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Crystal Data: Orthorhombic. *Point Group:* 222. As needles, elongated along [001], composed of subparallel crystallites showing {110} and {001}, to 0.5 mm; always in rosettelike and fibrous aggregates.

Physical Properties: Cleavage: Perfect on $\{001\}$. Hardness = 5.5 D(meas.) = 2.80–2.85 D(calc.) = 2.85

Optical Properties: Semitransparent. *Color:* White, pale green, may have a brown oxidization crust; colorless in transmitted light. *Streak:* White. *Luster:* Silky.

Optical Class: Biaxial (–). Orientation: X=c; Y=a; Z=b. $\alpha=1.589$ $\beta=1.632$ $\gamma=[1.634]$ $2V(meas.) = 22^\circ-25^\circ$

Cell Data: Space Group: $P2_12_12$. a = 17.631(1) b = 17.965(1) c = 3.1041(2) Z = 4

X-ray Powder Pattern: Schlegeistal, Austria.

2.829 (100), 2.2522 (94), 12.53 (83), 3.947 (72), 2.6211 (72), 6.27 (67), 1.1907 (67)

Chemistry:

	(1)		(1)
SiO_2	0.02	K_2O	0.01
B_2O_3	22.92	F	0.16
$\overline{\text{Al}}_2\overline{\text{O}}_3$	2.96	Cl	3.26
FeO	2.27	$\mathrm{H_2O^+}$	10.40
MnO	0.17	$\overline{\mathrm{H}_{2}\mathrm{O}^{-}}$	0.63
MgO	58.90	$-O = (F, Cl)_2$	0.82
CaO	0.14	Total	[101.03]
Na ₂ O	0.01	10001	[101.00]

 $\begin{array}{l} (1) \ \, {\rm Schlegeistal, \, Austria; \, by \, electron \, microprobe, \, total \, Fe \, as \, FeO, \, total \, Mn \, as \, MnO, \, B_2O_3 \, } \\ determined \, photometrically, \, H_2O \, by \, TGA, \, only \, (OH)^{1-} \, present \, by \, IR, \, original \, total \, given \, as \, 100.40\%; \, corresponds \, to \, ({\rm Mg_{6.60}Al_{0.26}Fe_{0.14}Mn_{0.01}Ca_{0.01})_{\Sigma=7.02}(B_{0.99}O_{2.97})_3[(OH)_{4.37}O_{0.26}\, Cl_{0.42}F_{0.04}]_{\Sigma=5.09}. \, (2) \, \, {\rm Do.}; \, by \, electron \, microprobe, \, analysis \, not \, given; \, stated \, to \, correspond \, to \, ({\rm Mg_{6.05}Al_{0.30}Fe_{0.10}^{3+}Fe_{0.05}^{2+})_{\Sigma=6.50}(BO_3)_3(OH)_4Cl_{0.40}. } \end{array}$

Occurrence: Probably formed by Alpine metamorphism, in a calcillicate–carbonate lens in amphibolites (Schlegeistal, Austria).

Association: Calcite, dolomite, "chlorite", clinohumite, brucite, ludwigite (Schlegeistal, Austria); sakhaite (Siberia, Russia).

Distribution: Found in the Furtschaglkar, in the Schlegeistal, Zillertal, Tirol, Austria. From the Cerdagne district, Pyrénées-Orientales, France. At an undefined locality [Titovskoye boron deposit, Tas-Khayakhtakh Mountains, Sakha] in Russia

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