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2 **On the mineralogy of the “Anthropocene Epoch”**

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10 **ABSTRACT**

11 The “Anthropocene Epoch” has been proposed as a new post-Holocene geological time
12 interval—a period characterized by the pervasive impact of human activities on the geological
13 record. Prior to the influence of human technologies, the diversity and distribution of minerals at
14 or near Earth’s surface arose through physical, chemical, and/or biological processes. Since the
15 advent of human mining and manufacturing, particularly since the industrial revolution of the
16 mid-eighteenth century, mineral-like compounds have experienced a punctuation event in
17 diversity and distribution owing to the pervasive impact of human activities. We catalog 206
18 mineral species approved by the International Mineralogical Association that occur principally or
19 exclusively as a consequence of human processes. At least three types of human activities have
20 affected the diversity and distribution of minerals and mineral-like compounds in ways that
21 might be reflected in the worldwide stratigraphic record. The most obvious influence is the
22 widespread occurrence of synthetic mineral-like compounds, some of which are manufactured
23 directly for applications (e.g., YAG crystals for lasers; Portland cement) and others that arise
24 indirectly (e.g., alteration of mine tunnel walls; weathering products of mine dumps and slag). A

25 second human influence on the distribution of Earth's near-surface minerals relates to large-scale
26 movements of rocks and sediments—sites where large volumes of rocks and minerals have been
27 removed. Finally, humans have become relentlessly efficient in redistributing select natural
28 minerals, such as gemstones and fine mineral specimens, across the globe. All three influences
29 are likely to be preserved as distinctive stratigraphic markers far into the future.

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INTRODUCTION

36 Do humans play a significant role in Earth's mineral evolution? In the earliest analyses of
37 Earth's changing mineralogy through deep time (Zhabin 1979, 1981; Yushkin 1982; Hazen et al.
38 2008; Hazen and Ferry 2010; Krivovichev 2013), the influences of human activities received
39 only peripheral mention. The 10 stages of mineral evolution proposed by Hazen et al. (2008)
40 relate only to pre-technological physical, chemical, and biological processes. Nevertheless,
41 questions related to human influences on Earth's mineralogy remain of interest and importance.
42 In comments on publications, as well as in discussions following seminars on mineral evolution,
43 one of the most frequent questions has been whether we are now in "Stage 11"—a time when
44 mineral diversity is experiencing a punctuation event owing to the pervasive near-surface effects
45 of human industrial society. In this contribution we consider the nature and implications of
46 "Anthropocene mineralogy."

47 Though yet to be confirmed by the International Union of Geological Sciences, there is
48 growing advocacy for formal recognition of the "Anthropocene Epoch," the successor of the
49 Holocene Epoch, to characterize the present time within the Quaternary Period [e.g., Zalasiewicz
50 et al. 2008; Waters et al. 2016; however, see Finney and Edwards (2016) for a contrary view].
51 The Anthropocene Epoch, based on terminology proposed many decades ago (e.g., Steffen et al.
52 2011 and references therein), would be defined as commencing when human activities began to
53 have a significant impact on Earth's near-surface environment on a global scale, including the
54 atmosphere, oceans, and sediments. Opinions differ regarding the most appropriate starting date
55 for the Anthropocene Epoch. Some scholars have suggested a time associated with the advent of
56 near-surface mining and smelting technologies in classic times (e.g., Ruddiman 2003; Smith and
57 Zeder 2013), though such alterations of Earth's surface were not global in scale. Others promote

58 a starting date correlating with the industrial revolution of the eighteenth century, when
59 widespread burning of carbon-based fuels led to an increase in atmospheric CO₂ (Zalasiewicz et
60 al. 2008; Edgeworth et al. 2015; Ellis et al. 2013; Lewis et al. 2015). Alternatively, several
61 geochemists have recently advocated 1950 as the starting year, based on pervasive worldwide
62 isotopic markers related to nuclear weapons testing programs (Zalasiewicz et al. 2015).

63 Whatever the specific starting date, an important aspect of characterizing the Anthropocene
64 Epoch is achieving an understanding of human influences on the diversity and distribution of
65 minerals and mineral-like compounds. This question of “Anthropocene mineralogy” has been
66 addressed by Zalasiewicz et al. (2013), who focus on the fascinating question of the impacts that
67 present-day human activities might have on the stratigraphic record of the Anthropocene Epoch.
68 In particular, what synthetic mineral-like compounds, such as durable metal alloys, carbide
69 abrasives, and laser crystals, might be preserved as distinctive marker compounds in the distant
70 future? In Zalasiewicz et al.’s contribution, which appeared as part of a more comprehensive
71 analysis of Anthropocene stratigraphy (Waters et al. 2013) sponsored by the Geological Society
72 (London), they argue that mineral-like phases synthesized by humans are pervasive, that they
73 constitute distinctive stratigraphic markers for the Anthropocene Epoch, and that they deserve
74 more detailed mineralogical consideration. They conclude: “The growing geological and societal
75 significance of this phenomena is now great enough for human-made minerals to be formally
76 listed and catalogued by the IMA.”

77 The formal definition of a mineral lies at the heart of this discussion. Nickel and Grice (1995),
78 citing Nickel (1995a) on behalf of the Commission on New Minerals and Mineral Names of the
79 International Mineralogical Association (now Commission on New Minerals, Nomenclature and
80 Classification, abbreviated to IMA CNMNC), defined a mineral as “a naturally occurring solid

81 that has been formed by geological processes, either on Earth or in extraterrestrial bodies.” It has
82 long been recognized that many minerals have also been synthesized, though the mineral name
83 need not reflect the name of the synthetic equivalent. Nickel (1995b) underscores the opinion
84 that “mineral names should be given only to naturally occurring substances.” Thus, the synthetic
85 products of human industry and commerce, even those that might be preserved for millions of
86 years in the stratigraphic record, are not currently the purview of the IMA CNMNC and
87 consequently are not recognized as minerals (though there is nothing to prevent a more detailed
88 and thoughtful cataloging of such compounds as a supplement to lists of minerals).

89 Zalasiewicz et al. (2013) did not consider a more ambiguous category of mineral-like
90 compounds that include what might be termed “human-mediated minerals”—crystalline
91 compounds that form indirectly by natural physical, chemical, and biological processes, but as an
92 inadvertent consequence of human modifications to the environment. The IMA Commission has
93 addressed this question in some detail (see Text Box 1). Their statement highlights the varied and
94 nuanced character of mineral-like substances that arise in part or in toto by human activities.
95 Given the increased recognition of, and interest in, human influences on Earth’s near-surface
96 environment, we feel that a more comprehensive understanding and analysis of the mineralogical
97 nature of the Anthropocene Epoch is warranted.

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99 **Text Box 1:** IMA statement on “anthropogenic substances” (from Nickel and Grice, 1998):

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101 Anthropogenic substances, *i.e.* those made by Man, are not regarded as minerals. However, there are
102 other cases in which human intervention in the creation of a substance is less direct, and the borderline
103 between mineral and non-mineral can be unclear. One such case is the occurrence of new substances
104 that owe their origin, at least in part, to human activities such as mining or quarrying. If such substances

105 are formed purely as a result of the exposure of existing rock or minerals to the atmosphere or to the
106 effects of groundwater, they can generally be accepted as minerals. However, if their occurrence is due,
107 at least in part, to the interaction of existing minerals with substances of non-geological origin such as
108 blasting powder, corroded human artifacts or industrially contaminated water, then such products are
109 not to be regarded as minerals.

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111 Substances formed by combustion are not generally regarded as minerals. A contentious issue is the
112 occurrence of substances in the combustion products of coal mines, waste dumps or peat bogs. The
113 origin of a particular fire is often difficult to determine, and therefore the possibility of human
114 intervention cannot be entirely eliminated, nor can the possibility of human artifacts contributing to the
115 combustion products. It has therefore been decided that, as a general rule, products of combustion are
116 not to be considered as minerals in the future.

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118 Another contentious issue is whether substances formed by the action of air or water on anthropogenic
119 substances should be regarded as minerals. A well-known example is that of the Laurium “minerals”
120 formed by the reaction of seawater with ancient metallurgical slags. A potential problem with accepting
121 similar products as minerals in the modern age is that a multitude of unusual substances could be
122 created purposely by exposing exotic Man-made materials to the influence of weathering agents, and it
123 would not be appropriate to give such substances the same status as minerals formed entirely by
124 geological processes. It was therefore decided that substances formed from Man-made materials by
125 geological agents should not be accepted as minerals in the future (Nickel 1995a). However, the
126 exclusion of such substances from the mineral lexicon does not preclude their description as artificial
127 substances.

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129 Substances that would not be accepted as minerals according to the above criteria, but which have been
130 accepted in the past are not to be automatically discredited as a result of the new rulings, as it is not our
131 intention to roll back the clock but rather to establish guidelines for the future.

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133 In particular, we focus on two aspects of what might be termed “Anthropocene
134 mineralogy”—the distinctive changes, most notably increases in the diversity and changes in the
135 near-surface distribution of minerals and mineral-like phases, associated with human activities.
136 First, we consider mineral diversity by exploring several different types of human-mediated
137 mineral-like compounds—both by directed synthesis and by indirect or secondary natural
138 processes—and proposing a taxonomy for these phases. We catalog two broad types of such
139 compounds: (1) phases from the more than 5100 approved IMA CNMNC mineral species that
140 occur exclusively or predominantly as an inadvertent consequence of human activities (Table 1),
141 and (2) examples of synthetic mineral-like phases (Table 2), many of which are not known to
142 occur naturally.

143 Second, we consider how human activities have altered the distribution of naturally
144 occurring minerals in Earth’s near-surface environment, most notably through large-scale
145 movements of rocks and sediments as a consequence of mining operations and the construction
146 of cities, waterways, and roads.

147 We conclude by returning to the important question of Zalasiewicz et al. (2013): if one were
148 to revisit Earth in tens of millions of years, what stratigraphic evidence might be preserved in the
149 form of the modified diversity and distribution of minerals and mineral-like compounds to
150 provide unambiguous markers for Earth’s “Anthropocene Epoch”?

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152 **TAXONOMY OF HUMAN-MEDIATED MINERAL-LIKE COMPOUNDS**

153 Minerals are by definition naturally occurring compounds formed by geological processes.
154 Strictly speaking, the term “natural” means compounds formed without any human intervention,

155 i.e., minerals are those compounds that would form in the absence of humankind. Human
156 activities can lead to the production of varied mineral-like compounds, both intentionally
157 through directed synthesis and inadvertently as alteration products following commercial
158 activities. Although the distinction between strictly natural processes and processes involving
159 human activity, i.e., anthropogenic, can be simply stated, pinpointing the distinction in some
160 cases can be difficult. Accordingly, we consider two broad categories of human-mediated
161 mineral-like compounds. Table 1 lists 206 IMA CNMNC-approved minerals that have been
162 reported either exclusively as inadvertent byproducts of human activities (Table 1A), or as
163 inadvertent human-mediated phases in some cases, but as natural phases (or phases suspected to
164 occur as such) in other cases (Table 1B). Compilation of Tables 1A and 1B began with reading
165 the “Occurrence” information in the *Handbook of Mineralogy* (Anthony et al. 1990-2003),
166 together with global searches of mineral databases, mainly mindat.org, for such key terms as
167 “artifact”, “coal”, “mine dump”, “museum”, and “slag.” However, inclusion of minerals in the
168 tables and the description of their paragenetic circumstances are based on the cited literature
169 (unless consulting the cited source proved impossible as indicated in the bibliography).

170 It should be noted that not all authors have clearly stated whether human mediation had a role
171 in the formation of the mineral under consideration. For example, a mineral collected from the
172 walls of a mine tunnel might be of primary origin and thus a legitimate species. However, some
173 mine-wall minerals are of secondary origin, forming as alteration products only because of the
174 unique temperature and humidity environments associated with the mine; such minerals are
175 considered to be mediated by human activities. In reading the literature, we have relied on
176 published evidence or interviews with mineral collectors familiar with the area to infer whether
177 human mediation was involved. A handful of minerals have been reported from more than one of

178 the categories considered in Table 1, but the minerals have been listed under only one category.
179 Note that in Table 1A we do not include nano-scale mineral-like compounds produced through
180 combustion, for example coal ash or fly ash minerals (e.g., National Research Council 2006).

181 Table 2 lists mineral-like phases that are produced intentionally through
182 industrial/commercial chemical processes, either as polycrystalline bulk materials such as
183 cement and porcelain (Tables 2A) or as synthetic crystals (Table 2B).

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185 *Mineral-like phases produced inadvertently as a consequence of human activities*

186 Table 1A lists under different paragenetic categories the names and chemical formulas of 90
187 IMA CNMNC-approved minerals that are known or suspected to form exclusively as byproducts
188 of human activities, including species associated with post-mine alteration (e.g., metamunirite;
189 Fig. 1A), weathering of ore dumps, mineralization on mine walls and timbers, and mine water
190 precipitates. Additional phases were identified in the piping networks of hydrothermal systems,
191 notably Larderello, Tuscany, Italy (Cipriani 1957; Cipriani and Vannuccini 1961; Ciriotti et al.
192 2009), as corrosion products on archeological artifacts (e.g., abhurite; Fig. 1B; Gelaude et al.
193 1996) or mining artifacts (e.g., simonkolleite; Fig. 1C), and in the alteration of specimens in
194 museum collections (Van Tassel 1945).

195 Of special interest are minerals found associated with ancient lead-zinc mine and slag
196 localities, including some possibly dating from the Bronze Age (Kaprun, Austria; Kolitsch and
197 Brandstätter 2009), others from as far back as 300 AD, as in the Harz, Germany (van den Berg
198 and von Loon 1990). The best known and most prolific slag localities are near the coast of
199 Lavrion (also known as Laurion or Laurium), Attiki Prefecture, Greece (e.g., Lacroix 1896;
200 Hanauer and Heinrich 1977; Gelaude et al. 1996; Kolitsch et al. 2014). These deposits have

201 yielded more than a dozen hydrous chloride phases formed by interaction of slag with seawater,
202 for example, fiedlerite (Fig. 1D) and nealite (Fig. 1E)—at least 7 of which were first described at
203 Lavrion (Palache et al. 1951; Kohlberger 1976). A unique category comprises a Fe-Ta
204 intermetallic and two Ta-Nb carbides from Middle Ural placers, more likely the Nizhnii Tagil
205 ultramafic massif (Pekov 1998). Pekov reviewed the puzzling and mysterious history of these
206 compounds; our conclusion from Pekov's (1998) discussion is that a natural origin is most
207 unlikely, and that possibly synthetic material had been deliberately sent to mineralogists for
208 study.

209 Some of these human-mediated minerals, though no longer conforming to IMA CNMNC
210 requirements for new species, were approved prior to the IMA CNMNC statements of 1995.
211 Nickel and Grice (1998) decided that substances already accepted in the past are not to be
212 automatically discredited as a result of the new rulings, as it was their intention to establish
213 guidelines for the future.

214 The 116 minerals listed in Table 1B are representative of the diverse crystalline phases that
215 occur both through human and natural processes; however, Table 1B is not comprehensive. For
216 example, a total of 254 mineral-like compounds have been reported from coal mine dump fires in
217 the Chelyabinsk coal basin (e.g., Kopeisk), southern Urals, Russia (Chesnokov et al. 2008;
218 Sharygin 2015), of which 183 have naturally occurring analogues. A comparable diversity has
219 been described in detail from the Anna I coal mine dump in Aachen region, Germany (Witzke et
220 al. 2015). Moreover, many more species are known primarily through natural processes, but also
221 occur as inadvertent byproducts of human activities. For example, calcite (CaCO_3), gypsum
222 ($\text{CaSO}_4 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$), and halite (NaCl) are phases that occur in the white efflorescence that commonly
223 coats weathered concrete masonry units (i.e., “cinder blocks;” Walloch et al. 1995), whereas the

224 green “verdigris” coating on copper metal may include atacamite and paratacamite [both
225 $\text{Cu}_2(\text{OH})_3\text{Cl}$], malachite [$\text{Cu}_2\text{CO}_3(\text{OH})_2$], and a variety of hydrous copper sulfates (Fitzgerald et
226 al. 1998). The majority of phases reported in Table 1B are associated with mining, especially
227 post-mine alteration of ore minerals. Several additional phases in Table 1B arise through the
228 weathering of ancient metal artifacts, heating in prehistoric sacrificial burning sites, or alteration
229 of specimens in museum collections. Thus, primarily human-mediated minerals may represent as
230 many as six percent of the more than 5100 IMA approved mineral species.

231 However, we should note that a number of minerals listed in Tables 1A and 1B, which
232 apparently do not conform to IMA CNMNC requirements for new species, were approved after
233 the 1995 (and again in 1998) publication of guidelines. Such species were approved possibly
234 owing to the difficulty in evaluating if a potential new mineral “owes its origin, at least in part, to
235 human activities such as mining or quarrying. If such substances are formed purely as a result of
236 the exposure of existing rock or minerals to the atmosphere or to the effects of groundwater, they
237 can generally be accepted as minerals.” A case in point is the occurrence at Mont Saint-Hilaire,
238 Quebec of chalconatronite (Fig. 1F), which Andrew McDonald (personal communication)
239 reports as found in interstices amongst the blocks of sodalite syenite xenoliths. If chalconatronite
240 had formed during exposure by quarrying to subaerial weathering, then chalconatronite can be
241 considered a bona fide mineral at Mont Saint-Hilaire by the IMA CNMNC criterion cited above.
242 In other words, whether a compound is a valid mineral or not depends on how its origin is
243 interpreted, introducing thereby another source of uncertainty in the evaluation of new mineral
244 proposals. This situation allows for approval of some new minerals that may not have an entirely
245 natural origin (Tables 1A and 1B).

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247 *Synthetic mineral-like compounds*

248 Modern technology and commerce is dependent on myriad synthetic inorganic compounds
249 (e.g., Warner 2011; Schubert and Hüsing 2012; Rao and Biswas 2015). Accordingly, Table 2
250 lists a wide variety of mineral-like synthetic phases that are intentional byproducts of human
251 commercial activities. These varied compounds differ from those in Table 1 in that they arise
252 from directed chemical reactions—industrial processes undertaken with the intention of
253 producing crystalline materials with useful properties. In this regard, the relationship of phases in
254 Tables 1 to those in Table 2 is in some ways analogous to the division of biominerals into
255 “indirect” versus “directed” compounds (Mann 2001; Perry et al. 2007). Indirect biominerals
256 (what Perry et al. 2007 refer to as “organominerals”) include a host of microbially precipitated
257 ore minerals and other phases (e.g., Southam and Saunders 2005; Yang et al. 2011) that arise
258 through local biologically mediated changes in chemical environments. By contrast, directed
259 biomineralization leads to the formation of functional hard parts, including shells, teeth, and
260 bones (Weiner and Addadi 1997; Skinner and Jahren 2003).

261 Table 2, similarly, lists “functional” phases that are manufactured through directed processes.
262 Fine-grained crystalline constituents of cement, porcelain, bricks, and other manufactured
263 polycrystalline materials appear in Table 2A. Several of these products arise from the high-
264 temperature firing of clay-bearing starting materials. Thus principal constituents of porcelain
265 (“china,” typically fired at $1200 < T < 1400^{\circ}\text{C}$) are mullite plus cristobalite; those of
266 “earthenware” ($1000 < T < 1150^{\circ}\text{C}$) include quartz and feldspar; whereas fired bricks ($900 < T <$
267 1000°C) incorporate quartz, mullite, and diopside, as well as hematite in red bricks (Chaudhuri
268 and Sarker 1995; Cultrone et al. 2005).

269 The mineral-like compounds in hydraulic cements (including portland cement) have received

270 special attention for their complexity, diversity, and evolution as cement cures (e.g., Taylor
271 1997). The four principal “mineral” components of cement are “alite” or “C₃S” (ideally Ca₃SiO₅,
272 though invariably with minor Mg, Na, Fe, Al, and P), “belite” or “C₂S” (ideally Ca₂SiO₄, but
273 commonly with many impurities, including Na, Mg, K, Fe, Al, and S), tricalcium aluminate or
274 “C₃A” (Ca₃Al₂O₆), and tetracalcium aluminoferrite or “C₄AF” (ideally Ca₂AlFe³⁺O₅, the mineral
275 brownmillerite, though commonly with significant Mg and Ti, as well). The calcium aluminate,
276 CaAl₂O₄, or CA₂, though the main constituent in cement valued for high sulfate resistance (e.g.,
277 Kahlenberg 2001), is extremely rare in nature—the mineral krotite has to date been reported
278 from a single microscopic Ca-, Al-rich inclusion (CAI) in the Northwest Africa (NWA) 1934
279 meteorite (Ma et al. 2011). Complexity arises from multiple structure types for anhydrous C₃S
280 and C₂S, as well as numerous hydrated variants of the four principal phases—compounds that
281 are critical to the curing and strength of cement. Portlandite [Ca(OH)₂] also constitutes an
282 important mineral-like phase in cured concrete. Note that, with the exception of the contact
283 metamorphic minerals hatrurite (natural high-temperature C₃S), larnite (β-Ca₂SiO₄), calcio-
284 olivine (γ-Ca₂SiO₄), brownmillerite (natural C₄AF), and krotite, most of these mineral-like
285 phases have not been found in nature. Calcio-olivine (γ-Ca₂SiO₄) is a polymorph of C₂S, but it
286 does not hydrate and is therefore avoided in cement manufacturing.

287 Table 2B lists examples of synthetic crystals and crystalline phases employed in a variety of
288 technological and commercial applications. Some of these phases are well known as minerals,
289 including most synthetic gemstones and abrasives (in both cases including diamond and
290 corundum), which are designed to mimic the physical behaviors of natural crystals. By contrast,
291 there are exceedingly rare minerals such as an unnamed B₄C (Kaminsky et al. 2016); qingsongite
292 (BN), which is the natural analog of the widely used abrasive “Borazon” (Dobrzhinetskaya et al.

293 2014); and kyawthuite, $\text{Bi}^{3+}\text{Sb}^{5+}\text{O}_4$, which is only known in nature from a single faceted
294 gemstone from Mogok, Myanmar, whereas the synthetic form has been extensively employed in
295 ceramics and as a catalyst (Kampf et al. 2016f). However, many phases in Table 2B, notably
296 those designed for use in magnets, batteries, phosphors, and varied electronic and optical
297 applications, are not yet known to occur in nature owing to their controlled compositions
298 incorporating one or more rare elements. Large-scale production of metals and alloys provides
299 another distinctive class of crystalline phases that characterize human civilization.

300 Of special importance are numerous synthetic crystals that incorporate one or more dopant
301 elements. Common examples include Al- and P-doped silicon semiconductors; Mn-doped zinc
302 silicate and phosphate phosphors; and varied laser crystals, including ruby (Cr-doped corundum)
303 and Nd-doped yttrium aluminum garnet, or “YAG”.

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305 **IMPLICATIONS: MINERALOGICAL MARKERS OF THE ANTHROPOCENE EPOCH**

306 At least three consequences of human activities have affected the diversity and distribution of
307 minerals and mineral-like compounds in ways that might be reflected in the worldwide
308 stratigraphic record. The most obvious influence—the one examined by Zalasiewicz et al. (2013)
309 and in Table 2—is the widespread occurrence of synthetic mineral-like materials. These diverse
310 human products are likely to survive far longer than most of the indirect human-mediated
311 minerals of Table 1.

312 Prior to human activities, the most significant “punctuation event” in the diversity of
313 crystalline compounds on Earth followed the Great Oxidation Event. Hazen et al. (2008)
314 estimated that as many as two-thirds of Earth’s more than 5000 mineral species arose as a
315 consequence of the biologically-mediated rise of oxygen at ~2.4 to 2.2 Ga. By comparison, the

316 production of the more than 180,000 inorganic crystalline compounds (as tabulated in the
317 Inorganic Crystal Structure Database; <http://icsd.fiz-karlsruhe.de>) reflects a far more extensive
318 and rapid punctuation event. Human ingenuity has led to a host of crystalline compounds that
319 never before existed in the Solar System, and perhaps in the universe. Thus, from a materials
320 perspective (and in contrast to Earth's vulnerable biodiversity), the Anthropocene Epoch is an
321 era of unparalleled inorganic compound diversification.

322 Perhaps the most pervasive, persistent, and unambiguous anthropogenic mineral-like phases
323 are those employed in constructing buildings and roads, notably reinforced concrete, a composite
324 material of steel rebar embedded in concrete. Resilient polycrystalline materials, including
325 bricks, earthenware, porcelain, and cement, along with a variety of glass, serve as additional
326 obvious Anthropocene marker "lithologies." Another anthropogenic impact is transport over
327 long distances of building stone from its original location, often cut into rectangular blocks and
328 sculptural forms, to new sites such as roads, bridges, monuments, kitchen counters, and the
329 infrastructure of cities—in effect, a redistribution of "anthropogenic xenoliths" rivaling natural
330 redistribution by glaciers. Examples for preservation of such materials under geological
331 conditions are the Roman cities Pompeii and Herculaneum buried under volcanic ash in AD 79
332 and the ancient city of Alexandria buried during subsidence under the Mediterranean Sea.

333 Robust crystalline materials such as silicon "chips" for semiconductors, carbide grits for
334 abrasives, YAG crystals for lasers, and a variety of specialty metals and alloys for magnets,
335 machine parts, and tools are less volumetrically significant and more localized, but equally
336 distinctive as anthropogenic phases. As with many paleontological sites (limestone reefs or
337 Lagerstätten, for example), many of these synthetic materials will be preserved in lens-like
338 concentrations, representing collapsed buildings, parking lots, solid waste sites, or other

339 localized environments.

340 A second human influence on the distribution of Earth's near-surface minerals relates to
341 large-scale movements of rocks and sediments—sites where large volumes of rocks and minerals
342 have been removed. Mining operations have stripped the near-surface environment of ores and
343 fossil fuels, leaving large open pits, tunnel complexes, and, in the case of strip mining, sheared
344 off mountaintops. In these instances, the absence of mineral concentrations provides “index
345 fossils” of human commerce. Roadcuts, tunnels, and embankments represent further distinctively
346 human modifications of the landscape—what Zalasiewicz and colleagues (Zalasiewicz et al.
347 2014) have termed “human bioturbation”.

348 Finally, humans have become relentlessly efficient in redistributing natural minerals across
349 the globe. Diamonds, rubies, emeralds, sapphires, and a host of semi-precious stones,
350 accompanied by concentrations of gold, silver, and platinum, are found in shops and households
351 in every corner of the globe. And, perhaps most distinctive of all, hundreds of thousands of
352 individuals around the world have amassed collections of fine mineral specimens—
353 accumulations that juxtapose mineral species that would not occur naturally in combination.
354 From modest beginner sets of more common minerals to the world's greatest museums, these
355 collections, if buried in the stratigraphic record and subsequently unearthed in the distant future,
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357 kingdom.

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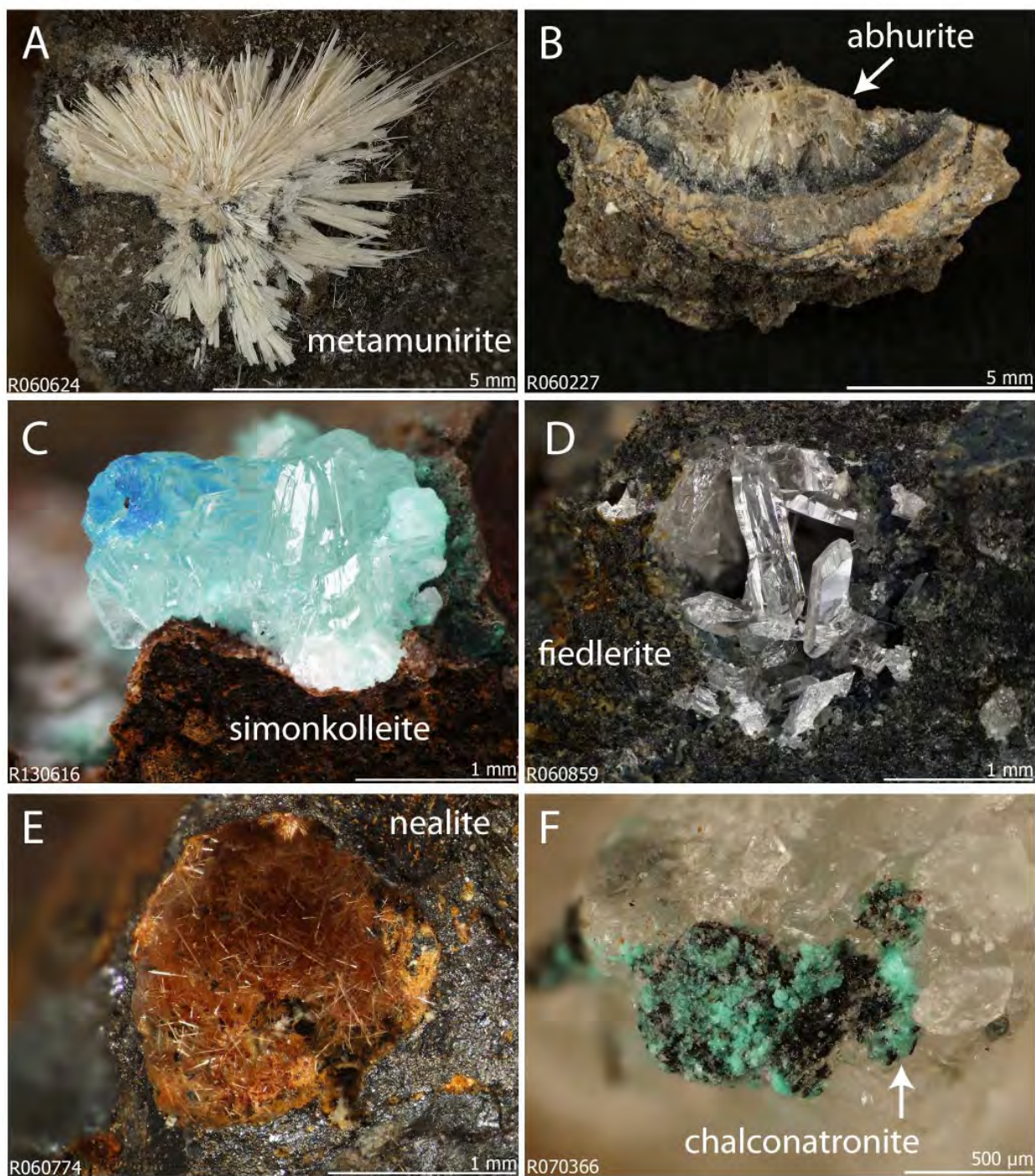
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1090 Figure 1. Anthropogenic minerals from the RRUFF collection (Downs 2006). A. Tan-colored
1091 divergent radial spray of bladed crystals of metamunirite (NaV⁵⁺O₃), Big Gypsum Valley, San
1092 Miguel County, Colorado. B. Aggregate of tan-colored platy crystals of abhurite
1093 (Sn²⁺₂₁O₆(OH)₁₄Cl₁₆) from the wreck of the *SS Cheerful*, 14 miles NNW of St. Ives, Cornwall,

1094 England. C. Colorless hexagonal tabular crystals of simonkollite ($Zn_5(OH)_8Cl_2 \cdot H_2O$) associated
1095 with blue platy crystals of composition $CuZnCl(OH)_3$ on a copper mining artifact, Rowley mine,
1096 Maricopa County, Arizona. D. Colorless prismatic crystals of fiedlerite ($Pb_3Cl_4F(OH) \cdot H_2O$)
1097 associated with phosgenite, polytype 1A, from a Lavrion slag locality, Greece. E. Reddish brown
1098 acicular crystals of nealite ($Pb_4Fe(AsO_3)_2Cl_4 \cdot 2H_2O$) coating a vug, from an Oxygon slag locality,
1099 Lavrion, Greece. F. Blue fine-grained crust of chalconatronite ($Na_2Cu(CO_3)_2 \cdot 3H_2O$), Mont Saint-
1100 Hilaire, Quebec, Canada.

Table 1A: List of minerals reported exclusively as human-mediated phases with no confirmed natural occurrences

I. Mine-associated ("post-mine") minerals	Number of localities	Formula	Type locality; other localities	Reference
A. Alteration phases recovered from ore dumps:				
delrioite	3	$\text{Sr}(\text{V}^{5+}\text{O}_3)_2 \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Jo Dandy Mine, Paradox Valley, Montrose County, Colorado	Thompson and Sherwood (1959)
metadelrioite	2	$\text{SrCa}(\text{VO}_3)_2(\text{OH})_2$	Jo Dandy Mine, Paradox Valley, Montrose County, Colorado	Smith (1970)
rosièresite (questionable species)	2	$\text{Pb}_x\text{Cu}_y\text{Al}_z(\text{PO}_4)_m \cdot n\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Rosières, Carmaux, France; Huelgoat, Finistère, France	Berthier (1841); Lacroix (1910)
schuetteite	15	$\text{Hg}_3\text{O}_2(\text{SO}_4)$	Ocean mine dump, San Luis Obispo County, California	Bailey et al. (1959)
smrkovecité	2	$\text{Bi}_2\text{O}(\text{PO}_4)(\text{OH})$	Smrkovec, Czech Republic	Řídkošil et al. (1996)
wheatleyite	1	$\text{Na}_2\text{Cu}(\text{C}_2\text{O}_4)_2 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Wheatley mines, Chester County, Pennsylvania	Rouse et al. (1986)
widgiemoolthalite	1	$\text{Ni}_5(\text{CO}_3)_4(\text{OH})_2 \cdot 4\text{-}5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	132 North mine, Widgiemooltha, Australia	Nickel et al. (1993)
B. Alteration phases associated with mine tunnel walls				
Adolfpateraite	1	$\text{K}(\text{UO}_2)(\text{SO}_4)(\text{OH}) \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$	Jáchymov, western Bohemia, Czech Republic	Plášil et al. (2012)
albrechtschraufite	1	$\text{Ca}_4\text{Mg}(\text{UO}_2)_2(\text{CO}_3)_6\text{F}_2 \cdot 17\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Jáchymov, western Bohemia, Czech Republic	Mereiter (2013)
alwilksinite-(Y)	1	$\text{Y}(\text{UO}_2)_3(\text{SO}_4)_2\text{O}(\text{OH})_3 \cdot 14\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Blue Lizard mine, San Juan County, Utah	Kampf et al. (2016a)
apexite	1	$\text{NaMg}(\text{PO}_4) \cdot 9\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Apex Mine, Austin, Lander County, Nevada,	Kampf et al. (2015c)
běhounekite	1	$\text{U}^{4+}(\text{SO}_4)_2 \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Jáchymov, western Bohemia, Czech Republic	Plášil et al. (2011a)
belakovskiite	1	$\text{Na}_7(\text{UO}_2)(\text{SO}_4)_4(\text{SO}_3\text{OH}) \cdot 3\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Blue Lizard mine, San Juan County, Utah	Kampf et al. (2014a)
bluelizardite	1	$\text{Na}_7(\text{UO}_2)(\text{SO}_4)_4\text{Cl} \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Blue Lizard mine, San Juan County, Utah	Plášil et al. (2014a)
bobcookite	1	$\text{NaAl}(\text{UO}_2)_2(\text{SO}_4)_4 \cdot 18\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Blue Lizard mine, San Juan County, Utah	Kampf et al. (2015a)
calciodelrioite	3	$\text{Ca}(\text{VO}_3)_2 \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$	West Sunday Mine, Slick Rock District, San Miguel	Kampf et al. (2012b)

			County, Colorado	
canavesite	2	$Mg_2(HBO_3)(CO_3) \cdot 5H_2O$	Brosso mine, Piedmont, Italy	Ferraris et al. (1978)
cobaltoblödite	1	$Na_2Co(SO_4)_2 \cdot 4H_2O$	Blue Lizard mine, San Juan County, UT	Kasatkin et al. (2013)
cobaltzippeite	2	$Co(UO_2)_2(SO_4)O_2 \cdot 3.5H_2O$	Happy Jack mine, San Juan County, UT	Frondel et al. (1976)
fermiite	1	$Na_4(UO_2)(SO_4)_3 \cdot 3H_2O$	Blue Lizard mine, San Juan County, UT	Kampf et al. (2015b)
gatewayite	1	$Ca_6(As^{3+}V^{4+}_3V^{5+}_9As^{5+}_6O_{51}) \cdot 31H_2O$	Packrat Mine, Gateway District, Mesa County, Colorado	Kampf et al. (2015d)
geschieberite	1	$K_2(UO_2)(SO_4)_2 \cdot 2H_2O$	Jáchymov, western Bohemia, Czech Republic	Plášil et al. (2015a)
gunterite	1	$Na_4(H_2O)_{16}(H_2V_{10}O_{28}) \cdot 6H_2O$	Sunday Mine, Slick Rock District, San Miguel County, Colorado	Kampf et al. (2011a)
hughesite	3	$Na_3AlV_{10}O_{28} \cdot 22H_2O$	Sunday Mine, Slick Rock District, San Miguel County, Colorado	Rakovan et al. (2011)
jáchymovite	3	$(UO_2)_8(SO_4)(OH)_{14} \cdot 13H_2O$	Jáchymov, western Bohemia, Czech Republic	Čejka et al. (1996)
ježekite	1	$Na_8[(UO_2)(CO_3)_3](SO_4)_2 \cdot 3H_2O$	Jáchymov, western Bohemia, Czech Republic	Plášil et al. (2015b)
kegginite	1	$Pb_3Ca_3[AsV_{12}O_{40}(VO)] \cdot 20H_2O$	Packrat Mine, Gateway District, Mesa County, Colorado	Kampf et al. (2016e)
klaprothite	1	$Na_6(UO_2)(SO_4)_4 \cdot 4H_2O$	Blue Lizard mine, San Juan County, UT	Kampf et al. (2016b)
kokinosite	1	$Na_2Ca_2(V_{10}O_{28}) \cdot 24H_2O$	St Jude Mine, Slick Rock District, San Miguel County, Colorado,	Kampf et al. (2016d)
línekite	1	$K_2Ca_3[(UO_2)(CO_3)_3]_2 \cdot 7H_2O$	Jáchymov, western Bohemia, Czech Republic	Plášil et al. (2013a)
magnesiozippeite	>4	$Mg(UO_2)_2(SO_4)O_2 \cdot 3.5H_2O$	Lucky Strike No.2 mine, Emery County, UT	Frondel et al. (1976)
manganoblödite	2	$Na_2Mn(SO_4)_2 \cdot 4H_2O$	Blue Lizard mine, San Juan County, UT	Kasatkin et al. (2013)
marécottite	1	$Mg_3O_6(UO_2)_8(SO_4)_4(OH)_2 \cdot 28H_2O$	La Creusaz deposit, Valais, Switzerland	Brugger et al. (2003)
mesaite	1	$CaMn^{2+}_5(V_2O_7)_3 \cdot 12H_2O$	Packrat Mine, Gateway District, Mesa County, Colorado	Kampf et al. (2015e)
mathesiusite	1	$K_5(UO_2)_4(SO_4)_4(VO_5) \cdot 4H_2O$	Jáchymov, western Bohemia, Czech Republic	Plášil et al. (2014b)
meisserite	1	$Na_5(UO_2)(SO_4)_3(SO_3OH) \cdot H_2O$	Blue Lizard mine, San Juan County, UT	Plášil et al. (2013b)

metamunirite	10	$\text{NaV}^{5+}\text{O}_3$	Burro Mine, Slick Rock district, San Miguel County, Colorado	Evans (1991)
morrisonite	1	$\text{Ca}_{11}(\text{As}^{3+}\text{V}^{4+}_2\text{V}^{5+}_{10}\text{As}^{5+}_6\text{O}_{51})_2 \cdot 78\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Packrat Mine, Gateway District, Mesa County, Colorado	Kampf et al. (2015f)
nickelzippeite	5	$\text{Ni}_2(\text{UO}_2)_6(\text{SO}_4)_3(\text{OH})_{10} \cdot 16\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Happy Jack mine, San Juan County, UT	Fron del et al. (1976)
oppenheimerite	1	$\text{Na}_2(\text{UO}_2)(\text{SO}_4)_2 \cdot 3\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Blue Lizard mine, San Juan County, UT	Kampf et al. (2015b)
ottohahnite	1	$\text{Na}_2(\text{UO}_2)(\text{SO}_4)_2 \cdot 3\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Blue Lizard mine, San Juan County, UT	Kampf et al. (2016c)
packratite	1	$\text{Ca}_{11}(\text{As}^{3+}\text{V}^{5+}_{10}\text{V}^{4+}_2\text{As}^{5+}_6\text{O}_{51})_2 \cdot 83\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Packrat Mine, Gateway District, Mesa County, Colorado	Kampf et al. (2014e)
péligotite	1	$\text{Na}_6(\text{UO}_2)(\text{SO}_4)_4 \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Blue Lizard mine, San Juan County, UT	Kampf et al. (2016d)
plášilite	1	$\text{Na}(\text{UO}_2)(\text{SO}_4)(\text{OH}) \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Blue Lizard mine, San Juan County, UT	Kampf et al. (2014b)
pseudojohannite	>6	$\text{Cu}_3(\text{UO}_2)_4\text{O}_4(\text{SO}_4)_2(\text{OH})_2 \cdot 12\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Jáchymov, western Bohemia, Czech Republic	Brugger et al. (2006)
rakovanite	2	$\text{Na}_3\text{H}_3\text{V}_{10}\text{O}_{28} \cdot 15\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Sunday and west Sunday Mines, Slick Rock District, San Miguel County, Colorado	Kampf et al. (2011b)
schindlerite	1	$(\text{NH}_4)_4\text{Na}_2(\text{V}^{5+}_{10}\text{O}_{28}) \cdot 10\text{H}_2\text{O}$	St Jude Mine, Slick Rock District, San Miguel County, Colorado,	Kampf et al. (2013)
sejkoraite-(Y)	1	$\text{Y}_2[(\text{UO}_2)_8\text{O}_6(\text{SO}_4)_4(\text{OH})_2] \cdot 26\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Jáchymov, western Bohemia, Czech Republic	Plášil et al. (2011b)
slavkovite	3	$\text{Cu}_{13}(\text{AsO}_4)_6(\text{AsO}_3\text{OH})_4 \cdot 23\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Jáchymov, western Bohemia, Czech Republic	Sejkora et al. (2010)
Štěpíte	1	$\text{U}(\text{AsO}_3\text{OH})_2 \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Jáchymov, western Bohemia, Czech Republic	Plášil et al. (2013c)
svornostite	1	$\text{K}_2\text{Mg}[(\text{UO}_2)(\text{SO}_4)_2]_2 \cdot 8\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Jáchymov, western Bohemia, Czech Republic	Plášil et al. (2015c)
vanarsite	1	$\text{NaCa}_{12}(\text{As}^{3+}\text{V}^{5+}_{8.5}\text{V}^{4+}_{3.5}\text{As}^{5+}_6\text{O}_{51})_2 \cdot 78\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Packrat Mine, Gateway District, Mesa County, Colorado	Kampf et al. (2014f)
vysokýite	1	$\text{U}^{4+}[\text{AsO}_2(\text{OH})_2]_4 \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Jáchymov, western Bohemia, Czech Republic	Plášil et al. (2015d)
wernerbaurite	1	$\{(\text{NH}_4)_2[\text{Ca}_2(\text{H}_2\text{O})_{14}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2]\{\text{V}^{5+}_{10}\text{O}_{28}\}$	St Jude Mine, Slick Rock District, San Miguel County, Colorado,	Kampf et al. (2013)
wetherillite	1	$\text{Na}_2\text{Mg}(\text{UO}_2)_2(\text{SO}_4)_4 \cdot 18\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Blue Lizard mine, San Juan County, UT	Kampf et al. (2015a)
zýkaite	7	$\text{Fe}^{3+}_4(\text{AsO}_4)_3(\text{SO}_4)(\text{OH}) \cdot 15\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Kaňk, Czech Republic	Čech et al. (1978)

C. Mine water precipitates				
bluestreakite	1	$K_4Mg_2(V^{4+}_2V^{5+}_8O_{28}) \cdot 14H_2O$	Blue Streak mine, Bull Canyon, Montrose County, Colorado	Kampf et al. (2014c)
ferrarisite	8	$Ca_5(AsO_3OH)_2(AsO_4)_2 \cdot 9H_2O$	Gabe Gottes mine, Alsace, France	Bari et al. (1980a)
fluckite	3	$CaMn^{2+}(AsO_3OH)_2 \cdot 2H_2O$	Gabe Gottes mine, Alsace, France	Bari et al. (1980b)
lannonite	2	$HCa_4Mg_2Al_4(SO_4)_8F_9 \cdot 32H_2O$	Lone Pine Mine, Catron Co., New Mexico	Williams and Cesbron (1983)
magnesiopascoite	4	$Ca_2Mg(V_{10}O_{28}) \cdot 16H_2O$	Blue Cap mine, San Juan County, Utah	Kampf and Steele (2008a)
martyite	2	$Zn_3V_2O_7(OH)_2 \cdot 2H_2O$	Blue Cap mine, San Juan County, Utah	Kampf and Steele (2008b)
phosphorrösslerite	3	$Mg(PO_3OH) \cdot 7H_2O$	Stübibau mine, Schellgaden, Austria	Friedrich and Robitsch (1939)
postite	2	$MgAl_2(V_{10}O_{28})(OH)_2 \cdot 27H_2O$	Vanadium Queen and Blue Cap mines, San Juan County, Utah	Kampf et al. (2012a)
D. Minerals found in slag or the walls of smelters:				
cetineite	6	$NaK_5Sb_{14}S_6O_{18} \cdot 6H_2O$	Le Cetine mine, Tuscany, Italy	Sabelli and Vezzalini (1987)
fiedlerite	6	$Pb_3Cl_4F(OH) \cdot H_2O$	Lavrion District slag localities, Greece	Merlino et al. (1994)
georgiadèsite	2	$Pb_4(As^{3+}O_3)Cl_4(OH)$	Lavrion District slag localities, Greece	Lacroix and de Schulten (1907)
nealite	4	$Pb_4Fe(AsO_3)_2Cl_4 \cdot 2H_2O$	Lavrion District slag localities, Greece	Dunn and Rouse (1980)
simonkolleite	8	$Zn_5(OH)_8Cl_2 \cdot H_2O$	Richelsdorf slags, Hesse, Germany	Schmetzer et al. (1985)
thorikosite	2	$Pb_3O_3Sb^{3+}(OH)Cl_2$	Lavrion District slag localities, Greece	Dunn and Rouse (1985)
E. Minerals associated with mine dump fires, including coal mine dumps:				
acetamide	1	CH_3CONH_2	dump in a coal mine, L'viv-Volynskii Coal Basin, Ukraine	Srebrodol'skiy (1975)

bazhenovite	6	$\text{Ca}_8\text{S}_5(\text{S}_2\text{O}_3)(\text{OH})_{12} \cdot 20\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Korkino, Chelyabinsk, Russia	Chesnokov et al. (2008)
cuprospinel	1	$\text{Cu}^{2+}\text{Fe}^{3+}_2\text{O}_4$	Consolidated Rambler mine, Baie Verte, Newfoundland, Canada	Nickel (1973)
downeyite	2	SeO_2	Forestville, Schuylkill County, Pennsylvania	Finkel and Mrose (1977)
guildite	1	$\text{CuFe}^{3+}(\text{SO}_4)_2(\text{OH}) \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$	United Verde mine, Yavapai County, Arizona	Lausen (1928)
hoelite	5	$\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_8\text{O}_2$	Mt. Pyramide, Spitsbergen	Oftedal (1922)
kladnoite	3	$\text{C}_6\text{H}_4(\text{CO})_2\text{NH}$	Libušín, Kladno coal basin, Czech Republic	Rost (1942)
laphamite	1	As_2Se_3	Burnside, Northumberland County, PA	Dunn et al. (1986)
lausenite	3	$\text{Fe}^{3+}_2(\text{SO}_4)_3 \cdot 5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	United Verde mine, Yavapai County, Arizona	"rogersite" Lausen (1928)
svyatoslavite	1	$\text{CaAl}_2\text{Si}_2\text{O}_8$	Coal Mine No. 45, Kopeisk, Russia	Chesnokov et al. (2008)
F. Interaction with mine timbers or leaf litter:				
paceite	1	$\text{CaCu}(\text{CH}_3\text{COO})_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Potosi mine, Broken Hill, Australia	Hibbs et al. (2002)
hoganite	2	$\text{Cu}(\text{CH}_3\text{COO})_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$	Potosi mine, Broken Hill, Australia	Hibbs et al. (2002)
nickelbousingaultite	4	$(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{Ni}(\text{SO}_4)_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Norilsk, Krasnoyarsk Territory, Russia (type)	Yakhontova et al. (1976)
G. Minerals associated with geothermal piping systems:				
ammonioborite	1	$(\text{NH}_4)_3\text{B}_{15}\text{O}_{20}(\text{OH})_8 \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Larderello, Tuscany, Italy	Schaller (1933); Ciriotti et al. (2009)
bringuccite	1	$\text{Na}_2\text{B}_5\text{O}_8(\text{OH}) \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$	Larderello, Tuscany, Italy	Cipriani and Vannuccini (1961); Ciriotti et al. (2009)
nasinite	1	$\text{Na}_2\text{B}_5\text{O}_8(\text{OH}) \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Larderello, Tuscany, Italy	Cipriani and Vannuccini (1961); Ciriotti et al. (2009)

II. Miscellaneous human-mediated minerals				
A. Minerals associated with alteration of tin archeological artifacts				
abhurite	7	$\text{Sn}_{21}^{2+}\text{O}_6(\text{OH})_{14}\text{Cl}_{16}$	Sharm Abhur Cove, Saudi Arabia	Matzko et al. (1985)
B. Minerals formed in storage cabinets in museums:				
calclacite		$\text{Ca}(\text{CH}_3\text{COO})\text{Cl}\cdot 5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	[Grandfathered; no natural localities]	Van Tassel (1945)
C. Allegedly from placers, possibly a hoax:				
jedwabite	1	Fe_7Ta_3	Nizhnii Tagil, Middle Urals, Russia	Pekov (1998)
niobocarbide	1	NbC	Nizhnii Tagil, Middle Urals, Russia	Pekov (1998)
tantalcabride	1	TaC	Nizhnii Tagil, Middle Urals, Russia	Pekov (1998)

Note: All listed minerals were approved by the IMA CNMNC. Numbers of localities are estimated from mindat.org in early 2016

Table 1B: List of minerals interpreted to have been produced inadvertently by human processes or through human mediation at one or more localities, as well as reported to occur naturally (OK) or suspected to occur naturally (?) at other localities

# Name (# Localities)	Formula	Locality for anthropogenic mineral (reference)	Natural	Locality for natural mineral (reference)
I. Mine-associated ("post-mine") minerals				
<i>A. Alteration phases recovered from dumps, including ore and serpentinite:</i>				
bernalite	Fe(OH) ₃	Taxco, Guerrero, Mexico in tailings (Mendoza et al. 2005)	?	
boyleite	ZnSO ₄ ·4H ₂ O	Mole River mine, northern New South Wales, Australia in dump (Ashley Lottermoser 1999)	?	
gunningite	ZnSO ₄ ·H ₂ O	Comstock-Keno Mine, Yukon, Canada (type) - post mine and dump (Jambor Boyle 1962)	?	
hydromagnesite	Mg ₅ (CO ₃) ₄ (OH) ₂ ·4H ₂ O	Clinton Creek chrysotile deposit, Yukon Territory, Canada (Wilson et al. 2006)	OK	Castle Point, Hoboken, Hudson Co., New Jersey, USA (type) Wachtmeister (1828)
kaňkite	Fe ³⁺ AsO ₄ ·3·5H ₂ O	Kaňk, Czech Republic (type) (Čech et al. 1976)	?	
krausite	KFe ³⁺ (SO ₄) ₂ ·H ₂ O	Santa María Mine, Velardeña, Durango, Mexico (Foshag 1931)	OK	Sulfur Hole, San Bernardino County, California (type) Foshag (1931)
krautite	Mn ²⁺ (AsO ₃ OH)·H ₂ O	Mole River mine, northern New South Wales, Australia in dump (Ashley Lottermoser 1999)	?	
lansfordite	MgCO ₃ ·5H ₂ O	Clinton Creek chrysotile deposit, Yukon Territory, Canada (Wilson et al. 2006)	OK	ODP Site 799 in the Japan Sea (Matsumoto 1992)
nesquehonite	MgCO ₃ ·3H ₂ O	Clinton Creek chrysotile deposit, Yukon Territory, Canada (Wilson et al. 2006)	OK	Chondrite Lewis Cliff 8532, Antarctica (Jull et al. 1988)
orthoserpierite	Ca(Cu,Zn) _n (SO ₄) ₂ (OH) ₆ ·3H ₂ O	Copper Creek district, Pinal County, Arizona (Shannon 1996) looks anthropogenic from photos	?	
pharmacolite	Ca(AsO ₃ OH)·2H ₂ O	Mole River mine, northern New South Wales, Australia in dump (Ashley Lottermoser 1999)	OK	Wittichen im Fürstenbergischen, Baden-Württemberg, Germany (type) Klapworth (1804)
ramsbeckite	(Cu,Zn) ₁₅ (SO ₄) ₄ (OH) ₂₂ ·6H ₂ O	Bastenbergrube Mine, Ramsbeck, Germany (type) von Hodenberg et al. (1985)	?	
schulenbergite	(Cu,Zn) ₇ (SO ₄) ₂ (OH) ₁₀ ·3H ₂ O	Glücksrad Mine, Oberschulenberg, Harz, Germany (type) (von Hodenberg et al. 1984)	OK	Platosa mine, Bermejillo, Durango, Mexico (Moore & Megaw, 2003)
scorodite	Fe ³⁺ AsO ₄ ·2H ₂ O	Mole River mine, northern New South Wales, Australia in dump (Ashley Lottermoser 1999)	OK	Torrecillas mine, Chile
yvonite	Cu(AsO ₃ OH)·2H ₂ O	Salsigne Mine, Salsigne, France (type) Sarp and Černý (1998)	?	
<i>B. Alteration of an exposed ore body:</i>				
huemulite	Na ₄ MgV ⁵⁺ ₁₀ O ₂₆ ·24H ₂ O	Huemul mine, Mendoza, Argentina (type) Gordillo et al. 1966)	?	
<i>C. Alteration of mine tunnel walls:</i>				
andersonite	Na ₂ Ca(UO ₂)(CO ₃) ₃ ·6H ₂ O	Hillside Mine, Yavapai Co., AZ (type) Axelrod et al. (1951)	?	
bayleyite	Mg ₂ (UO ₂)(CO ₃) ₃ ·18H ₂ O	Hillside Mine, Yavapai Co., AZ (type) Axelrod et al. (1951)	?	
bianchite	(Zn,Fe ²⁺)(SO ₄) ₂ ·6H ₂ O	Raibl Mines, Tarvisio, Italy (type) Andreatta (1930)	?	
coquimbite	Fe ³⁺ ₂ (SO ₄) ₃ ·9H ₂ O	incrustation on mine walls, Copper Queen mine, Bisbee, AZ (Merwin Posnjak 1937)	OK	Alum Grotto, Vulcano, Italy (Demartin et al. 2010)

goslarite	$ZnSO_4 \cdot 7H_2O$	Rammelsburg Mine, Goslar, Germany (type) Palache et al. (1951)	OK	"Vienna Woods" hydrothermal field, Manus Basin, Bismark Sea, Papua New Guinea (Steger 2015)
kornelite	$Fe^{3+}_2(SO_4)_3 \cdot 7H_2O$	incrustation on mine walls, Copper Queen mine, Bisbee, Arizona (Merwin Posnjak 1937)	?	
dietrichite	$ZnAl_2(SO_4)_4 \cdot 22H_2O$	Baia Sprie Mine, Romania (type) Schroeckinger (1878)	?	
natrozippeite	$Na_3(UO_2)_6(SO_4)_4O_3(OH)_3 \cdot 12H_2O$	Happy Jack mine, Emery County, Utah (type of redefined) (Frondel et al. 1976)	?	
pascoite	$Ca_3V^{5+}_{10}O_{28} \cdot 17H_2O$	Ragra Mine, Pasco Province, Peru (type) (Hillebrand et al. 1914)	?	
micropharmacolite	$Ca_4Mg(AsO_3OH)_2(AsO_4)_2 \cdot 11H_2O$	Riechelsdorf mine, Hesse, Germany (type) Pierrot (1961)	?	
swartzite	$CaMg(UO_2)(CO_3)_3 \cdot 12H_2O$	Hillside Mine, Yavapai Co., AZ (type) Axelrod et al. (1951)	?	
uranopilite	$(UO_2)_6SO_4O_2(OH)_6 \cdot 14H_2O$	Jáchymov, western Bohemia, Czech Republic Frondel (1952); Burns (2001)	?	
zdeněkite	$NaPbCu_5(AsO_4)_4Cl_5H_2O$	Cap Garonne Mine, Le Pradet, France (type) Chiappero and Sarp (1995)	?	
znucalite	$CaZn_{11}(UO_2)(CO_3)_3(OH)_{20} \cdot 4H_2O$	Lill Mine, Příbram, Czech Republic (type) Ondruš et al. (1990)	?	

D. Minerals found in slag or the walls of smelters:

boleite	$KAg_9Pb_{26}Cu_{24}Cl_{62}(OH)_{48}$	Lavrion slag localities, Greece (Gelaude et al. 1996)	OK	Boleo, Baja California Sur, Mexico (type) Mallard and Cumenge (1891)
claringbullite	$Cu^{2+}_4FeCl(OH)_6$	Juliusshütte, Rammelsberg, Harz, Germany (van den Berg and van Loon 1990)	OK	Nchanga mine, Chingola, Zambia (type) Fejer et al. (1977)
cumengeite	$Pb_{21}Cu_{20}Cl_{42}(OH)_{40} \cdot 6H_2O$	Lavrion slag localities, Greece (Gelaude et al. 1996)	OK	Boleo, Baja California Sur, Mexico (type) Mallard (1893)
cyanochroite	$K_2Cu(SO_4)_2 \cdot 6H_2O$	Lavrion slag localities, Greece (Gelaude et al. 1996)	OK	Monte Somma. Somma-Vesuvio, Naples, Italy (type) Guarino et al. (1855)
elyite	$CuPb_4(SO_4)_2O_2(OH)_4 \cdot H_2O$	Kall, Eifel, North Rhine-Westphalia, Germany (Blass and Graf 1995)	?	
glaucocerinite	$Zn_{1-x}Al_x(SO_4)_{x/2}(OH)_2 \cdot nH_2O$	smelter slag localities near Stolberg, Aachen, Germany (Blass and Graf 1993)	?	
kapellasite	$Cu_3Zn(OH)_6Cl_2$	Juliusshütte near Goslar, Harz Mountains, Germany (Krause et al. 2006)	OK	Sounion No. 19 mine, Kamariza, Lavrion, Greece (Krause et al. 2006)
ktenasite	$(Cu,Zn)_5(SO_4)_2(OH)_6 \cdot 6H_2O$	Lavrion slag localities, Greece (Schnorrer-Köhler et al. 1988)	?	
langite	$Cu_4SO_4(OH)_6 \cdot 2H_2O$	Lechnerberg slag locality, Kaprun, Hohe Tauern, Salzburg, Austria (Kolitsch and Brandstätter 2009)	?	
laurionite	$PbCl(OH)$	Thorikos Bay slag locality, Lavrion, Greece (Gelaude et al. 1996)	?	
lautenthalite	$PbCu_4(SO_4)_2(OH)_6 \cdot 3H_2O$	Lautenthal Smelter slag, Harz, Mountains, Germany (type) Medenbach and Gebert (1993)	?	
namuwite	$Zn_4SO_4(OH)_6 \cdot 4H_2O$	Lavrion slag localities, Greece (Schnorrer-Köhler et al. 1988)	?	
nitrobarite	$Ba(NO_3)_2$	Slag localities, Waitschach, Hüttenberg, Carinthia, Austria (Kolitsch et al. 2013)	OK	Chile, locality unknown (type) (Groth 1882)
paralaurionite	$PbCl(OH)$	Lavrion slag localities, Greece (type) Smith (1899)	?	
penfieldite	$Pb_2Cl_3(OH)$	Lavrion District slag localities, Greece (type) Genth (1892)	?	

posnjakite	$\text{Cu}_4\text{SO}_4(\text{OH})_6 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$	Richelsdorfer Gebirge slag locality, Germany (Blass and Graf 1993)	?	
pseudoboleite	$\text{Pb}_{31}\text{Cu}_{24}\text{Cl}_{62}(\text{OH})_{48}$	Lavrion District slag localities, Greece (Gelaude et al. 1996)	OK	Boleo, Baja California Sur, Mexico (type) Lacroix (1895)
serpierite	$\text{Ca}(\text{Cu,Zn})_4(\text{SO}_4)_2(\text{OH})_6 \cdot 3\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Lavrion District slag localities, Greece (Schnorrer-Köhler et al. 1991)	?	
wroewolfeite	$\text{Cu}_4\text{SO}_4(\text{OH})_6 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Lechnerberg slag locality, Kaprun, Hohe Tauern, Salzburg, Austria (Kolitsch, Brandstätter 2009)	?	
wülfingite	$\text{Zn}(\text{OH})_2$	Richelsdorf slags, Hesse, Germany (Schmetzer et al. 1985)	OK	Milltown, near Ashover, Derbyshire, UK (Clark et al. 1988)
zlatogorite	CuNiSb_2	Castleside Smelting Mill slag locality, County Durham, England (Braithwaite et al. 2006)	OK	Zolotaya Gora gold mine, middle Urals, Russia (type) (Spiridonov et al. 1995)
<i>E. Minerals associated with mine fires (not coal mines):</i>				
butlerite	$\text{Fe}^{3+}_2\text{SO}_4(\text{OH}) \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$	United Verde Mine, Yavapai County, Arizona (type) Lausen (1928)	OK	Saghand, Yazd Province, Iran (type) Bariand et al. (1977)
minium	$\text{Pb}^{2+}_2\text{Pb}^{4+}\text{O}_4$	Broken Hill, NSW, Australia (Skinner and McBriar 1958)	OK	Many
ransomite	$\text{CuFe}^{3+}_2(\text{SO}_4)_4 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$	United Verde Mine, Yavapai County, Arizona (type) Lausen (1928)	?	
shannonite	$\text{Pb}_2\text{O}(\text{CO}_3)$	Bluttenberg, Sainte-Marie-aux-Mines, Alsace, France (Kolitsch 1997)	OK	Grand Reef Mine, Graham County, Arizona (type) natural (Roberts et al. 1995)
yavapaiite	$\text{KFe}^{3+}(\text{SO}_4)_2$	United Verde Mine, Yavapai County, Arizona (type) Hutton (1959)	OK	Grotta dell'Allume, Vulcano, Italy (Demartin et al. 2010)
<i>F. Minerals associated with coal mine dumps:</i>				
kokaite	$(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{Ca}(\text{SO}_4)_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$	Žeravice, South Moravian Region, Czech Republic (type) Sekanina (1948)	OK	Alfredo Jahn cave in central Venezuela (Forti et al. 1998)
<i>G. Minerals associated with coal mine and dump fires; Sublimation from gas escape from coal fires:</i>				
alum-(Na)	$\text{NaAl}(\text{SO}_4)_2 \cdot 12\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Szoros-patak shaft, Bátorjentye, Hungary (Szakáll et al. 1997)	OK	Sunset Crater, San Franciscan volcanic field, Coconino County, Arizona Hanson et al. (2008)
arsenolite	As_2O_3	Mole River mine, northern New South Wales, Australia in dump (Ashley Lottermoser 1999)	OK	Torreccillas mine, Iquique Province, Chile (Kampf et al. 2016f)
bararite	$(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{SiF}_6$	Bararee colliery, Jharia coal field, India (Palache et al. 1951)(type)	OK	Mt. Vesuvius, Naples, Italy (Palache et al. 1951)
barberite	$(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{BF}_4$	Anna 1 coal mine dump, Alsdorf, Germany (Witzke et al. (2015)	OK	La Fossa crater, Vulcano Island, Aeolian Archipelago, Italy (type) Garavelli and Vurro (1994)
boussingaultite	$(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{Mg}(\text{SO}_4)_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Coal Mines, Chelyabinsk, Russia Chesnokov et al. (2008)	OK	Travale, Montieri, Grosseto, Tuscany, Italy (type) Bechi (1864)
cryptohalite	$(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{SiF}_6$	Libosín, Kladno, Czech Republic (Zacek et al. 1995)	OK	Mt. Vesuvius, Naples, Italy (type) Scacchi (1873); Palache et al. (1951)
dmisteinbergite	$\text{CaAl}_2\text{Si}_2\text{O}_8$	Coal Mine No. 45, Kopeisk, Russia (type) Chesnokov et al. (2008)	OK	Gole Larghe Fault, Italian Alps (Nestola et al. 2010)
dypingite	$\text{Mg}_5(\text{CO}_3)_4(\text{OH})_2 \cdot 5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Coal Mines No. 44, 45, Kopeisk, Russia (Chesnokov et al. 2008)	OK	Vestfold Hills, East Antarctica (Gore et al. 1996)
efremovite	$(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{Mg}_2(\text{SO}_4)_3$	Coal Mine No. 43, Kopeisk, Russia (type) Chesnokov et al. (2008)	OK	Ravat Village, Tajikistan (Belakovskiy and Moskalev 1988; Nazdala and Pekov 1993; Belakovskiy 1998)

esseneite	$\text{CaFe}^{3+}\text{AlSiO}_6$	Coal Mines, Chelyabinsk, Russia (Chesnokov et al. 2008)	OK	Durham Ranch, Campbell County, Wyoming (type) Cosca and Peacor (1987)
fluorellstadite	$\text{Ca}_5(\text{SiO}_4)_{1.5}(\text{SO}_4)_{1.5}\text{F}$	Coal Mine No. 44, Kopeisk, Russia (type) Chesnokov et al. (2008)	OK	Jabel Harmun, Judean Mountains, Palestinian Autonomy (Galuskina et al. 2014)
godovikovite	$(\text{NH}_4)\text{Al}(\text{SO}_4)_2$	Coal Mines, Chelyabinsk, Russia (type) Chesnokov et al. (2008)	OK	La Fossa crater, Vulcano, Italy (Campostrini et al. 2010)
gwihabaite	$(\text{NH}_4)\text{NO}_3$	Kukhi-Malik, central Tajikistan (Belakovskiy and Moskalev 1988)	OK	Gcwihaba Cave, Kalahari basin, Botswana (type) (Martin 1996)
letovocite	$(\text{NH}_4)_3\text{H}(\text{SO}_4)_2$	Písečná, Letovice, Czech Republic (type) Sekanina (1932)	OK	The Geysers, Sonoma County, California (Pemberton 1983,, p. 279)
mascagnite	$(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{SO}_4$	Coal Mines, Chelyabinsk, Russia (Chesnokov et al. 2008)	OK	Travale, Montieri, Grosseto, Tuscany, Italy (type) Mascagni (1977), Karsten (1800)
mikasaite	$\text{Fe}^{3+}_2(\text{SO}_4)_3$	Ikushunbetsu, Mikasa City, Japan (type) Miura et al. (1994); Shimobayashi et al. (2011)	?	
millosevichite	$\text{Al}_2(\text{SO}_4)_3$	Lichtenberg Absetzer dump, Ronneburg, Gera, Thuringia, Germany (Witzke and Rüger 1998)	OK	Grotta dell'Allume, Vulcano, Italy (type) Paniche (1913)
mohrite	$(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{Fe}^{2+}(\text{SO}_4)_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Coal Mines 4/6 and 23, Chelyabinsk, Russia Chesnokov et al. (2008)	OK	Travale, Montieri, Grosseto, Tuscany, Italy (type) Garavelli (1964)
ravatite	$\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{10}$	Carola mine, Saxony, Germany (Witzke 1995)	OK	Ravat Village, Tajikistan (type) (Nasdala and Pekov 1993)
rorisite	CaClF	Coal Mine No. 45, Kopeisk, Russia (type) (Chesnokov et al. 1988)	OK	Tyrnyauz Mo-W deposit, northern Caucasus, Russia (Kulikov et al. 1982)
rostite	$\text{AlSO}_4(\text{OH}) \cdot 5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Libušín, Kladno, Czech Republic (type) Čech et al. (1979); Palache et al. (1951)	?	
srebrodolskite	$\text{Ca}_2\text{Fe}^{3+}_2\text{O}_5$	Coal Mine 44, Kopeisk, Chelyabinsk, Russia (type) Chesnokov et al. (2008)	OK	Jabel Harmun, Judean Mountains, Palestinian Autonomy (Galuskina et al. 2014)
tinnunculite	$\text{C}_5\text{H}_8\text{N}_4\text{O}_3 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Coal Mine 44, Kopeisk, Chelyabinsk, Russia (Chesnokov et al. 1988)	OK	Mt. Rasvumchorr, Khibiny Mountains, Kola Peninsula, Russia (type) Pekov et al. (2016)
<i>H. Mine water precipitates:</i>				
alpersite	$(\text{Mg,Cu}^{2+})\text{SO}_4 \cdot 7\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Big Mike mine, Pershing Co., Nevada (Peterson et al. 2006)	OK	Outwash basin, Cerro Negro and Momotombo volcanoes, León Department, Nicaragua (Hunek et al. 2013)
jökokuite	$\text{Mn}^{2+}\text{SO}_4 \cdot 5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Johkoku Mine, Kaminokuni, Japan (type) Nambu et al. (1978)	OK	"Vienna Woods" hydrothermal field, Manus Basin, Bismark Sea, Papua New Guinea (Steger 2015)
jurbanite	$\text{AlSO}_4(\text{OH}) \cdot 5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	San Manuel orebody, Pinal County, AZ (type) Anthony et al. (1976)	?	Identification queried: Alum Cave Bluff, Great Smoky Mountains National Park, Tennessee (Coskren and Lauf 2000)
khademite	$\text{AlSO}_4\text{F} \cdot 5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Lone Pine Mine, Catron Co., New Mexico (type) Williams and Cesbron (1983)	OK	Saghand, Yazd Province, Iran (type) Bariand et al. (1973, 1977)
nickelhexahydrate	$\text{NiSO}_4 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Severnnyy Mine, Norilsk-I deposit, Russia (type) Oleynikov et al. 1965)	?	
phaunouxite	$\text{Ca}_3(\text{AsO}_4)_2 \cdot 11\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Gabe Gottes Mine, Alsace, France (type) Bari et al. (1982)	?	
rauenthalite	$\text{Ca}_3(\text{AsO}_4)_2 \cdot 10\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Gabe Gottes Mine, Alsace, France (type) Pierrot (1964)	?	
rossite	$\text{Ca}(\text{VO}_3)_2 \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Blue Cap mine, San Juan County, Utah Kampf and Steele (2008a)	?	
sainfeldite	$\text{Ca}_5(\text{AsO}_4)_2(\text{AsO}_3\text{OH})_2 \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Gabe Gottes Mine, Alsace, France (type) Pierrot (1964)	?	
wilcoxite	$\text{MgAl}(\text{SO}_4)_2\text{F} \cdot 18\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Lone Pine Mine, Catron Co., New Mexico (type) Williams and Cesbron (1983)	?	

I. Mine timber alteration:

devilline	$\text{CaCu}_4(\text{SO}_4)_2(\text{OH})_6 \cdot 3\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Uspensky Mine, Kazakhstan ("herregrundite". Chukhrov and Senderova 1939; Palache et al. 1951)	?	372 localities (mindat)
pentahydrate	$\text{MgSO}_4 \cdot 5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Comstock Lode, Storey County, Nevada (Milton Johnston 1938; Palache et al. 1951)	OK	Senegal; Argentina ILL
<i>J. Other "post-mine" minerals or context undefined</i>				
metarossite	$\text{CaV}^{5+}_2\text{O}_6 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Bull Pen Canyon, San Miguel County, Colorado (type) (Foshag and Hess 1927)	?	
monteponite	CdO	Monte Poni, Sardinia, Italy (type) (Pagano and Wilson 2014)	OK	Mottled Zone, Levant, Jordan (Khoury et al. 2016)
rabbittite	$\text{Ca}_3\text{Mg}_3(\text{UO}_2)_2(\text{CO}_3)_6(\text{OH})_4 \cdot 18\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Lucky Strike Mine No. 2, Emery County, Utah (type) Thompson et al. (1955)	?	
rhomboclase	$(\text{H}_3\text{O})\text{Fe}^{3+}(\text{SO}_4)_2 \cdot 3\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Smolnik, Košice Region, Slovakia (type) - looks anthropogenic (Krenner 1928)	?	
szomolnokite	$\text{Fe}^{2+}(\text{SO}_4)_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$	Smolnik, Košice Region, Slovakia (type) - looks anthropogenic (Krenner 1928)	OK	Saghand, Yazd Province, Iran (type) Bariand et al. (1977)
tschermigite	$(\text{NH}_4)\text{Al}(\text{SO}_4)_2 \cdot 12\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Čermniky (Tschermig), Kaden, Czech Republic (type) Palache et al. (1951); Parafiniuk and Kruszewski 2009)	OK	The Geysers, Sonoma County, California (Pemberton 1983)
wupatkiite	$\text{CoAl}_2(\text{SO}_4)_4 \cdot 22\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Cameron, Cocchino Co., Arizona (type) Williams and Cesbron (1995)	?	
II. Minerals associated with archeological artifacts				
<i>A. Alteration of lead artifacts</i>				
barstowite	$\text{Pb}_4\text{CO}_3\text{Cl}_6 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$	Late-Hellenistic shipwreck, Mahdia, Tunisia (Kutzke et al. 1997)	OK	Bounds Cliff, Cornwall, England (type) (Stanley et al. 1991)
cotunnite	PbCl_2	Late-Hellenistic shipwreck, Mahdia, Tunisia (Kutzke et al. 1997)	OK	Mt. Vesuvius, Naples, Italy (type) Monticelli and Covelli (1825)
phosgenite	$\text{Pb}_2\text{CO}_2\text{Cl}_2$	Late-Hellenistic shipwreck, Mahdia, Tunisia (Kutzke et al. 1997)	OK	Bounds Cliff, Cornwall, England (Stanley et al. 1991)
<i>B. Alteration of bronze artifacts</i>				
atacamite	$\text{Cu}_2\text{Cl}(\text{OH})_3$	Egypt, on ancient bronze artifacts (Frondel and Gettens 1955; Gettens and Frondel 1955)	OK	Atacama Region, Chile (type) Blumenbach (1803)
dtronite	$\text{Na}_2\text{Cu}(\text{CO}_3)_2 \cdot 3\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Egypt, on ancient bronze artifacts (type) (Frondel and Gettens 1995; Gettens and Frondel 1955)	?	RRUFF ID: R070366 from Mont Saint-Hilaire, Rouville County, Québec, Canada: natural?
kobayashite	$\text{Cu}_5(\text{SO}_4)_2(\text{OH})_6 \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$	On bronze objects at Ojuela mine, Mapimi', Durango, Mexico (RRUFF sample R160001)	OK	Kapital'naya mine, Vishnevye Mountains, South Urals, Russia(type) (Pekov et al. 2013)
<i>C. Alteration of tin artifacts</i>				
romarchite	SnO	Boundary Falls, Winnipeg River, Ontario, Canada (Ramik et al. 2003)	OK	María Teresa mine, Huari, Oruro, Bolivia (Ramik et al. 2003)
hydroromarchite	$\text{Sn}^{2+}_3\text{O}_2(\text{OH})_2$	Boundary Falls, Winnipeg River, Ontario, Canada (Ramik et al. 2003)	OK	Cantiere Speranza (Corchia mine), Emilia-Romagna, Italy (Garuti Zaccarini 2005)
<i>D. Prehistoric sacrificial burning sites</i>				
Fayalite	Fe_2SiO_4	Goldbichl, Igl, Innsbruck, North Tyrol, Austria (Schneider et al. 2013)	OK	Fayal, Azores, Portugal (type) Gmelin (1840)

forsterite	Mg ₂ SiO ₄	Goldbichl, Igls, Innsbruck, North Tyrol, Austria (Schneider et al. 2013)	OK	Momte Somma, Vesuvius, Naples, Italy (type) Levy (1825)
stanfieldite	Ca ₄ Mg ₅ (PO ₄) ₆	Goldbichl, Igls, Innsbruck, North Tyrol, Austria (Schneider et al. 2013)	OK	Estherville, Iowa meteorite (type) Fuchs (1967)
whitlockite	Ca ₉ Mg(PO ₄) ₆ (PO ₃ OH)	Ötz Valley, North Tyrol, Austria (Tropper et al. 2004)	OK	Palermo mine, Groton, New Hampshire (type) Frondel (1941)

IV. Miscellaneous human-mediated minerals

A. Minerals associated with geothermal pipe systems:

larderellite	NH ₄ B ₅ O ₇ (OH) ₂ ·H ₂ O	Larderello, Tuscany, Italy (type) Bechi (1854); Ciriotti et al. (2009)	OK	La Fossa crater, Vulcano Island, Aeolian Archipelago, Italy (Campostrini Demartin 2014)
santite	NH ₄ B ₅ O ₇ (OH) ₂ ·H ₂ O	Larderello, Tuscany, Italy (type) (Merlino Santori 1970)	OK	La Fossa crater, Vulcano Island, Aeolian Archipelago, Italy (Campostrini et al. 2010)
sassolite	B(OH) ₃	Larderello, Tuscany, Italy (Merlino Santori 1970)	OK	Sasso Pisano, Tuscany, Italy (type) Karsten (1800); Ciriotti et al. (2009)
sborgite	NaB ₂ O ₆ (OH) ₄ ·3H ₂ O	Larderello, Tuscany, Italy (type) Cipriani (1957); Ciriotti et al. (2009)	OK	South Meridian claim, Furnace Creek, Death Valley, Inyo County, California (Erd et al. 1979)

B. Mineral associated with alteration of pine railroad tie:

arcanite	K ₂ SO ₄	Santa Ana Tin Mine, Orange County, California (type) (Fron del 1950; Eackle 1908)	OK	Sar Pohl diapir, Southern Iran (Talbot et al. 2009)
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C. Mineral formed by alteration of stored drill core:

nickelbischofite	NiCl ₂ ·6H ₂ O	Dumont Intrusion, Amos, Québec, Canada (type) (Crook and Jambor 1979; Peacor et al. 1982)	OK	Mt. Shirane, Gunma Prefecture, Japan (Shima 1957)
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Note: All listed minerals were approved by the IMA CNMNC

Table 2A: Selected mineral-like synthetic compounds: Phases produced by manufacture of polycrystalline building and other materials, including chemical formulas and mineral equivalent.

#	Name	Formula	Mineral equivalent
Brick			
7	mullite	$Al_{4+2x}Si_{2-2x}O_{10-x}$ ($x \sim 0.4$)	mullite
8	hematite	Fe_2O_3	hematite
9	quartz	SiO_2	quartz
10	diopside	$CaMgSi_2O_6$	diopside
Earthenware			
13	quartz	SiO_2	quartz
14	feldspar	$KAlSi_3O_8$	sanidine
Gypsum Plaster			
17	gypsum	$CaSO_4 \cdot 2H_2O$	gypsum
18	anhydrite	$CaSO_4$	anhydrite
High-Temperature Concrete			
21	CA_2	$CaAl_2O_4$	krotite
Hydraulic (i.e., “Portland”) Cement			
24	“alite” or “ C_3S ”	Ca_3SiO_5 [several polymorphs]	hatruite
25	“belite” or “ C_2S ”	Ca_2SiO_4 [several polymorphs]	larnite
26	tricalcium aluminate	$Ca_3Al_2O_6$	-
27	tetracalcium aluminoferrite	$Ca_2AlFe^{3+}O_5$	brownmillerite
28	portlandite	$Ca(OH)_2$	portlandite
29	hillebrandite	$Ca_2SiO_3(OH)_2$	hillebrandite
30	ettringite [in supersulfated cement]	$Ca_6Al_2(SO_4)_3(OH)_{12} \cdot 26H_2O$	ettringite
Lime Plaster			
33	lime	CaO	lime
34	calcite	$CaCO_3$	calcite
Porcelain			
37	mullite	$Al_{4+2x}Si_{2-2x}O_{10-x}$ ($x \sim 0.4$)	mullite
38	cristobalite	SiO_2	cristobalite

39 **Table 2B:** Selected synthetic/refined crystals and crystalline materials, including uses, chemical formulas, and
 40 mineral equivalent and mineral structure type (if applicable).

42	# Name	Formula [Dopant]	Mineral equivalent*	Structure Type*
43				
44	Abrasives			
45	diamond	C	diamond	diamond
46	boron carbide	B ₄ C	unnamed	B ₄ C
47	boron nitride	c-BN	qingsongite	sphalerite
48	boron nitride	w-BN	-	wurtzite
49	tungsten carbide	WC	qusongite	NaCl
50	alumina	Al ₂ O ₃	corundum	corundum
51				
52	Batteries			
53	lead-acid battery	Pb	lead	lead
54		PbO ₂	plattnerite	rutile
55		PbSO ₄	anglesite	barite
56	NiCad batteries	NiO(OH)	-	β-NiO(OH)
57		Ni(OH) ₂	theophrastite	brucite
58		Cd(OH) ₂	-	brucite
59		Cd	cadmium	zinc
60	lithium ion batteries	LiCoO ₂	-	LiCoO ₂
61		CoO	-	periclase
62		CoO ₂	-	CdI ₂
63	NiMH battery	Ni(OH) ₂	theophrastite	brucite
64		NiO(OH)	-	β-NiO(OH)
65		REE hydrides	-	fluorite
66				
67	Ferroelectric/Piezoelectric Crystals			
68	barium titanate	BaTiO ₃	barioperovskite	perovskite
69	lithium niobate	LiNbO ₃	-	perovskite
70	lithium tantalate	LiTaO ₃	-	perovskite
71	PZT	Pb(Zr _x Ti _{1-x})O ₃	-	perovskite
72				
73	Gemstones			
74	diamond	C	diamond	diamond
75	moissanite	SiC	moissanite	wurtzite

76	cubic zirconia	ZrO ₂	baddelyite	baddelyite
77	rutile	TiO ₂	rutile	rutile
78	GGG	Gd ₃ Ga ₅ O ₁₂	-	garnet
79	bismuth antimonite	Bi ³⁺ Sb ⁵⁺ O ₄	kyawthuite	clinocervantite
80				
81	Infrared Crystals			
82	barium fluoride	BaF ₂	frankdicksonite	fluorite
83	cadmium selenide	CdSe	cadmoselite	wurtzite
84	cadmium sulfide	CdS	greenockite	wurtzite
85	cadmium telluride	CdTe	-	wurtzite
86	calcium fluoride	CaF ₂	fluorite	fluorite
87	lithium fluoride	LiF	gricite	halite
88	magnesium fluoride	MgF ₂	sellaite	rutile
89	zinc selenide	ZnSe	stilleite	sphalerite
90	zinc sulfide	ZnS	wurtzite	wurtzite
91	zinc telluride	ZnTe	-	sphalerite
92				
93	Laser Crystals			
94	ruby	Al ₂ O ₃ [Cr]	corundum	corundum
95	sapphire	Al ₂ O ₃ [Ti]	corundum	corundum
96	YAG	Y ₃ Al ₅ O ₁₂ [Nd]	-	garnet
97	alexandrite	BeAl ₂ O ₄	chrysoberyl	olivine
98	yttrium vanadate	YVO ₄ [Nd]	-	zircon
99				
100	Magnets (Permanent)			
101	ferrite	Fe ₃ O ₄	magnetite	spinel
102		ZnFe ₂ O ₄	franklinite	spinel
103		CoFe ₂ O ₄	-	spinel
104		BaFe ₁₂ O ₁₉	barioferrite	plumboferrite
105		SrFe ₁₂ O ₁₉	-	plumboferrite
106	REE	SmCo ₅	-	CaCu ₅
107		Sm ₂ Co ₁₇	-	Th ₂ Ni ₁₇
108	Neodymium magnets	Nd ₂ Fe ₁₄ B	-	Nd ₂ Fe ₁₄ B
109				
110	Metals/Alloys			
111	aluminum	Al	aluminum	ccp-Cu
112	beryllium	Be	-	hcp-Mg

113	titanium	Ti	titanium	hcp-Mg
114	tungsten	W	tungsten	bcc-W
115	molybdenum	Mo	-	bcc-W
116	gold	Au	gold	ccp-Cu
117	silver	Ag	silver	ccp-Cu
118	platinum	Pt	platinum	ccp-Cu
119	steel	Fe, C [Mo/Mn/Co/Ni/Cr/Al]	-	-
120	bronze	Cu-Sn	-	-
121	brass	Cu-Zn	-	-
122	pewter	Sn-(Cu,Sb,Bi)	-	-
123				
124	Optics Applications (Accousto-optic, non-linear optic, ElectroOptic)			
125	barium borate	Ba(BO ₂) ₂	-	β-Ba(BO ₂) ₂
126	lithium borate	LiB ₃ O ₅	-	LiB ₃ O ₅
127	bismuth germinate	Bi ₄ Ge ₃ O ₁₂	-	Bi ₄ Si ₃ O ₁₂
128	bismuth silicate	Bi ₁₂ SiO ₂₀	sillénite	sillénite
129	lead molybdate	PbMO ₄	wulfenite	scheelite
130	tellurium oxide	TeO ₂	tellurite	tennantite
131	rutile	TiO ₂	rutile	rutile
132	calcite	CaCO ₃	calcite	calcite
133	magnesium aluminate	MgAl ₂ O ₄	spinel	spinel
134				
135	Phosphors			
136	BAM	~BaMgAl ₁₀ O ₁₇ [Eu/Mn]	-	BaMgAl ₁₀ O ₁₇
137	BSP	BaSi ₂ O ₅ [Pb]	sanbornite	sanbornite
138	CAM	LaMgAl ₁₁ O ₁₉ [Ce]	-	LaMgAl ₁₁ O ₁₉
139	calcium tungstate	CaWO ₄	scheelite	scheelite
140	cadmium tungstate	CdWO ₄	-	wolframite
141	magnesium tungstate	MgWO ₄	huanzalaite	wolframite
142	SAC	SrAl ₁₂ O ₁₉ [Ce]	-	CaAl ₁₂ O ₁₉
143	SMS	Sr ₂ MgSi ₂ O ₇ [Pb]	-	mellilite
144	strontium aluminate	SrAl ₂ O ₄ [Eu/Dy]	-	SrAl ₂ O ₄
145	YAG	Y ₃ Al ₅ O ₁₂ [Ce/Tb]	-	garnet
146	yttrium oxide	Y ₂ O ₃ [Eu]	-	bixbyite
147	yttrium oxide sulfide	Y ₂ O ₂ S [Eu/Tb]	-	La ₂ O ₃
148	yttrium silicate	Y ₂ SiO ₅ [Ce]	-	Gd ₂ SiO ₅
149	zinc oxide	ZnO [Ga]	zincite	wurtzite

150	zinc sulfide	ZnS [Ag/Mn]	wurtzite	wurtzite
151	zinc silicate	Zn ₂ SiO ₄ [Mn]	willemite	phenakite
152	zinc phosphate	Zn ₃ (PO ₄) ₂ [Mn]	-	Zn ₃ (PO ₄) ₂
153				
154	Scintillation Crystals			
155	sodium iodide	NaI [Tl]	-	halite
156	cesium iodide	CsI [Tl]	-	CsCl
157	calcium fluoride	CaF ₂ [Eu]	fluorite	fluorite
158	YIG	Y ₃ Fe ₅ O ₁₂	-	garnet
159	yttrium aluminate	YAlO ₃	-	perovskite
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161	Semiconductors			
162	germanium	Ge	-	diamond
163	silicon	Si [Al,P]	silicon	silicon
164	gallium-aluminum arsenide	Al _x Ga _{1-x} As	-	sphalerite
165	gallium antimonide	GaSb	-	sphalerite
166	gallium phosphide	GaP	-	sphalerite
167	indium phosphide	InP	-	sphalerite
168	tin sulfide	SnS	herzenbergite	GeS
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170	* dash (-) indicates no mineral equivalent.			
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