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2 **Tourmaline crystal chemistry**

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8 **ABSTRACT**

9 Tourmalines form the most important boron rock-forming minerals on Earth. They belong to
10 the cyclosilicates with a structure that may be regarded as a three-dimensional framework of
11 octahedra ZO_6 that encompass columns of structural “islands” made of XO_9 , YO_6 , BO_3 and TO_4
12 polyhedra. The overall structure of tourmaline is a result of short-range and long-range constraints
13 depending respectively on the charge and size of ions. In this study, published data are reviewed
14 and analyzed to achieve a synthesis of relevant experimental results and to construct a crystal-
15 chemical model for describing tourmalines and their compositional miscibility over different length
16 scales. Order-disorder substitution reactions involving cations and anions are controlled by short-
17 range structural constraints, whereas order-disorder intracrystalline reaction involving only cations
18 are controlled by long-range structural constraints. The chemical affinity of a certain cation to a
19 specific structural site of the tourmaline structure has been established on the basis of structural data
20 and crystal-chemical considerations. This has direct implications for the tourmaline nomenclature,
21 as well as on petrogenetic and provenance information. Some assumptions behind the classification
22 scheme of tourmaline have been reformulated, revealing major agreement and significant
23 improvements compared to earlier proposed scheme.

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25 **Keywords:** Tourmaline, order-disorder, crystal structure, nomenclature

INTRODUCTION

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29 The tourmaline supergroup minerals are chemically complex cyclosilicates rich in boron.
30 They are the most common and the earliest boron minerals formed on Earth (Grew et al. 2016).
31 Tourmalines are widespread in Earth's crust, typically occurring in granites and granitic pegmatites
32 but also in sedimentary and metamorphic rocks (Dutrow and Henry 2011; van Hinsberg et al.
33 2011). In recent years it was demonstrated that tourmalines preserve important records of the
34 geological conditions in which they form in the lithosphere, thus it is important that we can
35 understand how to read those records (e.g., Dutrow and Henry 2011). The general formula may be
36 written as: $XY_3Z_6T_6O_{18}(BO_3)_3V_3W$, with $X = Na^+, K^+, Ca^{2+}, \square$ (= vacancy); $Y = Al^{3+}, Cr^{3+}, V^{3+},$
37 $Fe^{2+/3+}, Mg^{2+}, Mn^{2+}, Li^+, Ti^{4+}$; $Z = Al^{3+}, Cr^{3+}, V^{3+}, Fe^{2+/3+}, Mg^{2+}$; $T = Si^{4+}, Al^{3+}, B^{3+}$; $B = B^{3+}, V =$
38 $(OH)^-, O^{2-}$; $W = (OH)^-, F^-, O^{2-}$ being the most common constituents. The letters in the formula (X,
39 Y, Z, T and B, not italicized) represent groups of cations at the $^{[9]}X$, $^{[6]}Y$, $^{[6]}Z$, $^{[4]}T$ and $^{[3]}B$
40 crystallographic sites (letters italicized). The letters V and W represent groups of anions at the $^{[3]}O3$
41 and $^{[3]}O1$ sites, respectively. The H atoms occupy the H3 and H1 sites which are related to O3 and
42 O1, respectively.

43 Since the publication of the nomenclature of the tourmaline-supergroup minerals (Henry et
44 al. 2011), several new members of tourmaline have been approved by the Commission on New
45 Minerals, Nomenclature and Classification (CNMNC) of the International Mineralogical
46 Association (IMA). These include oxy-species characterized by high contents of Al^{3+}, Cr^{3+}, V^{3+} and
47 $Fe^{2+/3+}$, which have provided a better understanding of the tourmaline crystal chemistry. This paper
48 will present a general picture of the tourmaline structure and crystal chemistry, showing major
49 factors controlling stability and chemical constraints from a short- and long-range structural
50 viewpoint. The critical recognition of the importance of charge and size of atoms in determining

51 crystal-chemical properties and miscibility behavior will be emphasized as well as critical
52 comments on the assumptions behind the classification scheme of tourmaline. The importance of
53 the crystal-chemical control of the tourmaline composition has direct implications on nomenclature
54 as well as on the petrogenetic and provenance information (e.g., Hawthorne and Henry 1999).

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TOURMALINE CONSTITUENTS AND SPECIES

57 The compositional range of tourmaline is remarkable, including important constituents with
58 more than one oxidation state (e.g., Fe²⁺-Fe³⁺ and Mn²⁺-Mn³⁺) and other characterizing synthetic
59 tourmalines (e.g., Ag⁺, Co²⁺, Ni²⁺, Cu²⁺ and Ga³⁺; London et al. 2006; Rozhdestvenskaya et al.
60 2012; Vereshchagin et al. 2013, 2015, 2016). A total of (at least) 26 relevant constituents, in terms
61 of concentration or occurrence, have been unambiguously identified in tourmaline (Table 1). These
62 constituents are very different in charge and size and accommodate into seven crystallographic sites
63 (*X*, *Y*, *Z*, *T*, *B*, O1 and O3); the other sites (O2, O4, O5, O6, O7 and O8) are solely occupied by
64 oxygen. Moreover, the number of constituent-coordination environments is relatively large,
65 compared to most other minerals: [3], [4], [6] and [9] coordination. Thus, tourmaline violates the
66 Pauling's parsimony rule, which emphasizes that the number of topochemically different
67 environments in a structure tends to be small (Hawthorne 2006). In theory, this relatively large
68 number of substantially different sites would decrease the stability, but tourmaline exists over
69 environments that extend from the surface of the crust to the upper mantle (e.g., Marschall et al.
70 2009; Lussier et al. 2016) in the presence of H₂O, B- and F-bearing fluids.

71 The dominance of tourmaline constituents at one or more sites of the structure gives rise to a
72 range of mineral species. At present, the tourmaline supergroup consists of 33 mineral species
73 approved by the IMA-CNMNC (Table 2).

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CRYSTAL STRUCTURE

76 The tourmaline structure is typically rhombohedral, space-group $R3m$ with $Z = 3$, although
77 some studies report lower symmetry such as orthorhombic, monoclinic or triclinic (e.g., Akizuki et
78 al. 2001; Shtukenberg et al. 2007; Hughes et al. 2011). Tourmaline has an intermediate structural
79 complexity of about 200 bits per unit cell (Krivovichev 2013), which is larger than that of
80 amphibole (about 150 bits per unit cell), but smaller than that of some other minerals such as
81 analcime (usually much over 200 bits per unit cell).

82 The tourmaline structure may be regarded as one of the most elegant of all crystal structures.
83 It belongs to the subclass of cyclosilicate as consists of rings of six TO_4 tetrahedra, lying in a plane
84 parallel to (0001). Because all tetrahedra point in the same direction, tourmaline lacks center
85 symmetry (polar character) and is both pyroelectric and piezoelectric (electrical properties). Each
86 tetrahedron shares one edge with the trigonal antiprism XO_9 , which is located along the 3-fold axis
87 passing through the center of each six-membered ring $[T_6O_{18}]$. The X -site occupancy usually
88 reflects the paragenesis of the rock in which tourmaline crystallizes (petrologic information), and
89 tourmaline supergroup is classified into primary groups based on the dominant occupancy of the X
90 site: vacant, alkali and calcic groups (Henry et al. 2011). The antiprism XO_9 and the ring $[T_6O_{18}]$
91 combine with two sets of three octahedra YO_6 : an $[Y_3O_{15}]$ triplet of octahedra caps the XO_9
92 polyhedron toward the $+c$ axis and the other $[Y_3O_{13}]$ caps the $[T_6O_{18}]$ ring of tetrahedra toward the $-$
93 c axis. The most extensive compositional variation occurs at the Y site, which is able to incorporate
94 constituents of different sizes and charges (including vacancies) that makes tourmaline famous for
95 its extensive range of colors (all rainbow colors) even within individual crystals (oscillatory and
96 sector zoning). The BO_3 groups oriented sub-parallel to (0001) lie between the tetrahedral rings and
97 are fully occupied by B, which makes tourmaline one of the most important B-bearing minerals
98 (reservoir of B) in the Earth. The structural arrangement of $[T_6O_{18}]$, XO_9 , $[Y_6O_{18}]$ and $(BO_3)_3$ form
99 “islands” that are stacked in columns along the c axis. These islands are attached to one another

100 along the **a** and **b** crystallographic axes by spiral chains of ZO_6 octahedra (Fig. 1), which also
101 extend along to the **c** axis according to a 3_1 triad screw axis. The three-dimensional framework of
102 the tourmaline structure is therefore given by the screw-like arrangement of ZO_6 (Fig. 2). This
103 framework is characterized by similar strong Z-O bonds (~ 0.5 valence units) which would explain
104 some physical properties: hardness ($\sim 7-7\frac{1}{2}$ Mohs), lack of cleavage, resistance to weathering in
105 clastic sediments (like rutile and zircon), and extensive pressure-temperature stability up to about 7
106 GPa and 950 °C. Finally, another important feature of the tourmaline structure is provided by the
107 orientation of the hydrogen atoms, which are sub-parallel to the **c** axis: H1-hydrogen point down $-c$
108 towards the oxygen at O1, and H3-hydrogen points up $+c$ towards the oxygen at O3. Owing to this
109 orientation of (OH) dipoles, the fundamental (OH)-stretching bands in infrared spectra of
110 tourmalines will display a very strong pleochroism, with $\epsilon \gg \omega$ (e.g., Skogby et al. 2012). All
111 polyhedra discussed above are distorted. With respect to the ideal volume, bond distance or bond
112 angle, the distortion of polyhedra decrease with decreasing coordination number according to the
113 sequence: $XO_9 > YO_6 > ZO_6 > TO_4 > BO_3$ (Ertl et al. 2002; Bosi and Lucchesi 2007).

114 In summary, the tourmaline structure may be considered as a three-dimensional framework
115 of octahedra ZO_6 that must be able to accommodate the structural islands.

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STRUCTURAL CONSTRAINTS

118 Henry and Dutrow (2011) showed that the accommodation of F at the O1 site is influenced
119 by the cation occupancy (total charge) of the *X* and the *Y* sites. They suggested that the manner in
120 which chemical constituents are incorporated into the tourmaline structure depends on external
121 influences (temperature, pressure, mineral local assemblages and fluid composition) and on internal
122 influences (crystallographic constraints). Moreover, tourmaline may be extremely optically,
123 chemically, and isotopically zoned due to the occurrence of extensive short-range order of atoms

124 that may strongly decrease the diffusion rates of atoms in the structure (e.g., Hawthorne and Dirlam
125 2011).

126 In general, the tourmaline chemical composition and zoning is a result of external and
127 internal constraints. The latter act from a scale of a few Å (short-range structure) to a scale that
128 involve the complete crystal (long-range structure).

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130 **Short-range structure**

131 Short-range structure involves a set of atoms (cluster) that do not obey to the translational
132 symmetry. Each cluster is controlled by bond-valence requirements, i.e., the charge of ions needs to
133 be neutralized locally by nearest neighbors. Of particular relevance for tourmaline are the local
134 atomic arrangements around the O1 (bonded to 3Y) and O3 (bonded to Y+2Z) sites which show a
135 greater chemical variability. Hawthorne (1996; 2002) and Bosi (2010; 2011; 2013) evaluated
136 possible atomic arrangements around O1 and O3, constrained by the valence-sum rule. According
137 to the Bond Valence Model (e.g., Brown 2016), there is a tendency for the sum of the bond valences
138 (BVS) around each atom to approach its formal valence (FV); if a large mismatches between BVS
139 and FV occur, it is indicative of strained bonds which lead to instability in the structure. As a result,
140 those local arrangements that most closely conform to the valence-sum rule are the arrangements
141 that are most likely to occur in the structure (Hawthorne et al. 2005; Hawthorne 2016). The allowed
142 stable short-range arrangements expressed as charge arrangements around O1 and O3 of tourmaline
143 are summarized in Table 3. These arrangements can be considered as short-range constraints and
144 have significant effects on the chemistry of short-range structure. For example, in oxy-foitite,
145 ideally $\square^Y(\text{Fe}^{2+}\text{Al}_2)^Z(\text{Al}_6)(\text{Si}_6\text{O}_{18})(\text{BO}_3)_3\text{O}^3(\text{OH})_3\text{O}^1(\text{O})$, the Y and O1 sites composition would
146 require the short-range arrangement $^Y(\text{Fe}^{2+} + 2\text{Al})\text{-}^{\text{O}1}(\text{O}^{2-})$ rather than the chemically equivalent
147 proportion of 33% $^Y(3\text{Fe}^{2+})\text{-}^{\text{O}1}(\text{O}^{2-})$ plus 67% $^Y(3\text{Al})\text{-}^{\text{O}1}(\text{O}^{2-})$, because the arrangement $^Y(3\text{Fe}^{2+})\text{-}$
148 $^{\text{O}1}(\text{O}^{2-})$ is unstable from a bond valence perspective. Similarly, the Y, Z and O3 sites composition

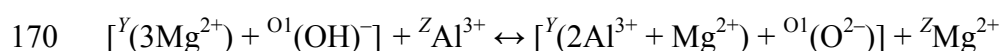
149 requires specific proportions of short-range arrangements, 33% [${}^Y\text{Fe}^{2+} + {}^Z(2\text{Al})$]- ${}^{\text{O}3}(\text{OH})$ plus 67%
150 [${}^Y\text{Al} + {}^Z(2\text{Al})$]- ${}^{\text{O}3}(\text{OH})$.

151 Therefore, the short-range constraints will tend to favor specific cation arrangements around
152 the anions at the O1 and O3 sites. We can also note that the local arrangements around O^{2-} of Table
153 3 can be associated with occupants having a total charge higher than that of occupants around
154 (OH,F). This is consistent with the study of Bosi (2013), who examined the bond valences of a
155 large number of refined tourmaline structures and showed a well-developed linear correlation
156 between BVS at the O1 site and MFV (mean formal valence = total charge divided by the site
157 multiplicity) at the Y site: $\text{BVS}(\text{O}1) = 0.99 \cdot \text{MFV}(\text{Y}) - 1.20$ (see also Fig. 1 of Bosi 2013). Such a
158 correlation indicates that ${}^{\text{O}1}\text{O}^{2-}$ content increases with increasing of ${}^Y\text{R}^{3+}$ content as suggested by
159 Table 3, and may hence be considered as the linking between what predicted by bond valence
160 arguments in the short-range structure with what observed by the diffraction techniques in the long-
161 range structure.

162 As the sum of all different stable short-range arrangements corresponds to occupancies of
163 the sites averaged over the complete crystal, it is apparent that (i) the stable short-range structures
164 affects the long-range structure, (ii) the short-range constraints may have significant effects on the
165 variation in chemical composition of tourmalines such as atomic substitutions and order-disorder
166 mechanisms. In this regard, consider that the relation between dravite and oxy-dravite can be
167 formulated by the chemical substitution:

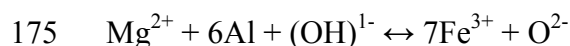


169 corresponding to the order-disorder mechanism

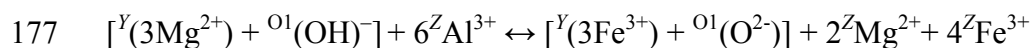


171 This mechanism involves the stable short-range arrangements [${}^Y(3\text{R}^{2+})$]- ${}^{\text{O}1}(\text{OH})$] and [${}^Y(2\text{R}^{3+} + \text{R}^{2+})$]-
172 ${}^{\text{O}1}(\text{O})$] compatible respectively with dravite and oxy-dravite (or maruyamaite), and it can be

173 simplified to $2^Y\text{Mg}^{2+} + \text{O}^1(\text{OH})^- + \text{ZAl}^{3+} \leftrightarrow 2^Y\text{Al}^{3+} + \text{O}^1(\text{O}^{2-}) + \text{ZMg}^{2+}$ (Hawthorne 1996). Similarly,
174 dravite and povondraite are related by the chemical substitution:

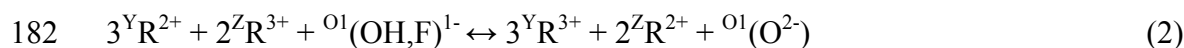
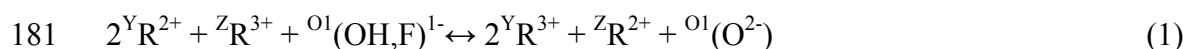


176 corresponding to the order-disorder mechanism



178 This mechanism involves the stable short-range arrangements $[\text{Y}(3\text{R}^{2+})-\text{O}^1(\text{OH})]$ and $[\text{Y}(3\text{R}^{3+})-\text{O}^1(\text{O})]$
179 compatible with dravite and povondraite, respectively.

180 The two mechanisms reported above can be generalized to:



183 which are actually order-disorder *substitution* reactions involving cations and anions and controlled
184 by local bond-valence requirements at the O1 site, i.e., short-range constraints.

185 Besides order-disorder *substitution* reactions (1) and (2), there is another type of order-
186 disorder reaction that involves only cations:



188 The latter is an intracrystalline reaction usually controlled by long-range constraints (see below).

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190 **Long-range structure**

191 The short-range constraints control which atoms can be nearest neighbors and hence
192 determine the short-range structure. The sum of all of the short-range arrangements leads to a long-
193 range structure. The latter is determined mainly by spatial/steric constraints (imposed by
194 translational symmetry) that restrict the number of ways in which ions can be bonded to each other
195 in the three-dimensional space. For a long-range structure to be formed, both short-range and long-
196 range constraints must be satisfied. Consequently, all involved short-range arrangements need to be
197 consistent with geometrical requirements, that is, with specific long-range interatomic distances.

198 In tourmaline, the three-dimensional framework of the ZO_6 polyhedra must be able to
199 accommodate the structural islands (Fig. 2). On the basis of 127 structure refinement (SREF) data,
200 Bosi and Lucchesi (2007) presented a structural stability field for tourmaline as a function of $\langle Y-O \rangle$
201 and $\langle Z-O \rangle$, suggesting that only a limited mismatch in the dimensions between $\langle Y-O \rangle$ and $\langle Z-O \rangle$
202 can be tolerated by the structure. At present, additional SREF can be found in the literature (at least
203 195, for a total of 322 data sets), which confirm the occurrence of a dimensional difference $\Delta_{Y-Z} =$
204 $\langle Y-O \rangle - \langle Z-O \rangle$ in the range between 0.00 Å and 0.15 Å (Fig. 3). All known tourmalines fall within
205 the delineated field indicating the presence of a long-range structural constraint. As values outside
206 the range 0.00-0.15 Å have never been correctly observed so far, possible anomalous data need to
207 be carefully checked: for example, the mean bond distances of lucchesiite from Czech Republic
208 (Bosi et al. 2017a), $\langle Y-O \rangle = 2.095$ Å and $\langle Z-O \rangle = 1.932$ Å, yielded $\Delta_{Y-Z} = 0.16$ Å (> 0.15 Å).
209 However, a careful check of the Y-O distances showed a mistake in the calculation of $\langle Y-O \rangle$. The
210 correct value is actually 2.065 Å which is fully consistent with the empirical structural constraint
211 mentioned above: $\Delta_{Y-Z} = 0.13$ Å (< 0.15 Å).

212 The stability field $\langle Z-O \rangle$ versus $\langle Y-O \rangle$ also describes and predicts the effects of the
213 tourmaline structural stability on its chemical variability. For instance, Bosi and Lucchesi (2007)
214 predicted that the end-member compositions of dravite, schorl and tsilaisite (i.e., species with the Y
215 site occupied by R^{2+} -cations and the Z site occupied by Al) should never occur, neither as natural
216 samples nor as synthetic samples, because their structures should be unstable: $\langle {}^Y\text{Mg}-O \rangle$, $\langle {}^Y\text{Fe}^{2+}-O \rangle$
217 and $\langle {}^Y\text{Mn}^{2+}-O \rangle$ distances are too large with respect to $\langle {}^Z\text{Al}-O \rangle$. In this regard, the case of fluor-
218 dravite (an oxy-free species) nicely illustrates the effect of long-range constraint on tourmaline site
219 populations. According to the chemical analysis (Clark et al. 2011), the structural formula of fluor-
220 dravite is expected as follows: $\text{Na}^Y(\text{Mg}_2\text{Fe}^{2+})^Z(\text{Al}_6)(\text{Si}_6\text{O}_{18})(\text{BO}_3)_3(\text{OH})_3^{\text{O}1}[\text{F}_{0.7}(\text{OH})_{0.3}]$, with
221 expected $\langle Y-O \rangle \sim 2.100$ Å and $\langle Z-O \rangle \sim 1.907$ Å, derived from the ionic radii (see below). These
222 expected distances yield $\Delta_{Y-Z} = 0.19$ Å > 0.15 Å, indicating that the fluor-dravite structure is

223 unstable. However, SREF data clearly show that the observed $\langle Y-O \rangle = 2.053 \text{ \AA}$ and $\langle Z-O \rangle = 1.913$
224 \AA are consistent with the long-range constraint ($\Delta_{Y-Z} = 0.14 \text{ \AA} < 0.15 \text{ \AA}$) because the *Y* and *Z* site
225 population is actually disordered: ...^{*Y*}(Mg_{1.4}Al_{0.6}Fe²⁺_{1.0})_{Σ3.0}^{*Z*}(Al_{5.4}Mg_{0.6})_{Σ6.0}... (Clark et al. 2011). In
226 fact, the intracrystalline order-disorder reaction ${}^Y\text{Al}^{3+} + {}^Z\text{Mg}^{2+} \leftrightarrow {}^Y\text{Mg}^{2+} + {}^Z\text{Al}^{3+}$, not involving
227 anions, occurs to shorten $\langle Y-O \rangle$ (by introducing Al³⁺) and to enlarge $\langle Z-O \rangle$ (by introducing Mg²⁺),
228 thus to accommodate the potential misfit between ^{*Y*}MgO₆ and ^{*Z*}AlO₆.

229 In summary, the tourmaline structure is a result of short-range constraints depending on the
230 charge of ions, and long-range constraints depending on the size of ions. Order-disorder substitution
231 reactions such as (1) and (2) involve cations and anions and are controlled by the short-range
232 constraints, whereas order-disorder (usually) intracrystalline reaction (3) involves only cations and
233 are controlled by the long-range constraints.

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235 THE IONIC RADII

236 Variations in mean bond distances are often encountered in mineral crystal structures. In
237 accordance with the Bond Valence Model, these variations may be explained as function of the
238 degree of strain occurring in coordination environments of cations (Bosi 2014). In line with the
239 mineralogical convention, any variation in mean bond distance is expressed as a variation in the
240 cation radius by keeping the anion radius fixed, although the oxide anion radius can show a wide
241 range of values (e.g., Gibbs et al. 2014).

242 Bosi and Lucchesi (2007) refined empirical ionic radii for six-fold coordinated ions in
243 tourmaline and showed that the ^[6]Al ionic radius varies in a range of values larger than the expected
244 one: the observed variation of $\langle {}^Z\text{Al-O} \rangle$, 1.900-1.912 \AA with a grand mean value 1.906 \AA (Fig. 3 of
245 Bosi and Andreozzi 2013), is larger than 1.892 \AA calculated from Shannon (1976). A significant
246 size variation was also reported for the ^[6]Fe³⁺ ionic radius (0.645-0.705 \AA) as well as for the other
247 ions depending on the *Y* or *Z* site occupancy. The reasons of these variations may be ascribed to

248 experimental errors (e.g., Bosi and Andreozzi 2013), inductive effects from other parts of the
249 structure (e.g., Ertl et al. 2012a), different occupancies at the octahedrally coordinated sites (e.g.,
250 Bosi and Lucchesi 2007), or more generally to different degree of strain experienced by atoms in
251 the bonding environment (Bosi 2014).

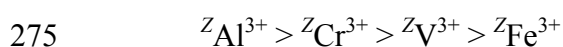
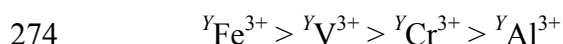
252 Although the *Y* and *Z* ionic radii of Bosi and Lucchesi (2007) fitted with 93% of the *Y* and *Z*
253 mean bond distances analyzed, their size variations are of little practical interest for crystal-
254 chemical considerations. It is convenient to report such ionic radii by a unique mean value with its
255 standard error ($\pm\sigma$). The latter can be estimated as the difference between the maximum and
256 minimum radius reported in Table 2 of Bosi and Lucchesi (2007) divided by 4 or from the above
257 mentioned distance variations for Al: $2\sigma_{\text{Al}} = \pm (1.912 - 1.900)/2 = \pm 0.006 \text{ \AA}$, then $\sigma_{\text{Al}} = \pm 0.003 \text{ \AA}$.
258 Table 4 shows such mean ionic radii for [6]-coordinated ions in tourmaline.

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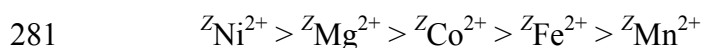
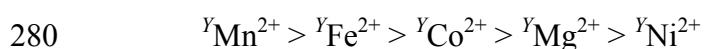
260 CATION SITE PREFERENCE FOR *Y* AND *Z*

261 Because $\langle Y-O \rangle$ is always greater than $\langle Z-O \rangle$ in tourmaline, the *Y* site will tend to
262 incorporate relatively large cations, whereas the *Z* site will tend to incorporate relatively small
263 cations. Moreover, the chemical affinity of a certain cation to a specific structural site of the
264 tourmaline structure can be established on the basis of structural data and crystal-chemical
265 considerations. Bosi et al. (2017b) proposed that the preference of R^{3+} -cations for the *Y* and *Z* sites
266 is mainly controlled by their ionic radius according to the sequence: ${}^Y\text{V}^{3+} > {}^Y\text{Cr} > {}^Y\text{Al}$ and ${}^Z\text{Al} > {}^Z\text{Cr}$
267 $> {}^Z\text{V}^{3+}$. This conclusion is consistent with the cation distributions over *Y* and *Z* observed for the
268 oxy-species such as vanadio-oxy-chromium-dravite, vanadio-oxy-dravite and chromo-alumino-
269 povondraite (Table 2) as well as with the fact that no tourmaline species with atomic arrangements
270 such as “... ${}^Y(\text{Al,Cr})_3{}^Z(\text{Mg}_2\text{V}_4)$...” have been documented so far. Ferric iron can also be included in
271 this sequence on the basis of the Fe^{3+} -Al crystal-chemical behavior in bosiite,

272 "... ${}^Y(\text{Fe}^{3+})_3{}^Z(\text{Mg}_2\text{Al}_4)\dots$ " (Ertl et al. 2016), and the relatively large ionic radius of Fe^{3+} . Therefore,
273 the preference for the R^{3+} -cations to occupy the *Y* and *Z* sites is of type:



276 Similar arguments apply to the R^{2+} -cations (Bosi and Skogby 2013; Bosi et al. 2015a; Vereshchagin
277 et al. 2015): the preference of R^{2+} for the *Z* site increases with decreasing ionic radius. An opposite
278 preference is expected for the *Y* site. Therefore, the preference for the R^{2+} -cations to occupy the *Y*
279 and *Z* sites is of type:



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283 **On the degree of R^{2+} - R^{3+} order-disorder over the *Y* and *Z* sites**

284 In minerals, cation substitutions in a structural site are usually controlled by ion sizes
285 (Goldschmidt's rules). In this regard, the cation-size mismatch is a useful parameter to predict the
286 extension of chemical substitution series: size difference between ions less than ~15% indicates a
287 wide substitution; by ~15 to ~30% indicates a partial substitution; more than ~30% indicates little
288 substitution.

289 In tourmaline, the cation-size mismatch can explain the amount of R^{2+} replacing R^{3+} at the *Z*
290 site, which occurs in the chemical reactions (1), (2) and (3). Using the ionic radii of Table 4, the
291 difference in size between Al^{3+} and R^{2+} -cations are: $\text{Al-Ni}^{2+} \sim 21\%$, $\text{Al-Mg}^{2+} \sim 24\%$, $\text{Al-Co}^{2+} \sim$
292 27% , $\text{Al-Fe}^{2+} \sim 30\%$ and $\text{Al-Mn}^{2+} \sim 32\%$. These values suggest the occurrence of a partial and little
293 substitution between ${}^Z\text{Al}$ and ${}^Z\text{R}^{2+}$ -cations. The negative correlation between Al-R^{2+} cation-size
294 mismatch and the maximum ${}^Z\text{R}^{2+}$ -occupancy observed for tourmalines with $\text{Al} > 5$ apfu, strongly
295 supports the dependence of ionic radius on substitution degree (Fig. 4). Similarly, the different
296 crystal-chemical behavior of ${}^Z\text{Mg}$ observed in Cr- and Al-oxy-tourmalines can be explained. As

297 difference in size Cr^{3+} - Mg^{2+} (~15%) is smaller than Al- Mg^{2+} (~24%), the ^ZMg content in Cr-oxy-
298 tourmalines is expected to be larger than that in Al-oxy-tourmalines. This is confirmed by the site
299 populations of oxy-chromium-dravite and oxy-dravite (or maruyamaite): "... $^Y(\text{Cr})_3^Z(\text{Mg}_2\text{Cr}_4)$..."
300 and "... $^Y(\text{MgAl}_2)^Z(\text{MgAl}_5)$...", respectively (Bosi et al. 2012; Bosi and Skogby 2013; Lussier et al.
301 2016).

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NOMENCLATURE ISSUES

304 Tourmaline site occupancies depend essentially on the charge and size of atoms forming
305 specific arrangements that obey both the short-range and long-range structural constraints. This
306 crystal-chemical control of tourmaline composition should be reflected in systematic procedure for
307 classification.

308 The tourmaline nomenclature is based on the determination of the chemical content at each
309 non-equivalent site of the crystal structure (Hawthorne and Henry 1999). Consequently, a structural
310 formula $\text{XY}_3\text{Z}_6\text{T}_6\text{O}_{18}(\text{BO}_3)_3\text{V}_3\text{W}$ is required for classification purposes. In accordance with the
311 IMA-CNMNC guidelines (e.g., Nickel and Grice 1998; Hatert and Burke 2008), this means that the
312 chemical information of the Y and Z site should not be merged, because such sites have different
313 crystal-chemical response to the atom accommodations. For identifying tourmaline species, Henry
314 et al. (2011, 2013) pointed out the importance of the *empirical structural formula* stating that the
315 "actual tourmaline structural information of the Y - and Z -site occupancy is an overriding
316 consideration for the definition of a tourmaline species".

317 Only in absence of specific structural information on Y and Z occupancy, Henry et al. (2013)
318 recommended the following site allocation procedure for the Z and Y sites: "Initially assign all Al
319 (in excess of that assigned to the T site) to the Z site. Next, successively assign Mg^{2+} (up to 2 apfu),
320 V^{3+} , Cr^{3+} , and Fe^{3+} . If there is an excess of trivalent cations on the Z site, the excess trivalent cations
321 go into the Y site". As a result, tourmaline species can also be classified by combining chemical

322 data with assumptions on the site allocation of atoms, which lead to a *calculated structural formula*.
323 However, the application of such nomenclature rules results in ambiguity for identifying oxy-
324 tourmalines.

325 Table 5 shows that the empirical and calculated structural formulae of selected oxy-
326 tourmaline species do not converge to same mineral name. In detail, sample PR1973 and TM84a
327 can be only identified by the empirical structural formula. Sample PR85m is identified as oxy-
328 schorl by the empirical formula and as oxy-dravite by the calculated formula. Sample drv18 is quite
329 anomalous as both its empirical and its calculated formula lead to two new end-member formulae:
330 $\text{Na}(\text{Mg}_2\text{Fe}^{3+})\text{Al}_6\text{Si}_6\text{O}_{18}(\text{BO}_3)_3(\text{OH})_3\text{O}$ and $\text{Na}(\text{Fe}^{2+}_2\text{Fe}^{3+})\text{Al}_6\text{Si}_6\text{O}_{18}(\text{BO}_3)_3(\text{OH})_3\text{O}$, respectively.
331 These formulae, however, appear to represent an unresolved issue in the classification scheme
332 rather than the occurrence of new species.

333 The unsuccessful application of the procedure of Henry et al. (2013) for naming tourmaline
334 species may be ascribed to inaccurately developed cation site distributions, concerning in particular
335 (i) the incorrect site preference of V^{3+} and Cr^{3+} for the Z site, which should be reversed as first $^Z\text{Cr}^{3+}$
336 and then $^Z\text{V}^{3+}$ (see above), and (ii) the assumed qualitative Al site distribution, which incorrectly
337 increases the actual amount of Al at the Z site. In order to improve this procedure, the site
338 partitioning of important cations such as Al should be correctly modelled. Of particular relevance in
339 this regard is the plot of ^ZAl versus $^{[6]}\text{Al}$ ($= \text{Al}_{\text{tot}} - ^T\text{Al}$), obtained using cation-distribution data of 83
340 oxy-tourmalines accompanied by SREF, showing a strong positive nonlinear relation (Fig. 5). In
341 detail, the plot displays the occurrence of an almost linear trend with $^Z\text{Al}/^{[6]}\text{Al}$ ratio very close to 1
342 for $^{[6]}\text{Al} < 4$ apfu, and a nonlinear trend for $^{[6]}\text{Al} > 4$ apfu. In order to make prediction from
343 experimental data, the following quadratic equation may be used:

$$344 \quad ^Z\text{Al} = -0.1155 + 1.1713 \cdot ^{[6]}\text{Al} - 0.0522 \cdot ^{[6]}\text{Al}^2 \quad (4)$$

345 Equation (4) allows assigning amounts of Al at the Z site using only chemical data. Notice that this
346 quadratic fitting does lead to non-physical values for extrapolated values of $^{[6]}\text{Al}$ ranging from

347 0.000 to 0.098 apfu (${}^Z\text{Al}$ assumes slightly negative values) and from 8.270 to 9.000 apfu (${}^Z\text{Al}$
348 assumes values slightly larger than 6.000 apfu). An empirical site assignment model could also be
349 attained for Mg, but the correlation of ${}^Z\text{Mg}$ versus ${}^{[6]}\text{Al}_{\text{tot}}$ (not shown) is not yet sufficiently accurate
350 to make prediction. Similarly, it is not yet possible to define a reliable mathematical model for the *Y*
351 and *Z* site assignments of other trivalent cations (Fe, V, Cr), although important indications on their
352 crystal-chemical behavior have been mentioned above.

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354 **Possible improvements of the nomenclature of oxy-tourmalines**

355 Based on the strong correlation between ${}^Z\text{Al}$ and ${}^{[6]}\text{Al}$, and on the preference of R^{2+} - and
356 R^{3+} -cations for the *Y* and *Z* sites, the recommended procedure of Henry et al. (2013) for allocating
357 cations to *Z* and *Y* can be reformulated as follows.

358 (i) Initially assign Al^{3+} (in excess of that assigned to the *T* site) to the *Z* site according to
359 equation (4), and then assign the remaining Al^{3+} to the *Y* site.

360 (ii) Next, successively assign Mg^{2+} to *Z* (up to 2 apfu), Cr^{3+} , V^{3+} and Fe^{3+} .

361 (iii) If there is an excess of trivalent cations at the *Z* site, the excess trivalent cations go into
362 the *Y* site.

363 In this way, the resulting cation distributions should more closely conform to the actual *Y*- and *Z*-
364 site occupancy with respect to the previous procedure. Therefore, for the given bulk composition,
365 the combination of the new procedure for the *Y* and *Z* cation distributions with the
366 recommendations of Henry et al. (2011) for the allocation of constituents over the *X*, *T*, *B*, *O1* and
367 *O3* sites would yield a calculated structural formula leading to an end-member formula of a
368 recognized tourmaline species. With regard to samples of Table 5, they can be univocally identified
369 by applying the present procedure. In particular, sample drv18 may be identified as bosite, ruling
370 out the occurrence of a new species.

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372 **IMPLICATIONS**

373 The definition of the crystal-chemical behavior of important constituents of tourmaline has
374 allowed developing of a better scheme for site assignment that reveal major agreement and
375 significant improvements compared to the earlier proposed scheme. The development of an
376 unambiguous classification scheme is not just a question about terminology, but is a necessary step
377 to understand the processes that govern the mineral diversity and has direct implications on the
378 petrogenetic and provenience information of minerals. For example, ambiguity in the naming of a
379 tourmaline species will not assist direct comparisons of tourmalines originating from different
380 deposits. Therefore, for classification purposes, it would be better to treat all tourmalines alike, that
381 is, follow recommendations based on assumptions whether or not a set of structural and
382 spectroscopic data are available to determine real site occupancies. In this way, the naming of a
383 tourmaline composition would be comparable for fully characterized tourmalines and for
384 tourmalines for which only a chemical analysis is available. It would be appropriate to use the
385 empirical structural formula to define new species, and the calculated structural formula to classify
386 known species.

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Table 1. The 26 relevant constituents occurring in tourmaline

Valence	zero	1	2	3	4
	[9]-[6]□	[9] Na ⁺ [9] K ⁺ [6] Li ⁺ [9] Ag ⁺ H ⁺ [3] F ⁻	[9] Ca ²⁺ [6] Mg ²⁺ [6] Fe ²⁺ [6] Mn ²⁺ [6] Ni ²⁺ [6] Co ²⁺ [6] Cu ²⁺ [6] Zn ²⁺ [3]-[4] O ²⁻	[6]-[4] Al ³⁺ [6] Cr ³⁺ [6] V ³⁺ [6] Fe ³⁺ [6] Ga ³⁺ [3]-[4] B ³⁺ [6] Mn ³⁺	[4] Si ⁴⁺ [6] Ti ⁴⁺

Notes: Vacancy (=□) is considered as a constituent in accord with the IMA-CNMNC rules. In brackets are indicated coordination numbers. In bold are indicated constituents characterizing the 33 species of the tourmaline-supergroup minerals.

Table 2. The 33 mineral species of tourmaline recognized by the IMA-CNMNC

Adachiite	$\text{CaFe}^{2+}_3\text{Al}_6(\text{Si}_5\text{AlO}_{18})(\text{BO}_3)_3(\text{OH})_3\text{OH}$
Bosiite	$\text{NaFe}^{3+}_3(\text{Al}_4\text{Mg}_2)\text{Si}_6\text{O}_{18}(\text{BO}_3)_3(\text{OH})_3\text{O}$
Chromium-dravite	$\text{NaMg}_3\text{Cr}_6\text{Si}_6\text{O}_{18}(\text{BO}_3)_3(\text{OH})_3\text{OH}$
Chromo-alumino-povondraite	$\text{NaCr}_3(\text{Al}_4\text{Mg}_2)\text{Si}_6\text{O}_{18}(\text{BO}_3)_3(\text{OH})_3\text{O}$
Darrellhenryite	$\text{NaLiAl}_2\text{Al}_6\text{Si}_6\text{O}_{18}(\text{BO}_3)_3(\text{OH})_3\text{O}$
Dravite	$\text{NaMg}_3\text{Al}_6\text{Si}_6\text{O}_{18}(\text{BO}_3)_3(\text{OH})_3\text{OH}$
Elbaite	$\text{Na}(\text{Li}_{1.5},\text{Al}_{1.5})\text{Al}_6\text{Si}_6\text{O}_{18}(\text{BO}_3)_3(\text{OH})_3\text{OH}$
Feruvite	$\text{CaFe}^{2+}_3(\text{MgAl}_5)\text{Si}_6\text{O}_{18}(\text{BO}_3)_3(\text{OH})_3\text{OH}$
Fluor-buergerite	$\text{NaFe}^{3+}_3\text{Al}_6\text{Si}_6\text{O}_{18}(\text{BO}_3)_3\text{O}_3\text{F}$
Fluor-dravite	$\text{NaMg}_3\text{Al}_6\text{Si}_6\text{O}_{18}(\text{BO}_3)_3(\text{OH})_3\text{F}$
Fluor-elbaite	$\text{Na}(\text{Li}_{1.5},\text{Al}_{1.5})\text{Al}_6\text{Si}_6\text{O}_{18}(\text{BO}_3)_3(\text{OH})_3\text{F}$
Fluor-liddicoatite	$\text{Ca}(\text{Li}_2\text{Al})\text{Al}_6\text{Si}_6\text{O}_{18}(\text{BO}_3)_3(\text{OH})_3\text{F}$
Fluor-schorl	$\text{NaFe}^{2+}_3\text{Al}_6\text{Si}_6\text{O}_{18}(\text{BO}_3)_3(\text{OH})_3\text{F}$
Fluor-tsilaisite	$\text{NaMn}^{2+}_3\text{Al}_6\text{Si}_6\text{O}_{18}(\text{BO}_3)_3(\text{OH})_3\text{F}$
Fluor-uvite	$\text{CaMg}_3(\text{Al}_5\text{Mg})\text{Si}_6\text{O}_{18}(\text{BO}_3)_3(\text{OH})_3\text{F}$
Foitite	$\square(\text{Fe}^{2+}_2\text{Al})\text{Al}_6\text{Si}_6\text{O}_{18}(\text{BO}_3)_3(\text{OH})_3\text{OH}$
Lucchesiite	$\text{CaFe}^{2+}_3\text{Al}_6\text{Si}_6\text{O}_{18}(\text{BO}_3)_3(\text{OH})_3\text{O}$
Luinaite-(OH) ^a	$(\text{Na},\square)(\text{Fe}^{2+},\text{Mg})_3\text{Al}_6\text{Si}_6\text{O}_{18}(\text{BO}_3)_3(\text{OH})_3\text{OH}$
Magnesio-foitite	$\square(\text{Mg}_2\text{Al})\text{Al}_6\text{Si}_6\text{O}_{18}(\text{BO}_3)_3(\text{OH})_3\text{OH}$
Maruyamaite	$\text{K}(\text{Al}_2\text{Mg})(\text{Al}_5\text{Mg})\text{Si}_6\text{O}_{18}(\text{BO}_3)_3(\text{OH})_3\text{O}$
Olenite	$\text{NaAl}_3\text{Al}_6\text{Si}_6\text{O}_{18}(\text{BO}_3)_3\text{O}_3\text{OH}$
Oxy-chromium-dravite	$\text{NaCr}_3(\text{Cr}_4\text{Mg}_2)\text{Si}_6\text{O}_{18}(\text{BO}_3)_3(\text{OH})_3\text{O}$
Oxy-dravite	$\text{Na}(\text{Al}_2\text{Mg})(\text{Al}_5\text{Mg})\text{Si}_6\text{O}_{18}(\text{BO}_3)_3(\text{OH})_3\text{O}$
Oxy-foitite	$\square(\text{Al}_2\text{Fe}^{2+})\text{Al}_6\text{Si}_6\text{O}_{18}(\text{BO}_3)_3(\text{OH})_3\text{O}$
Oxy-schorl	$\text{Na}(\text{Fe}^{2+}_2\text{Al})\text{Al}_6\text{Si}_6\text{O}_{18}(\text{BO}_3)_3(\text{OH})_3\text{O}$
Oxy-vanadium-dravite	$\text{NaV}_3(\text{V}_4\text{Mg}_2)\text{Si}_6\text{O}_{18}(\text{BO}_3)_3(\text{OH})_3\text{O}$
Povondraite	$\text{NaFe}^{3+}_3(\text{Fe}^{3+}_4\text{Mg}_2)\text{Si}_6\text{O}_{18}(\text{BO}_3)_3(\text{OH})_3\text{O}$
Rossmanite	$\square(\text{Al}_2\text{Li})\text{Al}_6\text{Si}_6\text{O}_{18}(\text{BO}_3)_3(\text{OH})_3\text{OH}$
Schorl	$\text{NaFe}^{2+}_3\text{Al}_6\text{Si}_6\text{O}_{18}(\text{BO}_3)_3(\text{OH})_3\text{OH}$
Tsilaisite	$\text{NaMn}^{2+}_3\text{Al}_6\text{Si}_6\text{O}_{18}(\text{BO}_3)_3(\text{OH})_3\text{OH}$
Uvite	$\text{CaMg}_3(\text{Al}_5\text{Mg})\text{Si}_6\text{O}_{18}(\text{BO}_3)_3(\text{OH})_3\text{OH}$
Vanadio-oxy-chromium-dravite	$\text{NaV}_3(\text{Cr}_4\text{Mg}_2)\text{Si}_6\text{O}_{18}(\text{BO}_3)_3(\text{OH})_3\text{O}$
Vanadio-oxy-dravite	$\text{NaV}_3(\text{Al}_4\text{Mg}_2)\text{Si}_6\text{O}_{18}(\text{BO}_3)_3(\text{OH})_3\text{O}$

^a Mineral (IMA 2009-046) description has not yet been published in the scientific literature

TABLE 3. Stable local charge arrangements around the O1 and O3 sites of tourmaline derived from Hawthorne (1996, 2002) and Bosi (2010, 2011, 2013)

Composition	Formal valence	Charge arrangement	MFV ^a
O1	O1^b	YYY	<Y>
(OH) or F	-1	(R ³⁺ + 2R ⁺)	+1.67
(OH) or F	-1	(R ³⁺ + R ²⁺ + □)	+1.67
(OH) or F	-1	(R ³⁺ + R ²⁺ + R ⁺)	+2.00
(OH) or F	-1	(R ³⁺ + R ³⁺ + □)	+2.00
(OH) or F	-1	(3R ²⁺)	+2.00
(OH) or F	-1	(2R ³⁺ + R ⁺)	+2.33
(OH) or F	-1	(2R ²⁺ + R ³⁺)	+2.33
O	-2	(R ²⁺ + 2R ³⁺)	+2.67
O	-2	(3R ³⁺)	+3.00
O3	O3^b	YZZ	<YZZ>
(OH)	-1	^Y R ⁺ + ^Z (R ²⁺ + R ³⁺)	+2.00
(OH)	-1	^Y □ + ^Z (2R ³⁺)	+2.00
(OH)	-1	^Y R ⁺ + ^Z (2R ³⁺)	+2.33
(OH)	-1	^Y R ²⁺ + ^Z (R ²⁺ + R ³⁺)	+2.33
(OH)	-1	^Y R ³⁺ + ^Z (2R ²⁺)	+2.33
(OH)	-1	^Y R ²⁺ + ^Z (2R ³⁺)	+2.67
(OH)	-1	^Y R ³⁺ + ^Z (R ²⁺ + R ³⁺)	+2.67
(OH)	-1	^Y R ³⁺ + ^Z (2R ³⁺)	+3.00
O	-2	^Y R ³⁺ + ^Z (2R ³⁺)	+3.00

Abbreviation: R⁺, R²⁺ and R³⁺ = generalized monovalent (+1), divalent (+2) and trivalent (+3) cation

^a MFV = mean formal valence = total charge/3

^b Because of the hydrogen bond, the bond-valence sum at the O1 and O3 sites occupied by (OH) are 1.05 vu and 1.15 vu, respectively (e.g., Hawthorne 2002; Gatta et al. 2014)

TABLE 4. Empirical mean ionic radii (Å) for [6]-coordinated ions in tourmaline

Ion	This work	Shannon (1976)
Al ³⁺	0.547(3)	0.535
Cr ³⁺	0.615(1)	0.615
V ³⁺	0.655(1)	0.64
Fe ³⁺	0.675(15)	0.645
Fe ²⁺	0.776(1)	0.78
Mg ²⁺	0.722(1)	0.72
Mn ²⁺	0.809(1)	0.83
Li ⁺	0.751(9)	0.76

Notes: Empirical ionic radii from Shannon (1976) apply to the other ions such as Ti⁴⁺ = 0.605 Å, Ni²⁺ = 0.69 Å, Co²⁺ = 0.745 Å, etc.

The mean anionic radii <O> related to the Y and Z sites is function of constituent-anion radius of Shannon (1976). The <^YO> varies from 1.353 to 1.363 Å; <^ZO> varies from 1.357 Å for tourmalines with O3 = (OH) to 1.360 Å for tourmalines with O3 = O²⁻.

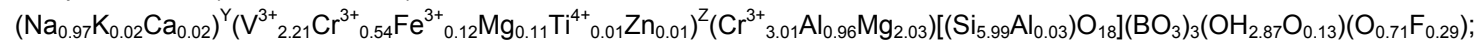
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TABLE 5. Examples of identification of selected oxy-tourmalines

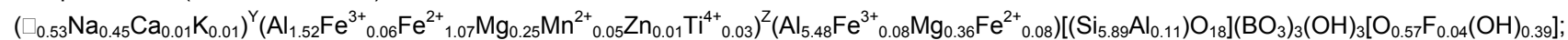
Sample	PR1973	TM84a	PR85m	drv18
Empirical site population				
Y	$V_{2.21}Cr_{0.54}Mg_{0.11}Fe^{3+}_{0.12}Ti_{0.01}Zn_{0.01}$	$Al_{1.52}Fe^{3+}_{0.06}Fe^{2+}_{1.07}Mg_{0.25}Mn^{2+}_{0.05}Zn_{0.01}Ti^{4+}_{0.03}$	$Al_{1.23}Fe^{2+}_{0.90}Mg_{0.63}Fe^{3+}_{0.15}Ti^{4+}_{0.09}$	$Mg_{1.35}Fe^{2+}_{0.94}Fe^{3+}_{0.49}Ti^{4+}_{0.20}$
Z	$Cr_{3.01}Al_{0.96}Mg_{2.03}$	$Al_{5.48}Fe^{3+}_{0.08}Mg_{0.36}Fe^{2+}_{0.08}$	$Al_{5.05}Mg_{0.89}Fe^{3+}_{0.06}$	$Al_{4.58}Mg_{0.80}Fe^{3+}_{0.62}$
Name	vanadio-oxy-chromium-dravite	oxy-foitite	oxy-schorl	oxy-?
Calculated site population according to Henry <i>et al.</i> (2013)				
Y	$Cr_{2.72}Mg_{0.14}Fe^{3+}_{0.12}Ti_{0.01}Zn_{0.01}$	$Al_{1.00}Fe^{3+}_{0.14}Fe^{2+}_{1.15}Mg_{0.61}Mn^{2+}_{0.05}Zn_{0.01}Ti^{4+}_{0.03}$	$Mg_{1.52}Fe^{2+}_{0.90}Al_{0.28}Fe^{3+}_{0.21}Ti^{4+}_{0.09}$	$Mg_{0.73}Fe^{2+}_{0.94}Fe^{3+}_{1.11}Ti^{4+}_{0.20}$
Z	$Al_{0.96}Mg_{2.00}V_{2.21}Cr_{0.83}$	$Al_{6.00}$	$Al_{6.00}$	$Al_{4.58}Mg_{1.42}$
Name	oxy-?	oxy-?	oxy-dravite	oxy-?
Calculated site population according to this work				
Y	$V_{2.21}Cr_{0.51}Mg_{0.14}Fe^{3+}_{0.12}Ti_{0.01}Zn_{0.01}$	$Al_{1.47}Fe^{3+}_{0.14}Fe^{2+}_{1.15}Mg_{0.14}Mn^{2+}_{0.05}Zn_{0.01}Ti^{4+}_{0.03}$	$Al_{1.10}Fe^{2+}_{0.90}Mg_{0.70}Fe^{3+}_{0.21}Ti^{4+}_{0.09}$	$Al_{0.43}Mg_{0.30}Fe^{2+}_{0.94}Fe^{3+}_{1.11}Ti^{4+}_{0.20}$
Z	$Al_{0.96}Mg_{2.00}Cr_{3.04}$	$Al_{5.53}Mg_{0.47}$	$Al_{5.18}Mg_{0.82}$	$Al_{4.15}Mg_{1.85}$
Name	vanadio-oxy-chromium-dravite ^a	oxy-foitite ^b	oxy-schorl ^c	boisiite ^d

Empirical structural formula for:

sample PR1973 (Bosi *et al.* 2014),



sample TM84a (Bosi *et al.* 2017d),



sample PR85m (Bosi *et al.* 2017c),



sample drv18 (Cámara *et al.* 2002),

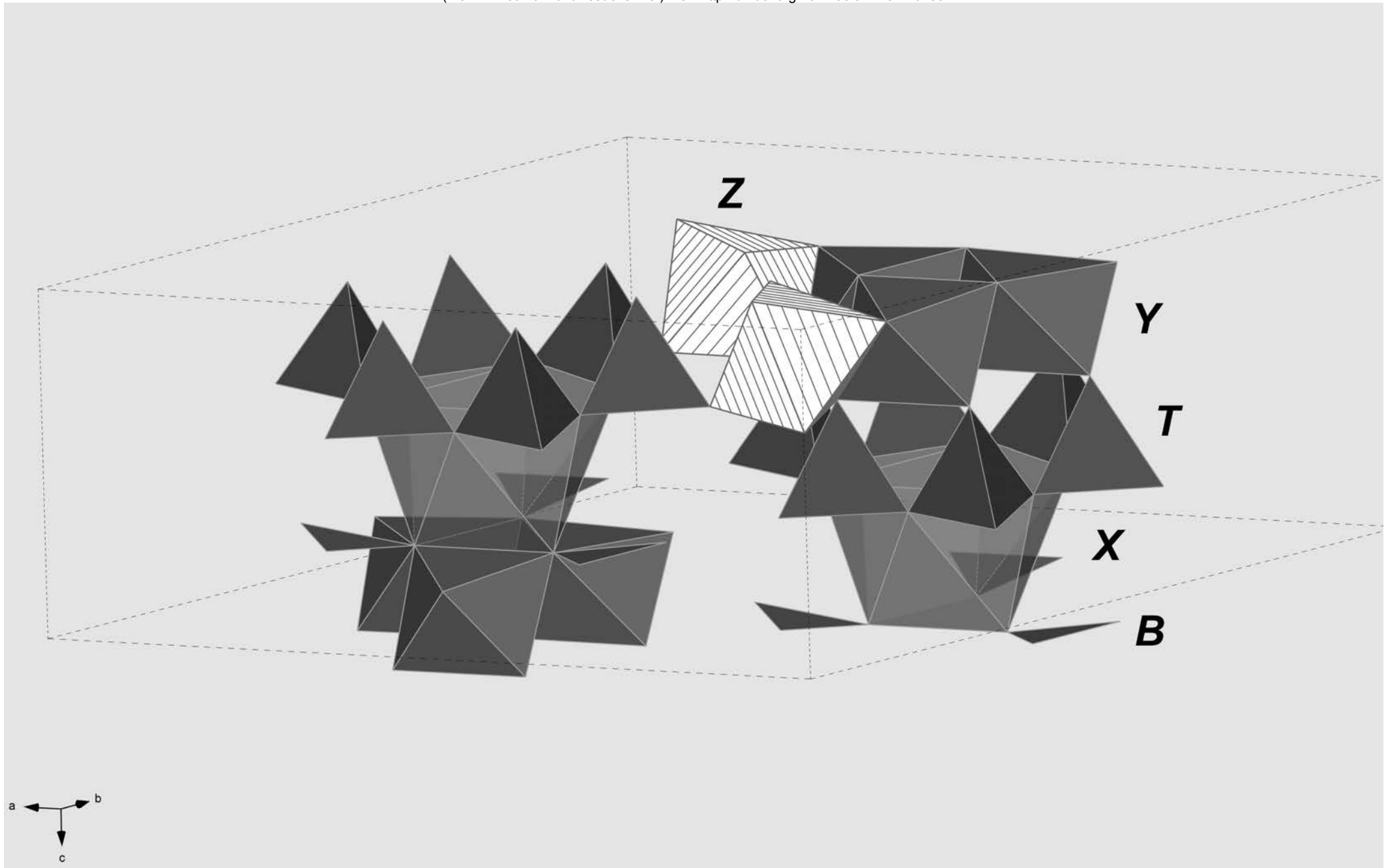


^a Ideally $NaV^{3+}_3(Mg_2Al_4)(Si_6O_{18})(BO_3)_3(OH)_3O$

^b Ideally $\square(Fe^{2+}Al_2)Al_6(Si_6O_{18})(BO_3)_3(OH)_3O$

^c Ideally $Na(Fe^{2+}_2Al)Al_6(Si_6O_{18})(BO_3)_3(OH)_3O$

^d Ideally $NaFe^{3+}_3Al_6(Si_6O_{18})(BO_3)_3(OH)_3O$



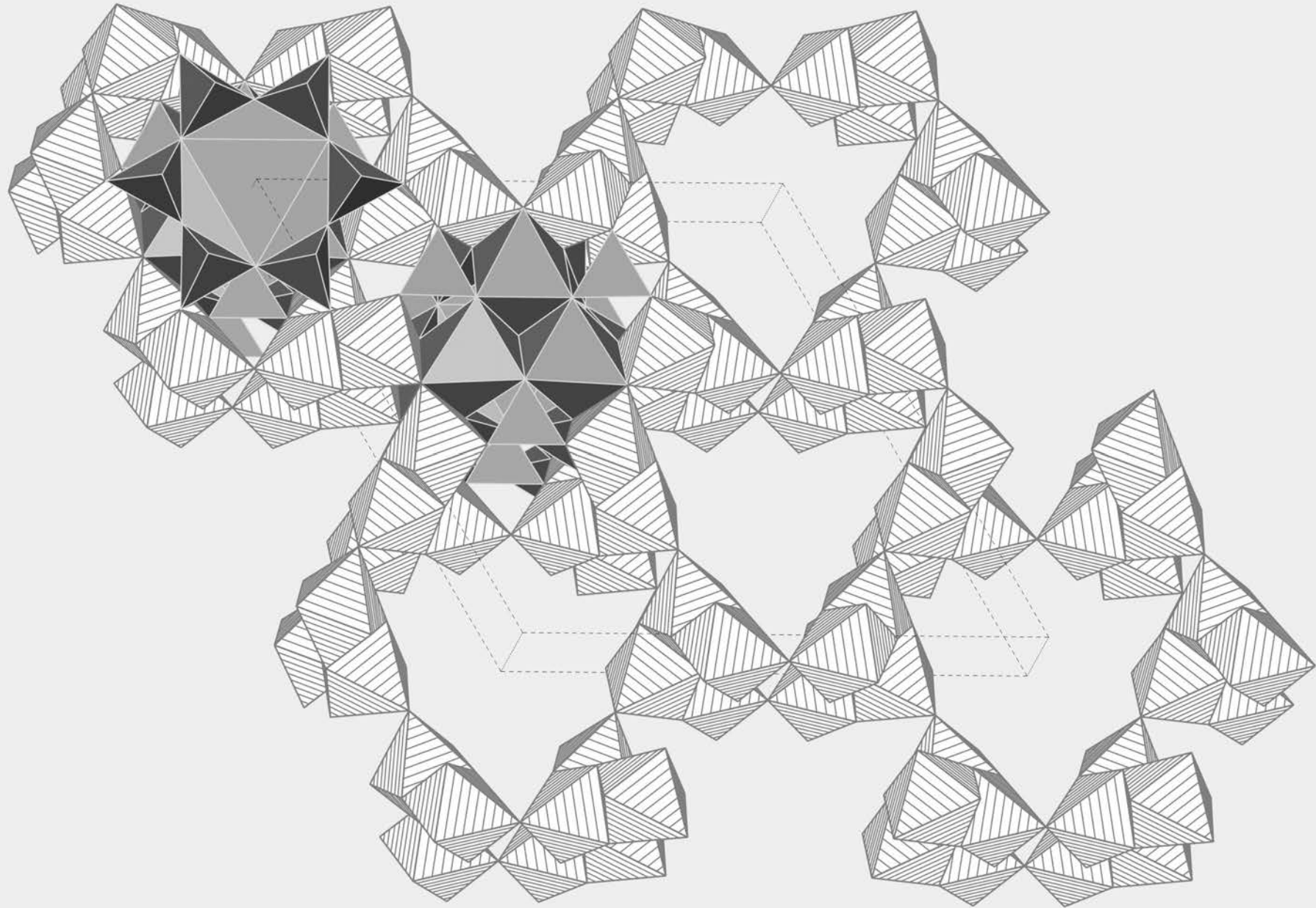


Figure 3

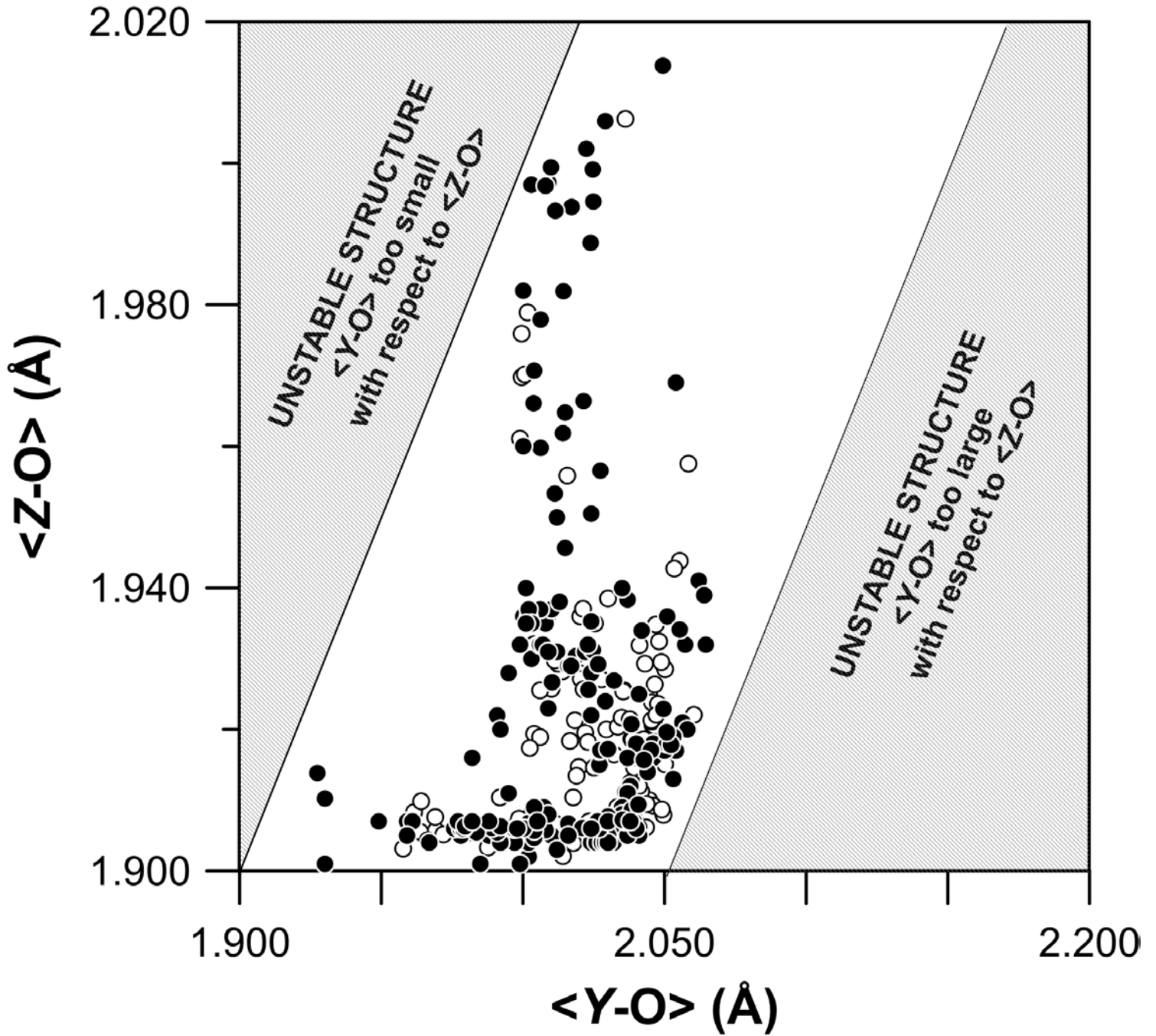


Figure 4

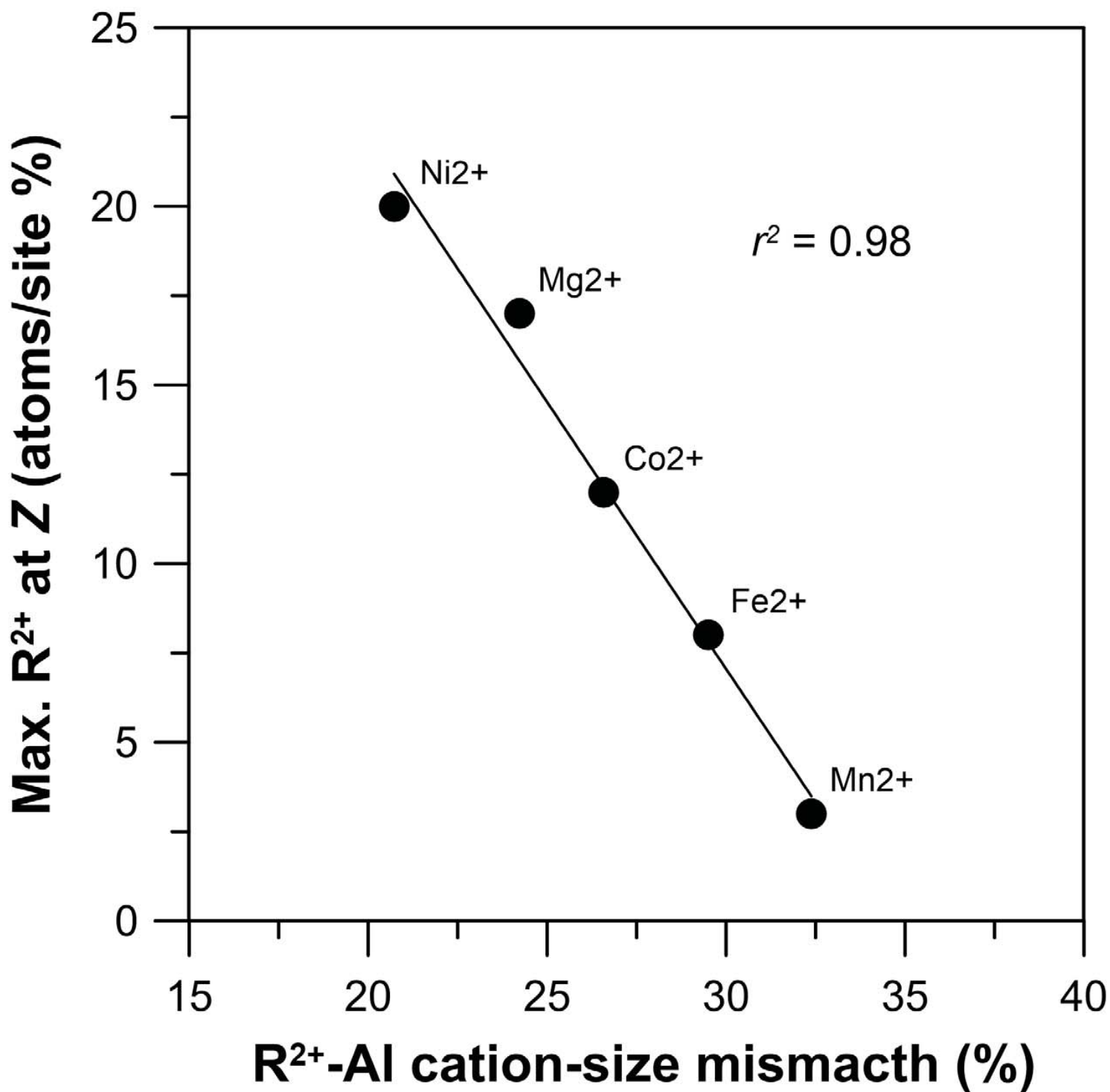


Figure 5

