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3 **Oxy-vanadium-dravite, NaV₃(V₄Mg₂)(Si₆O₁₈)(BO₃)₃(OH)₃O: crystal**
4 **structure and redefinition of the “vanadium-dravite” tourmaline**

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12 **ABSTRACT**

13 “Vanadium-dravite” NaMg₃V₆(Si₆O₁₈)(BO₃)₃(OH)₃OH (IMA number 1999-050) has
14 been redefined as oxy-vanadium-dravite with end-member formula
15 NaV₃(V₄Mg₂)Si₆O₁₈(BO₃)₃(OH)₃O. The new name and the new formula have been approved
16 by the CNMNC (IMA proposal 11-E). Oxy-vanadium-dravite occurs in the metamorphic
17 rocks of the Sludyanka complex (southern Baikal region, Russia). The crystal structure of oxy-
18 vanadium-dravite has been refined for the first time using single-crystal X-ray data, with a
19 statistical index *R*1 for all reflections converging to 1.44%. The structure is rhombohedral,
20 space group *R*3*m*, with the unit-cell parameters *a* = 16.1908(4), *c* = 7.4143(2) Å, *V* =
21 1683.21(7) Å³, *Z* = 3. The chemical characterization resulted in the empirical structural
22 formula:

23 $X(\text{Na}_{0.88}\text{K}_{0.07}\square_{0.05}) Y(\text{V}^{3+}_{2.46}\text{Mg}_{0.48}\text{Ti}_{0.06}) Z(\text{V}^{3+}_{3.14}\text{Mg}_{1.74}\text{Al}_{0.91}\text{Cr}^{3+}_{0.21}) T(\text{Si}_{5.99}\text{Al}_{0.01}\text{O}_{18}) B(\text{BO}_3)_3$
24 $V(\text{OH})_3 W(\text{O}_{0.78}\text{OH}_{0.14}\text{F}_{0.08})$.

25 Ideally, the oxy-vanadium-dravite is related to oxy-dravite and oxy-chromium-dravite
26 by the homovalent substitution V³⁺ → Al and V³⁺ → Cr³⁺ (respectively) at the *Y* and *Z* sites.
27 The occurrence of solid-solutions among V³⁺, Cr³⁺ and Al have been observed in tourmalines
28 from metamorphic rocks of the Sludyanka complex. Significant chemical variations in V³⁺,
29 Cr³⁺ and Al were also observed within zoned crystals from Sludyanka, not belonging to the
30 holotype specimen.

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33 **INTRODUCTION**

34 The tourmaline-supergroup minerals are the most widespread complex
35 borocyclosilicate minerals and very useful for understanding crustal evolution (e.g., Novák et
36 al. 2004; Agrosi et al. 2006; Lussier et al. 2011a; Novák et al. 2011; Van Hinsberg et al.
37 2011). The crystal structure and crystal chemistry of tourmaline have been widely studied
38 (e.g., Foit 1989; Hawthorne 1996, 2002; Hawthorne and Henry 1999; Bosi and Lucchesi 2007;
39 Lussier et al. 2008, 2009; van Hinsberg and Schumacher 2009; Bosi 2010, 2011; Bosi et al.
40 2010; Lussier et al. 2011b). The general formula of tourmaline may be formalized as
41 $XY_3Z_6T_6O_{18}(BO_3)_3V_3W$. Henry et al. (2011) suggested the following site occupancies: $^{[9]}X =$
42 $Na^+, K^+, Ca^{2+}, \square$ (=vacancy); $^{[6]}Y = Al^{3+}, Fe^{3+}, Cr^{3+}, V^{3+}, Mg^{2+}, Fe^{2+}, Mn^{2+}, Zn, Ni^{2+}, Co^{2+},$
43 Cu^{2+}, Li, Ti^{4+} ; $^{[6]}Z = Al^{3+}, Fe^{3+}, Cr^{3+}, V^{3+}, Mg^{2+}, Fe^{2+}$; $^{[4]}T = Si^{4+}, Al^{3+}, B^{3+}$; $^{[3]}B = B$; $^{[3]}V (\equiv O3)$
44 $= OH^{1-}, O^{2-}$; $^{[3]}W (\equiv O1) = OH^{1-}, F^{1-}, O^{2-}$. The dominance of these ions at one or more sites of
45 the structure gives rise to many distinct mineral species (Henry et al. 2011).

46 In this paper we describe the crystal structure and ideal formula of oxy-vanadium-
47 dravite, the new name given to the former "vanadium-dravite". Tourmaline with predominance
48 of V^{3+} among R^{3+} -cations (= Cr + V + Al) was found in Cr^{3+} - V^{3+} -bearing metamorphic rocks
49 of the Sludyanka complex (southern Baikal region, Russia) and approved by the Commission
50 on New Minerals, Nomenclature and Classification (CNMNC) of the International
51 Mineralogical Association (IMA) under the name "vanadiumdravite" (IMA 1999-050), after
52 modified as "vanadium-dravite" by Henry et al. (2011). However, in that time, as no
53 distinction was done for the V and W anion sites of the "vanadium-dravite", the OH group was
54 assumed to be the dominant anion at the two OH-bearing sites combined into a single site ($V +$
55 W). In addition, because of lack of crystal structure information, the cation distribution over Y -
56 and Z -sites was not determined and an ideal end-member formula
57 $NaMg_3V_6(Si_6O_{18})(BO_3)_3(OH)_4$ was thus assumed (Reznitsky et al. 2001). The name
58 "vanadium-dravite" was therefore given for its relationship to dravite via the substitution Al
59 $\rightarrow V^{3+}$. However, Reznitsky et al. (2001) mentioned also that the sum of R^{3+} -cations,
60 calculated with the assumption $(T + Y + Z) = 15$, in the "vanadium-dravite" is always above 6
61 atoms per formula unit (apfu), Mg lower than 3 apfu, and calculated OH lower than 3.5 apfu at
62 insignificant concentrations of F. From that data, it can now be deduced that the original
63 "vanadium-dravite" composition belongs to oxy-tourmalines (e.g., Henry et al. 2011). Thus,
64 we have conducted X-ray single-crystal investigation on the original "vanadium-dravite" from
65 the type locality. For the study, the microcrystal labeled as 8-25, which is part of the holotype

66 material of the original “vanadium-dravite”, was chosen. The new name and new end-member
67 formula have been approved by the IMA-CNMNC, proposal 11-E.

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EXPERIMENTAL METHODS

70 **Single-crystal structural refinement**

71 A representative crystal of the type specimen was selected for X-ray diffraction
72 measurements on a Bruker KAPPA APEX-II single-crystal diffractometer, at Sapienza
73 University of Rome (Earth Sciences Department), equipped with CCD area detector (6.2×6.2
74 cm^2 active detection area, 512×512 pixels) and a graphite crystal monochromator, using
75 $\text{MoK}\alpha$ radiation from a fine-focus sealed X-ray tube. The sample-to-detector distance was 4
76 cm. A total of 4007 exposures (step = 0.2° , time/step = 20 s) covering a full reciprocal sphere
77 with a high redundancy of about 7 were used. Final unit-cell parameters were refined by
78 means of the Bruker AXS SAINT program using reflections with $I > 10 \sigma(I)$ in the range $6^\circ <$
79 $2\theta < 82^\circ$. The intensity data were processed and corrected for Lorentz, polarization, and
80 background effects with the APEX2 software program of Bruker AXS. The data were
81 corrected for absorption using the multi-scan method (SADABS). The absorption correction
82 led to a significant improvement in R_{int} . No violations of $R3m$ symmetry were noted.

83 Structural refinement was carried out with the SHELXL-97 program (Sheldrick 2008).
84 Starting coordinates were taken from Bosi (2008). Variable parameters were: scale factor,
85 extinction coefficient, atomic coordinates, site scattering values expressed as mean atomic
86 number (for X , Y , and Z sites) and atomic displacement factors. To obtain the best values of
87 statistical indexes ($R1$, $wR2$), fully ionized V and O scattering curves were used, whereas
88 neutral scattering curves were used for the other atoms. In detail, the X and Y sites were
89 modeled using Na and V scattering factors, respectively. The occupancy of the Z was obtained
90 considering the presence of V vs. Mg. The T and B sites were modeled, respectively, with Si
91 and B scattering factors and with a fixed occupancy of 1, because refinement with
92 unconstrained occupancies showed no significant deviations from this value. Three full-matrix
93 refinement cycles with isotropic displacement parameters for all atoms were followed by
94 anisotropic cycles until convergence was attained. No correlations over a value of 0.7 between
95 the parameters were observed at the end of refinement. Table 1 lists crystal data, data
96 collection information and refinement details; Table 2 gives the fractional atomic coordinates
97 and site occupancies; Table 3 gives the displacement parameters; Table 4 gives selected bond
98 distances.

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100 **Electron microprobe analysis**

101 Electron microprobe analyses by wavelength dispersive spectroscopy of the crystal
102 used for structural studies were obtained with a Cameca SX50 instrument at the “Istituto di
103 Geologia Ambientale e Geoingegneria (CNR of Rome, Italy)”, operating at an accelerating
104 potential of 15 kV and a sample current of 15 nA (10 μm beam diameter). Minerals and
105 synthetic compounds were used as standards: wollastonite (Si, Ca), magnetite (Fe), rutile (Ti),
106 corundum (Al), fluor-phlogopite (F), periclase (Mg), jadeite (Na), K-feldspar (K), sphalerite
107 (Zn), metallic Cr, V, Mn and Cu. V and Cr concentrations were corrected for interference from
108 the Ti- $K\beta$ and V- $K\beta$ peaks, respectively. The PAP matrix correction procedure (Pouchou and
109 Pichoir 1991) was applied to reduce the raw data. The results, which are summarized in Table
110 5, represent mean values of 8 spots. In accordance with the documented very low
111 concentration of Li in dravitic samples (e.g., Henry et al. 2011), the Li_2O content was assumed
112 to be insignificant. FeO, MnO, ZnO, CuO, and CaO were not detected with their
113 concentrations being below the minimum detection limits (0.03 wt%).

114 Other properties such as X-ray powder diffraction data and physical properties of the
115 mineral are reported in Reznitsky et al. (2001) and Jambor et al. (2002).

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RESULTS

118 **Determination of atomic proportions**

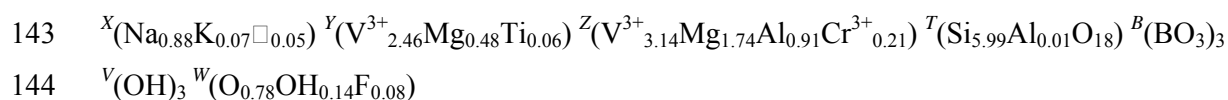
119 In agreement with the structural refinement results, the boron content was assumed to
120 be stoichiometric in the oxy-vanadium-dravite ($B = 3.00$ apfu). In fact, both the site-scattering
121 results and the bond lengths of B and T are consistent with both the B site fully occupied by
122 boron, and no B at the T site. The OH content can then be calculated by charge balance with
123 the assumption ($T + Y + Z$) = 15.00. The atomic proportions were calculated on this
124 assumption (Table 5). The excellent match between the number of electrons per formula unit
125 (epfu) derived from chemical and structural analysis supports this procedure: 268.72 epfu and
126 268.70 epfu, respectively

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128 **Determination of site populations**

129 The site allocation of anions in the studied sample followed the general preference
130 suggested for tourmaline (e.g., Grice and Ercit 1993; Henry et al. 2011): the O3 site (V
131 position in the general formula) is occupied by OH, while the O1 site (W position in the

132 general formula) can be occupied by O^{2-} , OH^{1-} and F^{1-} . The cation distribution at the *T*, *Y* and
133 *Z* sites was optimized by using a quadratic program to minimize the residuals between
134 calculated and observed data (based on the chemical and structural analysis). Site scattering
135 values, octahedral and tetrahedral mean bond distances (i.e., $\langle Y-O \rangle$, $\langle Z-O \rangle$ and $\langle T-O \rangle$) were
136 calculated as the linear contribution of each cation multiplied by its specific bond distance
137 (Table 6). More details about the specific distances as well as about the optimization
138 procedure may be found in Bosi et al. (2004). The robustness of this approach was confirmed
139 by another optimization procedure (Wright et al. 2000), which led to very similar cation
140 distributions (Table 6). This result represents another example of convergence of these two
141 procedures to similar solutions for tourmaline (e.g., Bosi and Lucchesi 2007; Filip et al. 2012).
142 The final structural formula is as follows:



145 The bond-valence analysis is also consistent with the proposed structural formula.
146 Bond valence calculations, using the formula and bond-valence parameters from Brown and
147 Altermatt (1985), are reported in Table 7.

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149 DISCUSSION

150 The new chemical analytical data are very close (statically identical) to the one
151 presented by Reznitsky et al. (2001), showing that chemical variations between individual
152 crystals of (oxy-)vanadium-dravite of the holotype material are practically insignificant. The
153 low standard deviations of the measured elements (Table 5) demonstrate the chemical
154 homogeneity of the representative crystal (sample 8-25).

155 The composition of the present sample is consistent with a tourmaline belonging to the
156 alkali group, oxy-subgroup 3 (Henry et al. 2011): Na-dominant at the *X* position of the general
157 formula, $O^{2-} > (OH^{1-}+F^{1-})$ at the *W* position, V^{3+} is the dominant trivalent cation at *Y* and *Z*,
158 and Mg is the dominant divalent cation at *Z* (Fig 1). The ideal end-member may therefore be
159 represented as $NaV_3(V_4Mg_2)Si_6O_{18}(BO_3)_3(OH)_3O$. In accordance with these results, the
160 original name “vanadium-dravite”, while still reflecting its relationship to dravite, does not
161 take into account the fact that O^{2-} is dominant at the *W* position. By analogy with the relation
162 between dravite and oxy-dravite (IMA 2012-004a) as well as between chromium-dravite and
163 oxy-chromium-dravite (IMA 2011-097; Bosi et al. 2012), this end-member species has been
164 given the name oxy-vanadium-dravite. In line with the above-mentioned oxy-transitions, the

165 prefix *oxy* represents the heterovalent substitution $V^{3+} + O^{2-} \rightarrow Mg^{2+} + OH^{1-}$ relative to the
166 root composition “vanadium-dravite” (Table 8).

167 Ideally, oxy-vanadium-dravite is related to oxy-dravite and oxy-chromium-dravite by
168 the homovalent substitutions $V^{3+} \rightarrow Al$ and $V^{3+} \rightarrow Cr^{3+}$ (respectively) at the *Y* and *Z* sites. The
169 triangular plot in terms of Al^{3+} - V^{3+} - Cr^{3+} at (*Y* + *Z*) shows the wide compositional range of V^{3+} -
170 dominant tourmalines from Sludyanka as well as the position of V^{3+} -bearing oxy-chromium-
171 dravite samples and V^{3+} -bearing oxy-dravite from the literature (Fig. 1). The occurrence of
172 solid solutions among V^{3+} , Cr^{3+} and Al have been observed by chemical analyses of several
173 tourmalines from metamorphic rocks of the Sludyanka complex (Fig 2) as well as in the study
174 of Reznitsky et al. (2001). All of these tourmalines are characterized by negligible Fe
175 concentrations. Figure 3 shows that significant chemical variations in V^{3+} , Cr^{3+} and Al
176 contents occur not only between different tourmaline crystals of a rock sample but also within
177 the same non-homogeneous crystal, which does not belong to the holotype specimen.

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290 tourmalines from Sludyanka (ca. 160 data); black circle = studied sample (8-25);
291 black triangles = oxy-chromium-dravite (Bosi et al. 2012); black star = oxy-dravite
292 (Foit and Rosenberg 1979).
293 **FIGURE 2.** Plot of (Cr+V) against Al (cations) for oxy-tourmalines from Sludyanka showing
294 the occurrence of an inverse correlation between (Cr+V) and Al.
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296 50 by 200 μm), not belonging to the holotype specimen. Profiles (wt.%) for Al_2O_3 ,
297 Cr_2O_3 , MgO and V_2O_3 built up from A to B by a set of point analyses separated by
298 5 μm .

TABLE 1. Single crystal X-ray diffraction data details for oxy-vanadium-dravite

| Sample 8-25 | |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Crystal size (mm) | 0.10 × 0.11 × 0.12 |
| <i>a</i> (Å) | 16.1908(4) |
| <i>c</i> (Å) | 7.4143(2) |
| <i>V</i> (Å ³) | 1683.21(7) |
| Density (g/cm ³) | 3.213 |
| Range for data collection, θ (°) | 2.52 - 41.03 |
| Reciprocal space range <i>hkl</i> | $-29 \leq h \leq 29$ $-29 \leq k \leq 24$ $-13 \leq l \leq 13$ |
| Total number of frames | 4007 |
| Set of measured reflections | 9144 |
| Unique reflections, <i>R</i> _{int} (%) | 2242, 1.81 |
| Absorption correction method | Multiscan |
| Refinement method | Full-matrix least-squares on <i>F</i> ² |
| Structural refinement program | SHELXL-97 |
| Extinction coefficient | 0.00022(9) |
| Flack parameter | 0.087(9) |
| <i>wR</i> 2 (%) | 3.52 |
| <i>R</i> 1 (%) all data | 1.44 |
| <i>R</i> 1 (%) for <i>I</i> > 2 σ _{<i>I</i>} | 1.40 |
| GooF | 1.044 |
| Diff. Peaks ($\pm e^-/\text{\AA}^3$) | 0.74 and -0.32 |

Notes: *R*_{int} = merging residual value; *R*1 = discrepancy index, calculated from *F*-data; *wR*2 = weighted discrepancy index, calculated from *F*²-data; GooF = goodness of fit; Diff. Peaks = maximum and minimum residual electron density. Radiation, MoK α = 0.71073 Å. Data collection temperature = 293 K. Space group *R*3*m*; *Z* = 3 formula units.

TABLE 2. Fractional atomic coordinates (x,y,z) and site occupancies for oxy-vanadium-dravite

| Sample 8-25 | | | | |
|-------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|-------------------------------------------|
| Site | x | y | z | Site occupancy |
| X | 0 | 0 | 0.22575(16) | $\text{Na}_{1.029(6)}$ |
| Y | 0.122910(14) | 0.061455(7) | 0.63907(4) | $\text{V}_{0.925(2)}$ |
| Z | 0.298218(11) | 0.261727(12) | 0.61043(4) | $\text{V}_{0.569(3)}\text{Mg}_{0.431(3)}$ |
| B | 0.10951(4) | 0.21901(9) | 0.45484(17) | $\text{B}_{1.00}$ |
| T | 0.189382(15) | 0.187781(15) | 0 | $\text{Si}_{1.00}$ |
| O1 (W) | 0 | 0 | 0.76587(19) | $\text{O}_{1.00}$ |
| O2 | 0.06071(3) | 0.12141(6) | 0.48914(12) | $\text{O}_{1.00}$ |
| O3 (V) | 0.25659(6) | 0.12830(3) | 0.50995(12) | $\text{O}_{1.00}$ |
| O4 | 0.09213(3) | 0.18426(7) | 0.06973(12) | $\text{O}_{1.00}$ |
| O5 | 0.18214(7) | 0.09107(3) | 0.08701(11) | $\text{O}_{1.00}$ |
| O6 | 0.19183(4) | 0.18285(4) | 0.78271(9) | $\text{O}_{1.00}$ |
| O7 | 0.28151(4) | 0.28147(4) | 0.07441(8) | $\text{O}_{1.00}$ |
| O8 | 0.20666(4) | 0.26751(4) | 0.43882(9) | $\text{O}_{1.00}$ |
| H3 | 0.2643(15) | 0.1321(8) | 0.386(3) | $\text{H}_{1.00}$ |

TABLE 3. Displacement parameters (\AA^2) for oxy-vanadium-dravite

| Sample 8-25 | | | | | | | |
|-------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------------|
| Site | U^{11} | U^{22} | U^{33} | U^{23} | U^{13} | U^{12} | U_{eq} |
| X | 0.0255(4) | 0.0255(4) | 0.0244(6) | 0 | 0 | 0.0128(2) | 0.0252(3) |
| Y | 0.0073(1) | 0.0067(1) | 0.0102(1) | -0.0005(1) | -0.0010(1) | 0.0036(1) | 0.00800(5) |
| Z | 0.0059(1) | 0.0065(1) | 0.0075(1) | 0.0005(1) | 0.00002(4) | 0.0030(1) | 0.00670(5) |
| B | 0.0074(3) | 0.0086(4) | 0.0111(4) | 0.0015(3) | 0.0007(2) | 0.0043(2) | 0.00887(18) |
| T | 0.0064(1) | 0.0059(1) | 0.0088(1) | -0.0004(1) | -0.0003(1) | 0.0030(1) | 0.00701(5) |
| O1 (W) | 0.0089(3) | 0.0089(3) | 0.0095(5) | 0 | 0 | 0.0044(1) | 0.0091(2) |
| O2 | 0.0081(2) | 0.0066(3) | 0.0113(3) | 0.0017(2) | 0.0009(1) | 0.0033(1) | 0.00886(13) |
| O3 (V) | 0.0128(3) | 0.0118(3) | 0.0095(3) | 0.0004(1) | 0.0009(3) | 0.0064(2) | 0.01127(14) |
| O4 | 0.0089(2) | 0.0164(4) | 0.0115(3) | -0.0011(3) | -0.0005(1) | 0.0082(2) | 0.01145(14) |
| O5 | 0.0159(4) | 0.0085(2) | 0.0108(3) | 0.0007(1) | 0.0014(3) | 0.0080(1) | 0.01089(14) |
| O6 | 0.0100(2) | 0.0083(2) | 0.0085(2) | -0.0007(2) | -0.0004(2) | 0.0044(1) | 0.00902(10) |
| O7 | 0.0082(2) | 0.0074(2) | 0.0111(2) | -0.0014(2) | -0.0012(2) | 0.0016(2) | 0.00992(10) |
| O8 | 0.0056(2) | 0.0098(2) | 0.0176(2) | 0.0038(2) | 0.0010(1) | 0.0033(2) | 0.01122(10) |
| H3 | | | | | | | 0.017* |

Notes: U^{ij} = anisotropic displacement parameter; U_{eq} = equivalent isotropic displacement parameters

* Isotropic displacement parameter constrained to $1.5U_{\text{eq}}(\text{O3})$

TABLE 4. Selected bond distances (Å) for oxy-vanadium-dravite

| Sample 8-25 | | | |
|----------------------------------|------------|--------------------------------|-----------|
| <i>B</i> -O2 | 1.3920(15) | <i>Y</i> -O1 | 1.9632(7) |
| <i>B</i> -O8 ^A (×2) | 1.3675(9) | <i>Y</i> -O2 ^B (×2) | 2.0421(6) |
| < <i>B</i> -O> | 1.376 | <i>Y</i> -O3 | 2.1048(9) |
| | | <i>Y</i> -O6 ^C (×2) | 2.0124(6) |
| <i>X</i> -O2 ^{B,F} (×3) | 2.5907(12) | < <i>Y</i> -O> | 2.029 |
| <i>X</i> -O4 ^{B,F} (×3) | 2.8307(11) | | |
| <i>X</i> -O5 ^{B,F} (×3) | 2.7532(10) | <i>Z</i> -O3 | 2.0543(4) |
| < <i>X</i> -O> | 2.725 | <i>Z</i> -O6 | 2.0075(6) |
| | | <i>Z</i> -O7 ^E | 1.9883(6) |
| <i>T</i> -O4 | 1.6310(4) | <i>Z</i> -O7 ^D | 2.0296(6) |
| <i>T</i> -O5 | 1.6426(4) | <i>Z</i> -O8 ^E | 1.9632(6) |
| <i>T</i> *-O6 | 1.6145(6) | <i>Z</i> -O8 | 1.9909(6) |
| <i>T</i> -O7 | 1.6024(6) | < <i>Z</i> -O> | 2.006 |
| < <i>T</i> -O> | 1.623 | | |
| | | O3-H3 | 0.93(2) |

Notes: Standard uncertainty in parentheses. A = ($y - x, y, z$); B = ($y - x, -x, z$); C = ($x, x - y, z$); D = ($y - x + 1/3, -x + 2/3, z + 2/3$); E = ($-y + 2/3, x - y + 1/3, z + 1/3$); F = ($-y, x - y, z$). Transformations relate coordinates to those of Table 2.

* Positioned in adjacent unit cell.

TABLE 5. Chemical composition of oxy-vanadium-dravite

| Sample 8-25 | | | |
|---------------------------------|-----------|------------------|---------|
| | Weight % | | Apfu |
| SiO ₂ | 33.05(23) | Si | 5.99(6) |
| TiO ₂ | 0.41(4) | Ti ⁴⁺ | 0.06(1) |
| B ₂ O ₃ * | 9.59 | B | 3.00 |
| Al ₂ O ₃ | 4.30(8) | Al | 0.92(2) |
| Cr ₂ O ₃ | 1.48(26) | Cr ³⁺ | 0.21(4) |
| V ₂ O ₃ | 38.56(25) | V ³⁺ | 5.60(6) |
| MgO | 8.21(10) | Mg | 2.22(3) |
| Na ₂ O | 2.50(7) | Na | 0.88(3) |
| K ₂ O | 0.32(2) | K | 0.07(1) |
| F | 0.13(5) | F | 0.08(3) |
| H ₂ O* | 2.60 | OH | 3.14 |
| O=F | -0.06 | OH+F | 3.22 |
| Total | 101.10 | | |

Notes: number of ions calculated on basis of 31 (O, OH, F). Oxide values are an average of the 8 spots (standard deviation in brackets). B₂O₃ and H₂O uncertainty assumed at 5%. Standard uncertainty for ions was calculated by error-propagation theory. *Calculated by stoichiometry

TABLE 6. Cation site populations (apfu), site scattering factors (epfu) and mean bond distances (Å) for oxy-vanadium-dravite

| Site | Site population | Site scattering | | Mean bond length | |
|----------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|------------|------------------|------------|
| | | refined | calculated | refined | calculated |
| <i>X</i> | 0.88 Na + 0.07 K + 0.05 □ | 11.32(7) | 11.07 | | |
| <i>Y</i> | 2.47 V ³⁺ + 0.48 Mg + 0.06 Ti ⁴⁺ ^Y (2.52 V ³⁺ + 0.48 Mg + 0.01 Ti ⁴⁺)* | 63.8(1) | 63.7 | 2.029 | 2.029 |
| <i>Z</i> | 3.14 V ³⁺ + 0.91 Al + 0.21 Cr ³⁺ + 1.74 Mg ^Z (3.09 V ³⁺ + 0.94 Al + 0.22 Cr ³⁺ + 1.75 Mg)* | 109.6(3) | 109.9 | 2.006 | 2.010 |
| <i>T</i> | 5.99 Si + 0.01 Al ^T (6.00 Si)* | 84 [†] | 83.99 | 1.623 | 1.620 |
| <i>B</i> | 3 B | 15 [†] | 15 | | |

Notes: apfu = atoms per formula unit; epfu = electrons per formula unit.

* Site populations optimized by the procedure of Wright et al. (2000).

[†] Fixed in the final stages of refinement.

TABLE 7. Bond valence calculations (valence units) for oxy-vanadium-dravite

| Site | X | Y | Z | T | B | Σ |
|----------|----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------|
| O1 | | 0.54 ^{×3} → | | | | 1.62 |
| O2 | 0.13 ^{×3} ↓ | 0.44 ^{×2} ↓→ | | | 0.95 | 1.96 |
| O3 | | 0.37 | 0.40 ^{×2} → | | | 1.17 |
| O4 | 0.07 ^{×3} ↓ | | | 0.99 ^{×2} → | | 2.03 |
| O5 | 0.08 ^{×3} ↓ | | | 0.95 ^{×2} → | | 1.98 |
| O6 | | 0.48 ^{×2} ↓ | 0.45 | 1.03 | | 1.96 |
| O7 | | | 0.48 | 1.06 | | 1.97 |
| | | | 0.43 | | | |
| O8 | | | 0.47 | | 1.01 ^{×2} ↓ | 1.99 |
| | | | 0.51 | | | |
| Σ | 0.84 | 2.75 | 2.74 | 4.02 | 2.97 | |

TABLE 8. Al-Cr-V end-members relationships.

| <i>Hydroxy</i> end-member | Coupled substitution | <i>Oxy</i> end-member |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Dravite NaMg ₃ Al ₆ Si ₆ O ₁₈ (BO ₃) ₃ (OH) ₃ OH | Al ³⁺ + O ²⁻ → Mg ²⁺ + OH ¹⁻ | Oxy-dravite NaAl ₃ (Al ₄ Mg ₂)Si ₆ O ₁₈ (BO ₃) ₃ (OH) ₃ O |
| Chromium-dravite NaMg ₃ Cr ₆ Si ₆ O ₁₈ (BO ₃) ₃ (OH) ₃ OH | Cr ³⁺ + O ²⁻ → Mg ²⁺ + OH ¹⁻ | Oxy-chromium-dravite NaCr ₃ (Cr ₄ Mg ₂)Si ₆ O ₁₈ (BO ₃) ₃ (OH) ₃ O |
| “Vanadium-dravite” NaMg ₃ V ₆ Si ₆ O ₁₈ (BO ₃) ₃ (OH) ₃ OH | V ³⁺ + O ²⁻ → Mg ²⁺ + OH ¹⁻ | Oxy-vanadium-dravite NaV ₃ (V ₄ Mg ₂)Si ₆ O ₁₈ (BO ₃) ₃ (OH) ₃ O |

Figure 1

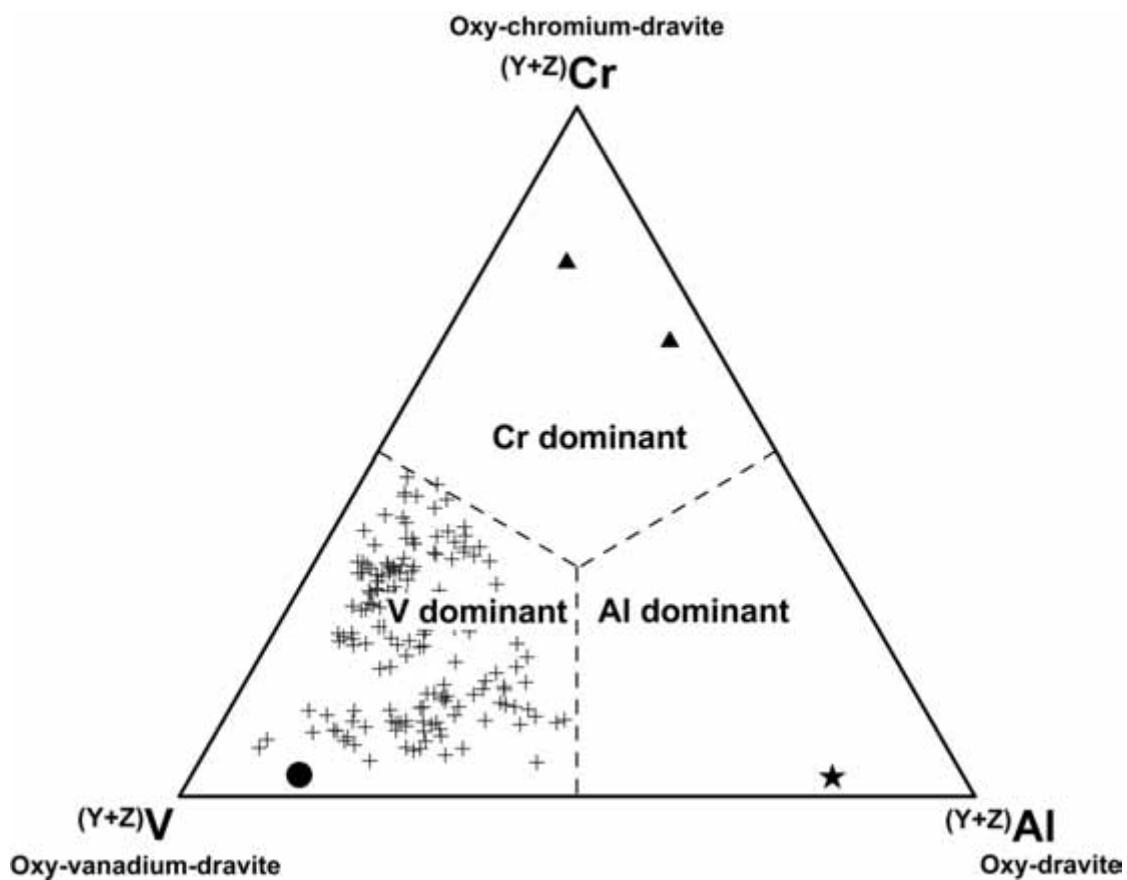


Figure 2

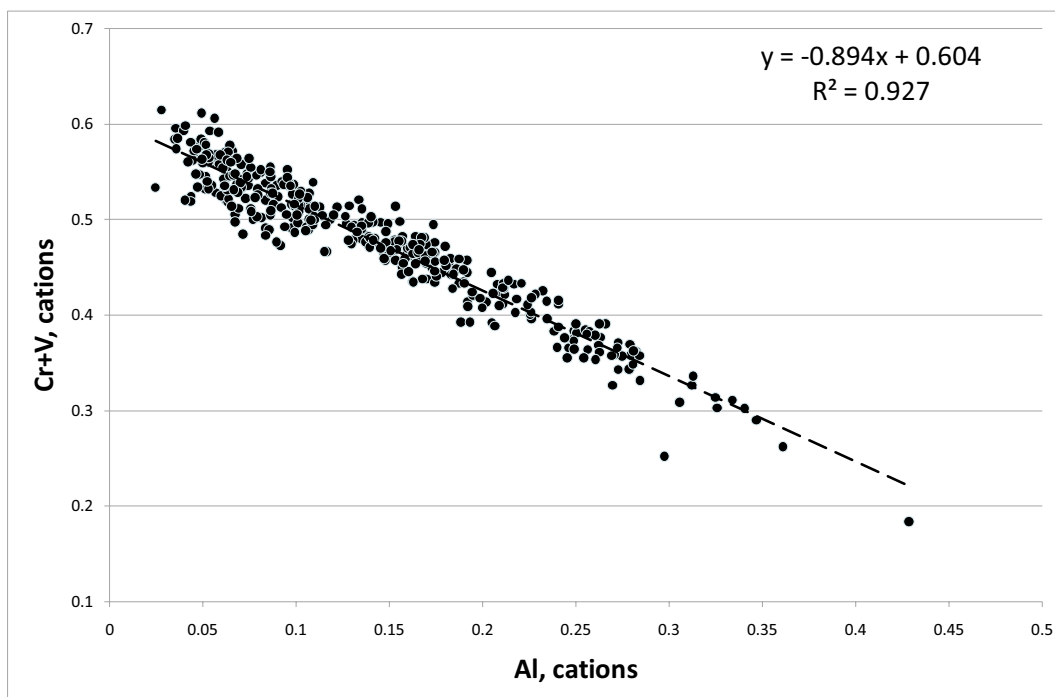


Figure 3

