Willyamite (Co, Ni)SbS

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**Crystal Data:** Monoclinic or triclinic, pseudocubic. *Point Group*: n.d. Crystals several mm on a side, showing zonal growth patterns.

**Physical Properties:** Fracture: Uneven. Tenacity: Brittle. Hardness = 5-5.5 VHN = Slightly higher than ullmannite. D(meas.) = 6.76(3) D(calc.) = n.d.

Optical Properties: Opaque. Color: Steel-gray. Luster: Metallic.

 $R_1-R_2$ : n.d.

Cell Data: Space Group: n.d. a = 5.86 Z = 4

**X-ray Powder Pattern:** Broken Hill, Australia. (ICDD 26-1106). 2.621 (100), 2.390 (70), 1.767 (60), 1.565 (50), 1.625 (40), 1.278 (40), 1.087 (40)

## Chemistry:

	(1)	(2)	(3)
Co	13.88	20.6	23.2
Ni	13.41	6.9	3.8
Fe	trace	0.2	0.4
$\operatorname{Sb}$	56.78	55.9	54.7
As		0.7	1.6
S	15.78	15.1	14.6
Total	99.85	99.4	98.3

(1) Broken Hill, Australia. (2–3) Do.; by electron microprobe.

Polymorphism & Series: Forms a series with ullmannite.

Mineral Group: Cobaltite group.

Occurrence: In calcite-siderite veins.

**Association:** Dyscrasite, costibite, calcite, siderite.

Distribution: In the Consols lode, Broken Hill, Willyama Township, New South Wales,

Australia.

Name: For the locality in Willyama Township, New South Wales, Australia.

Type Material: National Museum of Natural History, Washington, D.C., USA, R849A.

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