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Crystal Data: Monoclinic. Point Group: 2/m. Crystals are lozenge- to spearhead-shaped, to 1 mm, flattened on $\{001\}$, slightly elongated along [100], showing prominent $\{001\}$, $\{111\}$, with $\{011\}$, $\{012\}$, $\{101\}$; $\{001\}$ commonly warped, with feathered ends; in bunched aggregates.

Physical Properties: Cleavage: On $\{100\}$, fair. Hardness = 5 D(meas.) = n.d. D(calc.) = 3.83

Optical Properties: Semitransparent. Color: Colorless to pale yellow.

Luster: Subadamantine.

Optical Class: Biaxial (+). Orientation: X = b. $\alpha = 1.669(2)$ $\beta = 1.673(2)$ $\gamma = 1.692(3)$ $2V(\text{meas.}) = 45^{\circ} - 50^{\circ}$

Cell Data: Space Group: $P2_1/m$. a = 8.45(2) b = 5.74(2) c = 7.26(2) $\beta = 113.7(1)^{\circ}$ Z = 2

X-ray Powder Pattern: Palermo #1 mine, New Hampshire, USA. 3.061 (10), 2.585 (7), 2.841 (6), 7.76 (5), 4.33 (4), 3.423 (4), 2.813 (4)

Chemistry:

	(1)	(2)
P_2O_5	34.9	38.15
Al_2O_3	13.7	13.70
MgO	0.17	
CaO	11.4	11.76
SrO	32.7	33.97
$\rm H_2O$	n.d.	2.42
Total		100.00

(1) Palermo #1 mine, New Hampshire, USA; by electron microprobe. (2) $(Sr_{1.22}Ca_{0.78})_{\Sigma=2.00}$ Al(PO₄)₂(OH).

Mineral Group: Brackebuschite group.

Occurrence: A rare late-stage secondary hydrothermal mineral in a complex granite pegmatite.

Association: Palermoite, childrenite, bjarebyite, goyazite, whitlockite, carbonate apatite, siderite, quartz.

Distribution: From the Palermo #1 mine, near North Groton, Grafton Co., New Hampshire, USA.

Name: To honor Dr. Virgil Linus Goedken (1940–1992), Department of Chemistry, University of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois, USA.

Type Material: National Museum of Natural History, Washington, D.C., USA, 128070.

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