

ouxite into rauenthalite can be classified as a reaction of the type in which two-dimensional elements (layers) are conserved.

The activation energy for all these 'layer-conserving' dehydration processes is surely very small owing to the small number of bonds broken and reconstructed during the reactions. This should be particularly true for mechanisms involving loss of lattice H<sub>2</sub>O molecules, where only low-energy hydrogen bonds are broken, as in the present case and in other examples, e.g. the dehydration of MoO<sub>3</sub>·2H<sub>2</sub>O (Günter, 1972). On these grounds the oriented intergrowth of phaunouxite and rauenthalite observed in natural crystals at room temperature can be easily understood. A slightly different mechanism is observed for the dehydration of Ca<sub>3</sub>H<sub>2</sub>(AsO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>4</sub>·9H<sub>2</sub>O (Catti & Ivaldi, 1981), where interlayer H<sub>2</sub>O—Ca bonds are also broken, in addition to hydrogen bonds, so that a higher activation energy should be necessary for that reaction.

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## A Description of the Leucophoenicite Family of Structures and its Relation to the Humite Family

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### Abstract

Two distinct though closely related structural families are described. One, which we call the leucophoenicite family, consists of mimetically twinned, cubic-close-packed (c.c.p.) arrays of *A* cations with *B* cations in *A*<sub>6</sub> trigonal prisms in the composition planes and anions in (usually) *BA*<sub>3</sub> tetrahedra. A general 'twin formula' may be written as (1,2<sup>*x*</sup>), the twin individuals being one and two cations wide. (The superscript *x* indicates the number of consecutive twin lamellae of thickness 2.) The other is the humite family which has twin individuals two or three cations wide and twin formula (2<sup>*x*</sup>,3). In addition to the type structures such as leucophoenicite and the humite minerals which are all

silicates there are also borates, germanates, etc. whose cation arrays place them in these families, especially the former.

### Introduction

It has frequently been noted that the structures of leucophoenicite and some related compounds and those of forsterite (olivine) and of the humite minerals (norbergite, chondrodite, humite and clinohumite) have common geometrical features. Moore (1970) determined the structure of leucophoenicite, and used a module of five edge-sharing *MO*<sub>6</sub> octahedra, 'the generalized olivine type', to construct a leucophoen-

Table 1. Summary of compounds belonging to the leucophoenicite family and the humite family

Structural family	Twin layer repeat	Structure type	'Stuffed' alloy type	Examples	
Leucophoenicite family	(1)		CrB	BaGeO <sub>3</sub> (Hilmer, 1962), CsBeF <sub>3</sub> (Steinfink & Brunton, 1968), high KClO <sub>3</sub> (Ramachandran & Lonappan, 1975), low KClO <sub>3</sub> (Bats, 1978)	
	(1,2)	Kotoite	W <sub>2</sub> CoB <sub>2</sub>	Kotoite Mg <sub>3</sub> (BO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> (Berger, 1949), Ni <sub>3</sub> (BO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> (Pardo, Martinez-Ripoll & Garcia-Blanco, 1974), jimboite Mn <sub>3</sub> (BO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> (Watanabe, Kato, Matsumoto & Ito, 1963), Cd <sub>3</sub> GeO <sub>4</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub> (Belokoneva, Simonov & Belov, 1974)	
	(1,2 <sup>2</sup> )	Leucophoenicite		Mg <sub>3</sub> (BO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> F (Brovkin & Nikishova, 1975)	
	(1,2 <sup>3</sup> )			Leucophoenicite Mn <sub>7</sub> [SiO <sub>4</sub> ] <sub>2</sub> [SiO <sub>4</sub> (OH)] <sub>2</sub> (Moore, 1970)	
	(1,2 <sup>x</sup> )(x > 3)			Ni <sub>2</sub> In	Microscopic quantities observed (White & Hyde, 1982c)
Humite family	(2)	Olivine*		Forsterite Mg <sub>2</sub> SiO <sub>4</sub> (Hazen, 1976), FeNiBO <sub>4</sub> (Capponi, Chenavas & Joubert, 1973), tephroite Mn <sub>2</sub> SiO <sub>4</sub> (Francis & Ribbe, 1980)	
	(2 <sup>x</sup> ,3)(x > 3)	Clinohumite		Identified by electron diffraction and high-resolution electron microscopy (White & Hyde, 1982a,b)	
	(2 <sup>3</sup> ,3) <sup>x</sup> (3,2 <sup>3</sup> )				
	(2 <sup>2</sup> ,3,2 <sup>3</sup> ,3)				
	(2 <sup>3</sup> ,3)				Clinohumite 4Mg <sub>2</sub> SiO <sub>4</sub> .Mg(OH,F) <sub>2</sub> (Fujino & Takéuchi, 1978), sonolite 4Mn <sub>2</sub> SiO <sub>4</sub> .Mn(OH,F) <sub>2</sub> (Yoshinga, 1963)
	(2 <sup>2</sup> ,3)	Humite		Humite 3Mg <sub>2</sub> SiO <sub>4</sub> .Mg(OH,F) <sub>2</sub> (Ribbe & Gibbs, 1971), 3(Mg,Mn) <sub>2</sub> SiO <sub>4</sub> .(Mg,Mn)(OH,F) <sub>2</sub> (Francis & Ribbe, 1978)	
	(2,3)	Chondrodite		Chondrodite 2Mg <sub>2</sub> SiO <sub>4</sub> .Mg(OH,F) <sub>2</sub> (Fujino & Takéuchi, 1978), Ca-chondrodite 2Ca <sub>2</sub> SiO <sub>4</sub> .Ca(OH) <sub>2</sub> (Kuznetsova, Novskii, Ilyukhin & Belov, 1980), alleghanyite 2Mn <sub>2</sub> SiO <sub>4</sub> .Mn(OH) <sub>2</sub> (Rentzeperis, 1970), Al <sub>4</sub> Co(BO <sub>4</sub> )O <sub>2</sub> (Capponi & Marezio, 1975), Cd-chondrodite 2Cd <sub>2</sub> SiO <sub>4</sub> .Cd(OH) <sub>2</sub> (Egorov-Tismenko, Duneko, Simonov & Belov, 1972)	
	(3)	Norbergite	Re <sub>3</sub> B	Norbergite Mg <sub>2</sub> SiO <sub>4</sub> .Mg(OH,F) <sub>2</sub> (Gibbs & Ribbe, 1969), Fe <sub>3</sub> BO <sub>6</sub> (White, Miller & Nielson, 1965), Mn-norbergite Mn <sub>2</sub> SiO <sub>4</sub> .Mn(OH,F) <sub>2</sub> (Francis & Ribbe, 1978)	

\* For a more complete list of compounds with the olivine structure see Hanke (1965) and Muller & Roy (1974).

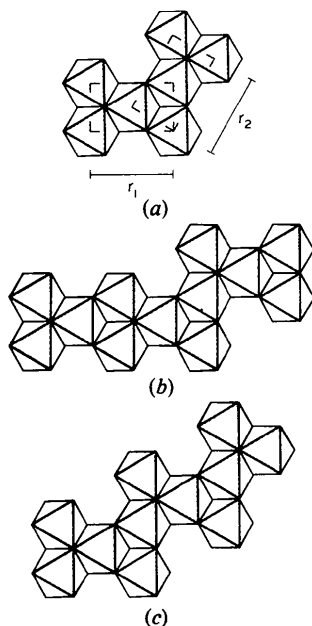


Fig. 1. (a) Two of the five-octahedral units used by Moore (1970) to construct members of a leucophoenicite family. They are designated  $r_1$  or  $r_2$  according to their direction. (b) The octahedral arrangement in leucophoenicite; it consists of two  $r_1$  clusters followed by an  $r_2$  cluster. In Moore's notation leucophoenicite is represented by  $\dots r_1, r_1, r_2, r_1, r_1, r_2 \dots$  (c) The octahedral arrangement in olivine which is represented by  $\dots r_1, r_2, r_1, r_2 \dots$

ite family of structures (Fig. 1), as did Belokoneva, Simonov & Belov (1973) and Brovkin & Nikishova (1975). But this module cannot generate the structure of any member of the humite family (except the olivine type); norbergite structure elements do not contain it, *cf.* Belokoneva *et al.* (1973). Hence, a well founded relation between the two groups of structures has remained elusive. A summary of compounds belonging to the leucophoenicite family and the humite family is presented in Table 1.

### The humite family

Elsewhere we have given a new, simple and systematic description of the structures of the humite-series members (O'Keeffe & Hyde, 1982; see also White & Hyde, 1982a) which we need to outline briefly here. It is based on two straightforward observations. The first is that many structures, otherwise difficult to describe, are readily visualized as anion-stuffed cation arrays rather than the conventional inverse, *viz.* cation-stuffed anion arrays. The cation arrays are well known alloy structures, in the case of the humites those of Ni<sub>2</sub>In and Re<sub>3</sub>B and their intergrowths (Fig. 2). The second is that these alloy structure types are conveniently described in terms of unit-cell twinning (Andersson & Hyde, 1974; Hyde, Bagshaw, Andersson & O'Keeffe, 1974; Hyde,

Andersson, Bakker, Plug & O’Keeffe, 1979). Both are twinned cubic-close-packed (c.c.p.) arrays of the majority atom ( $A = \text{Ni, Re}$ ), with the minority atoms ( $B = \text{In, B}$ ) occupying trigonal prisms ( $BA_6 = \text{InNi}_6, \text{BRe}_6$ ) in the composition planes between the twin lamellae. The former has twin bands two atoms wide, the latter three atoms wide. They are therefore described as twinned c.c.p. ...2,(2,2)2... =  $(2)^2$  and ...3,(3,3)3... =  $(3)^2$  respectively, where the parentheses in the sequences denote the unit-cell repeat. Forsterite,  $\text{Mg}_2\text{SiO}_4$ , is then twinned c.c.p.  $\text{Mg}(2)^2$  and norbergite, ideally  $\text{Mg}_2\text{SiO}_4 \cdot \text{Mg}(\text{OH},\text{F})_2$ , is twinned  $\text{Mg}(3)^2$  with, in both cases, Si atoms in  $\text{Mg}_6$  trigonal prisms. Divalent anions ( $\text{O}^{2-}$ ) occupy  $\text{SiMg}_3$  tetrahedra and monovalent anions ( $\text{OH}^-, \text{F}^-$ )  $\text{Mg}_3$  triangles.

In an analogous way chondrodite,  $2\text{Mg}_2\text{SiO}_4 \cdot \text{Mg}(\text{OH},\text{F})_2$ , is twinned c.c.p.  $\text{Mg} \dots 3,(2,3)2 \dots = (2,3)$ ; humite,  $3\text{Mg}_2\text{SiO}_4 \cdot \text{Mg}(\text{OH},\text{F})_2$ , is twinned c.c.p.  $\text{Mg} \dots 3,(2,2,3,2,2,3)2 \dots = (2^2,3)^2$ ; and clinohumite,  $4\text{Mg}_2\text{SiO}_4 \cdot \text{Mg}(\text{OH},\text{F})_2$ , is twinned c.c.p.  $\text{Mg} \dots 3,(2,2,2,3)2 \dots = (2^3,3)^*$ .

Examples of all these structures are shown in Figs. 3 to 6. In addition to silicates, borates containing  $(\text{BO}_4)^{5-}$  anions are also known:  $\text{Fe}_3\text{BO}_6 = \text{Fe}_2\text{BO}_4 \cdot \text{FeO}_2$  is

isostructural with norbergite (White *et al.*, 1965) but differs from it by containing no monovalent anions (Fig. 3). A series of high-pressure borates with the chondrodite structure has been described by Capponi & Marezio (1975). They have the general formula  $M_1^{3+} M_2^{2+} (\text{BO}_4)_2 (\text{OH})_x \text{O}_{2-x}$  ( $M^{3+} = \text{Al, Ga, Fe}$ ;  $M^{2+} = \text{Ni, Co, Mg, Fe}$ ) and include hydrogen-free boron chondrodite ( $x = 0$ )  $\text{Al}_4\text{Co}(\text{BO}_4)_2\text{O}_2 [= 2(\text{Al}_{1.5}\text{Co}_{0.5})\text{BO}_4 \cdot \text{AlO}_2]$ .

It is noteworthy that all the cation arrays are regular whereas every anion array is considerably distorted from the conventional description of hexagonal ‘close-packing’. Fig. 4 shows the structure of  $2\text{Cd}_2\text{SiO}_4 \cdot \text{Cd}(\text{OH})_2$  (Egorov-Tismenko *et al.*, 1972), in which the distortion of the anion array is extreme but, significantly, the cation array is rather regular.\* [In this example an additional distortion apparently doubles  $d(001)$ .]

**The leucophoenicite family**

This may be described in similar terms, the end members being anion-stuffed twinned c.c.p.  $(2)^2$  (olivine structure) and twinned c.c.p.  $(1)^2$ . The latter has a cation array which is the CrB (alloy) structure, Fig. 7(a). Intermediate structures will be anion-stuffed twinned c.c.p.  $(1,2)$ , which is the  $\text{W}_2\text{CoB}_2$  type (Fig. 7b),  $(1,2)^2$ ,  $(1,2^3)$ , etc. Insertion of anions into analogous  $BA_3$  tetrahedra yields structures with the following

\* In the original paper there appears to be a misprint: the  $y$  coordinates of O(3) and O(8) need to be multiplied by -1.

\* That is, twinned c.c.p.  $\text{Mg} (2^x,3)$  yields  $n\text{Mg}_2\text{SiO}_4 \cdot \text{Mg}(\text{OH},\text{F})_2$  with  $n = x + 1$ . The number of twin individuals in the unit cell must be even; hence e.g.  $(2^2,3)^2$  instead of  $(2^2,3)$ , although the latter type of symbol is sufficient to identify the structure type.

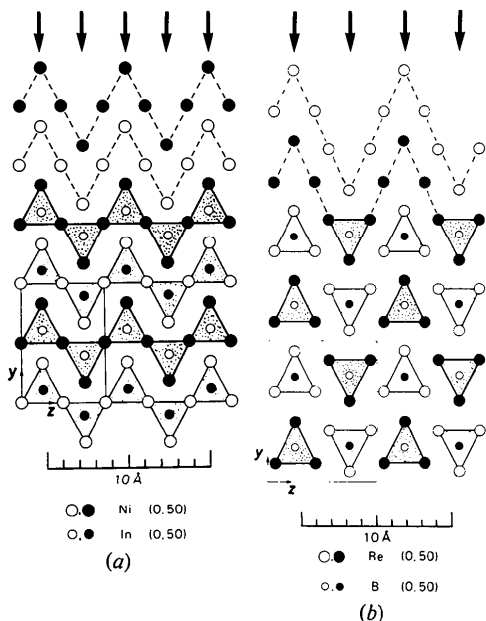


Fig. 2. (a) The structure of the  $\text{Ni}_2\text{In}$  type. The  $\text{Ni} \dots (2,2) \dots$  twin bands are shown in the upper half, and edge-sharing  $\text{Ni}_6\text{In}$  trigonal prisms are emphasized in the lower part. (b) The  $\text{Re}_3\text{B}$  structure. It is close-packed  $\text{Re} \dots (3,3) \dots$  in which isolated trigonal prisms are occupied by B. In both cases the twinning is by mirror planes parallel to  $(001)$ , indicated by arrows.

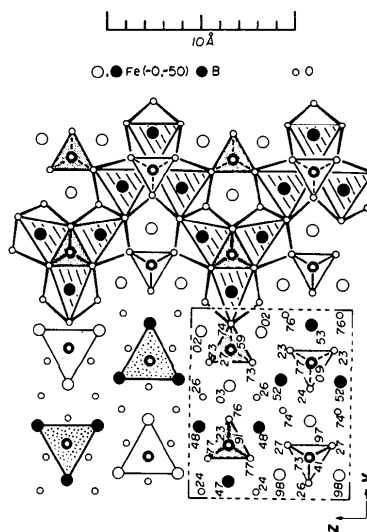


Fig. 3. The structure of  $\text{Fe}_3\text{BO}_6 = \text{Fe}_2\text{BO}_4 \cdot \text{FeO}_2$ . It is isostructural with norbergite and has twin formula  $(3)^2$ . The upper half shows the conventional description as serrated chains of edge-sharing  $\text{FeO}_6$  octahedra. Also shown are the  $\text{BFe}_6$  trigonal prisms (lower left).

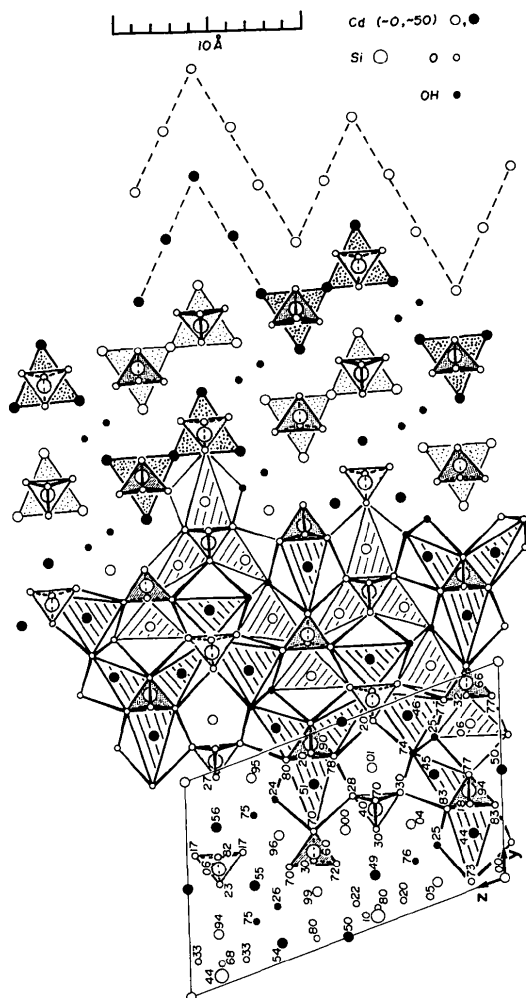


Fig. 4. Cadmium chondrodite,  $2\text{Cd}_2\text{SiO}_4 \cdot \text{Cd}(\text{OH})_2$  twin formula (2,3). Both the conventional cation-centred polyhedra of anions and the intergrowth of  $\text{Ni}_2\text{In}(2)$  and  $\text{Re}_3\text{B}(3)$  structures are shown.

stoichiometries:  $(1)^2 = \text{ABX}_2$ ,  $(1,2) = \text{ABX}_2 \cdot \text{A}_2\text{BX}_4$  or  $\text{A}_3\text{B}_2\text{X}_6$ ,  $(1,2)^2 = \text{ABX}_2 \cdot 2\text{A}_2\text{BX}_4$  or  $\text{A}_5\text{B}_3\text{X}_{10}$ ,  $(1,2^3) = \text{ABX}_2 \cdot 3\text{A}_2\text{BX}_4$  or  $\text{A}_7\text{B}_4\text{X}_{14}$ , etc. and olivine  $= (1,2^\infty) = (2)^2 = \text{A}_2\text{BX}_4$ . It is assumed that single lamellae of 1 are dispersed in a matrix of 2 in the same way as single lamellae of 3 are dispersed in a matrix of 2 in the members of the humite family. Experimental studies of the latter (White & Hyde, 1982a,b) and of the former (White & Hyde, 1982c) reveal no exceptions to such distributions.

*(1)<sup>2</sup>: anion-stuffed CrB type;  $\text{ABX}_2$  and related structures*

The ideal orthorhombic  $\text{ABX}_2$  structure, produced by inserting anions into all appropriate  $\text{BA}_3$  tetrahedra, is unlikely since each  $\text{BX}_4$  tetrahedron then shares two adjacent edges with neighbouring tetrahedra, forming  $\text{BX}_2$  chains, Fig. 8(a). It is therefore not surprising that

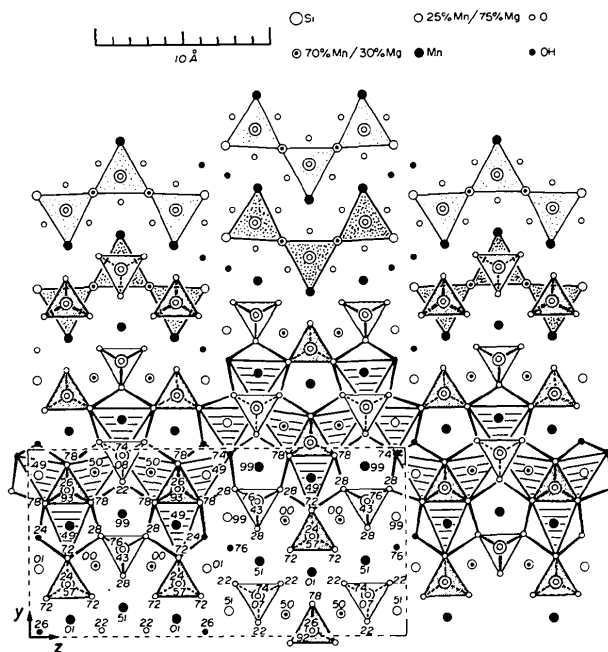


Fig. 5. The structure of magnesium manganhumite,  $[(\text{Mn}_{0.68}\text{Mg}_{0.30}\text{Fe}_{0.01}\text{Ca}_{0.017})_7(\text{SiO}_4)_3(\text{OH})_2]$  (Francis & Ribbe, 1978). In the lower half of the drawing is shown the conventional description of the structure as serrated chains of Mn/Mg octahedra while the cation array is emphasized in the upper portion.

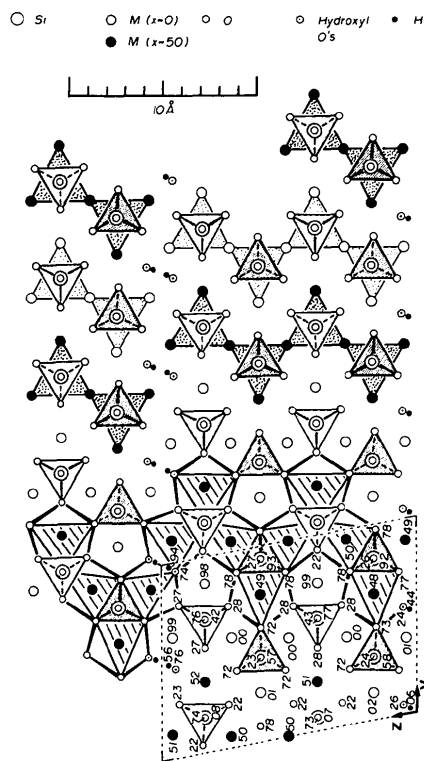


Fig. 6. The crystal structure of titanian clinohumite,  $(\text{Mg}_{7.44}\text{Fe}_{1.09}\text{Mn}_{0.02}\text{Ni}_{0.02}\text{Ti}_{0.43})(\text{SiO}_4)_4\text{OH}_{1.13}\text{O}_{0.86}$  (Fujino & Takeuchi, 1978). The lower half shows the serrated chains of  $\text{MO}_6$  octahedra, while above the  $\text{SiM}_6$  trigonal prisms and the  $\text{SiO}_4$  tetrahedra are emphasized.

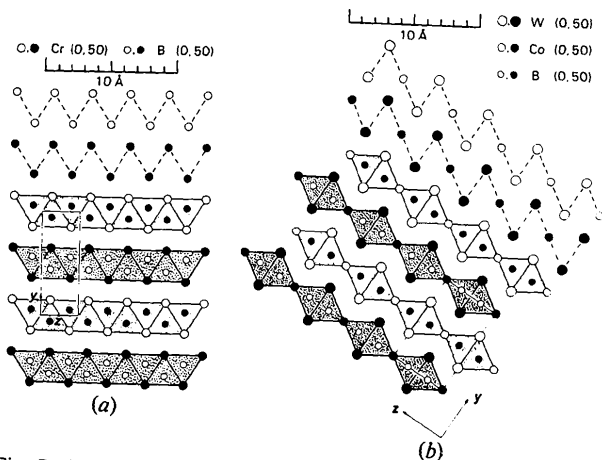


Fig. 7. (a) The CrB alloy type end-member of the leucophoenicite family. It is twinned Cr ... (1,1)... forming walls of face-sharing  $BCr_6$  trigonal prisms. (b) The  $W_2CoB_2$  structure. It is twinned c.c.p.  $W_2Co$  ... (1,2)... forming face- and edge-sharing, boron-centred, trigonal prisms.

no example of this structure type has been found. A more feasible structure would contain  $BX_3$  chains of corner-connected tetrahedra, *i.e.* an  $ABX_3$  compound. An example is  $CsBeF_3$  (Steinfink & Brunton, 1968). There is an oxide which is a slightly deformed version of the same structure, but it has oblique rather than right  $BA_6$  trigonal prisms. This is the high-temperature modification of barium metagermanate,  $BaGeO_3$  (Hilmer, 1962), shown in Fig. 8(b).

Other  $ABX_3$  structures with the same  $AB$  array include the high- and low-temperature forms of  $KClO_3$  (Ramachandran & Lonappan, 1957; Bats, 1978). Both contain isolated  $ClO_3$  ( $BX_3$ ) pyramids (*i.e.* unconnected  $BX_3E$  tetrahedra, where  $E$  represents the stereochemically active lone pair of electrons on the Cl atom). They differ only by tilts of the  $ClO_3$  groups.

#### (1,2): anion-stuffed $W_2CoB_2$ type; $A_3B_2X_6$ structures

We have commented that chains of edge-sharing  $BX_4$  tetrahedra are unlikely. At ordinary pressure pairs of  $SiO_4$  tetrahedra sharing edges ( $Si_2O_6$  groups) are hardly more plausible. But the substitution of boron for silicon gives a stable  $B_2O_6$  group which occurs in, for example the structure of kotoite,  $Mg_3(BO_3)_2 = MgBO_2^+ \cdot Mg_2BO_4^-$  (Berger, 1949), an oxygen-stuffed version of a twinned c.c.p. (1,2) cation array, shown in Fig. 9(a). The  $Mg_3B_2$  array is of the  $(W_2Co)B_2$  type. Repulsion between the tetrahedrally coordinated boron atoms pushes them from the centres of the edge-shared tetrahedra into opposite faces, giving triangular coordination.

The majority ( $A$ ) cation array in cadmium orthogermanate,  $Cd_3GeO_4(OH)_2$  (Belokoneva *et al.*, 1973, 1974) is also isostructural with the  $(W_2Co)$  portion of  $W_2CoB_2$ , Fig. 9(b), but Ge is too large for both the  $O_4$

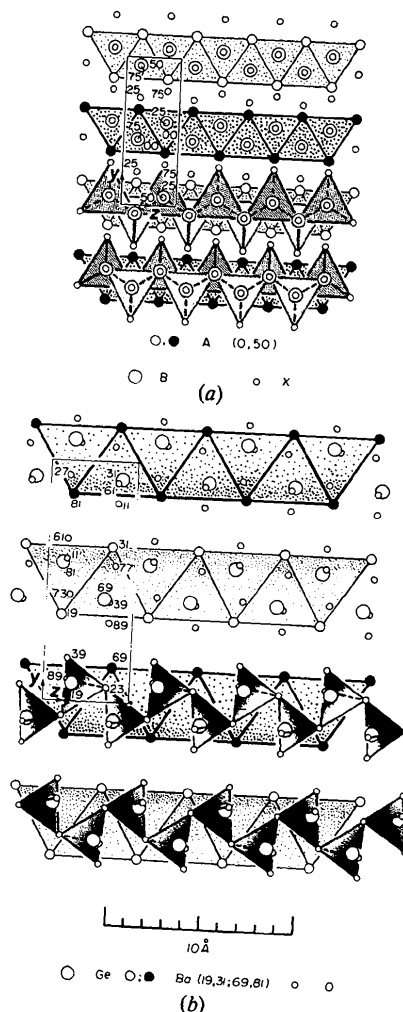
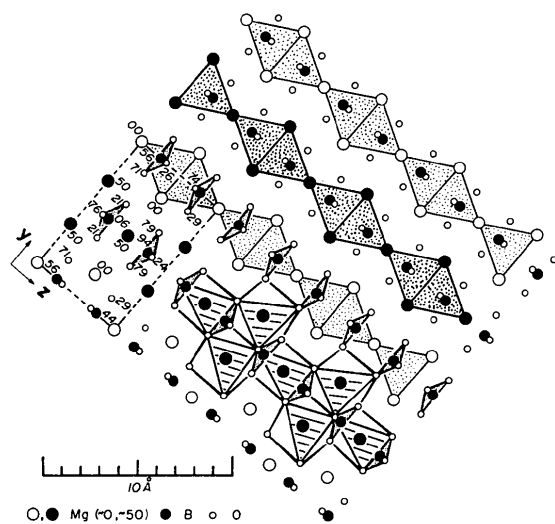


Fig. 8. (a) An idealized  $ABX_2$  structure. The cation array is that of CrB. The anions are stuffed into tetrahedral interstices to form  $BX_2$  tetrahedral chains. (b) The structure of  $BaGeO_3$  differs from that of  $CsBeF_3$  in that it contains non-right  $GeBa_6$  trigonal prisms and a somewhat different conformation of its  $BX_2$  tetrahedral chains.

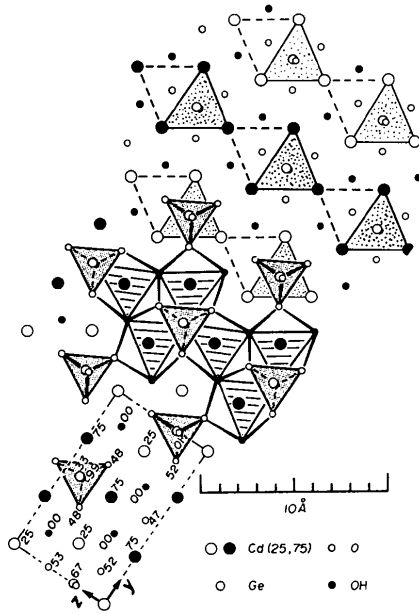
tetrahedra in the edge-shared pair to be occupied simultaneously. (It is too large for a  $Ge_2O_6$  group, or a face-shared pair of trigonal prisms  $Ge_2Cd_8$ , to be possible.) Only one of them is occupied; the other presumably accommodates the two protons. So this  $A_3B_2X_6$  type is  $Cd_3[Ge(H_2)]O_6$ . The hydroxyl ions occupy the two anion sites remote from the  $GeO_4$  tetrahedron.

(It is interesting that the first determination of the structure yielded a statistical distribution of one Ge atom over the two edge-shared tetrahedra, but that a subsequent analysis gave an ordered arrangement of filled and empty anion tetrahedra.)

Note that the composition of this compound corresponds to that of the norbergite type,  $A_2BX_4 \cdot AX_2 = Cd_2GeO_4 \cdot Cd(OH)_2$ .



(a)



(b)

Fig. 9. (a) Structure of kotoite,  $Mg_3(BO_3)_2$ . It is an anion-stuffed version of the  $W_2CoB_2$  alloy type with twinned c.c.p.  $Mg \dots (1,2) \dots$  (The B atoms are displaced from the centre of the trigonal prisms.) (b) Structure of  $Cd_3|GeO_4|(OH)_2$ . Only half the  $Cd_6$  trigonal prisms are occupied by Ge; the 'empty' prisms presumably accommodate the protons of two hydroxyl groups.

### $(1,2^2)^2: A_5B_3X_{10}$ structures

Although there appears to be no known alloy of the twinned c.c.p.  $(1,2^2)^2$  type there is an anion-stuffed counterpart. This is the orthorhombic magnesium fluoroborate,  $Mg_5(BO_3)_3F$  (Brovkin & Nikishova, 1975). The boron coordination 'polyhedra' are best described as  $BO_3$  triangles, although in Fig. 10 they are in fact shown as tetrahedra to emphasize the relation between this structure and that of leucophoenicite

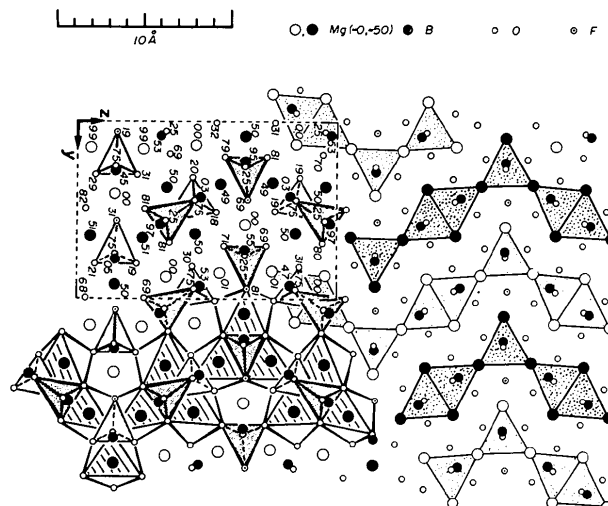


Fig. 10. The structure of  $Mg_5(BO_3)_3F$ . Its cation array is c.c.p.  $\dots 2, (1,2,2, 1,2,2), 1 \dots$ , an intergrowth of  $CrB$  and  $NiIn_2$ . The B atoms are in triangular coordination, but are shown as  $BO_4$  tetrahedra to emphasize the relation to leucophoenicite.

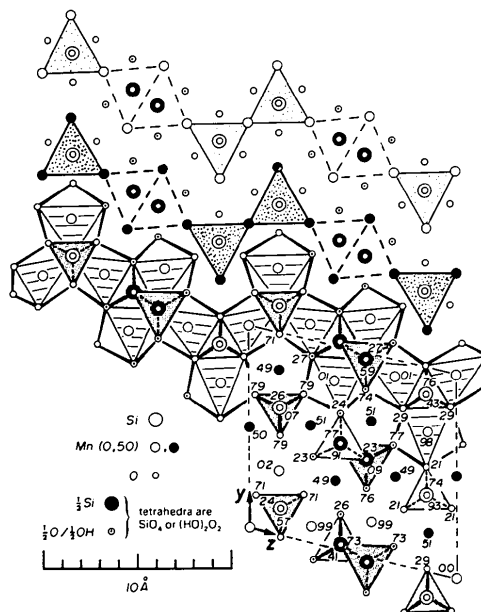


Fig. 11. The structure of leucophoenicite  $Mn_7(SiO_4)_2(SiO_4)(OH)_2$ . Half the face-sharing  $Mn_6$  trigonal prisms are said to be occupied by Si in a statistical manner; its twin formula is  $(1,2^2)$ .

(below). But the boron atoms are slightly displaced from the centres of the  $O_3$  triangles, and in directions towards the fourth anion of the tetrahedron, by 0.06, 0.03 and 0.04 Å respectively for B(1), B(2) and B(3).

### $(1,2^3): A_7B_4X_{14}$ , the leucophoenicite structure

So far, leucophoenicite (Fig. 11) is the only substance reported to have this structure (Moore, 1970). Its stoichiometry is  $Mn_7(SiO_4)_3(OH)_2 = Mn_7Si_3(H_2)O_{14}$ . Written as  $3Mn_2SiO_4 \cdot Mn(OH)_2$  its dimorphism with manganhumite is clear. The structure

determination revealed only that the edge-shared tetrahedra were half-occupied by Si, and that the four peripheral (non-bridging) anions consist of two oxygen ions plus two hydroxyl oxygens. Presumably, as in cadmium orthogermanate, the occupied Si sites and the OH groups are strictly ordered, with Si atoms in one of each of the pair of edge-sharing anion tetrahedra (*i.e.* one of each of the  $Mn_6$  trigonal prisms in the face-shared pairs) and two hydrogen atoms in the other. This, and any pattern of ordering between adjacent prism chains, remains to be determined.

$(1,2^x)$ :  $ABX_2 \cdot xA_2BX_4 = A_{2x+1}B_{x+1}X_{4x+2}$  structures,  $x > 3$

As far as we are aware, none of these structures has been reported; a situation analogous to that in the humite series where the highest reported member is  $(2^3,3)$ . But, as with the humites (White & Hyde, 1982*a,b*), microscopic amounts of such higher members of the leucophoenicite family have been observed by electron microscopy (White & Hyde, 1982*c*).

$(2)^2$ : anion-stuffed  $Ni_2In$  type;  $A_2BX_4$ , the olivine structure

In the unit-cell (cation) twinning description the olivine structure is the common member bridging the leucophoenicite and humite families,  $(1,2^x)$  and  $(2^x,3)$  with  $x = \infty$ . Its structure provides the matrix in which the lamellae of 1 or 3 are dispersed. Very many compounds have this structure, including borates, germanates, *etc.*, as well as silicates. Two examples are given in Fig. 12.

### Conclusion

Inverting the customary approach to crystal chemistry, by describing structures as anion-stuffed derivatives of cation arrays rather than as cation-stuffed derivatives of anion arrays, plus the description of some simple alloy structure types as unit-cell twinned c.c.p. arrays of the majority atoms, yields simple and accurate descriptions of the structures of a number of minerals and other compounds in the leucophoenicite and humite families. The cation arrays are very regular in contrast to the anion arrays which are, in every case, far from regular.

This approach leads naturally to a relation between the structures of the two families: humites are regular intergrowths of 3 elements in a 2 matrix; leucophoenicites are regular intergrowths of 1 elements in a 2 matrix. The bridging structure common to both families is  $(2)^2$ , which is the olivine type.

All but the lowest possible member of the leucophoenicite family have stoichiometries identical with those of the humite family if, as is the case, the

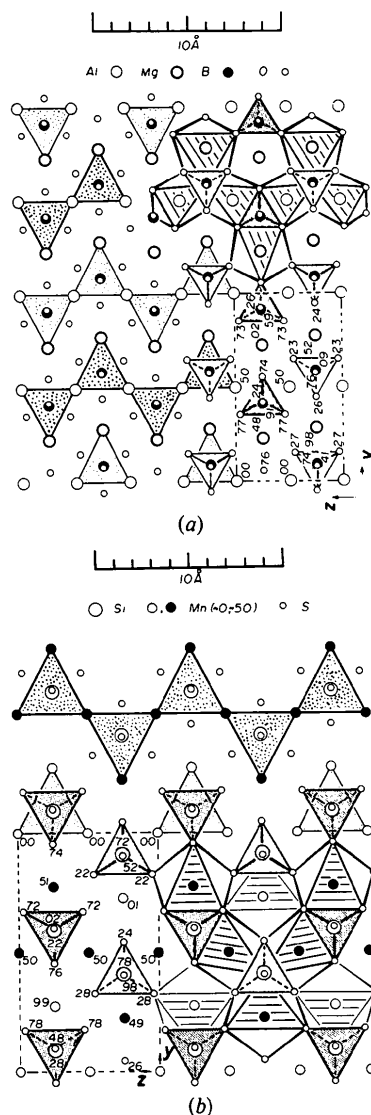


Fig. 12. Olivine-type structures: (a) The structure of sinhalite,  $MgAlBO_4$  (Fang & Newnham, 1965).  $Mg$  and  $Al$  atoms are mimetically twinned to give the  $(2)^2$  twin formula. (b) Structure of  $Mn_2Si_4$  (Hardy, Perez & Serment, 1965).

edge-shared pairs of anion tetrahedra (face-shared pairs of  $A$  trigonal prisms) are half-occupied by  $B$  atoms; then  $xA_2BX_4 \cdot ABX_2$  becomes  $xA_2BX_4 \cdot AX_2$ .

Starting with norbergite,  $(3)^2$ , regularly repeated crystallographic shear generates successive members of the humite family, and eventually olivine,  $(2)^2$ . Continuing the process yields successive members of the leucophoenicite family, and eventually a hypothetical  $ABX_2$  structure,  $(1)^2$ , which is close to that of  $CsBeF_3$ .

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## Application of Modulated Structure Analysis to Two-Dimensional Antiphase-Domain Structure of $\text{Au}_{2+x}\text{Cd}_{1-x}$

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### Abstract

The two-dimensional antiphase-domain structures of  $\text{Au}_{2+x}\text{Cd}_{1-x}$ , which are two-dimensionally modulated structures with a hexagonal cell [ $a = 2.919$  (4),  $c = 4.808$  (7) Å] and the wavevectors  $\mathbf{k}^1 = N(\mathbf{a}^* + \mathbf{b}^*)/M$ ,  $\mathbf{k}^2 = N(-\mathbf{a}^* + 2\mathbf{b}^*)/M$ , were considered based on the five-dimensional description of modulated structures. The refinement of the structure with  $N/M = 3/7$  (7a structure) of  $\text{Au}_2\text{Cd}$  was carried out by using a model with two positional, two thermal and one occupational parameters based on the five-dimensional space group  $P_{66}^{P6}/1mm^c$  and gave  $R$  factors of 0.065, 0.049 and 0.17 for all, fundamental and satellite reflections, respectively. The displacement wave was almost longitudinal in agreement with a previous result. This method reduces the number of parameters to one eighth of that in the usual three-dimensional analysis. The 9a struc-

ture ( $N/M = 4/9$ ) has the same five-dimensional space group and its five-dimensional structure is isomorphic with that of the 7a structure.

### Introduction

There exist many binary alloys with one- and two-dimensional long-period superlattices (Cowley, Cohen, Salamon & Wuensch, 1979). These structures are regarded as modulated structures with incommensurate or commensurate wavevectors and can be analyzed on the basis of a unified theory of the modulated structure analysis (de Wolff, 1974; Janner & Janssen, 1977; Yamamoto, 1982a). In this theory, an  $n$ -dimensionally modulated structure is described in a  $(3 + n)$ -dimensional space and its symmetry is designated by a  $(3 + n)$ -dimensional space group. The