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3 **Rongibbsite, $\text{Pb}_2(\text{Si}_4\text{Al})\text{O}_{11}(\text{OH})$, a new zeolitic aluminosilicate mineral**
4 **with an interrupted framework from Maricopa County, Arizona, USA**

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9 **Abstract**

10 A new zeolitic aluminosilicate mineral species, rongibbsite, ideally
11 $\text{Pb}_2(\text{Si}_4\text{Al})\text{O}_{11}(\text{OH})$, has been found in a quartz vein in the Proterozoic gneiss of the Big
12 Horn Mountains, Maricopa County, Arizona, U.S.A. The mineral is of secondary origin
13 and is associated with wickenburgite, fornacite, mimetite, murdochite, and creaseyite.
14 Rongibbsite crystals are bladed (elongated along the *c* axis, up to $0.70 \times 0.20 \times 0.05$
15 mm), often in tufts. Dominant forms are {100}, {010}, {001} and {10 -1}. Twinning is
16 common across (100). The mineral is colorless, transparent with white streak and vitreous
17 luster. It is brittle and has a Mohs hardness of ~5; cleavage is perfect on {100} and no
18 parting was observed. The calculated density is 4.43 g/cm^3 . Optically, rongibbsite is
19 biaxial (+), with $n_\alpha = 1.690$, $n_\beta = 1.694$, $n_\gamma = 1.700$, $c^\wedge Z = 26^\circ$, $2V_{\text{meas}} = 65(2)^\circ$. It is
20 insoluble in water, acetone, or hydrochloric acid. Electron microprobe analysis yielded an
21 empirical formula $\text{Pb}_{2.05}(\text{Si}_{3.89}\text{Al}_{1.11})\text{O}_{11}(\text{OH})$.

22 Rongibbsite is monoclinic, with space group *I2/m* and unit-cell parameters $a =$
23 $7.8356(6)$, $b = 13.913(1)$, $c = 10.278(1) \text{ \AA}$, $\beta = 92.925(4)^\circ$, and $V = 1119.0(2) \text{ \AA}^3$. Its
24 structure features an interrupted framework made of three symmetrically-distinct TO_4
25 tetrahedra ($T = \text{Si} + \text{Al}$). The framework density is $17.9 \text{ T per } 1000 \text{ \AA}^3$. Unlike many
26 known interrupted frameworks in zeolite-type materials, which are usually broken up by
27 OH or F, the framework in rongibbsite is interrupted by O atoms. There are a variety of

28 corner-shared tetrahedral rings in the framework of rongibbsite, including two types of 4-
29 membered, three 6-membered, and one 8-membered rings. The extraframework Pb and
30 OH reside alternately in the channels formed by the 8-membered rings. The Pb cations
31 are disordered over two split sites, Pb and Pb', with site-occupancies of 0.8 and 0.2,
32 respectively, and a Pb—Pb' distance of 0.229 Å, providing a structural explanation for
33 the two strong Raman bands (at 3527 and 3444 cm⁻¹) attributable to the O-H stretching
34 vibrations. The average bond lengths for the T1, T2, and T3 tetrahedra are 1.620, 1.648,
35 and 1.681 Å, respectively, indicating that the preference of Al for the three tetrahedral
36 sites is T3 >> T2 > T1. Rongibbsite represents the first natural aluminosilicate with Pb as
37 the only extraframework cation.

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39 **Key words:** rongibbsite, zeolitic aluminosilicate, Pb-bearing, interrupted framework,
40 crystal structure, X-ray diffraction, Raman spectra

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Introduction

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A new zeolitic aluminosilicate mineral species, rongibbsite, ideally
44 Pb₂(Si₄Al)O₁₁(OH), has been found in the Big Horn Mountains, Maricopa County,
45 Arizona, U.S.A. It is named after its finder, Mr. Ronald Bradford Gibbs, a mineral
46 collector and a mining geologist in Tucson, Arizona. The new mineral and its name have
47 been approved by the Commission on New Minerals, Nomenclature and Classification
48 (CNMNC) of the International Mineralogical Association (IMA2010-055). Part of the
49 cotype sample has been deposited at the University of Arizona Mineral Museum
50 (Catalogue # 19292) and the RRUFF Project (deposition # R100031). In this paper, we
51 describe the physical and chemical properties of rongibbsite and its structural features
52 determined from single-crystal X-ray diffraction and Raman spectroscopy. Along with
53 the zeolite maricopaite, Ca₂Pb₇(Si₃₆Al₁₂)O₉₉·n(H₂O,OH), found in the same region
54 (Rouse and Peacor 1994), rongibbsite joins a small group of natural and synthetic

55 compounds that possess interrupted tetrahedral framework structures. While maricopaite
56 is the only natural zeolite having Pb as a dominant extraframework cation, rongibbsite
57 represents the first natural aluminosilicate with Pb as the only extraframework cation.
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60 **Sample Description and Experimental Methods**

61 *Occurrence, physical and chemical properties, and Raman spectra*

62 Rongibbsite was found in material collected from a small unnamed prospect in the
63 Big Horn District, Big Horn Mountains, Maricopa County, Arizona, U.S.A (lat. 33°69' N
64 and long. 113°22'). Rongibbsite occurs with other secondary lead and copper minerals in
65 a quartz vein in Proterozoic gneiss. Mineral occurrences in the Big Horn district are gold-
66 rich, basement hosted narrow quartz pods and veins associated with late Cretaceous
67 intrusives (Allen, 1985). Associated minerals are wickenburgite, fornacite, mimetite,
68 murdochite, and creaseyite. Other minerals found in the quartz veins include: anglesite,
69 cerussite, chrysocolla, iranite, gold, mottramite, willemite, phoenicochroite, planchéite,
70 iron oxides, the sulfides galena and chalcopyrite, and zeolites including stilbite,
71 heulandite, and laumontite. Rongibbsite crystals are bladed (elongated along the *c* axis)
72 (up to 0.70 × 0.20 × 0.05 mm), often in tufts (Fig. 1). Dominant forms are {100}, {010},
73 {001} and {10 -1}. Twinning is common on (100). The mineral is colorless, transparent
74 with white streak and vitreous luster. It is brittle and has a Mohs hardness of ~5; cleavage
75 is perfect on {100} and no parting was observed. The calculated density is 4.43 g/cm³
76 using the empirical formula. Optically, rongibbsite is biaxial (+), with $n_{\alpha} = 1.690$, n_{β}
77 $= 1.694$, $n_{\gamma} = 1.700$, $c^{\wedge}Z = 26^{\circ}$, $2V_{\text{meas}} = 65(2)^{\circ}$, and $2V_{\text{calc}} = 66^{\circ}$. The dispersion is strong
78 ($r > v$). The compatibility index ($1 - K_p/K_c$) is 0.019 (superior). It is insoluble in water,
79 acetone, or hydrochloric acid.

80 The chemical composition was determined with a CAMECA SX50 electron
81 microprobe at 15 kV and 5 nA with a beam diameter of 20 μm

82 (<http://rruff.info/rongibbsite>). The standards used include diopside for Si, anorthite for Al,
83 and Pb-glass (NIST-K0229) for Pb, yielding an average composition (wt.%) (11 points)
84 of SiO₂ 30.64(15), Al₂O₃ 7.44(19), PbO 59.80(40), H₂O⁺ 1.18 (estimated for charge
85 balance), and total = 99.06(47). The resultant chemical formula, calculated on the basis of
86 12 O atoms (from the structure determination), is Pb_{2.05}(Si_{3.89}Al_{1.11})O₁₁(OH), which can
87 be simplified as Pb₂(Si₄Al)O₁₁(OH).

88 The Raman spectrum of rongibbsite was collected on a randomly oriented crystal
89 from 15 scans at 30 s and 100% power per scan on a Thermo Almega microRaman
90 system, using a solid-state laser with a frequency of 532 nm and a thermoelectric cooled
91 CCD detector. The laser is partially polarized with 4 cm⁻¹ resolution and a spot size of 1
92 μm.

94 *X-ray crystallography*

95 Because of the limited amount of available material, no powder X-ray diffraction
96 data were measured for rongibbsite. Listed in Table 1 are the powder X-ray diffraction
97 data calculated from the determined structure using the program XPOW (Downs et al.
98 1993). Single-crystal X-ray diffraction data were collected from a nearly equi-
99 dimensional, untwinned crystal (0.03 × 0.04 × 0.05 mm) on a Bruker X8 APEX2 CCD X-
100 ray diffractometer equipped with graphite-monochromatized MoK α radiation with frame
101 widths of 0.5° in ω and 30 s counting time per frame. All reflections were indexed on the
102 basis of a monoclinic unit-cell (Table 2). The intensity data were corrected for X-ray
103 absorption using the Bruker program SADABS. The systematic absences of reflections
104 suggest possible space group *C2*, *Cm*, or *C2/m*. The crystal structure was solved and
105 refined using SHELX97 (Sheldrick 2008) based on the space group *C2/m*, because it
106 yielded the best refinement statistics in terms of bond lengths and angles, atomic
107 displacement parameters, and *R* factors. However, to avoid the large β angle (125.463°)
108 in the *C*-lattice setting, we adopted space group *I2/m* ($\beta = 92.925^\circ$) in this study. A

109 preliminary structure refinement based on the ideal chemical formula revealed an
110 outstanding residual peak in the proximity of the Pb site on the difference Fourier maps.
111 A site-split model for Pb was, therefore, introduced in the subsequent refinements, with
112 the occupancies of Pb at the two sites allowed to vary. No site occupancies were refined
113 between Si and Al among the three tetrahedral sites (T1, T2, and T3), due to their similar
114 X-ray scattering power. For simplicity, all Al atoms were assigned to the T3 site during
115 the refinement because the average bond distance for this site (1.681 Å) is significantly
116 longer than that for the T1 (1.620 Å) or T2 site (1.648 Å), both of which were assumed to
117 be filled with Si during the refinement. The positions of all atoms were refined with
118 anisotropic displacement parameters, except for the H atom, which was refined with a
119 fixed isotropic displacement parameter ($U_{\text{iso}} = 0.03$). Final coordinates and displacement
120 parameters of atoms in rongibbsite are listed in Table 3, and selected bond-distances in
121 Table 4.

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Discussion

Crystal Structure

125 The crystal structure of rongibbsite is characterized by an interrupted framework
126 consisting of three crystallographically-distinct TO_4 tetrahedra ($\text{T} = \text{Si} + \text{Al}$), with the
127 bonded extraframework Pb and OH residing alternately in channels extending along the
128 b -axis (Fig. 2). The framework density is 17.9 T per 1000 \AA^3 , which falls right in the
129 region for zeolite-type frameworks (Brunner and Meier 1989). However, unlike many
130 known interrupted frameworks in zeolite-type materials, which are usually broken up by
131 OH or F (Smith 1988; Coombs et al. 1998), the framework in rongibbsite is interrupted
132 by an O atom (O1). Interestingly, the Pb-bearing zeolite mineral maricopaite, which was
133 found in the same region (Maricopa County, Arizona) as rongibbsite, also exhibits a
134 tetrahedral framework interrupted by O atoms (Rouse and Peacor 1994).

135 The framework of rongibbsite can also be visualized as built of tetrahedral sheets
136 (Fig. 3) linked together along (101) by sharing the vertex O atoms between T_2O_4
137 tetrahedra. There are several kinds of symmetrically-distinct tetrahedral rings in the
138 framework, including one 8-membered, three 6-membered, and two 4-membered rings
139 (Fig. 4). The intricate arrangements of these rings are illustrated in Figure 5. The
140 extraframework Pb cations are situated in the channels formed by 8-membered rings and
141 distributed over two split sites, Pb and Pb', with site-occupancies of 0.8 and 0.2,
142 respectively, and a Pb—Pb' distance of 0.229 Å. Site-splitting for Pb is quite common,
143 especially in materials constructed of framework structures (e.g., Szymanski 1988;
144 Moore et al. 1989, 1991; Gunter et al. 1994; Holtstam et al. 1995; Downs et al. 1995;
145 Tribaudino et al. 1998; Siidra et al. 2009). It is worth noting that the Si/Al ratio in the
146 structure is also about 0.8/0.2, the same as the Pb occupancies between the two split sites.
147 Perhaps the Pb site-splitting is a requirement of the $(Si_4Al)O_{11}$ network configuration.
148 The average bond lengths for the T1, T2, and T3 tetrahedra are 1.620, 1.648, and 1.681
149 Å, respectively, indicating the predominant ordering of Al in the T3 site and the possible
150 substitution of some Al for Si at the T2 site. The T3 tetrahedron is also the most distorted
151 of the three TO_4 groups, as measured by the tetrahedral angle variance (TAV) and
152 quadratic elongation (TQE) (Robinson et al. 1971), which are 4.62 and 1.001 for T1,
153 respectively, 2.53 and 1.001 for T2, and 21.76 and 1.006 for T3.

154 A calculation of bond-valence sums for rongibbsite (Table 5) using the
155 parameters given by Brese and O'Keeffe (1991) shows that O6 is relatively underbonded,
156 suggesting that it may be engaged in the hydrogen bonding, although the O6...H distance
157 (2.98 Å) seems to be a little too long for a meaningful hydrogen bond. The tetrahedral
158 site occupancies estimated from the bond-valence sums yield T1 = Si, T2 = 0.8 Si + 0.2
159 Al, and T3 = 0.4 Si + 0.6 Al. As the Pb-Pb' splitting vector points directly towards the T2
160 site, with Pb' 0.212 Å closer to T2 than Pb, it is possible that the 20% Al occupancy at the
161 T2 site provides the electrostatic mechanism that splits Pb'.

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163 *Raman spectra*

164 Raman spectroscopy has been extensively employed to gain comprehensive
165 structural information of various zeolite-type and feldspar-type aluminosilicate materials
166 (e.g., Dutta et al. 1988, 1992; Smirnov et al. 1994; Wopenka et al. 1998; Goryainov and
167 Smirnov 2001; Yu et al. 2001; Mozgawa et al. 2004; Putnis et al. 2007; Fisch et al. 2008;
168 Liu et al. 2012). Presented in Figure 5 is the Raman spectrum of rongibbsite. Based on
169 previous studies on aluminosilicate materials with the framework structures, we made a
170 tentative assignment of major Raman bands for rongibbsite. The two strong bands at
171 3527 and 3444 cm^{-1} are ascribed to the O-H stretching vibrations. The bands between 900
172 and 1100 cm^{-1} and those between 600 and 700 cm^{-1} are attributable to the T-O anti-
173 symmetric and symmetric stretching vibrations (ν_3 and ν_1 modes) within the TO_4 groups,
174 respectively. Major bands in the region ranging from 250 to 550 cm^{-1} originate from the
175 T-O-T bending vibrations. The bands below 250 cm^{-1} are mostly associated with the
176 rotational and translational modes of TO_4 tetrahedra, as well as the lattice vibrational
177 modes. Remarkably, there is only one OH site in the rongibbsite structure, but its Raman
178 spectrum displays two distinct peaks in the O-H stretching region. This observation is
179 likely a direct consequence of the disordering of Pb over the two split sites, as O8H is
180 bonded solely to Pb in the structure, which also accounts for the largest isotropic
181 displacement parameter for O8H among all O atoms (Table 3). Integration of the two OH
182 peaks indicate that 25% of the OH peak intensity is in the 3527 cm^{-1} peak while 75% is in
183 the 3444 cm^{-1} peak, consistent with the Pb-site occupancies. The nature of the weak and
184 broad band at $\sim 2900 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ is unclear. Similar weak and broad bands have also been
185 observed in other hydrous minerals from IR and Raman spectra, such as lawsonite (e.g.,
186 Libowitzky and Rossman 1996; Kolesov et al. 2008) and zeolites (e.g., Wopenka et al.
187 1998; Gujar et al. 2005). In lawsonite, this band has been assigned to the O-H stretching
188 vibrations due to a strong hydrogen bond with an O-H \cdots O distance of $\sim 2.60 \text{ \AA}$ and an

189 H···O distance of 1.60-1.65 Å (Libowitzky and Rossman 1996; Kolesov et al. 2008).
190 However, there is no O atom within 3.0 Å around O8H in rongibbsite.

191 As in other zeolite-type and tectosilicate compounds, including quartz and
192 feldspars, the Raman bands assigned to the T-O symmetric stretching vibrations in
193 rongibbsite are noticeably weaker than those ascribable to the T-O asymmetric stretching
194 modes, resulting primarily from the complex vibrations of TO₄ tetrahedra coupled
195 through sharing of their vertex O atoms (Wopenka et al. 1998). In contrast, for materials
196 containing isolated TO₄ tetrahedra, the Raman bands caused by T-O symmetric stretching
197 modes are typically much stronger than the ones arising from T-O asymmetric stretching
198 modes.

199 It has been well established that the wavenumbers of Raman bands attributable to
200 the T-O-T bending modes are inversely correlated to the tetrahedral ring size or the
201 average <T-O-T> angle for a given tetrahedral ring, as well as the Si/Al ratio (e.g., Dutta
202 et al. 1992; Wopenka et al. 1998; Yu et al. 2001). In particular, based on the UV Raman
203 spectroscopic measurements, Yu et al. (2001) demonstrated that the Raman bands at 470-
204 530, 370-430, 290-410, and 220-280 cm⁻¹ can be assigned to the bending modes of 4-, 5-,
205 6-, and 8-membered rings of aluminosilicate zeolites, respectively. This explains the
206 complex Raman pattern between 250 and 550 cm⁻¹ for rongibbsite, as it contains a
207 mixture of 4-, 6-, and 8-membered tetrahedral rings in its framework structure.

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329 small spheres represent Pb, O8H, and H atoms.

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336 (a) along *a* and (b) along *c*. For clarity, the positions of all O, Pb, and H atoms are
337 omitted.

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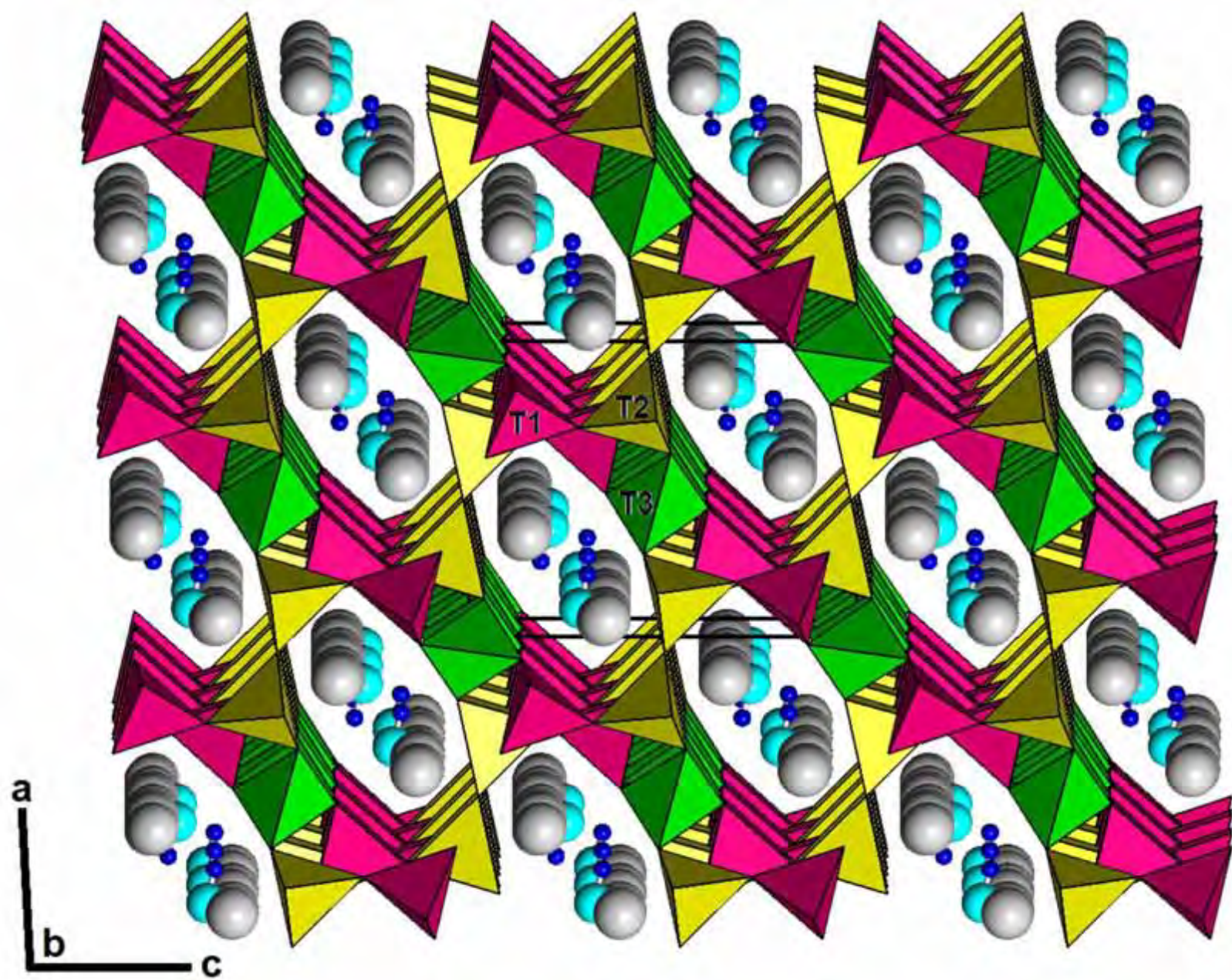
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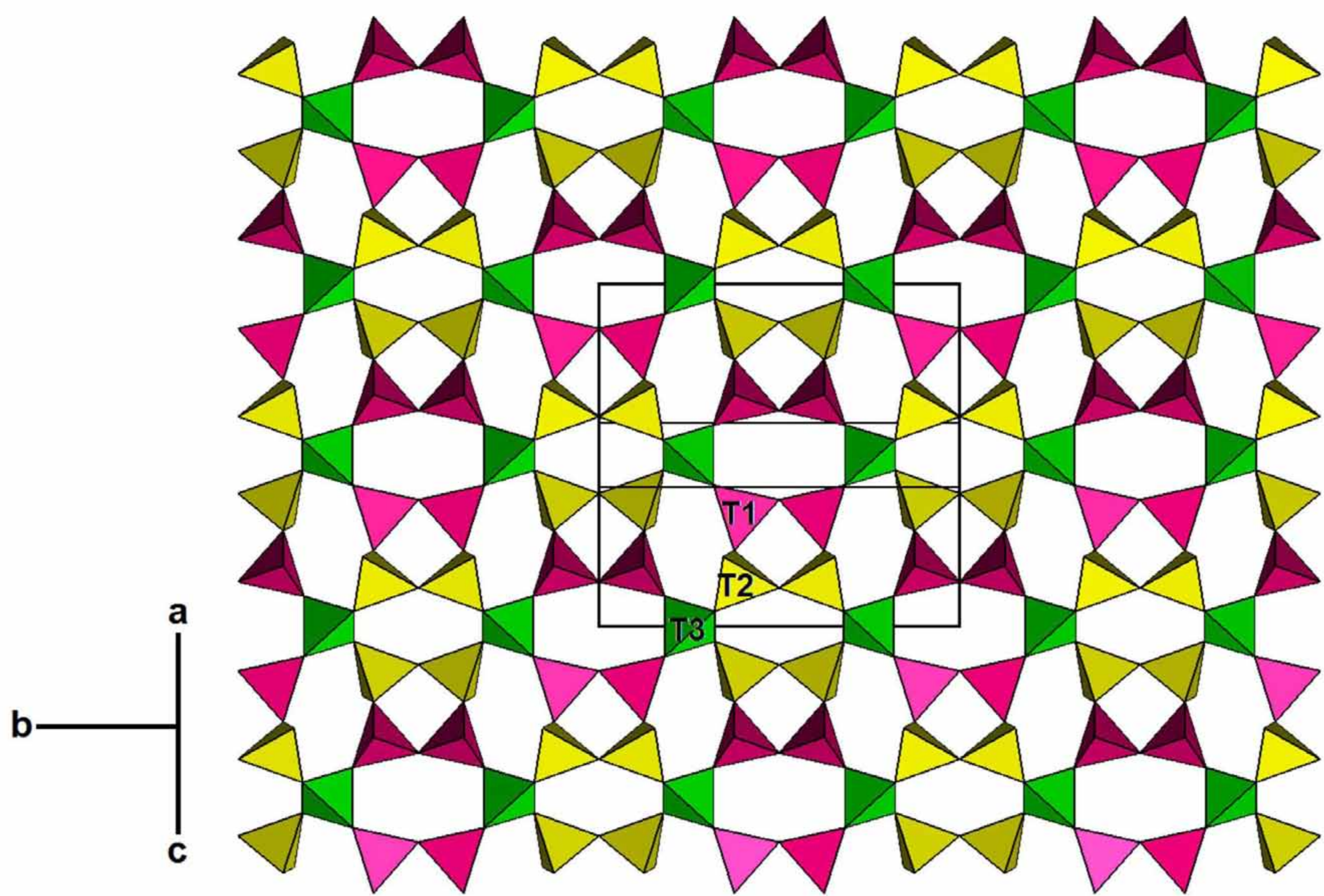
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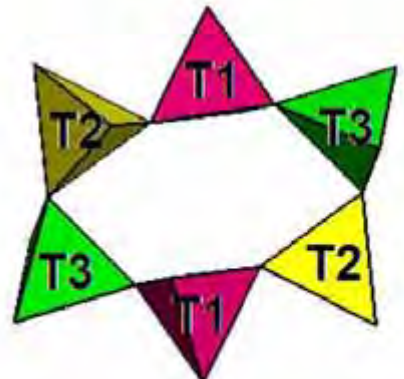
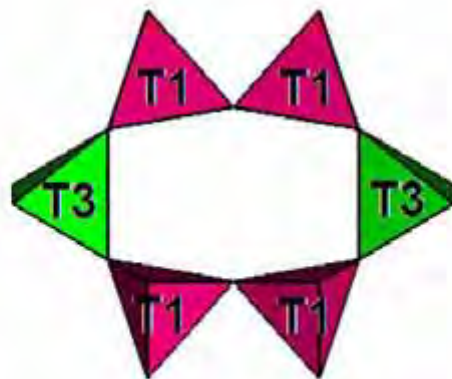
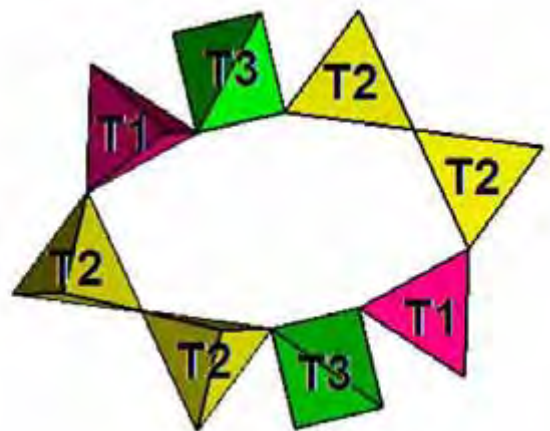
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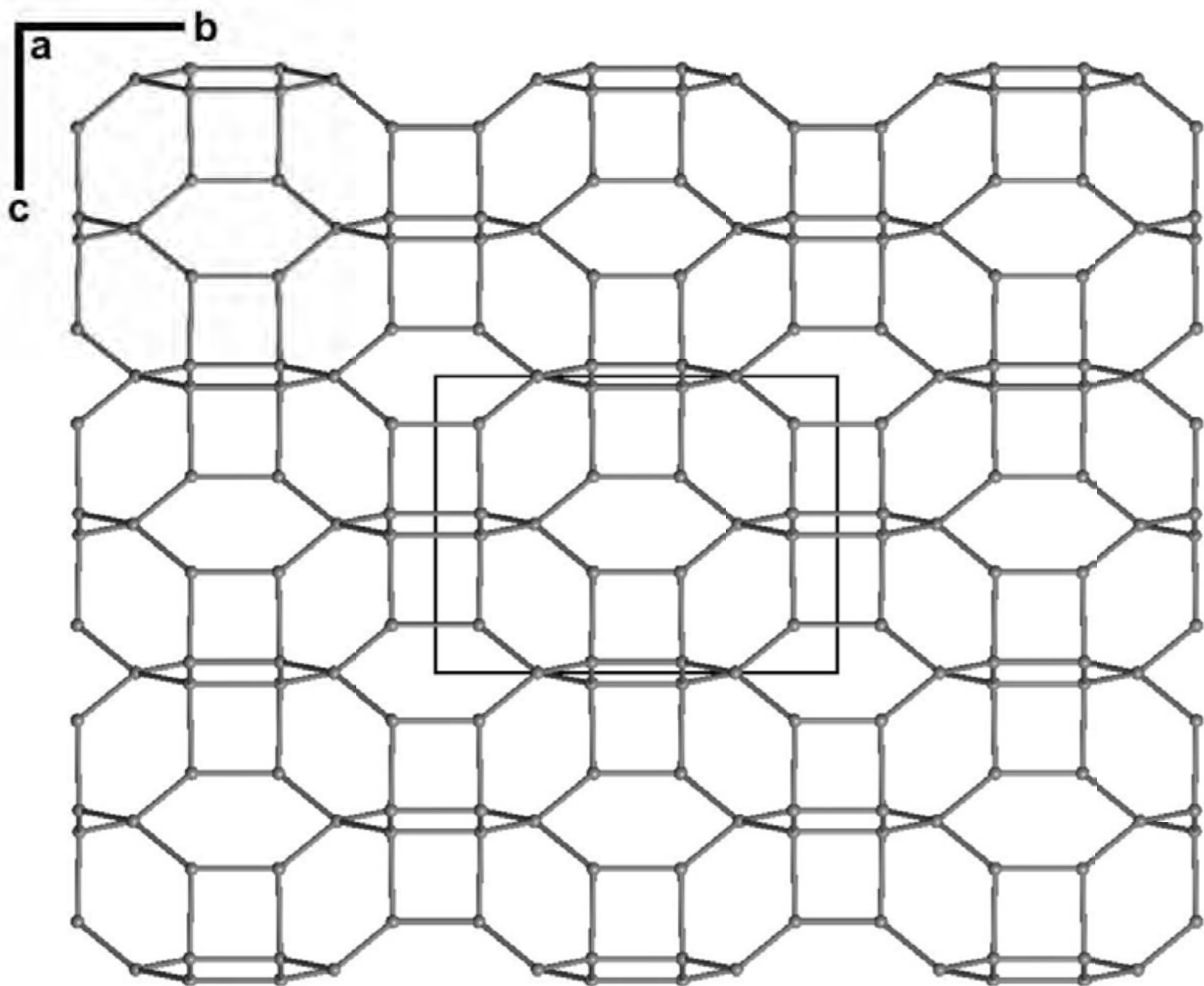
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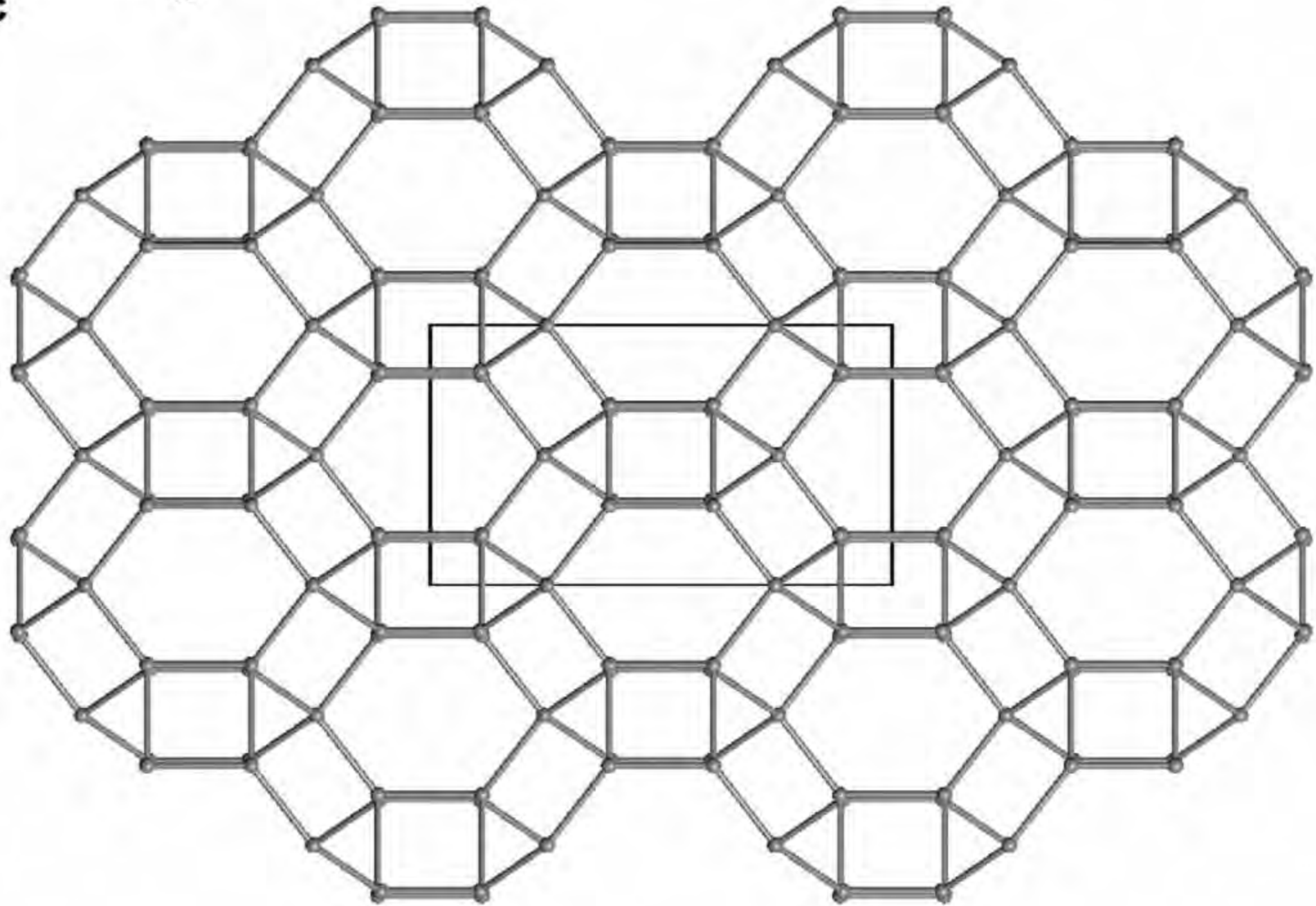




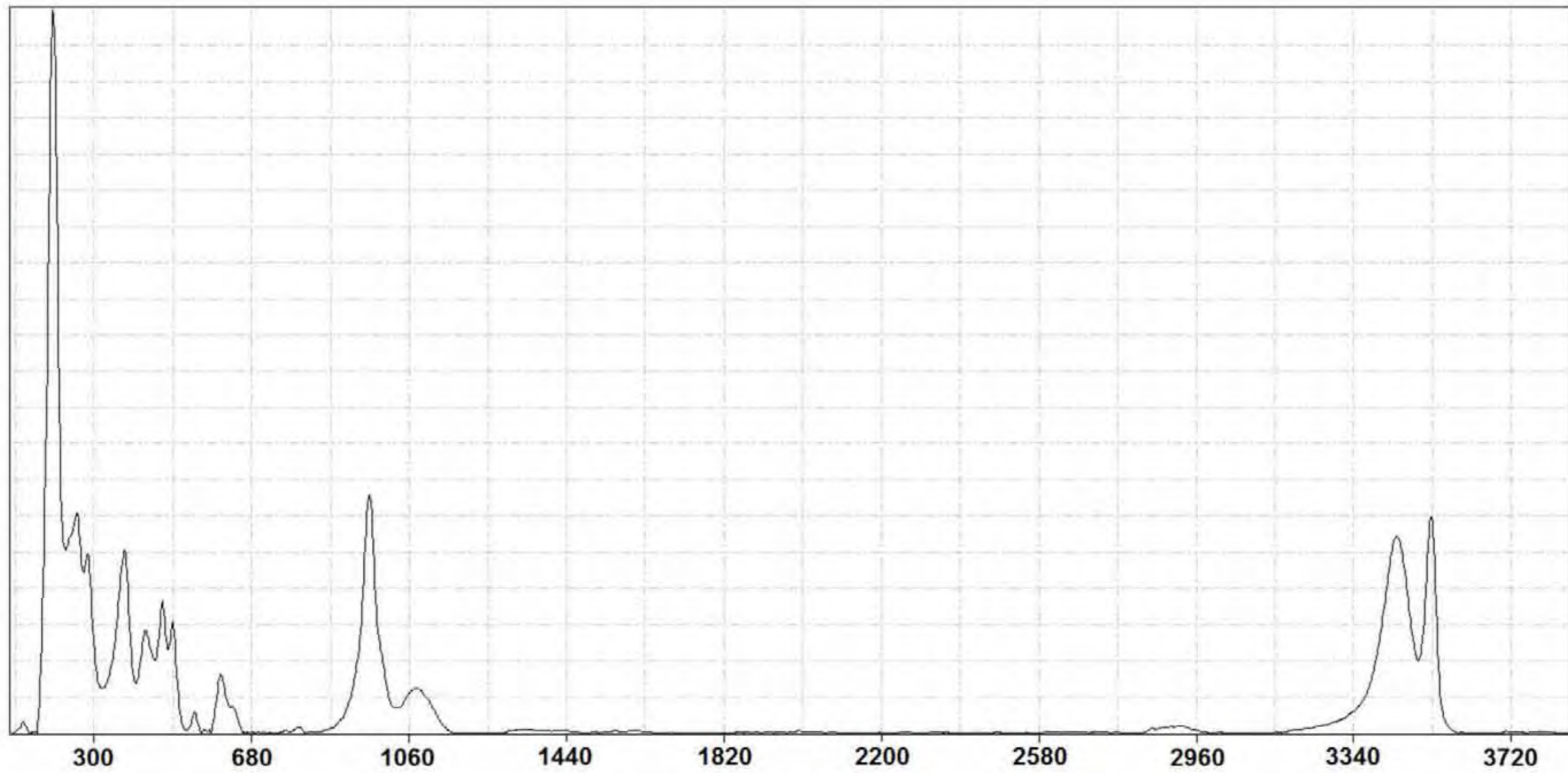




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Relative intensity



Raman shift (cm-1)

Table 1. Powder X-ray diffraction data for rongibbsite based on space group $I2/m$.

Intensity	$d_{\text{calc.}}$	h	k	l
68.79	8.2597	0	1	1
62.57	6.9566	0	2	0
77.48	6.8206	1	1	0
8.86	6.3821	-1	0	1
100.00	6.0754	1	0	1
5.41	5.1321	0	0	2
4.92	4.7028	-1	2	1
23.89	4.5760	1	2	1
54.18	4.2263	0	3	1
31.19	4.1914	-1	1	2
97.50	3.9897	1	3	0
19.71	3.5936	-2	1	1
79.52	3.4811	2	1	1
79.78	3.4783	0	4	0
7.84	3.4103	2	2	0
74.53	3.3224	0	1	3
24.13	3.1953	-1	0	3
59.11	3.1910	-2	0	2
53.82	3.1903	-1	3	2
4.97	3.1109	1	3	2
18.08	3.0777	1	0	3
10.09	3.0542	-1	4	1
26.02	3.0377	2	0	2
22.75	3.0186	1	4	1
16.75	2.9036	-1	2	3
24.24	2.9017	-2	3	1
7.46	2.9004	-2	2	2
3.08	2.8793	0	4	2
89.77	2.8416	2	3	1
4.26	2.8146	1	2	3
5.97	2.7839	2	2	2
85.43	2.7532	0	3	3
3.56	2.5968	-2	1	3
13.61	2.5660	0	0	4
38.27	2.5595	-3	0	1
9.17	2.4979	3	0	1
3.79	2.4075	0	2	4
5.71	2.4021	-3	2	1
10.14	2.3672	1	1	4
6.89	2.3531	-1	4	3
20.98	2.3514	-2	4	2
6.51	2.3409	-3	1	2
18.95	2.3189	0	6	0
7.38	2.3050	1	4	3
15.06	2.2965	-2	3	3
8.20	2.2880	2	4	2
5.15	2.2735	3	3	0

7.97	2.2489	3	1	2
7.23	2.1978	-2	0	4
29.00	2.1664	1	6	1
29.68	2.1331	1	3	4
21.25	2.1138	-3	3	2
3.32	2.1132	0	6	2
25.14	2.0972	2	0	4
7.90	2.0649	0	4	4
19.09	2.0615	-3	4	1
18.11	2.0453	3	3	2
6.77	2.0289	3	4	1
6.09	2.0110	-1	0	5
3.99	1.9948	2	6	0
6.38	1.9563	4	0	0
4.32	1.9514	0	7	1
9.55	1.9264	1	7	0
6.09	1.9215	-4	1	1
3.22	1.9031	3	5	0
16.26	1.8767	-1	6	3
18.34	1.8759	-2	6	2
4.76	1.8609	-3	1	4
4.10	1.8580	-2	4	4
5.22	1.8520	1	6	3
7.51	1.8432	2	6	2
8.74	1.8409	-2	1	5
9.02	1.8111	-1	7	2
7.96	1.7978	4	0	2
13.30	1.7960	2	4	4
13.69	1.7898	-4	3	1
3.96	1.7664	2	1	5
3.72	1.7530	-2	7	1
5.28	1.7410	-1	4	5
11.99	1.7405	-3	3	4
10.71	1.7395	2	7	1
14.72	1.7241	-2	3	5
7.21	1.7204	0	6	4
9.71	1.7186	0	7	3
8.66	1.7185	-3	6	1
10.22	1.7107	0	0	6
4.31	1.7051	4	4	0
5.44	1.6994	3	6	1

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Table 2. Summary of crystal data and refinement results for rongibbsite.

Ideal chemical formula	Pb ₂ (Si ₄ Al)O ₁₁ (OH)
Crystal symmetry	Monoclinic
Space group	<i>I</i> 2/ <i>m</i> (#12)
<i>a</i> (Å)	7.8356(6)
<i>b</i> (Å)	13.913(1)
<i>c</i> (Å)	10.278(1)
α (°)	90
β (°)	92.925(4)
γ (°)	90
<i>V</i> (Å ³)	1119.0(2)
<i>Z</i>	4
ρ_{cal} (g/cm ³)	4.43
λ (Å, Mo <i>K</i> α)	0.71073
μ (mm ⁻¹)	30.62
2 θ range for data collection	≤65.14
No. of reflections collected	13044
No. of independent reflections	2107
No. of reflections with <i>I</i> > 2 σ (<i>I</i>)	1750
No. of parameters refined	105
R(int)	0.033
Final <i>R</i> _{<i>I</i>} , <i>wR</i> ₂ factors [<i>I</i> > 2 σ (<i>I</i>)]	0.024, 0.044
Final <i>R</i> _{<i>I</i>} , <i>wR</i> ₂ factors (all data)	0.035, 0.048
Goodness-of-fit	1.067

Table 3. Coordinates and displacement parameters of atoms in rongibbsite

Atom	x	y	z	U _{iso}	U ₁₁	U ₂₂	U ₃₃	U ₂₃	U ₁₃	U ₁₂
Pb	0.0973(2)	0.3460(2)	0.3437(2)	0.0182(2)	0.0230(3)	0.0168(4)	0.0148(2)	-0.0014(2)	-0.0002(3)	0.0033(3)
Pb'	0.1032(9)	0.331(1)	0.3492(8)	0.0277(13)	0.032(1)	0.032(3)	0.018(1)	-0.008(1)	-0.0093(9)	0.019(2)
T1	0.3237(1)	0.3919(1)	0.6610(1)	0.0113(2)	0.0137(5)	0.0101(5)	0.0100(4)	-0.0010(4)	0.0009(4)	0.0002(4)
T2	0.1939(1)	0.1127(1)	0.5361(1)	0.0109(2)	0.0105(5)	0.0101(5)	0.0121(4)	0.0003(4)	0.0000(4)	-0.0002(4)
T3	1/2	0.2465(1)	1/2	0.0073(3)	0.0071(7)	0.0057(6)	0.0092(6)	0	0.0003(5)	0
O1	0.1573(4)	0.3749(2)	0.5630(3)	0.0183(6)	0.018(2)	0.021(1)	0.016(1)	-0.003(1)	-0.002(1)	-0.000(1)
O2	0.3985(5)	1/2	0.6498(4)	0.0167(8)	0.018(2)	0.011(2)	0.022(2)	0	0.006(2)	0
O3	0.4754(4)	0.3177(2)	0.6313(3)	0.0160(6)	0.015(2)	0.013(1)	0.020(1)	-0.004(1)	0.001(1)	0.005(1)
O4	0.2393(4)	0.1248(2)	0.6931(3)	0.0188(6)	0.022(2)	0.020(1)	0.015(1)	0.000(1)	0.004(1)	-0.002(1)
O5	0	0.1551(3)	1/2	0.0214(9)	0.014(2)	0.019(2)	0.031(2)	0	-0.001(2)	0
O6	0.2085(5)	0	0.4893(4)	0.0188(9)	0.025(2)	0.010(2)	0.021(2)	0	0.000(2)	0
O7	0.3299(4)	0.1790(2)	0.4581(3)	0.0174(6)	0.018(2)	0.019(1)	0.016(1)	0.000(1)	0.002(1)	0.001(1)
O8H	0.1282(8)	1/2	0.2839(5)	0.041(1)	0.064(4)	0.025(3)	0.036(3)	0	0.011(3)	0
H	0.24(1)	1/2	0.309(7)	0.03						

Note: Site occupancies are Pb = 0.80, Pb' = 0.20. The Si/Al ratios in the tetrahedral sites are estimated from the bond-valence sums: T1 = Si, T2 = 0.80Si + 0.20Al, T3 = 0.40Si + 0.60Al. The unit for displacement parameters are Å².

Table 4. Selected bond distances in rongibbsite

	Distance (Å)		Distance (Å)		Distance (Å)
T1-O1	1.623(3)	T2-O4	1.644(3)	T3-O3	1.693(3) x2
-O2	1.621(2)	-O5	1.654(2)	-O7	1.669(3) x2
-O3	1.615(3)	-O6	1.645(2)		
-O4	1.619(3)	-O7	1.648(3)		
Ave.	1.620		1.648		1.681
Pb-O1	2.292(4)	Pb'-O1	2.300(8)		
-O1	2.315(3)	-O1	2.354(8)		
-O3	3.263(3)	-O3	3.17(1)		
-O3	3.368(3)	-O3	3.231(8)		
-O4	3.160(4)	-O4	3.26(1)		
-O5	3.217(4)	-O5	3.03(2)		
-O7	3.145(4)	-O7	2.94(2)		
-O7	3.201(3)	-O7	3.231(8)		
-O8H	2.245(3)	-O8H	2.46(2)		
Ave.	2.912		2.894		

Table 5. Calculated bond-valence sums for rongibbsite.

	O1	O2	O3	O4	O5	O6	O7	O8H	Sum
Pb	0.615 0.578		0.045 0.033	0.059	0.050x2↓		0.061 0.053	0.698x2↓	1.792
Pb'	0.600 0.520		0.057 0.049	0.045	0.085x2↓		0.106 0.049	0.391x2↓	0.397
T1	1.003	1.008x2↓	1.025	1.014					4.050
T2				0.947	0.922x2↓	0.945x2↓	0.937		3.751
T3			0.830x2→				0.885x2→		3.430
Sum	2.181	2.016	1.938	2.017	1.958	1.890	1.944	1.273	

Note: The bond-valence sum contributions from Pb and Pb' were scaled by a factor 0.80 and 0.20, respectively, because of the partial occupancies of Pb in these two sites.