Tetrarooseveltite

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Crystal Data: Tetragonal. *Point Group:* 4/m. As indistinct crystals, to 50 μ m, in powdery aggregates.

Physical Properties: Hardness = 2.5 D(meas.) = n.d. D(calc.) = 7.64

Optical Properties: Semitransparent. *Color:* White to pale yellowish. *Luster:* Earthy. *Optical Class:* Uniaxial (+). n = 2.20(5)

Cell Data: Space Group: $I4_1/a$ (synthetic). a = 5.085(5) c = 11.69(2) Z = 4

X-ray Powder Pattern: Moldava fluorite mine, Czech Republic. 3.066 (100), 1.933 (55), 1.551 (17), 2.546 (12), 4.660 (11), 1.797 (11), 1.581 (10)

Chemistry:

	(1)	(2)
P_2O_5	0.02	
As_2O_5	33.02	33.03
$\operatorname{Bi}_2\operatorname{O}_3$	66.96	66.97
Total	100.00	100.00

(1) Moldava fluorite mine, Czech Republic; average of six analyses. (2) $Bi(AsO_4)$.

Polymorphism & Series: Dimorphous with rooseveltite.

Occurrence: A rare secondary mineral in vugs in an oxidized fluorite-barite-quartz vein.

Association: Bayldonite, malachite, mimetite, fluorite, quartz.

Distribution: In the Moldava fluorite mine, about 20 km northwest of Teplice, Krušné hory Mountains, Czech Republic.

Name: As the *tetra*gonal dimorph of *rooseveltite*.

Type Material: Národní Museum, Prague, Czech Republic, P1N 84 563.

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