

Crystal Data: Isometric. *Point Group:* $4/m\bar{3}2/m$. As small zones and irregular spots in kimzeyite-kerimasite or rarely as single crystals to 10 μm .

Physical Properties: *Cleavage:* None. *Fracture:* Irregular.
Tenacity: n.d. *Hardness:* = n.d. *D(meas.):* = n.d. *D(calc.):* = 4.301

Optical Properties: Transparent. *Color:* Pale brown to yellow. *Streak:* Ashy yellow.
Luster: n.d.
Optical Class: Isotropic. $n = \sim 1.9$

Cell Data: *Space Group:* $Ia\bar{3}d$. $a = 12.50(3)$ $Z = 8$

X-ray Powder Pattern: Calculated pattern.

1.670 (100), 2.552 (88), 4.419 (65), 3.125 (60), 2.795 (47), 1.976 (27), 1.333 (26)

Chemistry:	(1)
UO ₃	0.76
Nb ₂ O ₅	0.08
Sb ₂ O ₅	5.99
SiO ₂	4.19
TiO ₂	7.82
ZrO ₂	7.90
SnO ₂	23.96
HfO ₂	0.20
Al ₂ O ₃	11.06
Sc ₂ O ₃	0.15
Fe ₂ O ₃	10.05
CaO	36.02
FeO	0.79
Total	98.96

(1) Upper Chegem Caldera, Northern Caucasus, Kabardino-Balkaria, Russia; average of 7 electron microprobe analyses, ZrO₄, TiO₄, and Fe³⁺ confirmed by spectroscopy; corresponds to (Ca_{2.97}Fe²⁺_{0.03}) $\Sigma=3.00$ (Sn_{1.02}Zr_{0.41}Ti_{0.26}Sb⁵⁺_{0.24}Fe²⁺_{0.03}U⁶⁺_{0.02}Sc_{0.01}Hf_{0.01}) $\Sigma=2.00$ (Al_{1.39}Fe³⁺_{0.80}Si_{0.45}Ti⁴⁺_{0.36}) $\Sigma=3.00$ O₁₂.

Mineral Group: Schorlomite group of the garnet supergroup.

Occurrence: In a metasomatically-altered (sanidinite facies), carbonate-silicate xenolith in ignimbrite.

Association: Lakargiite, tazheranite, baddeleyite, baghdadite, magnesioferrite.

Distribution: From altered xenolith no.7 located 500 m from the Vorlan peak in the central part of the Upper Chegem Caldera, Northern Caucasus, Kabardino-Balkaria, Russia.

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