1.950(2)	1.940(3)	1.962(2)
M2-O4	1.923(2)	1.931(3)	1.939(2)	1.948(3)	1.962(3)
M2-O4'	1.909(2)	1.932(4)	1.937(2)	1.907(3)	1.938(3)
<M2-O>	1.927	1.937	1.944	1.949	1.963
Vacant site (M1)					
M1-O31 (× 2)	2.272(2)	2.243(3)	2.209(2)	2.239(3)	2.227(2)
M1-O32 (× 2)	2.277(2)	2.244(3)	2.211(2)	2.246(3)	2.231(2)
M1-O4 (× 2)	2.197(2)	2.171(3)	2.151(2)	2.193(2)	2.185(3)
<M1-O>	2.249	2.219	2.190	2.226	2.214
Interlayer cation					
A-O11 (× 2)	2.875(2)	2.896(4)	2.916(2)	2.898(3)	3.012(3)
A-O11' (× 2)	3.540(2)	3.475(4)	3.431(3)	3.444(3)	3.308(3)
A-O21 (× 2)	2.868(2)	2.873(4)	2.887(3)	2.936(3)	2.942(3)
A-O21' (× 2)	3.277(2)	3.271(4)	3.265(3)	3.204(3)	3.217(3)
A-O22 (× 2)	2.854(2)	2.862(4)	2.884(2)	2.899(3)	2.966(2)
A-O22' (× 2)	3.298(2)	3.296(4)	3.275(3)	3.243(3)	3.186(2)
A-O4 (× 2)	4.023(2)	4.012(3)	4.011(2)	3.988(3)	3.953(3)
<A-O> <sub>inner</sub>	2.866	2.877	2.896	2.911	2.973
<A-O> <sub>outer</sub>	3.372	3.347	3.324	3.297	3.237

Note: standard deviations are given in parentheses.

Lorentz-polarization and absorption effects (North *et al.* 1968). The intensities of equivalent reflections were averaged, and the resulting discrepancy factor,  $R_{\text{sym}}$ , was calculated (Table 2). The structure refinements were performed in the space group  $C2/c$  using a modified version of ORFLS least-squares program (Busing *et al.* 1962) following the same assumptions as adopted by Brigatti *et al.* (1998) for crystals of ferroan and magnesian muscovite. Atom-position parameters from Brigatti *et al.* (1998) were used as initial values for all refinements. Appropriate fully ionized scattering factors were used for octahedral  $M$  and interlayer  $A$  cations, whereas half-ionized scattering factors were assumed for oxygen atoms and cations in tetrahedral sites. At the final stage of the refinement, a difference-Fourier electron-density (DED) map was calculated. For all crystals, an electron-density excess in the "vacant"  $M1$  site was found on the DED map. Introduction of this partial occupancy in the refinement significantly improved the agreement index ( $R_{\text{obs}}$ ). In the final cycles, anisotropic

displacement parameters for  $T$ ,  $M2$ , and  $O$  and isotropic displacement parameters for  $M1$  were refined. The final refinement yielded the  $R_{\text{obs}}$  values reported in Table 2.  $M1$  site position was constrained to be isotropic. A final calculated DED map does not reveal a significant excess in electron density above background. In Table 3, we report relevant cation-anion bond lengths, whereas in Table 4, we list selected geometrical parameters obtained from structure refinements. Site populations at  $M1$  and  $M2$  (Table 5) were determined from the refined structural parameters and from the results of electron-microprobe analyses. Chemical and structural data were treated by a minimization procedure, based on the function labeled "FMINS" in the MATLAB program library (Moler 1992). Details are presented in Brigatti *et al.* (2000). Atom coordinates and equivalent isotropic and anisotropic displacement factors are reported in Table 6, whereas the observed and calculated structure-factors are available from the Depository of Unpublished Data, CISTI, National Research Council, Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0S2, Canada.

TABLE 4. SELECTED PARAMETERS OBTAINED FROM STRUCTURE REFINEMENT OF LITHIUM-BEARING MUSCOVITE

	39	2a	2b	147	129
Parameters describing the tetrahedra					
$\alpha$ ( $^\circ$ )	11.4	10.6	9.7	8.7	5.9
$\Delta z$ ( $\text{\AA}$ )	0.232	0.198	0.172	0.179	0.147
$\tau_{T1}$ ( $^\circ$ )	110.9	111.2	111.6	111.6	111.6
$\tau_{T2}$ ( $^\circ$ )	110.9	111.3	111.5	111.9	111.7
TAV <sub>T1</sub> ( $^\circ$ )	5.43	4.85	6.09	8.24	6.45
TAV <sub>T2</sub> ( $^\circ$ )	5.48	5.68	6.26	9.54	7.57
Volume <sub>T1</sub> ( $\text{\AA}^3$ )	2.28	2.27	2.25	2.25	2.25
Volume <sub>T2</sub> ( $\text{\AA}^3$ )	2.29	2.27	2.25	2.23	2.21
Parameters describing the octahedra					
$\Psi_{M1}$ ( $^\circ$ )	62.4	62.1	61.8	61.7	61.5
$\Psi_{M2}$ ( $^\circ$ )	57.2	57.5	57.8	57.2	57.4
OAV <sub>M1</sub> ( $^\circ$ )	114.08	105.85	98.52	96.29	90.82
OAV <sub>M2</sub> ( $^\circ$ )	62.38	53.68	47.80	49.03	43.60
Volume <sub>M1</sub> ( $\text{\AA}^3$ )	14.33	13.83	13.35	14.04	13.86
Volume <sub>M2</sub> ( $\text{\AA}^3$ )	9.30	9.47	9.60	9.67	9.90
Sheet thickness					
Tetrahedral ( $\text{\AA}$ )	2.249	2.252	2.255	2.241	2.238
Octahedral ( $\text{\AA}$ )	2.087	2.081	2.072	2.110	2.114
Interlayer separation ( $\text{\AA}$ )	3.422	3.399	3.399	3.356	3.337
Layer offset ( $\text{\AA}$ )	-0.006	-0.005	-0.005	-0.006	-0.004
Intralayer shift ( $\text{\AA}$ )	0.378	0.373	0.369	0.377	0.374
Overall shift ( $\text{\AA}$ )	-0.389	-0.384	-0.377	-0.381	-0.375

Note:  $\alpha$  (tetrahedral rotation angle) =  $\sum_{i=1}^6 \alpha_i / 6$  where  $\alpha_i = |120^\circ - \phi_i| / 2$  and where  $\phi_i$  is the angle between basal edges of neighboring tetrahedra articulated in the ring.  $\Delta z = [Z_{(\text{O}_{\text{basal}})_{\text{max}}} - Z_{(\text{O}_{\text{basal}})_{\text{min}}}] \cos \beta$ .  $\tau$  (tetrahedral flattening angle) =  $\sum_{i=1}^3 (\text{O}_{\text{basal}} - \hat{T} - \text{O}_{\text{basal}}) / 3$ . TAV (tetrahedral angle variance), OAV (octahedral angle variance) =  $\sum_{i=1}^3 (\theta_i - 109.47) / 5$ , where  $\theta_i$  is the ideal bond angle of  $109.47^\circ$  and  $90^\circ$  for a tetrahedron and an octahedron, respectively;  $n$  is the coordination number (Robinson *et al.* 1971).  $\psi$  (octahedral flattening angle) =  $\cos^{-1}[\text{octahedral thickness} / (2 \times \langle M-O \rangle)]$  (Donnay *et al.* 1964). For the definition of layer offset, intralayer shift, and overall shift, see Bailey (1984).

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

### Exchange mechanisms

The average composition of the five samples of lithium-bearing muscovite (Table 1) is presented in Figures 1 and 2. In trioctahedral micas of the siderophyllite-polyolithionite series, the  $\text{Al}^{3+}$  content in the octahedral sites remains rather constant from siderophyllite to polyolithionite, according to the exchange vector  $^{[6]}\text{Li}^+ [^{6]}\text{Fe}^{2+}_{-1} [^{4]}\text{Si}^{4+}_{-1} [^{4]}\text{Al}^{3+}_{-1}$ . In dioctahedral Li-bearing micas, the decrease of  $^{[6]}\text{Al}^{3+}$  produces a simultaneous

TABLE 5. REFINED AND CALCULATED SITE-OCCUPANCY ( $epfu$ ) FOR CRYSTALS OF LITHIUM-BEARING MUSCOVITE

	39	2a	2b	147	129
<b>M1 site</b>					
Fe	0.01	0.05	0.01	0.19	0.22
Li	0.03	0.02	0.01	0.03	0.02
Mg	0.02	0.01	0.01	—	0.01
vacancy	0.94	0.92	0.96	0.79	0.76
$M1_{\text{XREF}}$	0.37	1.56	0.44	4.88	5.86
<b>M2 site (<math>\times 2</math>)</b>					
Fe	0.07	0.09	0.13	0.27	0.21
Al	1.94	1.81	1.77	1.48	1.44
Li	—	0.11	0.12	0.25	0.35
$M2_{\text{XREF}}$	27.20	26.00	26.20	26.84	25.26
$\Sigma e^{-} (M1 + M2)_{\text{XREF}}$	27.57	27.56	26.64	31.72	31.12
$\Sigma e^{-} (M1 + M2)_{\text{EPMA}}$	27.61	27.59	27.33	32.45	31.51
Interlayer site					
$A_{\text{XREF}}$	18.64	19.02	18.85	19.55	18.64
$A_{\text{EPMA}}$	18.83	18.78	18.71	19.43	18.78

TABLE 6. ATOM COORDINATES AND EQUIVALENT ISOTROPIC AND ANISOTROPIC DISPLACEMENT FACTORS (Å<sup>2</sup>) FOR THE CRYSTALS OF LITHIUM-BEARING MUSCOVITE

	<i>x/a</i>	<i>y/b</i>	<i>z/c</i>	B <sub>eq</sub>	β <sub>11</sub> <sup>*</sup>	β <sub>22</sub> <sup>*</sup>	β <sub>33</sub> <sup>*</sup>	β <sub>12</sub> <sup>*</sup>	β <sub>13</sub> <sup>*</sup>	β <sub>23</sub> <sup>*</sup>
<b>Sample 39</b>										
O11	0.7513(4)	0.3093(2)	0.1570(1)	1.48(4)	0.0137(7)	0.0051(2)	0.0008(1)	-0.0021(3)	-0.0001(1)	0.0006(1)
O21	0.2496(4)	0.3699(2)	0.1686(1)	1.35(4)	0.0123(7)	0.0048(2)	0.0007(1)	0.0016(3)	0.0002(1)	-0.0001(1)
O22	0.4175(4)	0.0933(2)	0.1679(1)	1.33(4)	0.0189(7)	0.0027(2)	0.0007(1)	0.0006(3)	0.0004(1)	0.0001(1)
O31	0.3840(3)	0.2497(2)	0.0531(1)	1.10(4)	0.0108(6)	0.0039(2)	0.0006(1)	-0.0002(3)	0.0002(1)	0.0001(1)
O32	0.9622(3)	0.4439(2)	0.0534(1)	1.10(4)	0.0081(6)	0.0052(2)	0.0005(1)	0.0008(3)	0.0001(1)	0.0001(1)
O4	0.9558(3)	0.0614(2)	0.0499(1)	0.94(3)	0.0105(6)	0.0016(2)	0.0008(1)	0.0006(3)	0.0006(1)	-0.0001(1)
A	0	0.0994(1)	0.25	1.91(2)	0.0195(3)	0.0060(1)	0.0011(1)	0	0.0004(1)	0
T1	0.4518(1)	0.2589(1)	0.13530(3)	0.80(1)	0.0075(2)	0.0024(1)	0.0005(1)	0.0001(1)	0.0001(1)	0.0001(1)
T2	0.9651(1)	0.4300(1)	0.13519(3)	0.74(1)	0.0074(2)	0.0020(1)	0.0005(1)	-0.0001(1)	0.0002(1)	0.0001(1)
M2	0.2506(1)	0.0834(1)	0.00004(4)	0.84(1)	0.0077(2)	0.0026(1)	0.0005(1)	-0.0005(1)	0.0002(1)	0.0001(1)
M1	0.75	0.25	0	2.42(4)						
<b>Sample 2a</b>										
O11	0.7481(7)	0.3125(4)	0.1586(2)	1.40(7)	0.0102(1)	0.0055(4)	0.0009(7)	-0.0018(6)	0.0010(2)	0.0007(1)
O21	0.2467(7)	0.3676(4)	0.1685(2)	1.44(7)	0.0147(1)	0.0052(4)	0.0007(7)	0.0040(6)	0.0005(2)	-0.0002(1)
O22	0.4188(7)	0.0925(4)	0.1676(2)	1.41(7)	0.0203(1)	0.0030(3)	0.0007(1)	0.0001(6)	0.0012(2)	0.0000(1)
O31	0.3905(6)	0.2522(4)	0.0532(1)	0.98(6)	0.0124(1)	0.0031(3)	0.0004(6)	0.0002(5)	0.0007(2)	0.0000(1)
O32	0.9580(6)	0.4405(4)	0.0533(1)	0.92(6)	0.0073(1)	0.0041(4)	0.0005(6)	-0.0001(5)	0.0011(2)	0.0002(2)
O4	0.9548(7)	0.0647(4)	0.0498(2)	1.10(7)	0.0152(1)	0.0032(3)	0.0004(6)	-0.0005(5)	0.0011(2)	-0.0001(1)
A	0	0.0969(2)	0.25	1.76(3)	0.0180(5)	0.0054(2)	0.0010(1)	0	0.0007(1)	0
T1	0.4524(2)	0.2573(1)	0.1352(1)	0.65(2)	0.0074(3)	0.0019(1)	0.0004(1)	-0.0005(2)	0.0005(1)	0.0000(1)
T2	0.9645(2)	0.4285(1)	0.1351(1)	0.53(2)	0.0060(3)	0.0012(1)	0.0004(1)	-0.0001(2)	0.0008(1)	0.0001(1)
M2	0.2526(3)	0.0834(1)	0.00004(6)	0.62(2)	0.0069(4)	0.0018(1)	0.0004(1)	-0.0015(2)	0.0007(1)	0.0001(1)
M1	0.75	0.25	0	2.87(7)						
<b>Sample 2b</b>										
O11	0.7459(4)	0.3155(3)	0.1594(1)	1.34(5)	0.0095(7)	0.0052(3)	0.0008(1)	-0.0014(4)	-0.0001(2)	0.0007(1)
O21	0.2459(4)	0.3655(3)	0.1680(1)	1.33(5)	0.0107(8)	0.0052(3)	0.0007(1)	0.0028(4)	0.0005(2)	0.0001(1)
O22	0.4241(4)	0.0922(3)	0.1672(1)	1.33(4)	0.0196(8)	0.0026(2)	0.0007(1)	-0.0003(4)	0.0006(2)	0.0001(1)
O31	0.3966(4)	0.2521(2)	0.0531(1)	0.95(4)	0.0133(7)	0.0026(2)	0.0004(1)	-0.0007(4)	0.0001(1)	-0.0001(1)
O32	0.9540(4)	0.4373(2)	0.0530(1)	0.96(4)	0.0083(7)	0.0039(3)	0.0004(1)	0.0003(3)	0.0003(1)	-0.0001(1)
O4	0.9518(4)	0.0665(2)	0.0496(1)	1.03(4)	0.0129(7)	0.0037(3)	0.003(1)	0.0015(4)	0.0006(1)	-0.0004(1)
A	0	0.0957(1)	0.25	1.63(2)	0.0155(3)	0.0052(1)	0.0010(1)	0	0.0004(1)	0
T1	0.4541(1)	0.2571(1)	0.13474(4)	0.51(1)	0.0048(2)	0.0013(1)	0.0004(1)	-0.0003(1)	0.0001(1)	0.0001(1)
T2	0.9640(1)	0.4268(1)	0.13478(4)	0.47(1)	0.0037(2)	0.0015(1)	0.0004(1)	-0.0001(1)	0.0003(1)	0.0002(1)
M2	0.2527(2)	0.0840(1)	-0.00004(4)	0.56(2)	0.0047(2)	0.0016(1)	0.0004(1)	0.0001(1)	0.0003(1)	-0.0001(1)
M1	0.75	0.25	0	2.74(5)						
<b>Sample 147</b>										
O11	0.7496(5)	0.3173(3)	0.1598(1)	2.15(6)	0.0162(10)	0.0070(3)	0.0016(1)	-0.0005(5)	0.0006(2)	0.0005(1)
O21	0.2415(5)	0.3611(3)	0.1688(1)	2.00(6)	0.0224(11)	0.0040(3)	0.0015(1)	0.0022(4)	0.0015(2)	0.0001(1)
O22	0.4299(5)	0.0941(3)	0.1684(1)	1.93(6)	0.0189(9)	0.0049(3)	0.0014(1)	-0.001(4)	0.0014(2)	0.0001(1)
O31	0.3943(5)	0.2496(3)	0.05431(1)	1.96(6)	0.0148(9)	0.0075(3)	0.0012(1)	-0.0017(5)	0.0010(2)	0.0008(1)
O32	0.9620(4)	0.4378(3)	0.0544(1)	1.62(5)	0.0068(7)	0.0060(3)	0.0014(1)	0.0009(4)	-0.0001(2)	0.0005(1)
O4	0.9524(5)	0.0618(2)	0.0504(1)	1.75(6)	0.0234(10)	0.0020(2)	0.0013(1)	0.0019(4)	0.0009(2)	0.0001(1)
A	0	0.0984(1)	0.25	2.59(3)	0.0218(4)	0.0063(1)	0.0022(1)	0	0.0009(1)	0
T1	0.4526(2)	0.2593(1)	0.1357(1)	1.34(2)	0.0102(3)	0.0038(1)	0.0011(1)	-0.0003(2)	0.0007(1)	0.0001(1)
T2	0.9663(2)	0.4303(1)	0.1355(1)	1.05(2)	0.0085(3)	0.0014(1)	0.0011(1)	-0.0003(1)	0.0004(1)	0.0002(1)
M2	0.2518(2)	0.0825(1)	0.00008(5)	1.41(2)	0.0120(3)	0.0037(1)	0.0011(1)	0.0002(1)	0.0005(1)	0.0002(1)
M1	0.75	0.25	0	1.99(5)						
<b>Sample 129</b>										
O11	0.7377(5)	0.3292(3)	0.1611(1)	2.06(6)	0.0151(9)	0.0067(3)	0.0015(1)	-0.0026(4)	0.0002(2)	0.0005(1)
O21	0.2368(5)	0.3598(3)	0.1685(1)	1.89(6)	0.0161(9)	0.0040(3)	0.0017(1)	0.0041(4)	0.0004(2)	-0.0006(1)
O22	0.4446(4)	0.0945(3)	0.1683(1)	1.79(5)	0.0173(8)	0.0036(2)	0.0015(1)	0.0004(4)	0.0007(2)	0.0002(1)
O31	0.3969(5)	0.2527(3)	0.0541(1)	1.80(5)	0.0154(8)	0.0070(3)	0.0009(1)	-0.0010(5)	0.0005(2)	0.0007(1)
O32	0.9567(4)	0.4368(3)	0.0541(1)	1.64(5)	0.0125(8)	0.0049(3)	0.0012(1)	-0.0011(4)	0.0004(2)	0.0009(1)
O4	0.9513(5)	0.0650(3)	0.0515(1)	2.64(6)	0.0327(11)	0.0079(3)	0.0012(1)	-0.0012(5)	0.0010(2)	-0.0001(1)
A	0	0.0950(1)	0.25	2.49(3)	0.0207(4)	0.0069(1)	0.0019(1)	0	0.0005(1)	0
T1	0.4546(2)	0.2584(1)	0.13563(4)	1.16(2)	0.0094(3)	0.0030(1)	0.0009(1)	0.0003(2)	0.0003(1)	0.0001(1)
T2	0.9640(2)	0.4293(1)	0.13553(4)	1.08(2)	0.0104(3)	0.0014(1)	0.0011(1)	-0.0002(1)	0.0005(1)	0.0001(1)
M2	0.2510(2)	0.0826(1)	0.00003(4)	1.15(1)	0.0097(2)	0.0030(1)	0.0009(1)	0.0003(1)	0.0004(1)	0.0002(1)
M1	0.75	0.25	0	2.04(5)						

Notes: \*  $\exp[-(h^2\beta_{11} + \dots + 2hk\beta_{12} + \dots)]$ ; standard deviations are given in parentheses. For the M1 site, B<sub>eq</sub> refers to the isotropic displacement parameter. O: anionic sites; T: tetrahedral site; M: octahedral sites; A: interlayer site.

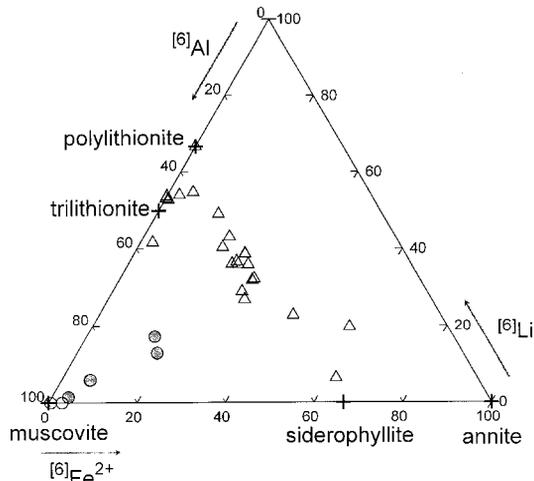


FIG. 1. A  $[6]Al^{3+} - [6]Li^+ - [6]Fe^{2+}$  diagram (after Rieder *et al.* 1996) illustrating the range in proportion of occupancy of the octahedral sites of Li-bearing muscovite crystals. Filled circles: Li-bearing muscovite crystals from this study. Open symbols represent samples previously described: circles: muscovite (Güven 1971, Guggenheim *et al.* 1987); triangles: trioctahedral Li-bearing micas (Takeda & Burnham 1969, Takeda *et al.* 1971, Sartori 1976, Guggenheim & Bailey 1977, Guggenheim 1981, Backhaus 1983, Hawthorne *et al.* 1999, Brigatti *et al.* 2000). Crosses: end-member compositions.

increase of both  $[6]Li^+$  and  $[6]Fe^{2+}$  content (Fig. 1). Thus, the following exchange-mechanisms may be assumed: (1)  $[6]Li^+ [6]Fe^{2+} [6]Al^{3+}_{-1} [6]\square_{-1}$ , which implies a reduction in the dioctahedral character, (2)  $[6]Li^+ [6]Al^{3+}_{-1} [4]Si^{4+}_2 [4]Al^{3+}_{-2}, [6]Fe^{2+} [6]Al^{3+}_{-1} [4]Si^{4+} [4]Al^{3+}_{-1}$  and  $[6]Fe^{2+} [6]\square_{-1} [4]Al_2 [4]Si_2$ , which also involve charge balance between tetrahedral and octahedral sites, and (3) the homovalent  $[12]Li^+ [12]K^+_{-1}$  exchange. Figure 2 shows the relationships between Si content and the variation in octahedral charge with respect to ideal muscovite. The relationship further confirms that the cations in the octahedra do not fully balance the octahedral substitution, and thus exchange involving the tetrahedra may need to be considered.

As shown for trioctahedral micas (*e.g.*, Kile & Foord 1998, Brigatti *et al.* 2000), the increase in  $Li^+$  is associated with an increase in  $F^-$ . In particular, the proportion in  $F^-$  is linearly correlated with  $Li^+$  regardless of the mechanism of incorporation.

S. Guggenheim (*pers. commun.*) noticed that the rose color displayed by Li-rich muscovite must be related to Mn content, which is a chromophore, and not to Li, which is not a chromophore element. If the polytype is  $2M_1$ , the mineral is expected to be a "rose muscovite" (another name for Li-bearing muscovite), and if it is either the  $1M$ ,  $2M_2$  or  $3T$  polytype, the mineral is expected to be lepidolite. Guggenheim, therefore, sug-

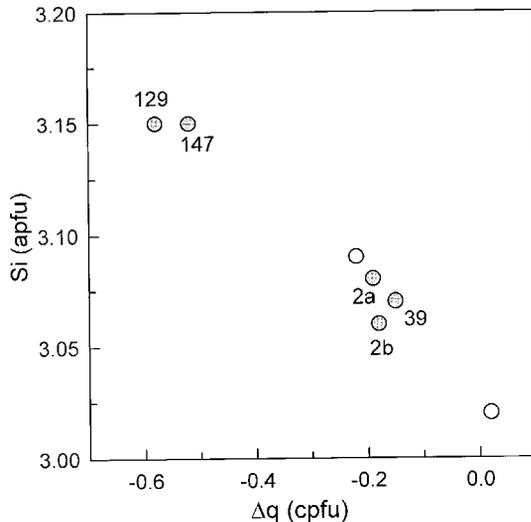


FIG. 2. Variation of  $[4]Si$  content with  $\Delta q$  (*i.e.*, the charge variation in the octahedral site with respect to ideal muscovite). Filled circles: Li-bearing muscovite crystals from this study. Open circles represent muscovite crystals from Güven (1971) and Guggenheim *et al.* (1987).

gested that as the Li content is difficult to ascertain, color and polytype appear to be a simple approach to identify the mineral. Data reported in Table 1 and the pink color of the crystals seem to support the above inference.

#### Crystal-chemical relationships

In the dioctahedral micas examined here, the exchange mechanisms affecting Li incorporation are only approximately similar to those in trioctahedral Li-rich micas and in ferroan and magnesian muscovite. Therefore, the crystal-chemical relationships of Li-containing muscovite are discussed and compared only to the two end-member muscovite crystals reported previously [*i.e.*, the muscovite of Güven (1971) and muscovite from Panasqueira, Portugal of Guggenheim *et al.* (1987)].

The DED maps for all crystals studied indicate a small excess of electron density at the  $M1$  position, and thus a partial occupancy of the site. The mean electron count for  $M1$  increases from 0.37 to 5.86  $e^-$  as the substitution of  $[6]Fe^{2+}$  and  $[6]Li^+$  for  $[6]Al^{3+}$  increases. The mean electron count for each  $M2$  site is invariably near 13  $e^-$ . As the extent of substitutions increase in muscovite, the size of the  $M2$  site increases and that of  $M1$  decreases. Thus, the difference in volume and in distortion between  $M1$  and  $M2$  also decreases (Fig. 3). As noted previously (McCauley *et al.* 1973, Lin & Guggenheim 1983), the distortion of an octahedron that shares edges with adjacent octahedra to form a sheet is

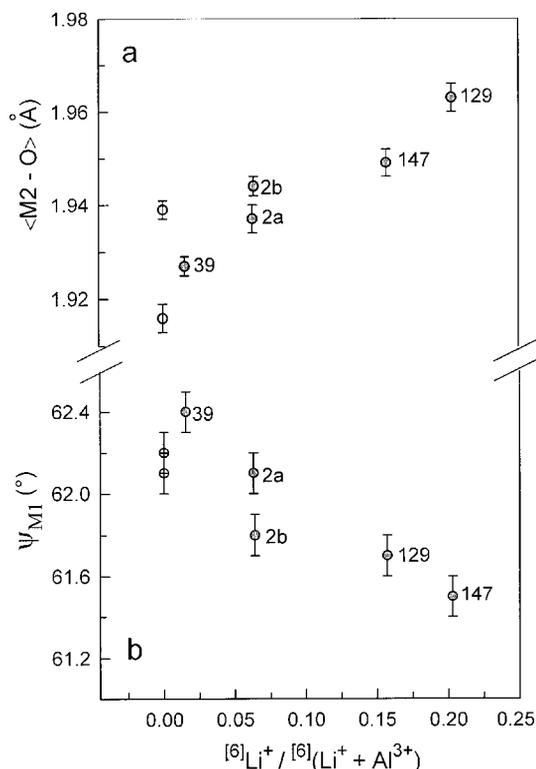


FIG. 3. Compositional dependence of (a) mean (M2-O) distance with  $^{6}\text{Li}^+ / [^{6}\text{Li}^+ + \text{Al}^{3+}]$  and (b) of M1 site flattening ( $\psi_{M1}$ ) with  $^{6}\text{Li}^+ / [^{6}\text{Li}^+ + \text{Al}^{3+}]$ . Symbols and samples as in Figure 2. Error bars represent the estimated standard deviation.

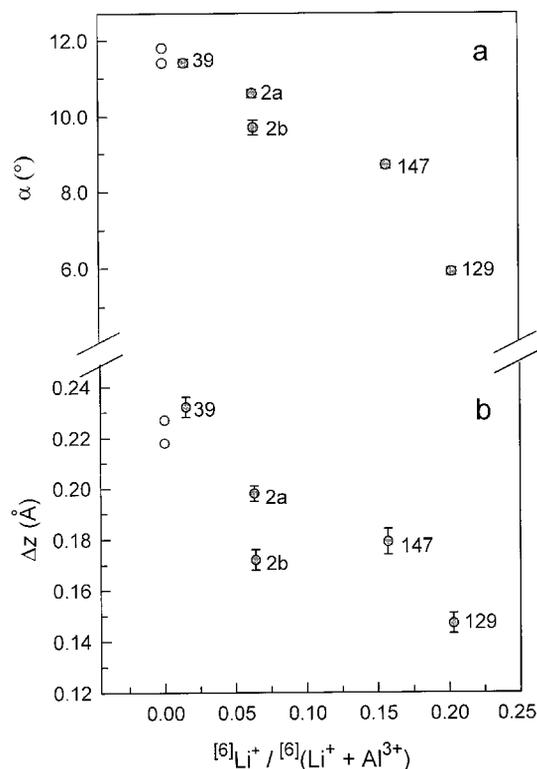


FIG. 4. Compositional dependence of the distortion with  $^{6}\text{Li}^+ / [^{6}\text{Li}^+ + \text{Al}^{3+}]$ . (a) Distortion of the ring of tetrahedra,  $\alpha$ , and (b) corrugation of basal plane of oxygen atoms,  $\Delta z$ . Symbols and samples as in Figure 2. Error bars represent the estimated standard deviation.

not a simple function of the size of the cation residing in the octahedron. In fact, in dioctahedral micas, a significant distortion of the vacant site is required to share edges with smaller adjacent octahedra containing cations of high field-strength. Thus, a decrease in the field strength of cations in *M2*, produced by the substitution of  $\text{Li}^+$  and  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$  for  $\text{Al}^{3+}$ , together with an increase in the field strength of cations at *M1* owing to partial *M1* occupancy, further reduce the differences in the two octahedral sites. The smaller differences between the size and distortion of *M1* and *M2* have the effect of reducing the corrugation of the surface formed by basal oxygen atoms. Also, the misfit between sheets of tetrahedra and octahedra is reduced, as indicated by the smaller rotation angle of tetrahedra found in the more extensively substituted muscovite crystals from the Pikes Peak batholith (samples 129 and 147) (Fig. 4).

In Li-bearing muscovite, the interlayer separation decreases significantly with increasing incorporation of Li (Fig. 5). This feature may be related to a  $^{12}\text{Li}^+$

$^{12}\text{K}^+$  exchange mechanism. However, the variation in interlayer separation, without assuming the homovalent  $^{12}\text{Li}^+$  for  $^{12}\text{K}^+$  for substitution, may be affected by several factors: (1) the  $\text{F}^-$  content appears to be directly related to  $\text{Li}^+$  substitution, thus the  $\text{F}^-$  for  $\text{OH}^-$  substitution at the O4 position precludes electrostatic repulsion between  $\text{H}^+$  and the interlayer cation; (2) a large effect on interlayer separation appears to result from the distortion of the ring of tetrahedra from hexagonal to ditrigonal symmetry (Figs. 4a, 5a). A decrease of  $\alpha$  results in greater repulsion between the oxygen atoms from two adjacent layers. This effect produces an increase in interlayer separation. In contrast, however, an increase of the size of the interlayer cavity allows the interlayer cation to become embedded more deeply in the ring, thus reducing the interlayer separation. (3) The diminished mismatch between *M1* and *M2* produces a shift in the O4 position along [100] toward the interlayer cation. This mechanism accounts for a reduced interlayer separation only if there is F substitution for OH.

The reduced distance between  $F^-$  and the interlayer cations allows a greater electrostatic attraction.

There are no significant differences in size ( $> 3\sigma$ ) between  $T1$  and  $T2$  tetrahedra, and thus they are equivalent with respect to Al and Si occupancy. The surface formed by the basal atoms of oxygen is less corrugated as the substitution affecting octahedral sites proceeds. Thus, the tetrahedral cation increases its distance away from the basal plane of oxygen atoms toward the O3 tetrahedral apex, concomitant with an increase in  $Li^+$  (and  $Fe^{2+}$ ) for  $Al^{3+}$  substitution in the octahedra (Fig. 5b). The displacement of the tetrahedrally coordinated cation seems to be controlled by a substitution involving the  $M2$  site and by an increase in tetrahedral charge. Thus, in addition to the exchange mechanism  $^{[6]}Al^{3+}_{-1} \text{ } ^{[6]}Li^+$   $^{[6]}Fe^{2+}$ , our study indicates that exchange mechanisms like  $^{[6]}Al^{3+}_{-1} \text{ } ^{[6]}Li^+ \text{ } ^{[4]}Al^{3+}_{-2} \text{ } ^{[4]}Si^{4+}_2$  and  $^{[6]}Al^{3+}_{-1} \text{ } ^{[6]}(Fe,Mn,Mg)^{2+} \text{ } ^{[4]}Al^{3+}_{-1} \text{ } ^{[4]}Si^{4+}_2$  cannot be excluded.

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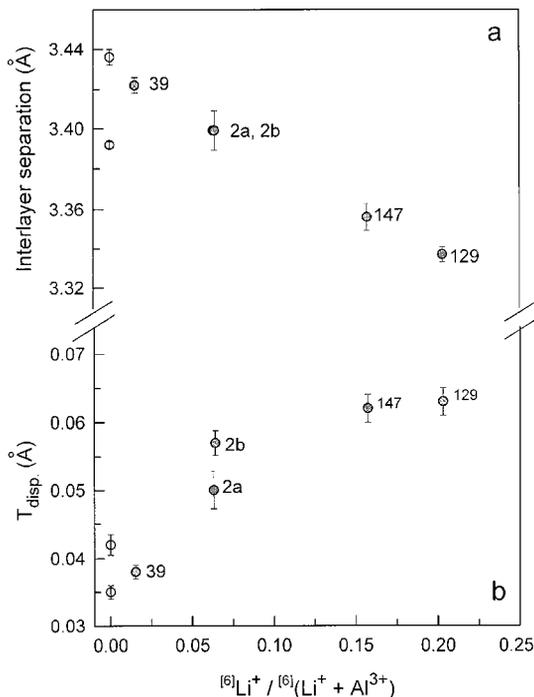


FIG. 5. Relationships between (a) interlayer separation and  $^{[6]}Li^+ / ^{[6]}(Li^+ + Al^{3+})$ ; (b) shift of the tetrahedrally coordinated cation from the tetrahedron's center of symmetry toward the O3 apex ( $T_{disp}$ ) versus  $^{[6]}Li^+ / ^{[6]}(Li^+ + Al^{3+})$ . Symbols and samples as in Figure 2.

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