
HIGH-PRESSURE SILICATES: CRYSTAL CHEMISTRY AND SYSTEMATICS

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The crystal chemistry of high-pressure (HP) silicates has been reviewed with special emphasis on their structural topology and Si coordination. The HP silicates are subdivided into eleven major groups according to their chemical compositions: (i) SiO₂ polymorphs; (ii) feldspar polymorphs; (iii) pyroxene and amphibole high-pressure polymorphs; (iv) garnet-type phases with octahedral Si; (v) MSiO₃ high-pressure polymorphs (M = Mg, Fe); (vi) M₂SiO₄ high-pressure polymorphs (M = Mg, Fe); (vii) dense hydrous Mg silicates and related structures; (viii) high-pressure silicates in the Al₂O₃–SiO₂ and Al₂O₃–SiO₂–H₂O systems; (ix) Ca, Sr and Ba high-pressure silicates and aluminosilicates; (x) alkali metal high-pressure silicates and aluminosilicates; (xi) miscellaneous high-pressure silicates. In total, more than 160 HP silicates are considered that crystallize in over 115 different structure types. On the basis of the recent advances in the field, the whole crystal chemistry of inorganic silicates can be systematized on the basis of the coordination numbers (CNs) of Si atoms relative to oxygen into seven groups corresponding to the following combinations of CNs(Si): 4; 4 + 5; 4 + 5 + 6; 4 + 6; 5; 5 + 6; 6. Less than half of all known HP silicates are based upon closest packings of anions. The topological properties of linkage between Si coordination polyhedra include corner (for all CNs(Si)), edge (for CN(Si) = 5 and 6) and face (for CN(Si) = 6) sharing. One oxygen atom may be shared between three or less Si coordination polyhedra at the same time.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Silicates are the most important constituents of the Earth's crust and mantle and their systematic investigations have long been in the focus of mineralogists and crystallographers (Liebau, 1985; Pushcharovsky, 1986). Special attention had been paid to the behavior of silicates under conditions of high pressures (HP) and high temperatures (HT) that is of primary importance for the understanding of crystalline matter in deep Earth geospheres (Pushcharovsky, Pushcharovsky, 2012; Pushcharovsky, 2012; Wicks, Duffy, 2016). This review is intended to cover the advances achieved in the HP crystal chemistry of silicates since 1960s, when the first experimental reports appear in the literature on the silicate phases with sixfold coordinated Si (Stishov, Popova, 1961). The crystal chemistry of HP silicates was first reviewed by Finger and Hazen in 1991 (Finger, Hazen, 1991), when only twelve structure topologies have been known. Ten years later Finger and Hazen (2000) reviewed two dozen high-pressure structure types containing ²⁹Si, outlined major trends in HP phase transitions in silicates, and predicted

a series of possible HP structures on the basis of their potential similarities with minerals and inorganic compounds containing $^{\text{VI}}\text{Al}$, $^{\text{VI}}\text{Ge}$ and $^{\text{VI}}\text{Ti}$. However, since the beginning of XXIst century, major advances have been achieved in the HP mineralogy and crystal chemistry of silicates, due to the considerable advances in experimental and theoretical techniques, including diamond anvil technologies and synchrotron radiation. Enormous achievements were made in the study of meteorites and terrestrial impactites that allowed to reveal a whole series of natural phases (minerals) produced during shock metamorphism either in space or on the Earth's surface (Tomioka, Miyahara, 2017; Tschauner, 2019). Detailed studies of crystalline inclusions in diamonds led to the discovery of the whole suite of HP minerals originated in the Earth mantle (Kaminsky, 2012, 2017, 2020). According to seismic tomography maps for various depth levels and the new available data on geophysical discontinuities in combination with the most recent experimental results of HP-silicate transformations, the middle mantle can be recognized within the lower mantle in the interval between 840 and 1700 km (Pushcharovsky, Pushcharovsky, 2016; Pushcharovsky, 2020). The experimental advances in HP single-crystal diffraction allowed to describe a range of metastable HP silicates obtained as a result of the cold compression experiments (Finkelstein et al., 2014, 2015a, b; Pakhomova et al., 2017a, b, 2020; Bykova et al., 2018; Gorelova et al., 2018, 2019, 2020a, b, 2021a, b; Lazarz et al., 2019, etc.).

The aim of the present review is to provide crystal chemical description and systematics of known HP silicates, including not only phases with $^{\text{VI}}\text{Si}$ (or $^{\text{V}}\text{Si}$), but also some phases with $^{\text{IV}}\text{Si}$ that form or exist under HP conditions. The organization of the review is different from that published by Finger and Hazen (2000), who focused on structure types rather than on composition. In contrast, we decided to separate HP crystalline silicate phases according to their compositions into the following major groups: (i) SiO_2 polymorphs; (ii) feldspar polymorphs; (iii) pyroxene and amphibole high-pressure polymorphs; (iv) garnet-type phases with octahedral Si; (v) MSiO_3 high-pressure polymorphs ($\text{M} = \text{Mg}, \text{Fe}$); (vi) M_2SiO_4 high-pressure polymorphs ($\text{M} = \text{Mg}, \text{Fe}$); (vii) dense hydrous Mg silicates and related structures; (viii) high-pressure silicates in the $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3\text{--SiO}_2$ and $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3\text{--SiO}_2\text{--H}_2\text{O}$ systems; (ix) Ca, Sr and Ba high-pressure silicates and aluminosilicates; (x) alkali metal high-pressure silicates and aluminosilicates; (xi) miscellaneous high-pressure silicates. After systematic description, we attempt to use the collected information to outline some fundamental trends in the HP silicate crystal chemistry.

2. SiO_2 POLYMORPHS

2.1. Preliminary remarks

The high-pressure crystal chemistry of SiO_2 polymorphs was reviewed by Hemley et al. (1996) and the field developed greatly during last 25 years. Table 1 summarizes crystallographic parameters of HP silica phases with known crystal structures, determined either experimentally or by combination of experimental and theoretical methods (purely theoretical structures are not included). In the following, we group the known HP silica polymorphs according to their structural topologies and transformational sequences into coesite polymorphs, post-quartz phases, cristobalite phases, stishovite and post-stishovite structures.

2.2. Coesite polymorphs

Coesite was first reported by Coes (1953) as a “new dense crystalline silica” prepared at 3.55 GPa at temperatures between 773 and 1073 K. The phase was found in natural impactites of the Meteor crater in Arizona, U.S., and named “coesite” in honor of its first discoverer (Chao et al., 1960). Later coesite was found in kimberlites (Smyth, Hatton, 1977) and ultra-high-pressure metamorphic rocks of the Western Alps (Chopin, 1984). The crystal structure

Table 1. Crystallographic data for high-pressure SiO₂ polymorphs**Таблица 1.** Кристаллографические данные для высокобарических полиморфов кремнезема

Mineral/phase name	Structure type	<i>P</i> , GPa	SG	<i>a</i> [Å]/α [°]	<i>b</i> [Å]/β [°]	<i>c</i> [Å]/γ [°]	CN(Si)	Reference
Coesite-I	—	9.2	<i>C2/c</i>	6.875/90	12.122/121.0	7.055/90	4	1
Coesite-II	—	27.5	<i>P2₁/n</i>	6.559/90	23.228/121.1	6.795	4	1
Coesite-III	—	27.9	<i>P$\bar{1}$</i>	6.571/82.1	17.790/120.8	6.766/87.1	4	2
Coesite-IV	—	40.2	<i>P$\bar{1}$</i>	6.599/69.1	7.000/83.2	8.649/81.8	4, 5, 6	2
Coesite-V	—	56.7	<i>P$\bar{1}$</i>	6.403/72.4	6.768/84.0	8.399/81.6	5, 6	2
Cristobalite-II	—	3.5	<i>P2₁/c</i>	8.378/90	4.602/124.9	9.057/90	4	3, 4
Cristobalite-X-1	—	10.7	<i>P2₁/n</i>	6.613/90	4.114/98.3	6.912/90	6	5, 6
Stishovite	Rutile	Atm	<i>P4₂/mmm</i>	4.177/90	= <i>a/α</i>	2.665	6	7
—	Baddeleyite	Atm	<i>P2₁/c</i> (?)	4.375/90	4.584/100.0	4.708/90	6?	8, 9
“β-stishovite”	CaCl ₂	108	<i>Pnmm</i>	4.097/90	3.795/90	2.559/90	6	10
Seifertite	α-PbO ₂	129	<i>Pbcn</i>	4.097/90	5.046/90	4.495/90	6	11
—	Pyrite	268	<i>Pa$\bar{3}$</i>	3.933/90	= <i>a/α</i>	= <i>a/α</i>	6 + 2	12, 13
<i>m</i> -silica*	—	35	<i>P2/c</i>	3.982/90	4.574/91.2	4.700/90	6	14
IP-phase*	—	50	<i>C222</i>	3.637/90	10.067/90	3.698/90	4, 6	14
Post-quartz	—	45	<i>P2₁/c</i>	7.66/90	4.10/117.9	5.03/90	6	15
Quartz II*	—	38	<i>C2</i>	8.232/90	3.329/110.1	5.104/90	4, 6	16
—	Nickeline or Fe ₂ N	53	<i>P6₃/mmc</i>	2.474/90	= <i>a/α</i>	3.929/120	6	17

* Combined theoretical and experimental data.

References: (1) Černok et al., 2014a; (2) Bykova et al., 2018; (3) Dove et al., 2000; (4) Dera et al., 2011; (5) Černok et al., 2017; (6) Shelton et al., 2018; (7) Sinclair, Ringwood, 1978; (8) El Goresy et al., 2000a; (9) El Goresy et al., 2004; (10) Tsuchida, Yagi, 1989; (11) El Goresy et al., 2008; (12) Kuwayama et al., 2005; (13) Kuwayama et al., 2011; (14) Hu et al., 2017a; (15) Haines et al., 2001; (16) Choudhury, Chaplot, 2006; (17) Prakapenka et al., 2004.

of coesite was first determined by Zoltai and Buerger (1959) and refined by Araki and Zoltai (1969), Gibbs et al. (1977), and Smyth et al. (1987).

The high-pressure behaviour and phase transitions of coesite was the subject of extensive studies (see, e.g.: Angel et al., 2001a, 2003; Černok et al., 2014a, b; Hu et al., 2015a; Liu et al., 2017a; Bykova et al., 2018; Wu et al., 2018), but the most comprehensive results on the crystal chemistry of HP coesite polymorphs were obtained by Dubrovinsky and co-authors (Černok et al., 2014a, b; Bykova et al., 2018).

The crystal structure of coesite-I contains a 3D framework of corner-linked SiO₄ tetrahedra (Fig. 1a, b). The framework is based upon the double crankshaft chains running parallel to [101] (Fig. 1c, d) and similar to those found in the feldspar (**fsp**) and paracelsian (**pcl**) topologies (Krivovichev, 2020). However, the topology of the linkage of the chains is different; in fact, the coesite topology is inflexible in the sense of Smith (1968, 1974), i.e. the chains cannot rotate freely under increasing pressure.

The coesite-I → coesite-II → coesite-III phase transitions are displacive and do not modify the topology of the framework; Si atoms remain in tetrahedral coordination. Along the pathway, the symmetry is decreasing (*C2/c* → *P2₁/n* → *P $\bar{1}$*), which corresponds to the increasing number of symmetrically independent sites and the increasing structural complexity (in bits per atom (Krivovichev, 2013): see Table 2).

The double crankshaft chains can be considered as formed by edge-sharing four-membered tetrahedral rings oriented alternatively either approximately perpendicular or approximately parallel to the extension of the chains. Figure 2 shows topologies of Si networks in the crystal

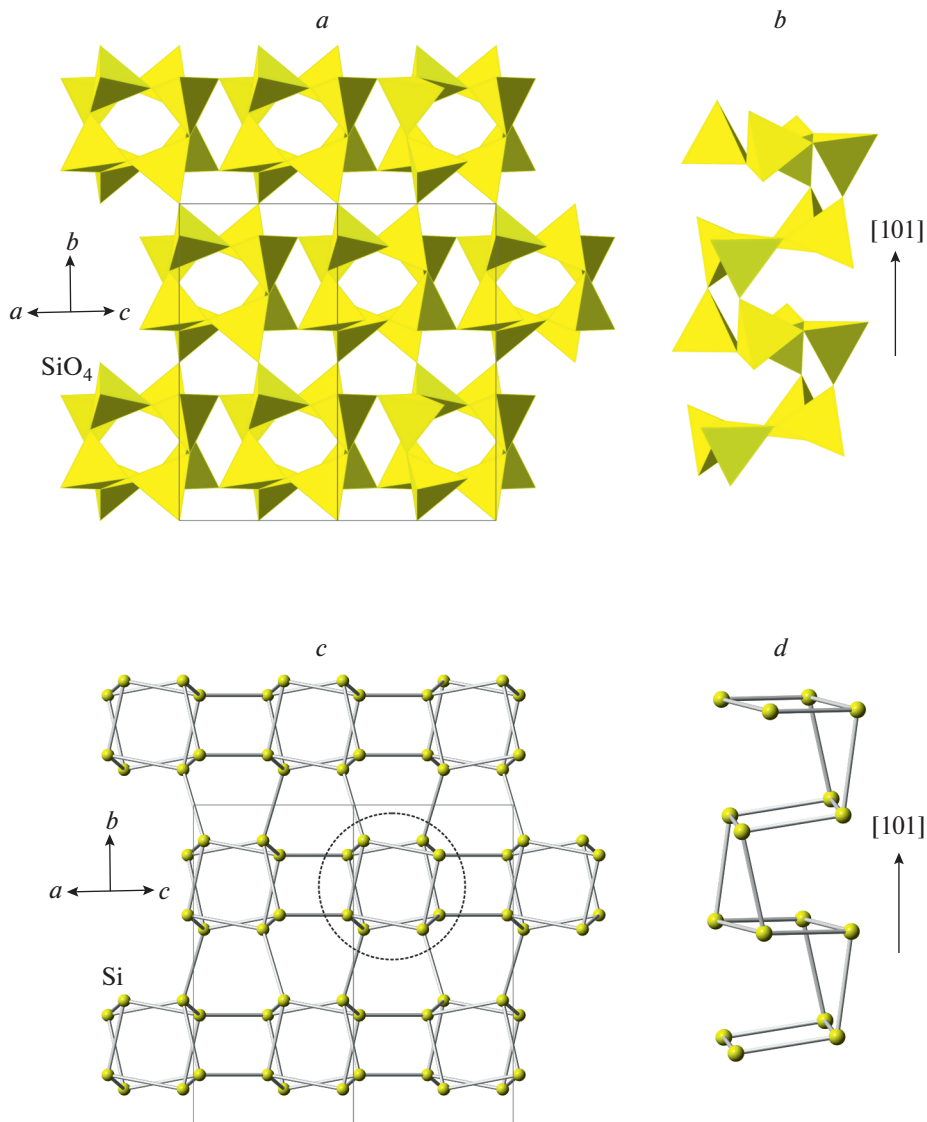


Fig. 1. The crystal structure of coesite-I projected along [101] (*a*), its double crankshaft chain (*b*), topology of Si linkage in coesite-I (*c*) and the topology of the chain (*d*). The dotted line indicates cross-section of the chain.

Рис. 1. Кристаллическая структура коэсита-I в проекции вдоль [101] (*a*), двойная кардановальная цепочка (*b*), топология кремниевое каркаса в коэсита-I (*c*) и топология кардановальной цепочки (*d*). Точечной линией показано сечение цепочки.

structures of coesite-II and coesite-III. In terms of “perpendicular” rings, the crystal structure of coesite-I contains one independent ring, which is splitted into two in coesite-II and four in coesite-III.

At pressures above 30 GPa coesite-III transforms into coesite-IV, the phase that possesses remarkable structural and topological features (Bykova et al., 2018). First, it consists of Si atoms in four-, five- and sixfold coordination environments simultaneously. The other phases

Table 2. Structural complexity parameters for coesite polymorphs
Таблица 2. Параметры структурной сложности для полиморфов коэсита

Mineral/phase name	SG	I_G , bit/atom	$I_{G, total}$, bit/cell
Coesite-I	$C2/c$	2.752	66.039
Coesite-II	$P2_1/n$	4.585	440.156
Coesite-III	$P\bar{1}$	5.198	374.235
Coesite-IV	$P\bar{1}$	4.585	220.078
Coesite-V	$P\bar{1}$	4.585	220.078

of this kind are: α - CaSi_2O_5 (Angel et al., 1996; Kudoh, Kanzaki, 1998), feldspar polymorphs, and other phases, which will be described in detail below. Second, the crystal structure of coesite-IV contains SiO_6 octahedra that share common faces to form $[\text{Si}_2\text{O}_9]$ dimers shown in Fig. 3d. Bykova et al. (2018) mentioned that “...such a structural element has been neither experimentally observed for any silicon compounds, nor expected for small and high-valence cations like Si^{4+} ”, which is not exactly the case. The face-sharing between Si-centered octahe-

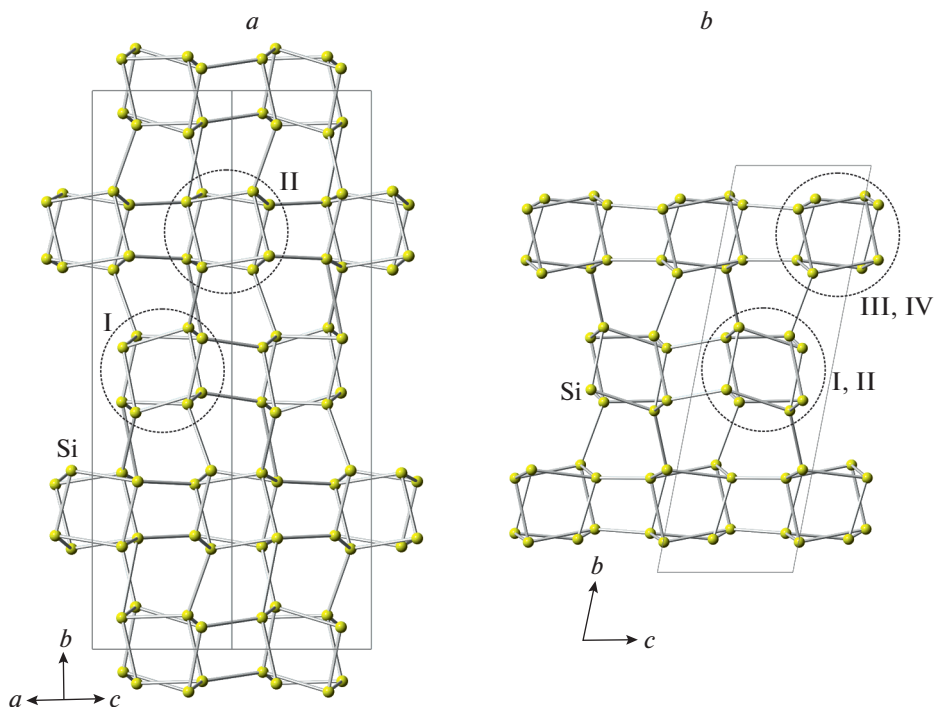


Fig. 2. The topology of the Si network in coesite-II (a) and coesite-III (b). Dotted lines show cross-section of the chain. In coesite-II and -III, there are two and four symmetrically independent four-membered rings, respectively, oriented approximately perpendicular to the extension of the chains.

Рис. 2. Топология кремнекислородных каркасов в коэсите-II (a) и коэсите-III (b). Точечная линия указывает сечения двойных кардановальных цепочек. В кристаллических структурах коэсита-II и III имеется два и четыре симметрично независимых четырехчленных кремнекислородных кольца, соответственно, ориентированных приблизительно перпендикулярно направлению цепочек.

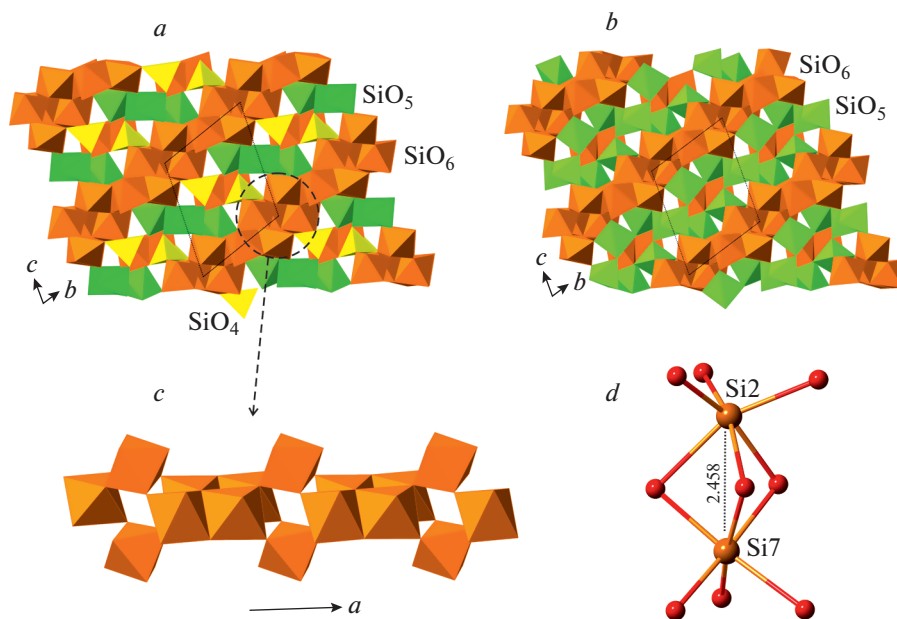


Fig. 3. The crystal structures of coesite-IV (a) and coesite-V (b), the close-packed hcp-derived 1D unit in coesite-IV (c) and the geometry of a face-sharing $[\text{Si}_2\text{O}_9]$ dimer at 40.2 GPa (d).

Рис. 3. Кристаллические структуры коэсита-IV (a) и коэсита-V (b), плотноупакованный одномерный мотив в коэсита-IV (c) и геометрия гранно-связанного димера $[\text{Si}_2\text{O}_9]$ при 40.2 ГПа (d).

dra had been described previously by Yusa et al. (2007) for hexagonal and rhombohedral Ba-SiO₃ perovskites (see below). Face linkage of SiO₆ octahedra was also claimed for the high-pressure polymorph of SiO₂ studied by Luo et al. (2004), but the structure details remain to be confirmed. The crystal structure of coesite-IV is shown in Fig. 3a. It may be described as based upon dense slabs of SiO₆ octahedra parallel to (001) and linked via additional SiO₆, SiO₅ and SiO₄ polyhedra. The slabs contain rods of edge- and corner-sharing octahedra that can be viewed as one-dimensional blocks of close-packed O atoms with Si in octahedral interstices (Fig. 3c). The packing of O atoms corresponds to the hexagonal AB closest packing (hcp). Thus, the mechanism of densification of the coesite structure corresponds to the appearance, under high pressures, of close-packed hcp blocks, which is frequently observed for HP silicates (e.g., in danburite: Pakhomova et al., 2017a). In terms of coordination of Si and O atoms, the crystal-chemical formula of coesite-IV can be written as $^{\text{VI}}\text{Si}_5^{\text{V}}\text{Si}_2^{\text{IV}}\text{Si}^{\text{III}}\text{O}_{12}^{\text{II}}\text{O}_4$. Three fourths of the O atoms in coesite-IV are 3-coordinated, whereas one fourth is 2-coordinated. At ~50 GPa, coesite-IV transforms completely into coesite-V, the phase that differs from its precursor by the transition of all ^{IV}Si into ^VSi. As a result, one of 2-coordinated O atoms transforms into 3-coordinated and the crystal-chemical formula of coesite-V can be written as $^{\text{VI}}\text{Si}_5^{\text{V}}\text{Si}_3^{\text{III}}\text{O}_{13}^{\text{II}}\text{O}_3$. The crystal structure of coesite-V is similar to that of coesite-IV (Fig. 3b).

2.3. Cristobalite polymorphs

The high-pressure behavior and phase transitions of cristobalite attracted considerable attention (Tsuneyuki et al., 1989; Yamakata, Yagi, 1997; Prokopenko et al., 2001; Akins, Ahrens, 2002; Dove et al., 2000; Shieh et al., 2005; Dera et al., 2011; Černok et al., 2017; Shelton et al.,

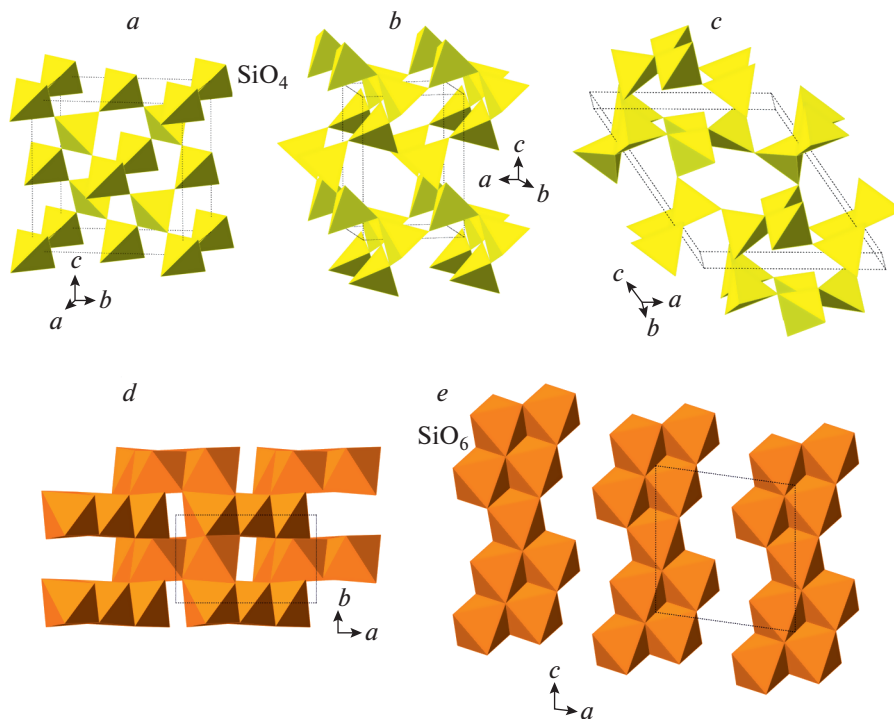


Fig. 4. The crystal structures of β - (a) and α - (b) cristobalites and cristobalite-II (c), and crystal structure of cristobalite-X_1 projected along the c axis (d), and projection of the layer of chains of edge-sharing SiO_6 octahedra along the b axis (e).

Рис. 4. Кристаллические структуры β - (a) и α - (b) кристобалита и кристобалита-II (c), кристаллическая структура кристобалита-X_1 в проекции вдоль оси c (d) и проекция слоя из реберно-связанных октаэдров SiO_6 вдоль оси b (e).

2018). Under ambient pressure, there are two polymorphs of cristobalite, α - and β -, that are based upon tetrahedral network of the diamond topology, **dia**. The high-temperature β -cristobalite crystallizes in the “diamond” space group $Fd\bar{3}m$ (Fig. 4a) and under decreasing temperature transforms into low-temperature tetragonal α -form (Fig. 4b; space group $P4_22_12$). Under high pressure, α -cristobalite experiences a displacive phase transition with the formation of monoclinic cristobalite-II with conservation of Si coordination number and the overall **dia** structural topology (Fig. 4c). The series of displacive phase transitions $\beta \rightarrow \alpha \rightarrow \text{II}$ corresponds to the overall increase of structural complexity [$I_G/I_{G,\text{total}}$, in bits]: 0.918/5.510 \rightarrow \rightarrow 0.918/11.012 \rightarrow 2.585/62.039.

There have been many reports about other cristobalite polymorphs, but the reliable crystal-structure data have been obtained only recently for cristobalite-X_1 (Černok et al., 2017; Shelton et al., 2018). In this polymorph, all Si atoms are in octahedral coordination, whereas all O atoms are 3-coordinated. The crystal structure is based upon hcp with close-packed layers parallel to (010) (Fig. 4d). Alternatively, it can be described as consisting of layers formed by ribbons of edge-sharing SiO_6 octahedra (Fig. 4e).

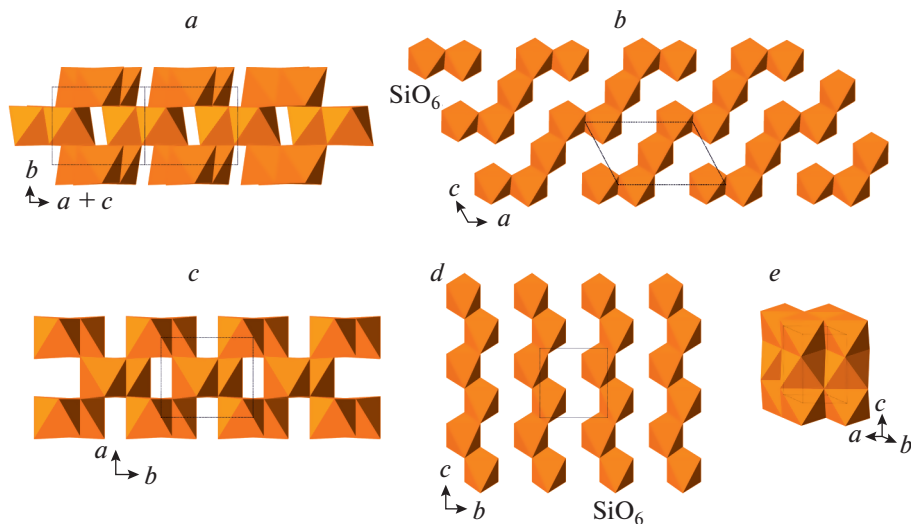


Fig. 5. The crystal structure of post-quartz projected along $[101]$ (a) and the layer of octahedral chains (b); the crystal structure of m -silica projected along the c axis (c) and the layer of octahedral chains (d); the crystal structure of the Fe_2N -type polymorph of SiO_2 (e).

Рис. 5. Кристаллическая структура пост-кварца в проекции вдоль $[101]$ (a) и слой октаэдрических цепочек (b); кристаллическая структура m -кремнезема в проекции вдоль оси c (c) и слой октаэдрических цепочек (d); кристаллическая структура Fe_2N -структурированного полиморфа SiO_2 (e).

2.4. Post quartz polymorphs and related structures

The compression of quartz was studied in a number of works (McNeil, Grimsditch, 1992; Kingma et al., 1993a, b; Haines et al., 2001; Prakapenka et al., 2004; Choudhury, Chaplot, 2006; Carl et al., 2017), but the reliable experimental crystal-structure information exists for very few polymorphs only. The crystal structure of post-quartz (Haines et al., 2001) is based upon octahedral framework of edge-sharing SiO_6 octahedra (Fig. 5a) formed by layers of zig-zag octahedral chains (Fig. 5b). As the crystal structure of cristobalite-X_1, that of post-quartz can also be viewed as an hcp of O atoms with Si in octahedral interstices; the close-packed layers are parallel to (010). The crystal structure of “ m -silica” reported by Hu et al. (2017a) is topologically identical to that of seifertite (see below) and can be considered as its monoclinically distorted version. It is again based upon an hcp of O atoms (Fig. 5c), but the character of linkage of SiO_6 octahedra differs from those observed in cristobalite-X_1 and post-quartz (Fig. 5d). This class of structures was theoretically predicted and analyzed by Teter et al. (1998), who predicted the crystal structure of post-quartz, but not that of cristobalite-X_1. All the octahedral hcp SiO_2 polymorphs can be viewed as ordered versions of the parent nickeline- or disordered Fe_2N -type phase, which was first reported by Liu et al. (1978) in experiments with SiO_2 glass and Sekine et al. (1987) in shock experiments with quartz. The structure of this phase (Prakapenka et al., 2004) is an ideal hcp arrangement of O atoms with Si filling all octahedral interstices with the site occupancies of 50% (Fig. 5e).

Several octahedral-tetrahedral structures have been proposed for some SiO_2 polymorphs that are shown in Fig. 6. For instance, the crystal structure of quartz II (Choudhury, Chaplot, 2006) is based upon layer of edge-sharing octahedra interlinked by SiO_4 tetrahedra (Figs. 6a, b). It can also be viewed as a cubic close packing (ccp) of O atoms with Si in both octahedral and tetrahedral interstices. The crystal structure of the “IP phase” suggested by Hu et al. (2017a)

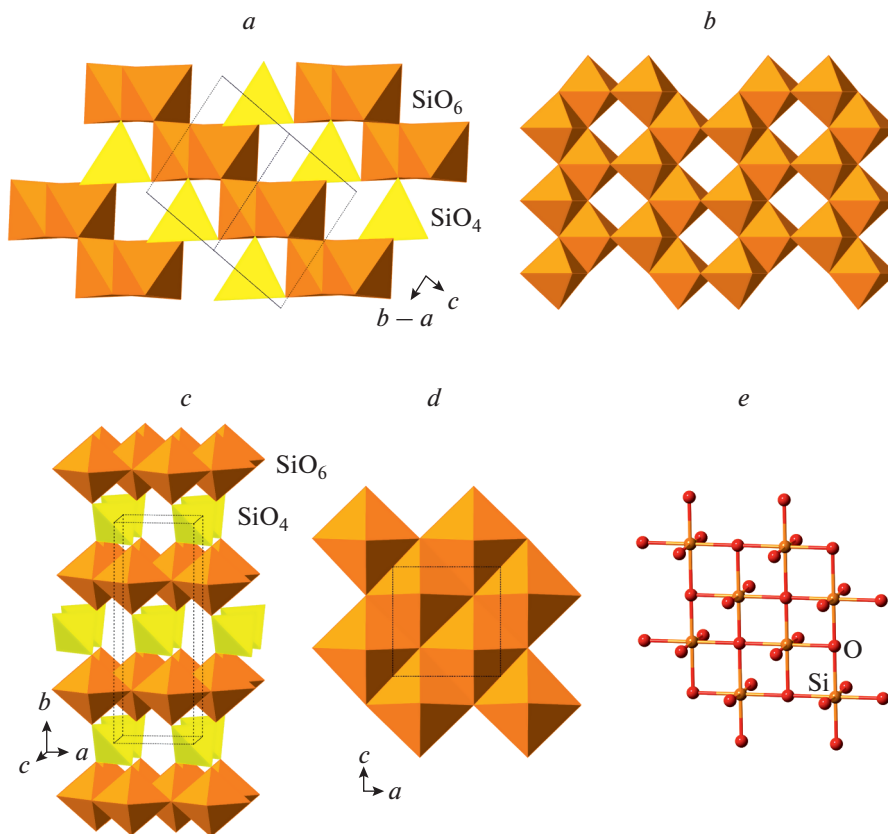


Fig. 6. The crystal structure of quartz II (*a*) and the layer of edge-sharing SiO₆ octahedra (*b*); the crystal structure of the IP phase (*c*), and its octahedral layer in polyhedral (*d*) and ball-and-stick representations (*e*).

Рис. 6. Кристаллическая структура кварца II (*a*) и слой из связанных ребрами октаэдров SiO₆ (*b*); кристаллическая структура IP-фазы (*c*) и ее октаэдрический слой в полиэдрическом (*d*) и шариковом представлении (*e*).

has similar features and is based upon layers of edge-sharing octahedra linked by SiO₄ tetrahedra (Fig. 6*c, d, e*). Alternatively, it can also be described as a ccp with layers parallel to (111) and Si atoms in octahedral and tetrahedral coordinations. Taking into account the coordination of Si and O atoms, the crystal-chemical formula of quartz II and “IP phase” can be written as ^{VI}Si₂^{IV}Si^{III}O₄^{II}O₂ and ^{VI}Si₂^{IV}Si^{IV}O₂^{II}O₄, respectively. The presence of 4-coordinated O atoms in the “IP phase” makes the structure model questionable, since it is the only known case of the fourfold coordination of O with respect to Si atoms.

2.5. Stishovite and post-stishovite polymorphs

Since the discovery of stishovite in laboratory (Stishov, Popova, 1961) and nature (Chao et al., 1962), and its first crystal-structure determinations (Stishov, Belov, 1962; Preisinger, 1962; Sinclair, Ringwood, 1978), many studies have been devoted to the understanding of its properties and behavior under high-pressure conditions (Hill et al., 1983; Ross et al., 1990; Li et al., 1996; Zhang et al., 1996; Andrault et al., 2003; Panero et al., 2003, etc.). Tsuchida and Yagi

(1989) observed the transition of stishovite(rutile)-type of SiO_2 into CaCl_2 -type polymorph (“ β -stishovite” (Das et al., 2020)), which was supported by the subsequent experimental and theoretical studies (Cohen, 1991; Kingma et al., 1995; Dubrovinsky, Belonoshko, 1996; Andraut et al., 1998; Ono et al., 2002). Further investigations revealed the existence of other post-stishovite phases, including seifertite (El Goresy et al., 2008), baddeleyite- (Dubrovinsky et al., 1997; El Goresy et al., 2000a, 2004) and pyrite-structured SiO_2 polymorphs (Kuwayama et al., 2005, 2011).

The crystal structure of stishovite is isotopic to rutile, TiO_2 , and is based upon octahedral framework of chains of edge-sharing SiO_6 octahedra (Fig. 7a, b). Each Si is in octahedral coordination, whereas each O has a triangular coordination. It is of interest that the crystal structure of stishovite is not close-packed and its phase transition to the CaCl_2 -type structure (“ β -stishovite”) is driven by the tendency of O atoms to adopt a close-packing arrangement through the cooperative rotation of octahedral chains around their axes (adjacent chains rotate in different directions). At higher pressures, “ β -stishovite” transforms into seifertite that was first obtained experimentally by German et al. (1973) and later found in meteorites (Sharp et al., 1999; Dera et al., 2002; El Goresy et al., 2008; Miyahara et al., 2013). The crystal structure of seifertite (Zhang et al., 2016a) belongs to the α - PbO_2 structure type, is remarkably similar to m -silica (see above) and was observed during the studies of the phase transitions of cristobalite by Dubrovinsky et al. (2001). It is well probable that seifertite or seifertite-structured phases may form metastably under pressures much lower than those of other post-stishovite phases. Its crystal structure (Fig. 7c) is based upon an hcp arrangement of O atoms with Si occupying octahedral interstices such that 1×1 zigzag chains are formed (Fig. 7d).

As it was mentioned above, there were reports about baddeleyite-related SiO_2 polymorphs (Dubrovinsky et al., 1997; El Goresy et al., 2000a, 2004), but no detailed crystal-structure information is known for these phases (it is noteworthy that, in the crystal structure of baddeleyite, ZrO_2 , the coordination number of Zr is 7), except for the unit-cell parameters and possible space groups. In contrast, the crystal structure of pyrite-type SiO_2 stable over 270 GPa and theoretically predicted by Park et al. (1988) was synthesized and structurally characterized by Kuwayama et al. (2005, 2011). It can be described as a three-dimensional framework of corner-sharing SiO_6 octahedra with each O sharing between three octahedra (Fig. 7e). The coordination of Si can be described as $[6 + 2]$, since, in addition to six short Si–O distances ($\sim 1.61 \text{ \AA}$), each Si atom has two additional Si–O contacts of $\sim 2.37 \text{ \AA}$ (Fig. 7f).

The example of pyrite-structured SiO_2 shows that, even at higher pressure, the coordination number of Si may increase above six (Lyle et al., 2015; Prescher et al., 2017; Kono et al., 2020; Liu et al., 2021). For instance, the Fe_2P structure was proposed as a possible model of an ultra-HP silicate (Tsuchiya, Tsuchiya, 2011; Wu et al., 2011), whereas the earlier proposals of fluorite (CaF_2) structure type (Al’tshuler et al., 1973; Simakov et al., 1973) were later shown to be unreliable.

3. FELDSPAR POLYMORPHS

The polymorphism of feldspars, including high-pressure polymorphs, was considered in detail in our recent review (Krivovichev, 2020) and therefore is described here only briefly. Table 3 contains crystallographic information on HP feldspar polymorphs. The field experienced dramatic advances within recent five years, due to the discovery of a number of new modifications obtained via cold compression of natural crystals of feldspar-group minerals (Pakhomova et al., 2017a, 2020; Gorelova et al., 2019, 2020a, 2021a, b).

The high-pressure behavior of the silicate members of the feldspar group strongly depends upon their framework topologies. There are two basic topologies, **pcl** (paracelsian-type) and **fsp** (feldspar-type sensu stricto). Both topologies are based upon double crankshaft chains of tetrahedra linked in different modes such that eight-membered rings are formed in the planes

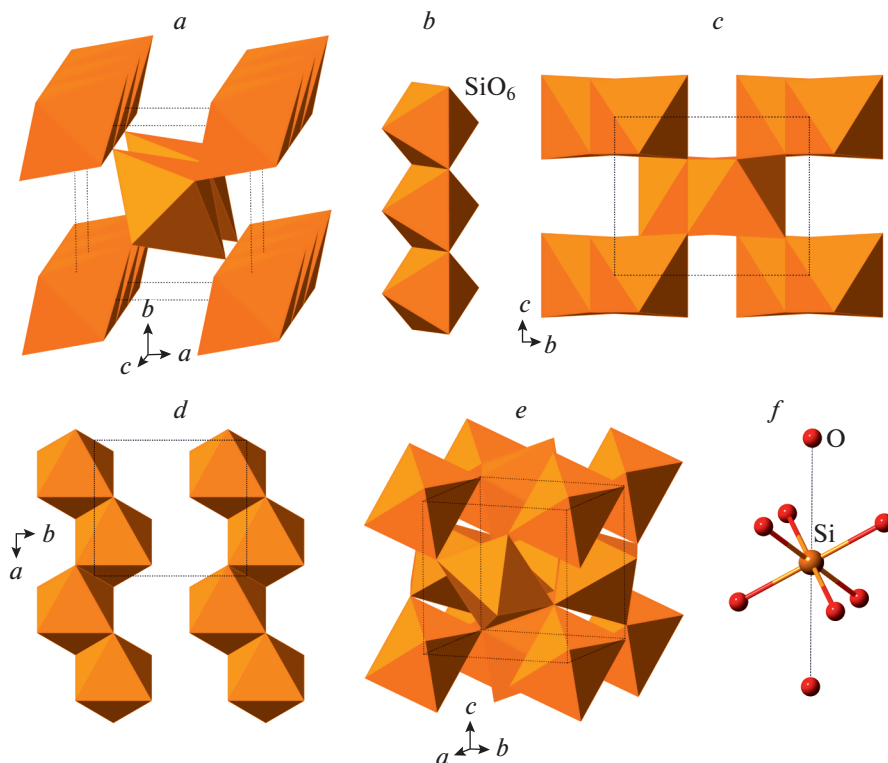


Fig. 7. The crystal structure of stishovite (*a*) and its octahedral chain (*b*); the crystal structure of seifertite (*c*) and the layer of octahedral chains (*d*); the crystal structure of pyrite-structured SiO_2 (*e*) and the [6 + 2] coordination of the Si atom (*f*).

Рис. 7. Кристаллическая структура стишовита (*a*) и ее октаэдрическая цепочка (*b*); кристаллическая структура зайфертита (*c*) и слой из октаэдрических цепочек (*d*); кристаллическая структура пиритоподобного SiO_2 (*e*) [6 + 2]-координация атомов Si (*f*).

perpendicular to the chain extension. The **pcl** topology is *flexible*, which means that it allows for the cooperative rotation of the crankshaft chains around their vertical axes with opening and closing of channels outlined by the eight-membered rings. In contrast, the **fsp** topology does not allow for such rotations, i.e. is *inflexible* (Smith, 1968, 1974).

Under increasing pressure, the crystal structures of minerals with the **pcl** topologies experience rich and interesting phase transitions associated with the formation of penta- and hexacoordinated Si atoms (Pakhomova et al., 2017a; Gorelova et al., 2019, 2020a, 2021a). For instance, danburite-II was the first inorganic silicate possessing Si in exclusively fivefold (triangular bipyramidal) coordination (Pakhomova et al., 2017a). The densification of the crystal structures with the **pcl** topologies proceeds through the formation of architectures with local closely-packed atomic arrangements and ends up with the formation of closest packings formed by O atoms and large cations such as Ca, Sr and Ba. For example, the high-pressure modifications of paracelsian, $\text{BaAl}_2\text{Si}_2\text{O}_8$, paracelsian III and IV, are based upon 9-layer closest packings with the “rhombohedral” layer sequence ABACACBCB (Gorelova et al., 2019).

The high-pressure behavior of the structures with the **fsp** topology (all common feldspars belong to this group) is of great interest due to the high abundance of feldspars in the Earth’s

Table 3. Crystallographic data on high-pressure feldspars in comparison with ambient pressure structures

Chemical formula	Mineral name/conditions	Top.	CN(Si)	Sp. gr.	a [Å]/ α [°]	b [Å]/ β [°]	c [Å]/ γ [°]	V , Å ³	Ref.
NaAlSi ₃ O ₈	Albite	fsp	4	$C\bar{1}$	8.161/93.5	12.875/116.5	7.110/90.2	669.8	1
	“Albite-II” (13.5 GPa)	—	4	$P\bar{1}$	6.585/63.6	6.885/64.2	7.022/75.6	256.1	2
	“Albite-III” (17.5 GPa)	—	4, 5	$P\bar{1}$	6.983/113.7	6.906/92.7	11.729/71.1	487.9	2
	Lingunite	hol	6	$I4/m$	9.263/90	= a/α	2.706/90	232.2	3
	Microcline	fsp	4	$C\bar{1}$	8.592/90.62	12.963/116.0	7.222/87.67	722.7	4
	“Microcline-II”	—	4	$P\bar{1}$	6.308/74.1	6.765/85.0	7.029/64.8	260.9	2
	Liebermannite	hol	6	$I4/m$	9.15/90	= a/α	2.74/90	229	5
	“Liebermannite-II” (25.1 GPa)	hol	6	$I112/m$	9.147/90	8.783/90	2.651/91.2	213	6
	Anorthite	fsp	4	$P\bar{1}$	8.173/93.1	12.869/115.9	14.165/91.3	1336.4	7
	“Anorthite-II” (2.5 GPa)	—	4	$I\bar{1}$	8.082/92.8	12.767/115.8	14.032/91.7	1300.3	8
Pb _{0.8} Al _{1.6} Si _{2.4} O ₈	“Anorthite-III” (11.1 GPa)	—	4	$P\bar{1}$	7.645/96.7	11.944/109.6	12.906/80.2	1091.9	2
	Stöfflerite	hol	6	$I4/m$	9.255/90	= a/α	2.745/90	235.1	9
	Paracelsian	hol	6	$I4$	9.414/90	= a/α	2.750/90	243.7	10
	“Paracelsian-II” (14.2 GPa)	pcl	4	$P2_1/c$	8.576/90	9.573/90.2	9.068/90	744.4	11
	“Paracelsian-III” (28.5 GPa)	—	4, 5	$P2_1/c$	8.897/90	8.837/90.1	6.904/90	542.9	11
	“Paracelsian-IV” (32.4 GPa)	—	6	$Pna2_1$	5.434/90	8.743/90	9.685/90	460.1	11
	Slawsonite	pcl	4	Ph	8.742/90	5.387/91.4	9.634/90	453.5	11
	“Slawsonite-IIa” (11.0 GPa)	—	4	$P2_1/c$	8.348/90	9.369/90.3	8.907/90	696.6	12
	“Slawsonite-IIb” (14.5 GPa)	—	4	$P2_1/c$	8.827/90	8.735/90.2	6.831/90	526.7	12
	—	—	4, 5	$P2_1/c$	8.856/90	8.672/90.3	6.650/90	510.7	12

Aluminosilicates

Table 3. (Contd.)

Chemical formula	Mineral name/conditions	Top.	CN(Si)	Sp. gr.	a [Å]/ α [°]	b [Å]/ β [°]	c [Å]/ γ [°]	V , Å ³	Ref.
NaBSi ₃ O ₈	Reedmergnerite	fsp	4	$P\bar{1}$	6.802/115.3	7.196/100.8	7.435/106.9	293.6	13
	“Reedmergnerite-II” (16.2 GPa)	—	4	$P\bar{1}$	6.757/97.6	7.109/90.9	11.921/118.3	498.0	13
	“Reedmergnerite-III” (24.8 GPa)	—	4	$P\bar{1}$	6.378/103.8	6.408/115.7	6.632/102.1	221.6	13
	Danburite	pcl	4	$Pnam$	8.038/90	8.752/90	7.730/90	543.8	14
	“Danburite-II” (25.4 GPa)	—	5	$Pnam$	6.354/90	7.952/90	8.011/90	404.8	15
CaB ₂ Si ₂ O ₈	“Danburite-III” (25.4 GPa)	—	6	$P\bar{1}$	5.479/91.7	5.532/104.6	6.681/95.6	194.7	15
	“Danburite-IV” (32.0 GPa)	—	6	$P2_1/c$	7.999/90	7.870/89.8	6.249/90	393.4	15
	Pekovite	pcl	4	$Pnma$	8.155/90	7.919/90	8.921/90	576.1	16
	“Pekovite-II” (29.4 GPa)	—	4, 5	$Pnma$	6.697/90	7.869/90	8.159/90	430.0	17
BaB ₂ Si ₂ O ₈	“Pekovite-III” (33.3 GPa)	—	6	$P\bar{1}$	5.44/93.3	5.60/104.2	6.72/93.4	198	17
	Maleevite	pcl	4	$Pnma$	8.141/90	8.176/90	9.038/90	601.6	16
	“Maleevite-II” (38.3 GPa)	—	4, 5	$P\bar{1}$	5.630/92.1	5.538/104.0	6.746/95.0	203.0	17

Borosilicates

References: (1) Winter et al., 1979; (2) Pakhomova et al., 2020; (3) Gillet et al., 2000; (4) Kroll, Ribbe, 1987; (5) Ma et al., 2018; (6) Ferroir et al., 2006; (7) Wainwright, Starkey, 1971; (8) Angel, 1988; (9) Tschauer et al., 2021; (10) Downs et al., 1995; (11) Gorelova et al., 2019; (12) Gorelova et al., 2021a; (13) Gorelova et al., 2021b; (14) Phillips et al., 1974; (15) Pakhomova et al., 2017a; (16) Pautov et al., 2004; (17) Gorelova et al., 2020a.

crust. The **fsp** topology is inflexible and does not allow for the rotation of crankshaft chains. As a result, the HP phase transitions in these structures involve either structural reconstruction with the formation of penta- and hexacoordinated Si (for the minerals with Al : Si = 1 : 1, e.g. for anorthite, $\text{CaAl}_2\text{Si}_2\text{O}_8$ (Pakhomova et al., 2020)) or conservation of the tetrahedral silicate substructures in minerals with T : Si = 1 : 3 (T = Al or B) with “exsolution” of Al (in the HP polymorphs of microcline and albite (Pakhomova et al., 2020)) or B (in reedmergnerite (Gorelova et al., 2021b) into separate regions. Gorelova et al. (2021b) recently noticed that the ordered $[\text{TSi}_3\text{O}_8]$ **fsp**-frameworks can be considered as based upon okenite-type silicate ribbons linked by (TO_4) tetrahedra. During the phase transition, the topology of the silicate chains is conserved and the main reconstruction events involve formation of five- and sixfold coordinated Al (in aluminosilicates) or edge-sharing BO_4 tetrahedra (in borosilicate reedmergnerite). More details about the HP phase transitions in feldspar-group minerals based upon tetrahedral frameworks can be found in (Krivovichev, 2020) and recent publications by Gorelova et al. (2020a, 2021a, b).

The hollandite-type feldspar polymorphs with Si in octahedral coordination were first reported by Ringwood et al. (1967). Their crystal structures (Yamada et al., 1984; Zhang et al., 1993) are based upon double chains of edge-sharing octahedra occupied by Al and Si (no ordering in octahedral sites was observed so far) with channels occupied by large cations such as K^+ , Na^+ or Ca^{2+} . The natural Na-dominant member, $\text{Na}[\text{AlSi}_3\text{O}_8]$, was described as lingunite, first observed by Mori (1990, 1994) in the Yamato-790729 L6 chondrite followed by its other findings in meteorites with the X-ray diffraction data and Raman spectrum first provided by Gillet et al. (2000) (see also: Liu, El Goresy, 2007). The K-dominant member was found in the Zagami Martian meteorite and named liebermannite (Ma et al., 2018). It was reported to form *via* solid-state transformation of primary K-feldspar during an impact event that achieved pressures of ~ 20 GPa or higher. The natural Ca-dominant member is known as stöflerite that, prior to its establishment as a separate mineral species (Tschauner et al., 2021), was reported by El Goresy et al. (2000b), Langenhorst and Poirier (2000) and Beck et al. (2004) from the Zagami and NWA-856 meteorites.

4. PYROXENE AND AMPHIBOLE HIGH-PRESSURE POLYMORPHS

The high-pressure and high-temperature polymorphism of pyroxenes and amphiboles was reviewed in detail by Yang and Prewitt (2000) and Welch et al. (2007). A number of recent investigations revealed several new pressure-induced polymorphic transitions, most of which do not involve changes in Si coordination and correspond to the deformation of silicate chains achieved through the rotation of tetrahedra (Zhang et al., 2012; Dera et al., 2013; Hu et al., 2015b; Yong et al., 2019a, b; Xu et al., 2020). The character of these transitions strongly depends upon chemical composition and symmetry of the respective compounds. Herein we shall concentrate only on the pyroxene polymorphs with hexacoordinated Si and those phase transitions that are accompanied by the changes in Si coordination number. The crystallographic data for HP polymorphs of pyroxenes and amphiboles are given in Table 4.

The first Si-rich pyroxene with hexacoordinated Si was reported by Angel et al. (1988) as a synthetic phase with the composition $\text{Na}(\text{Mg}_{0.5}\text{Si}_{0.5})\text{Si}_2\text{O}_6$. In its crystal structure, Si occupies a separate crystallographic sites M(1)1, so the crystal-chemical formula of the phase can be written as $\text{Na}_2\text{Mg}^{\text{VI}}\text{Si}^{\text{IV}}\text{Si}_2\text{O}_6$. In the crystal structure (Fig. 8a), one may subdivide a silicate substructure consisting of $[\text{Si}_2\text{O}_6]$ chains of corner-sharing SiO_4 tetrahedra interlinked by SiO_6 octahedra into a layer parallel to (010) (Fig. 8b, c). Yang and Konzett (2005) reported the crystal structure of synthetic pyroxene $(\text{Ca}_{0.36}\text{Na}_{0.56}\text{Mg}_{0.08})(\text{Mg}_{0.73}\text{Si}_{0.27})\text{Si}_2\text{O}_6$ that crystallizes in the $C2/c$ space group with no ordering of Si, whereas Posner et al. (2012) refined the structure of $(\text{Na}_{0.97}\text{Mg}_{0.03})(\text{Mg}_{0.43}\text{Fe}_{0.17}^{3+}\text{Si}_{0.40})\text{Si}_2\text{O}_6$ in the $P2/n$ space group with Si incorporated, along

Table 4. Crystallographic data for high-pressure pyroxene polymorphs with coordination number of Si greater than 4
Таблица 4. Кристаллографические параметры для высокобарических полиморфов пироксенов с координационным числом кремния выше 4

Mineral/phase name	Chemical formula	SG	a [Å]/ α [°]	b [Å]/ β [°]	c [Å]/ γ [°]	V , Å ³	CN(Si)	Ref.
—	NaMg _{0.5} Si _{0.5} Si ₂ O ₆	$P2_1/n$	9.418/90	8.647/108.1	5.274/90	408.2	4, 6	1
—	(Ca _{0.36} Na _{0.56} Mg _{0.08})(Mg _{0.73} Si _{0.27})Si ₂ O ₆	$C2/c$	9.579/90	8.759/107.2	5.261/90	421.7	4, 6	2
—	(Na _{0.97} Mg _{0.03})(Mg _{0.43} Fe _{0.17} Si _{0.40})Si ₂ O ₆	$P2_1/n$	9.443/90	8.646/108.0	5.254/90	408.0	4, 6	3
“ β -diopside” (48.4 GPa)	CaMgSi ₂ O ₆	$P2_1/c$	9.053/90	7.677/96.3	4.751/90	328.2	4, 6	4
“ γ -diopside” (55.1 GPa)	CaMgSi ₂ O ₆	$P2_1/c$	9.279/90	7.566/98.5	4.628/90	321.5	5, 6	5
HPCEN2*	Mg ₂ Si ₂ O ₆	$P2_1/c$	8.760/90	7.919/100.2	4.610/90	314.7	4, 6	6
“Clinoferrosiilite-HP- $P2_1/c$ ” (35.9 GPa)	Fe ₂ Si ₂ O ₆	$P2_1/c$	9.180/90	8.110/100.3	4.602/90	337.1	4, 6	7
“ α -popx”*** (34.0 GPa)	Mg _{2.8} Fe _{0.2} Si ₂ O ₆	$Pca2_1$	4.568/90	8.278/90	17.492/90	674.5	4, 5	8
“ β -popx”*** (48.5 GPa)	Mg _{2.8} Fe _{0.2} Si ₂ O ₆	$Pca2_1$	4.527/90	7.847/90	17.377/90	617.3	4, 5, 6	8

* HPCEN2 = high-pressure clinoenstatite-2.

** popx = post-orthopyroxene.

References: (1) Angel et al., 1988; (2) Yang, Konzett, 2005; (3) Posner et al., 2012; (4) Plonka et al., 2012; (5) Hu et al., 2017b; (6) Lazarz et al., 2019; (7) Pakhomova et al., 2017b; (8) Finkelstein et al., 2015a.

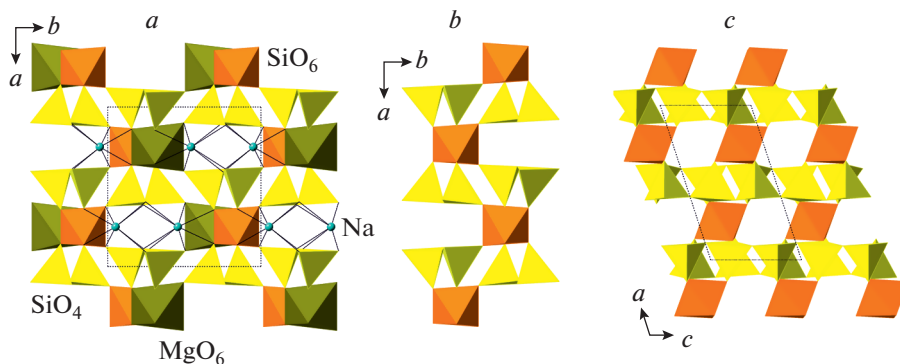


Fig. 8. The crystal structure of $\text{Na}(\text{Mg}_{0.5}\text{Si}_{0.5})\text{Si}_2\text{O}_6$ ($=\text{Na}_2\text{Mg}^{\text{VI}}\text{Si}^{\text{IV}}\text{Si}_2\text{O}_6\text{I}_2$) projected along the c axis (a), and the silicate sublayer $\{\text{VI}\text{Si}^{\text{IV}}\text{Si}_2\text{O}_6\text{I}_2\}$ projected along the c (b) and b (c) axes.

Рис. 8. Кристаллическая структура $\text{Na}(\text{Mg}_{0.5}\text{Si}_{0.5})\text{Si}_2\text{O}_6$ ($=\text{Na}_2\text{Mg}^{\text{VI}}\text{Si}^{\text{IV}}\text{Si}_2\text{O}_6\text{I}_2$) в проекции вдоль оси c (a) и силикатный слой $\{\text{VI}\text{Si}^{\text{IV}}\text{Si}_2\text{O}_6\text{I}_2\}$ в проекциях вдоль осей c (b) и b (c).

with Mg and Fe^{3+} , into the M(1)1 site. Yang et al. (2009a) investigated the crystal chemistry of clinopyroxene phases in the $\text{Na}(\text{Mg}_{0.5}\text{Si}_{0.5})\text{Si}_2\text{O}_6$ – $\text{NaAlSi}_2\text{O}_6$ system and demonstrated that the ordering of Si and the formation of the $P2/n$ arrangement is favorable when the amount of VISi is greater than 0.35 atoms per formula unit (*apfu*).

The first observation of a pyroxene with IVSi transforming into VISi under compression was reported by Plonka et al. (2012) for diopside, $\text{CaMgSi}_2\text{O}_6$. The crystal structure of its HP-polymorph β -diopside is shown in Fig. 9a. In ordinary clinopyroxenes, the $[\text{Si}_2\text{O}_6]$ chains are arranged into layers parallel to (100) (see, e.g., Fig. 8a). In β -diopside, every second of such layers is replaced by the continuous dioctahedral layer of edge-sharing SiO_6 octahedra (Fig. 9c). Hu et al. (2017b) reported the crystal structure of even higher-pressure polymorph, γ -diopside, that contains no IVSi , but, instead, is based upon alternating dioctahedral layers and layers of corner-sharing dimers of edge-linked SiO_5 triangular bipyramids. Pakhomova et al. (2017b) observed the high-pressure transition of clinoferrosilite, $\text{Fe}_2\text{Si}_2\text{O}_6$, into its HP- $P2_1/c$ modification isotypic to β -diopside, whereas Lazarz et al. (2019) discovered the same phase transition for clinoenstatite, $\text{Mg}_2\text{Si}_2\text{O}_6$.

The similar phase transitions accompanied by the change in Si coordination number and replacement of layers of tetrahedral chains by the layers of Si polyhedra in higher coordinations were reported for orthopyroxenes by Finkelstein et al. (2015a). These authors investigated phase transitions for the orthorhombic $\text{Mg}_{2.8}\text{Fe}_{0.2}\text{Si}_2\text{O}_6$ and found two phase transitions to the phases identified as α -post-orthopyroxene (α -popx) and β -post-orthopyroxene (β -popx) (Fig. 10). In the crystal structure of α -popx, every second layer of tetrahedral chains (L_1 ; Fig. 10c) is replaced by the layer of SiO_4 tetrahedra and SiO_5 tetragonal pyramids (L_2 ; Fig. 10d). In the higher-pressure polymorph, β -popx, the L_2 layers alternate with the L_3 dioctahedral layers of edge-sharing SiO_6 octahedra (Fig. 10e), i.e. the crystal structure contains Si in four-, five- and sixfold coordinations.

In contrast to pyroxenes, as to our knowledge, there are no reports on the occurrence of non-tetrahedral Si in the crystal structure of amphiboles (Yang, Prewitt, 2000; Welch et al., 2007).

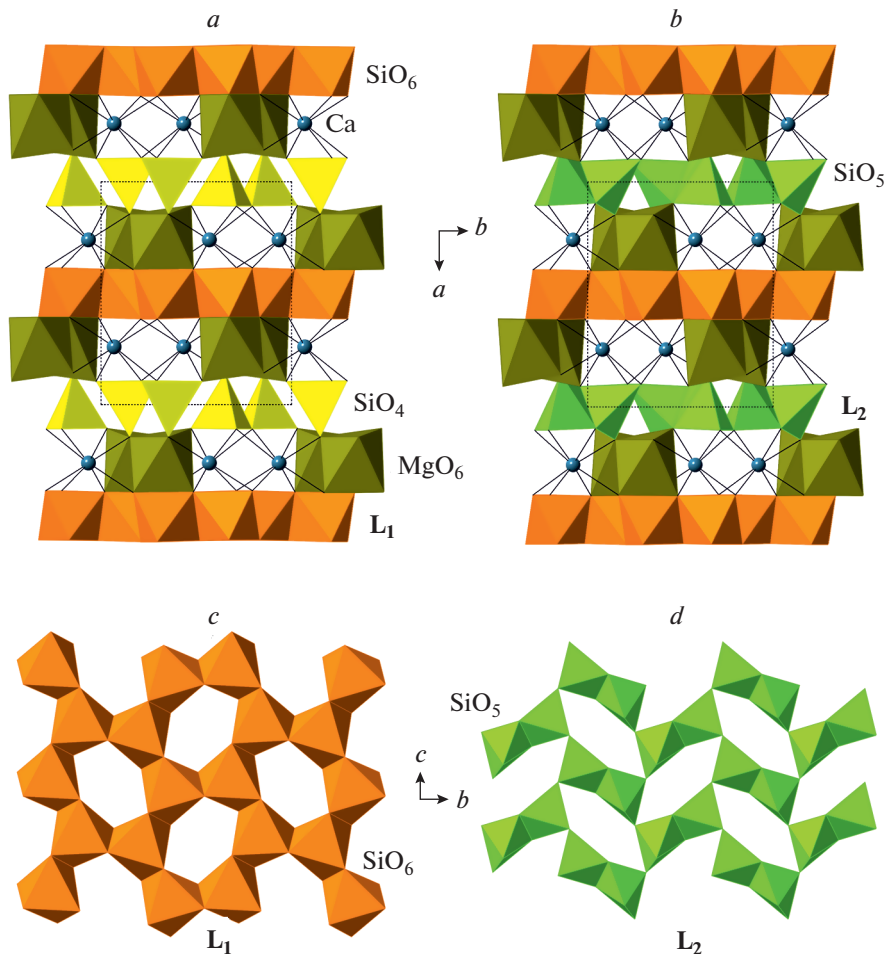


Fig. 9. The crystal structures of β - (*a*) and γ - (*b*) diopside in projections along the *c* axes and the structures of the L_1 (*c*) and L_2 (*d*) layers based upon SiO_6 and SiO_5 polyhedra, respectively.

Рис. 9. Кристаллические структуры β -диопсида (*a*) и γ -диопсида (*b*) в проекциях вдоль осей *c* и структура слоев L_1 (*c*) и L_2 (*d*), состоящих из полиэдров SiO_6 и SiO_5 , соответственно.

5. OCTAHEDRAL Si IN GARNETS

Silicate garnets with Si in octahedral coordination were first synthesized by Ringwood and Major (1967a). Three years later, Smith and Mason (1970) reported the occurrence of the garnet-structured MgSiO_3 [$4\text{MgSiO}_3 = \text{Mg}_3(\text{MgSi})(\text{SiO}_4)_3$] in the Coorara meteorite and named it majorite in honor of Alan Major, a collaborator of A.E. Ringwood. Majorite was subsequently reported in various natural environments associated with high-pressure conditions (Tomioka et al., 2016; Tschauener, 2019). As to our knowledge, no full crystal-structure determinations have been done on natural crystals and all the crystal-structure data originate from the studies of synthetic materials (Table 5). Fujino et al. (1986) determined the crystal structure of $\text{Mn}_3(\text{MnSi})(\text{SiO}_4)_3$ in the tetragonal space group $I4_1/a$. The group-subgroup reduction of symmetry from the ideal $Ia\bar{3}d$ garnet structure type to $I4_1/a$ is due to the complete ordering

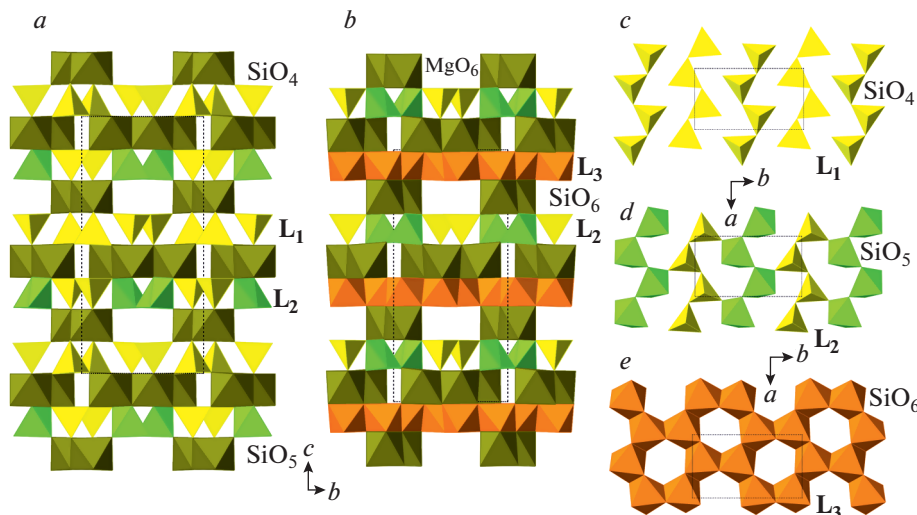


Fig. 10. The crystal structures of α -popx (a) and β -popx (b), and the diagrams of the silicate layers in their structures (c–e).

Рис. 10. Кристаллические структуры α -пост-ортопироксена (a) и β -пост-ортопироксена (b) и диаграммы силикатных слоев в их структурах (c–e).

of Mn and Si into two separate octahedral sites (Fig. 11a). The same kind of ordering, but with slight disorder, was observed by Angel et al. (1989) for synthetic majorite, $\text{Mg}_3(\text{MgSi})(\text{SiO}_4)_3$. Considering the silicate substructure only, the crystal structure is based upon the heteropolyhedral $[\text{VI}\text{Si}(\text{IV}\text{SiO}_4)_2]$ framework of corner-sharing SiO_6 octahedra and SiO_4 tetrahedra with Mg atoms and additional SiO_4 groups in the cavities (Fig. 11b).

The symmetry of majorite-bearing garnets had been a subject of extensive investigations (Parise et al., 1996; Heinemann et al., 1997; Nakatsuka et al., 1999a, b; Hofmeister et al., 2004; Liu et al., 2017b): by analogy with pyroxenes, the symmetry depends upon the amount of excessive VISi in the chemical formula. Bindi et al. (2011) reported the crystal structure of

Table 5. Crystallographic data for synthetic majorite and related phases

Таблица 5. Кристаллографические данные для синтетических аналогов мейджорита и близких фаз

Chemical formula	SG	a , Å	c , Å	V , Å ³	CN(Si)	Ref.
$\text{Mn}_3(\text{MnSi})(\text{SiO}_4)_3$	$I4_1/a$	11.774	11.636	1613.1	4, 6	1
$\text{Mg}_3(\text{MgSi})(\text{SiO}_4)_3$	$I4_1/a$	11.501	11.480	1518.5	4, 6	2
$\text{Mg}_{2.51}\text{Ca}_{0.49}(\text{MgSi})(\text{SiO}_4)_3$	$I4_1/a$	11.582	11.529	1546.4	4, 6	3
$\text{Mg}_3(\text{Mg}_{0.34}\text{Si}_{0.34}\text{Al}_{0.18}\text{Cr}_{0.14})_2(\text{SiO}_4)_3$	$I4_1/a$	11.512	11.515	1526.0	4, 6	4
$\text{Mg}_3(\text{Cr}_{1.58}\text{Mg}_{0.21}\text{Si}_{0.21})(\text{SiO}_4)_3$	$Ia-3d$	11.572	$= a$	1549.5	4, 6	5
$(\text{Na}_2\text{Mg})\text{Si}_2(\text{SiO}_4)_3$	$I4_1/acd$	11.397	11.337	1472.5	4, 6	6
$\text{Fe}_3^{2+}(\text{Fe}_{1.532}^{3+}\text{Fe}_{0.234}^{2+}\text{Si}_{0.234})(\text{SiO}_4)_3$	$Ia\bar{3}d$	11.751	$= a$	1622.7	4, 6	7
$(\text{Na}_2\text{Mg})\text{Si}_2(\text{SiO}_4)_3$	$Ia\bar{3}d$	11.266	$= a$	1429.9	4, 6	8

References: (1) Fujino et al., 1986; (2) Angel et al., 1989; (3) Hazen et al., 1994b; (4) Nakatsuka et al., 1999b; (5) Bykova et al., 2014; (6) Bindi et al., 2011; (7) Ismailova et al., 2015; (8) Yang et al., 2009b.

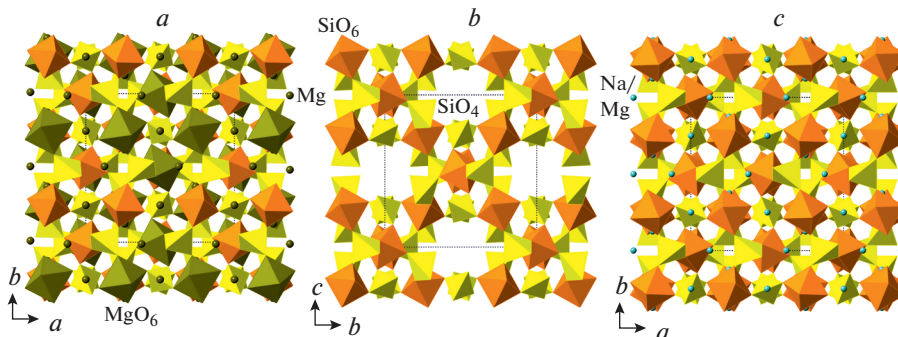


Fig. 11. The crystal structure of majoritic garnet $\text{Mg}_3(\text{MgSi})(\text{SiO}_4)_3$ (a) and its silicate substructure $\{\text{VI Si}(\text{IV SiO}_4)_2\}$ projected along the a axis (b); the crystal structure of $\text{Na}_2\text{MgSi}_2(\text{SiO}_4)_3$ (c).

Рис. 11. Кристаллическая структура мэйджоритового граната $\text{Mg}_3(\text{MgSi})(\text{SiO}_4)_3$ (a) и его каркасная силикатная подструктура $\{\text{VI Si}(\text{IV SiO}_4)_2\}$ в проекции вдоль оси a (b); кристаллическая структура $\text{Na}_2\text{MgSi}_2(\text{SiO}_4)_3$ (c).

$(\text{Na}_2\text{Mg})^{\text{VI}}\text{Si}_2(\text{IV SiO}_4)_3$ with both octahedral sites in the garnet structure occupied by IV Si . The structure has the $I4_1/acd$ space group and represents a fully connected $[\text{VI Si}_2(\text{IV SiO}_4)_3]$ octahedral-tetrahedral framework with Mg^{2+} and Na^+ ions in the cavities (Fig. 11c). It is of interest that Hazen et al. (1994a) determined for $(\text{Na}_2\text{Mg})^{\text{VI}}\text{Si}_2(\text{IV SiO}_4)_3$ a cubic symmetry, but the structure details have never been published in full (see also: Finger, Hazen, 2000). Yang et al. (2009b) reported the crystal structure of $(\text{Li}_2\text{Mg})^{\text{VI}}\text{Si}_2(\text{IV SiO}_4)_3$ in the $Ia\bar{3}d$ space group with single octahedral site occupied by Si.

6. MSiO_3 HP POLYMORPHS (M = Mg, Fe)

The MSiO_3 polymorphs (M = Mg, Fe) with pyroxene and garnet crystal structure and their HP transformations into phases with non-tetrahedral Si under pressure were considered in sections 4 and 5. According to the current knowledge (see, e.g., Gasparik, 1990; Tomioka, Miyahara, 2017), at $\sim 15\text{--}16$ GPa MgSiO_3 pyroxene transforms (depending upon temperature) into either majoritic garnet (at > 1800 K) or a mixture of Mg_2SiO_4 (ringwoodite or wadsleyite) and stishovite, SiO_2 (however, recent findings of Kim et al. (2021) challenge these observations and present a more complicated picture). Under increasing pressure, the $\text{Mg}_2\text{SiO}_4 + \text{SiO}_2$ mixture transforms into akimotoite, the MgSiO_3 polymorph with the ilmenite structure (see below) and, above 25 GPa, into bridgmanite, a MgSiO_3 perovskite. The last phase stable under Earth mantle conditions is post-perovskite MgSiO_3 , which exists above 120 GPa and 2500 K. It is believed that bridgmanite is the most abundant mineral in the Earth (constituting about 38% of its volume) and the major mineral phase in the lower mantle (Pushcharovsky D., Pushcharovsky Yu., 2012; Wicks, Duffy, 2016; Tschauner, 2019). Below we provide brief structural and mineralogical descriptions on the HP polymorphs of MgSiO_3 and their Fe analogues. The crystallographic information on these phases is provided in Table 6.

Akimotoite, a MgSiO_3 polymorph crystallizing in the ilmenite structure type, was first synthesized by Kawai et al. (1974) and identified by Liu (1976) as an analogue of ilmenite, FeTiO_3 . Its single-crystal structure study was done by Horiuchi et al. (1982). Sharp et al. (1997)

Table 6. Crystallographic data for high-pressure MSiO_3 phases (M = Mg, Fe)
Таблица 6. Кристаллографические данные для высокобарических фаз MSiO_3 (M = Mg, Fe)

Mineral/phase name	Chemical formula	SG	a [Å]/ α [°]	b [Å]/ β [°]	c [Å]/ γ [°]	V , Å ³	CN(Si)	Ref.
Akimotoite	MgSiO_3	$R\bar{3}$	4.780/90	4.780/90	13.600/120	269.0	6	1
Synthetic akimotoite	MgSiO_3	$R\bar{3}$	4.728/90	4.728/90	13.559/120	262.5	6	2
Hemleyite	FeSiO_3	$R\bar{3}$	4.748/90	4.748/90	13.665/120	266.8	6	3
Bridgmanite	MgSiO_3	$Pbnm$	4.81/90	5.02/90	6.90/90	167.0	6	4
Synthetic bridgmanite	MgSiO_3	$Pbnm$	4.778/90	4.930/90	6.899/90	162.5	6	5
Hiroseite	FeSiO_3	$Pbnm$	5.002/90	7.003/90	4.846/90	169.7	6	6
—	$(\text{Mg}_{0.5}\text{Fe}_{0.5}^{3+})(\text{Si}_{10.5}\text{Al}_{0.5})\text{O}_3$	$R3c$	4.872/90	4.872/90	12.898/120	265.1	6	7
“H-phase”	FeSiO_3	hex	5.096/90	5.096/90	2.862/120	64.4	6?	8
Mg-“H-phase”	$\text{Mg}_{0.6}\text{Fe}_{0.4}\text{SiO}_3$	hex	5.136/90	5.136/90	2.883/120	65.9	6?	8
“Post-perovskite” (121 GPa)	MgSiO_3	$Cmcm$	2.456/90	8.042/90	6.093/90	120.3	6	9

References: (1) Tomioka, Fujino, 1999; (2) Horiuchi et al., 1982; (3) Bindi et al., 2017b; (4) Tschauer et al., 2014; (5) Dobson, Jacobsen, 2004; (6) Bindi et al., 2020b; (7) Liu et al., 2019; (8) Zhang et al., 2014; (9) Murakami et al., 2004.

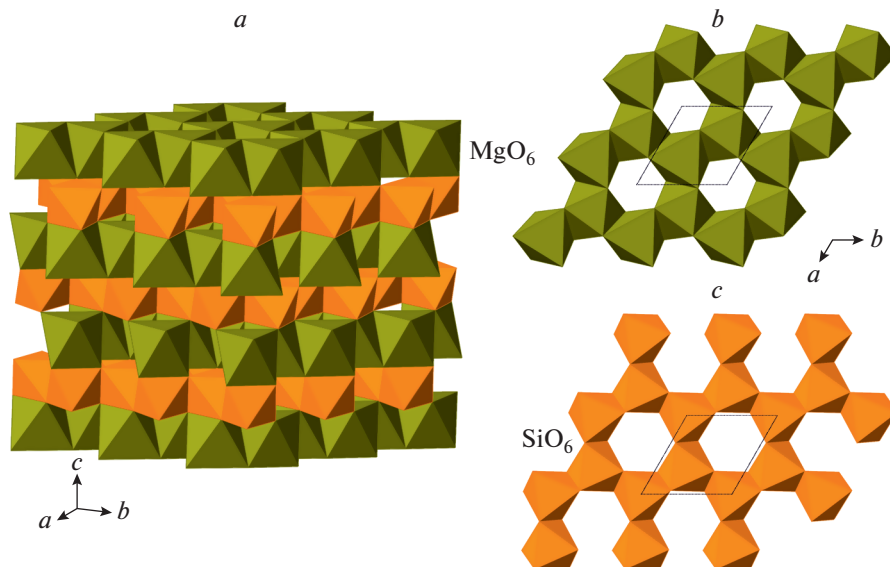


Fig. 12. The crystal structure of akimotoite (*a*) as consisting of alternating layers of MgO₆ (*b*) and SiO₆ (*c*) octahedra.
Рис. 12. Кристаллическая структура акимитоита (*a*) как состоящая из чередующихся слоев октаэдров MgO₆ (*b*) и SiO₆ (*c*).

and Tomioka and Fujino (1997) reported the occurrence of natural MgSiO₃ ilmenite in shocked meteorites and the mineral was described as a single species and named “akimotoite” by Tomioka and Fujino (1999). Later studies by Ferroir et al. (2008) and Tschauner et al. (2018) contributed to the understanding of its properties and formation mechanisms. Bindi et al. (2017b) described the Fe-analogue of akimotoite in the shocked Suizhou L6 chondrite and named it “hemleyite” in honor of Russell J. Hemley. It is worthy to note that the empirical chemical formula, $(\text{Fe}_{0.48}^{2+}\text{Mg}_{0.37}\text{Ca}_{0.04}\text{Na}_{0.04}\text{Mn}_{0.03}^{2+}\text{Al}_{0.03}\text{Cr}_{0.01}^{3+})_{\Sigma=1.00}\text{Si}_{1.00}\text{O}_3$, has only slight prevalence of Fe over Mg and the Fe amount does not exceed 0.5 *apfu*. The crystal structure of akimotoite (Fig. 12a) is based upon octahedral framework consisting of two alternating types of dioctahedral sheets (Fig. 12b, c) formed by edge-sharing SiO₆ and MgO₆ octahedra. The sheets are linked together by face sharing of SiO₆ and MgO₆ octahedra from the adjacent sheets. The dioctahedral silicate sheet in akimotoite is identical to the L₃ sheet in β-popx (Fig. 10e) and the L₁ sheet in β- and γ-diopsides and HP-*P2*₁/*c* polymorph of clinoferrosilite described by Pakhomova et al. (2017b). The face-sharing between MO₆ and SiO₆ octahedra (M = Fe, Mg) exists in all the mentioned structures as well, which allows to suggest the direct transformation pathways between the structures of MSiO₃ pyroxenes to that of MSiO₃ ilmenite through the transitional polymorphs with five- and sixfold coordinated Si. The alternative way to describe the crystal structure of akimotoite is to consider it as a hexagonal close packing with 6-layer sequence ABABAB = [AB]³, where the superstructure is formed due to the different occupancies of octahedral sites in similar layers oriented parallel to (001) and stacked along the *c* axis.

Bridgmanite, a perovskite-structured MgSiO₃ polymorph, was predicted by Ringwood (1962) and first discovered as a synthetic phase by Liu (1974, 1975). Its structural features and variations with temperature and pressure have been under extensive investigations (Yagi et al., 1978; Ito, Matsui, 1978; O’Keeffe et al., 1979; Kudoh et al., 1987; Horiuchi et al., 1987; Ross,

Hazen, 1989, 1990; Sugahara et al., 2006; Vanpeteghem et al., 2006; Hummer, Fei, 2012). The natural occurrence of bridgmanite in shocked meteorites was described by Sharp et al. (1997) and Tomioka and Fujino (1997), but the full mineral description of the IMA-approved mineral species was reported only recently by Tschauer et al. (2014). The crystal structure of bridgmanite (Fig. 13) is based upon distorted perovskite-type framework of corner-sharing SiO_6 octahedra with Mg atoms in cavities. The coordination of Mg is very irregular and is far from the ideal twelve-fold coordination in closed-packed structures, as can be expected for an ideal perovskite. At ambient pressure, Mg is coordinated by eight short (2.0–2.5 Å), two longer (2.8–3.0 Å) and two long (>3.1 Å) Mg–O bonds, and the coordination evolves toward eightfold under increasing pressure (O’Keeffe et al., 1979; Kudoh et al., 1987; Ross, Hazen, 1990; Sugahara et al., 2006). Thus, under compression the structure of bridgmanite becomes more distorted towards orthorhombic rather than cubic symmetry and it is rather surprising that the most abundant Earth’s mineral demonstrates such a strong deviation from any aristotype structure with an ideal closest packing of ions. The Fe analogue of bridgmanite, hiroseite, was recently described by Bindi et al. (2020b) for the mineral with the empirical formula $(\text{Fe}_{0.54}\text{Mg}_{0.37}\text{Al}_{0.15}\text{Na}_{0.03}\text{Ca}_{0.02}\text{Si}_{0.89})\text{O}_3$ found in a shock vein of the Suizhou meteorite. Zhang et al. (2014) investigated the $\text{Mg}_{0.90}\text{Fe}_{0.10}\text{SiO}_3$ perovskite and observed that, at 95–101 GPa and 2200–2400 K, this phase is unstable and disproportionates into pure MgSiO_3 and hexagonal FeSiO_3 “H-phase” with unknown structural details. On the basis of theoretical calculations, Cohen and Lin (2014) proposed that the structure of this phase is in fact orthorhombic (space group *Cmmm*), but this hypothesis still awaits experimental confirmation. Liu et al. (2019) recently reported synthesis and crystal structure of $(\text{Mg}_{0.5}\text{Fe}_{0.5}^{3+})(\text{Si}_{0.5}\text{Al}_{0.5}^{3+})\text{O}_3$ that belongs to the LiNbO_3 structure type. In contrast to bridgmanite and hiroseite, this structure is close-packed: the arrangement of anions corresponds to the distorted threefold hcp superstructure with the layer sequence $\text{ABABAB} = [\text{AB}]^3$ (i.e. is analogous to the one observed in akimotoite). The cations reside in octahedral cavities. The connectivity of the $(\text{Si}_{0.5}\text{Al}_{0.5}^{3+})\text{O}_6$ octahedra corresponds to the perovskite topology.

The “post-perovskite” MgSiO_3 phase was discovered independently by two research groups (Murakami et al., 2004; Oganov, Ono, 2004) and studied extensively as reviewed in (Hirose et al., 2013, 2017; Hirose, 2014). The structure belongs to the CaIrO_3 structure type and is based upon layers of SiO_6 octahedra parallel to (010) with Mg atoms in capped square antiprismatic coordination (Fig. 14). The layers are formed by chains of edge-sharing SiO_6 octahedra parallel to [100]. The octahedra of the adjacent chains share corners to produce a two-dimensional layer. Though the natural “post-perovskite” had not yet been found, its discovery allowed to interpret the seismology and geodynamics of the D” layer in the lower mantle (Hirose et al., 2017).

7. M_2SiO_4 HP POLYMORPHS (M = Mg, Fe)

The M_2SiO_4 polymorphs (M = Mg, Fe) are believed to be important phases in the upper mantle and the mantle transition zone (Frost, 2008). Olivine, the general name for the members of the forsterite Mg_2SiO_4 – fayalite Fe_2SiO_4 series, is stable up to 14 GPa (~440 km depth), when its transformation to wadsleyite, β - $(\text{Mg,Fe})_2\text{SiO}_4$, marks the beginning of the mantle transition zone. Within the mantle transition zones, wadsleyite transforms into ringwoodite, γ - $(\text{Mg,Fe})_2\text{SiO}_4$, at 17.5 GPa (~520 km depth). The $\text{Mg}_2\text{SiO}_4 \rightarrow \text{MgSiO}_3 + \text{MgO}$ disproportionation of ringwoodite into bridgmanite and periclase corresponds to the beginning of the lower mantle. The transition from the crystal structure of olivine to the crystal structure of ringwoodite that belongs to the spinel structure type goes through the intermedi-

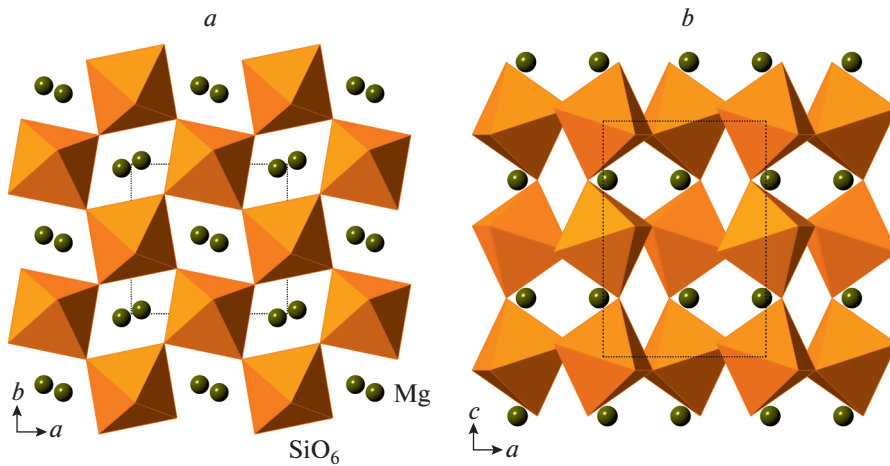


Fig. 13. The crystal structure of bridgmanite projected along the c (a) and b (b) axes.

Рис. 13. Кристаллическая структура бриджманита в проекциях вдоль осей c (a) и b (b).

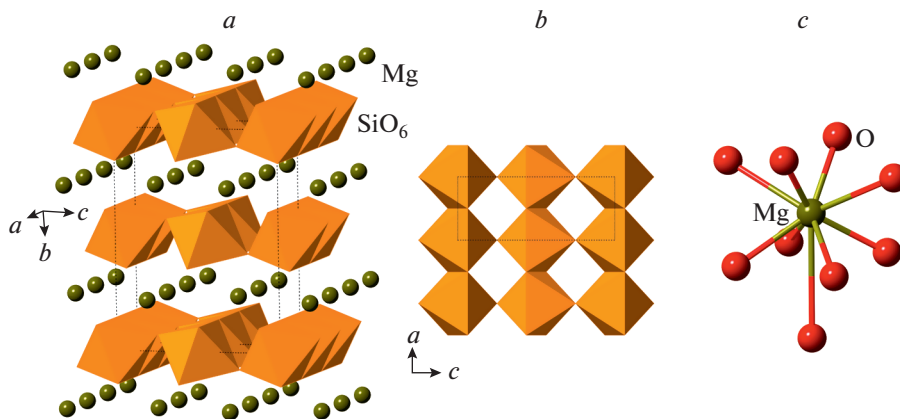


Fig. 14. The crystal structure of "post-perovskite" (a), its octahedral layer (b) and coordination of Mg atom (c).

Рис. 14. Кристаллическая структура «пост-перовскита» (a), ее октаэдрический слой (b) и координация атома Mg (c).

ate spinelloid structures explained and classified by Hyde et al. (1982) and Horiuchi et al. (1980).

The ideal crystal structure of spinel, M_2TO_4 , is based upon ccp with M and T in octahedral and tetrahedral interstices, respectively. Fig. 15a shows the crystal structure of spinel projected along $[110]$. It can be considered as built up by spinel modules shown in Fig. 15b (in Fig. 15a, the borders of the modules are indicated by dashed lines). In ideal spinel, the modules with "up" (\uparrow) and "down" (\downarrow) orientations alternate. The border between two modules with opposite orientations is identified as S, whereas the border between two modules with the same orientation ($\uparrow\uparrow$ or $\downarrow\downarrow$) is identified as T. In fact, the T-plane can be considered as a local chemical twinning plane. Figure 16 shows the crystal structure of "wadsleyite-II", Mg_2SiO_4 , that

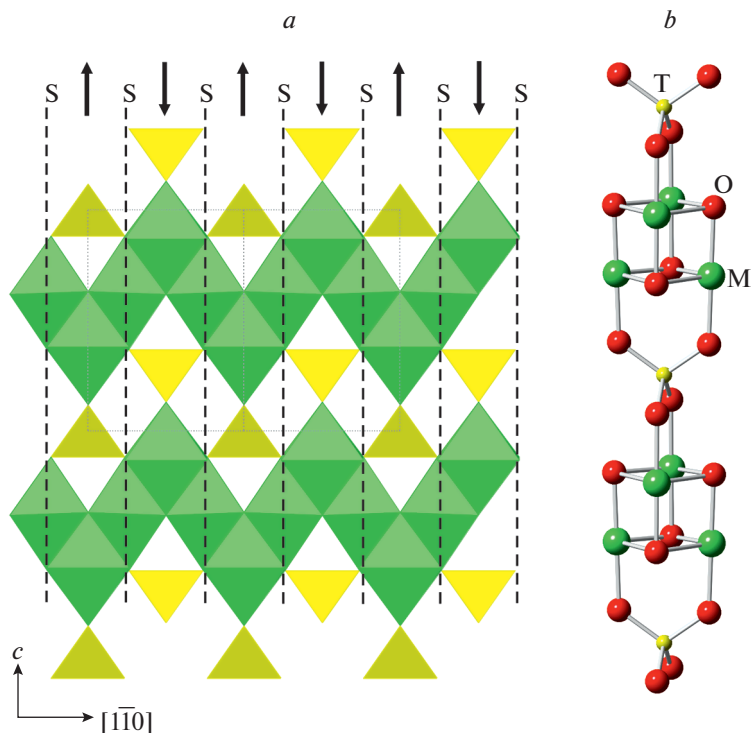


Fig. 15. The crystal structure of spinel projected along $[110]$ (a) and the ball-and-stick representation of a spinel module (b). The dashed lines outline the contours of the modules, whereas the arrows indicate their orientation. The T- and M-centered polyhedra in (a) are shown in yellow and green, respectively.

Рис. 15. Кристаллическая структура шпинели в проекции вдоль $[110]$ (a) и шариковое представление шпинелевого модуля (b). Штриховые линии указывают контуры шпинелевых модулей, а стрелки – их ориентацию. Т- и М-центрированные полиэдры в части (a) показаны желтым и зеленым цветами, соответственно.

has the sequence of modules $\dots \downarrow[\uparrow\uparrow\downarrow\uparrow\uparrow\downarrow\downarrow\uparrow\downarrow\downarrow]\uparrow\dots$, where square brackets indicate the unit-cell content along the direction of module stacking. Thus, the sequence of borders (or Hyde symbol) is $[\text{STSSTSTSST}]$ or $[\text{TS}^2\text{TS}]^2$. The number of spinel modules in between the two **T** planes is given as n or m . These numbers correspond to the widths of the spinel-like blocks (inside which only **S**-borders are allowed) along the direction of the module stacking. For instance, in “wadsleyite-II”, the (n, m) numbers are $(3, 2, 3, 2)$ or simply $(3, 2)$. Table 7 provides the full classification of spinelloid structures known today, including those observed in HP mineral and synthetic phases. The structural complexity parameters indicate that only the simplest structures have been observed in nature so far. Below we concentrate on HP minerals as the most relevant for our review.

The crystal structure of forsterite, Mg_2SiO_4 , is based upon hcp packing of O atoms with Mg and Si in octahedral and tetrahedral interstices, respectively. Since spinel and all spinelloid structures are based upon ccp arrangement, the transition from olivine structure to that of spinel requires shear mechanisms as predicted by Hyde et al. (1982) and first observed by Madon and Poirier (1983). The first phase that forms as a result of the shear transformations is the (1,1) spinelloid with the module sequence $[\uparrow]$ (or equivalent $[\downarrow]$) and the sequence of borders $[\text{T}]$. Despite its high simplicity, in silicates, this phase with the formula $\text{M}_2(\text{SiO}_3)\text{O}$ contains one-

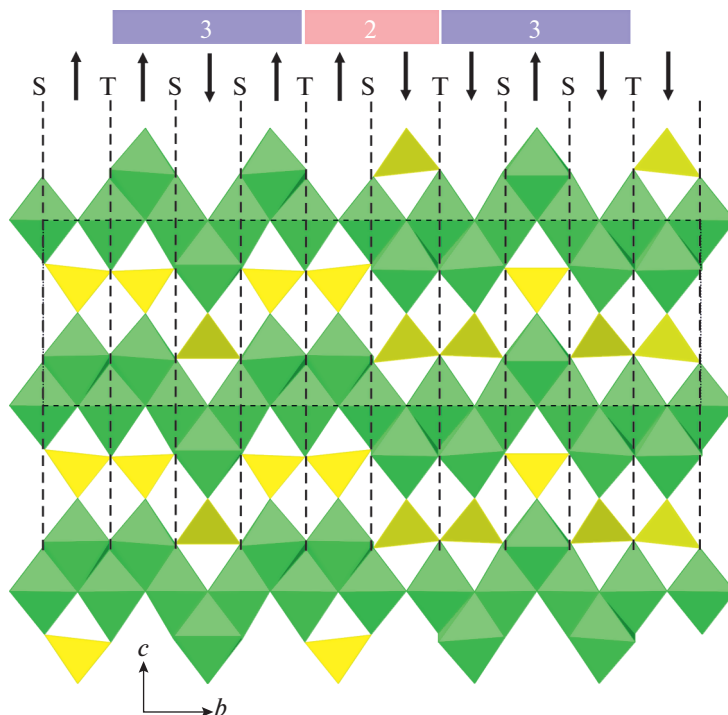


Fig. 16. The crystal structure of “wadsleyite-II” featuring borders and orientations of spinel modules. The numbers above provide the widths of spinel blocks in terms of the numbers of modules between the two T-planes.

Рис. 16. Кристаллическая структура “вадслеита-II” с обозначением границ и ориентации шпинелевых модулей. Цифры сверху показывают ширину шпинелевых блоков, заключенных между плоскостями T, в терминах числа шпинелевых модулей.

periodic (or *einer* in the Liebau’s (1985) notation) chains of corner-sharing SiO_4 tetrahedra that is quite untypical for silicate crystal chemistry (though it has been known for germanates (Pushcharovsky, 1986)). Nevertheless, this phase with the ideal chemical composition Mg_2SiO_4 was observed by Tomioka and Okuchi (2017) as nanometer-scale lamellae in ringwoodite crystals from shocked meteorites and recently described as a separate mineral species, *poirierite*, $\epsilon\text{-Mg}_2\text{SiO}_4$ (Tomioka et al., 2021).

Wadsleyite or $\beta\text{-Mg}_2\text{SiO}_4$ was first synthesized by Ringwood and Major (1966) and the phase was indentified as a transitional form in the transformation of olivine into spinel by Akimoto and Sato (1968). Its crystal structure (Moore, Smith, 1970; Hazen et al., 2000a, b; Zhang et al., 2016b; Sirotkina et al., 2018, etc.) is the (2,2) member of the spinelloid group (Table 7) with the module sequence $[\uparrow\uparrow\downarrow\downarrow]$ and the Hyde symbol $(\text{TS})^2$. Its chemical formula can be written as $\text{Mg}_4(\text{Si}_2\text{O}_7)\text{O}$, featuring the “additional” O atom prone to protonation. The possibility and the existence of “hydrous wadsleyite” prompted its consideration as a significant reservoir of H_2O in the Earth’s interior (its stability outlines the mantle hydrous transition zone) (Kudoh et al., 1996; Smyth et al., 1997; Kudoh, 2001; Holl et al., 2008; Ye et al., 2010, 2011; Sano-Furukawa et al., 2011). The natural occurrences of wadsleyite are associated with shocked meteorites (Price et al., 1983). The Fe-analogue of wadsleyite, ideally $\beta\text{-Fe}_2\text{SiO}_4$, was recently described as a separate mineral species *asimowite* (Bindi et al., 2019).

Table 7. Crystallographic data and structural complexity parameters for spinelloid structure types
Таблица 7. Кристаллографические данные и параметры сложности для структурных типов шпинеллоидов

Phase	OS	HS	n, m	SG	$a, \text{Å}$	$b, \text{Å}$	$c, \text{Å}$	I_G : bit/atom	$I_{G, total}$: bit/cell	Formula	Example	Ref.
ϵ	(↑)	(T)	(1, 1)	$Pmma$	5.802	2.905	8.411	2.522	35.303	$M_2(TO_3)O$	$\epsilon\text{-Mg}_2\text{SiO}_4$ poirierite	1
I	(↑↑↓)	(T ² S ²)	(3, 1)	$Pmma$	5.666	11.496	8.098	3.807	213.212	$M_8(T_3O_{10})(TO_4)O_2$	$(Ni_{10.3}Al_{7.7})(Al_{3.6}Si_{2.4})O_{32}$	2
II	(↑↑↑↓↓↓)	(T ³ S) ²	(2, 1)	$Imma$	5.660	17.298	8.110	3.345	140.477	$M_6(T_3O_{10})O_2$	$(Ni_{17}Al_7)(Al_{6.9}Si_{5.1})O_{48}$	3
III	(↑↑↓↓)	(TS) ²	(2, 2)	$Imma$	5.696	11.444	8.248	2.807	78.606	$M_4(T_2O_7)O$	$\beta\text{-Mg}_2\text{SiO}_4$ wadsleyite	4
				$Imma$	5.749	11.576	8.363	2.807	78.606	$M_4(T_2O_7)O$	$\beta\text{-Fe}_2\text{SiO}_4$ asimowite	5
IV	(↑↑↓↑↑↓↑↓)	(TS ² TS) ²	(3, 2)	$Imma$	5.665	28.646	8.091	3.986	279.050	$M_{10}(T_2O_7)_2(TO_4)O_2$	$Ni_3Al_2SiO_8$	6
				$Imma$	5.688	28.924	8.238	3.986	279.050	$M_{10}(T_2O_7)_2(TO_4)O_2$	Mg_5SiO_4 "wadsleyite II"	7
V	(↑↑↓)	(TS ²)	(3, 3)	$Pmma$	5.661	8.590	8.097	3.440	144.477	$M_6(T_2O_7)(TO_4)O$	$Ni_3Al_2SiO_8$	8
Spinel	(↑↓)	(S)	–	$Fd\bar{3}m$	8.065	$= a$	$= a$	1.379	19.303	$M_2(TO_4)$	$\gamma\text{-Mg}_2\text{SiO}_4$ ringwoodite	9
				$Fd\bar{3}m$	8.163	$= a$	$= a$	1.379	19.303	$M_2(TO_4)$	$\gamma\text{-Fe}_2\text{SiO}_4$ ahrensrite	10
				$R\bar{3}m$	5.393	$= a$	13.891	–	–	–	$\gamma\text{-Fe}_2\text{SiO}_4$	11
				$I4_1/amd$	5.896	$= a$	8.416	1.379	19.303	$M_2(TO_4)$	$(Mg, Fe, Si)_2(Si, \square)O_4$	12
Olivine	–	–	–	$Pbnm$	4.756	10.207	5.980	2.522	70.606	$M_2(TO_4)$	$\alpha\text{-Mg}_2\text{SiO}_4$	13

OS = orientation sequence of spinel modules; HS = Hyde symbol; SG = space group.

References: (1) Tomioka et al., 2021; (2) Ma et al., 1975; (3) Ma, Tillmanns, 1975; (4) Moore, Smith, 1970; (5) Bindi et al., 2019; (6) Horioka et al., 1981a; (7) Smyth, Kawamoto, 1997; (8) Horioka et al., 1981b; (9) Sasaki et al., 1982; (10) Ma et al., 2016; (11) Greenberg et al., 2011; (12) Ma et al., 2019a; (13) Smyth, Hazen, 1973.

Along with wadsleyite, ringwoodite or γ - Mg_2SiO_4 was first prepared experimentally (Ringwood, Major, 1966) and later found in shocked meteorites (Binns et al., 1969) and recently in mineral inclusions in diamonds (Pearson et al., 2014). Ringwoodite has a *sensu stricto* spinel $Fd\bar{3}m$ structure with the crystal-chemical formula $\text{Mg}_2(\text{SiO}_4)$ with isolated SiO_4 tetrahedra. Thus the transition forsterite \rightarrow poirierite \rightarrow wadsleyite \rightarrow ringwoodite involves polymerization of isolated SiO_4 tetrahedra (in forsterite) into infinite chains (in poirierite), depolymerization of chains into SiO_4 and Si_2O_7 groups (in wadsleyite) and final depolymerization of Si_2O_7 groups into SiO_4 tetrahedra (in ringwoodite). The Fe analogue of ringwoodite is ahrensite, γ - Fe_2SiO_4 (Ma et al., 2016). Greenberg et al. (2011) reported on the rhombohedral distortion of the γ - Fe_2SiO_4 spinel structure type above 30 GPa, whereas Ma et al. (2019a) recently described a spinel-structured phase with the chemical composition $(\text{Mg},\text{Fe},\text{Si})_2(\text{Si},\square)\text{O}_4$ that has the overall ringwoodite topology, but the reduced symmetry $I4_1/amd$, associated with splitting of the Mg site into two inequivalent sites with different occupancies. It is of interest that the authors assign 0.10 Si apfu to the octahedral site, thus suggesting the existence in the structure of Si in octahedral coordination. Van de Moortèle et al. (2007) described another $(\text{Mg},\text{Fe})_2\text{SiO}_4$ polymorph with the crystal structure close to that of olivine and based upon hcp of O atoms with Si tetrahedra in tetrahedral cavities and M atoms possibly disordered in octahedral interstices. However, the details of the structure remain unclear.

As for other HP silicates, cold compression may lead to novel metastable polymorphs with the M_2SiO_4 composition. Finkelstein et al. (2014) described two new HP modifications of forsterite, forsterite-II and forsterite-III, stable in the range of pressure of 50–58 and 58–90 GPa, respectively, at ambient temperature. The crystal structure of forsterite-II (Fig. 17a) determined by the combination of experimental and theoretical techniques is based upon ccp of O atoms with Mg in octahedral interstices and Si in both octahedral and tetrahedral interstices. The structure can also be described as based upon alternating layers of two types shown in Figs. 17b and c. The first layer L_1 contains infinite 2×2 zigzag chains of MgO_6 octahedra (“seifertite chains”) interlinked by dimers of edge-sharing SiO_6 octahedra (Fig. 17b). In contrast, the L_2 layer (Fig. 17c) consists of triples of edge-sharing MgO_6 octahedra linked by isolated SiO_4 tetrahedra. Considering the connectivity of Si-centered polyhedra, the crystal structure contains dimers of edge-sharing SiO_6 octahedra sharing corners with two adjacent SiO_4 tetrahedra (Fig. 17d). In contrast to forsterite-II, the crystal structure of forsterite-III contains Si in octahedral coordination only (Fig. 18). Mg has two different coordination polyhedra. Mg1 is in octahedral coordination, whereas Mg2 has a tricapped trigonal prismatic coordination (Fig. 18c). The Mg–O bonds directed towards the vertices of the trigonal prism are rather short (<2.1 Å), whereas three additional Mg–O bonds are longer than 2.3 Å. The crystal structure is based upon ladder-like layers of edge-sharing MgO_6 and SiO_6 octahedra (Fig. 18b) parallel to (001) and linked by sharing corners to form channels with triangular cross-sections occupied by the Mg2 atoms (Fig. 18a). The silicate substructure is a “stishovite-type” chain of edge-sharing SiO_6 octahedra running parallel to the *a* axis. The crystal structure of forsterite-III belongs to the CaTi_2O_4 structure type, which had also been observed for another HP silicate, $\text{Mg}(\text{Cr}_{0.8}\text{Mg}_{0.2})(\text{Si}_{0.6}\text{Mg}_{0.4})\text{O}_4$ (Bindi et al., 2015a). The crystal structures of this phase and forsterite-III are very similar and differ in the predominant occupation of the M1 site by Cr, whereas the Mg2 site is occupied by Mg in both structures. The formation of forsterite-III was recently observed by Kim et al. (2021) in the experiments on laser-shock compression of olivine studied by femtosecond X-ray diffraction.

Yamanaka et al. (2015) investigated the high-pressure polymorphism of Fe_2SiO_4 at ambient temperature. They found the transformation of the Fe_2SiO_4 cubic spinel structure into the *I*- Fe_2SiO_4 polymorph crystallizing in the orthorhombic *Imma* space group. In the course of transition, the connectivity of the FeO_6 octahedra do not change, whereas Si changes its co-

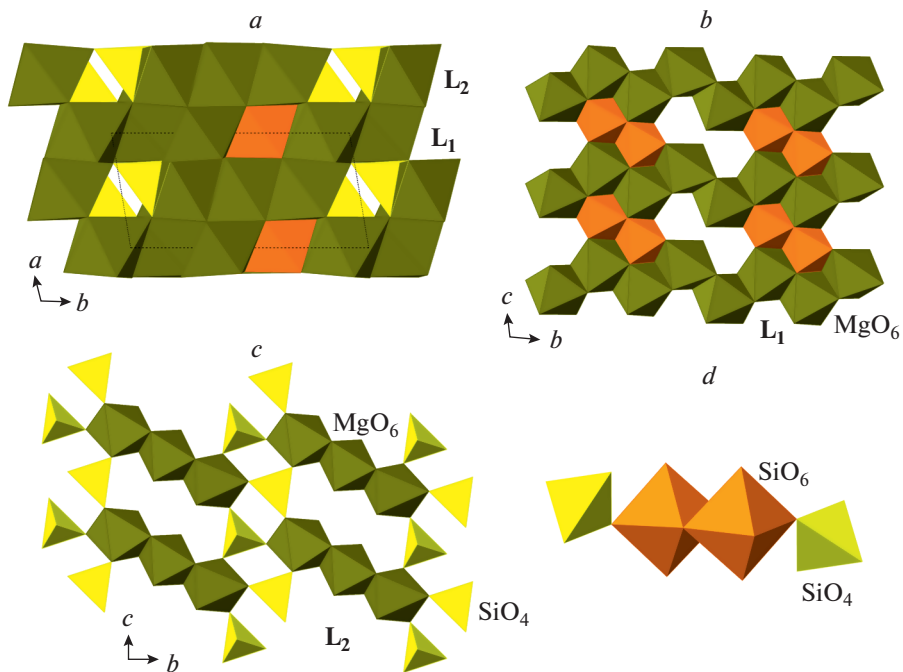


Fig. 17. The crystal structure of forsterite-II in projection along the *c* axis (*a*), the structures of the L_1 (*b*) and L_2 (*c*) layers, and the finite silicate anion consisting of two edge-sharing SiO_6 octahedra and two corner-sharing SiO_4 tetrahedra (*d*).

Рис. 17. Кристаллическая структура форстерита-II в проекции вдоль оси *c* (*a*), структура слоев L_1 (*b*) и L_2 (*c*) и островной силикатный анион, состоящий из двух связанных ребрами октаэдров SiO_6 и двух тетраэдров SiO_4 (*d*).

ordination from tetrahedral to octahedral. As a result, the SiO_4 tetrahedra transform into $[SiO_4]$ chains of edge-sharing SiO_6 octahedra running parallel to the *b* axis (Fig. 19). As a result, the symmetry reduces from cubic (that does not allow for a single orientation of chains) to orthorhombic with one orientation of chains. The crystallographic information on metastable M_2SiO_4 polymorphs ($M = Mg, Fe$) is given in Table 8.

8. DENSE HYDROUS MAGNESIUM SILICATES AND RELATED STRUCTURES

Dense hydrous magnesium silicates (DHMS) are high-pressure Mg silicates that are expected to be major hosts of H_2O under mantle conditions above 10 GPa. They were first synthesized by Ringwood and Major (1967b), who distinguished three new phases by X-ray diffraction analysis and identified them as A, B, and C phases, thus giving start to the investigations of the so-called “alphabet phases”. The field was reviewed in (Frost, 1999; Ohtani et al., 2000, 2001; Angel et al., 2001b), where more details about the stability and identity of these phases can be found. Herein we concentrate on the crystal chemistry of DHMSs and related phases. The relevant crystallographic information is provided in Table 9.

The phase A, $Mg_7(SiO_4)_2(OH)_6$, is considered as a product of transformation of serpentine at depths greater than 180 km in cold subducting slabs (Ohtani et al., 2004). Its crystal structure was solved by Horiuchi et al. (1979) and further studied in (Kagi et al., 2000; Kuribayashi et al., 2003;

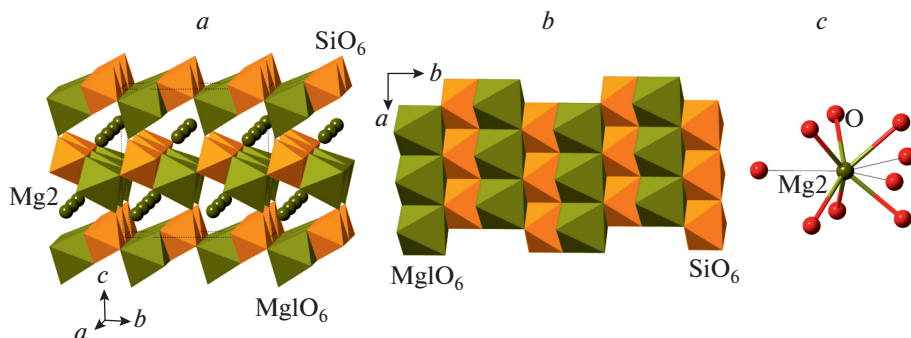


Fig. 18. The crystal structure of forsterite-III (*a*), its layer of edge-sharing SiO_6 and MgO_6 octahedra (*b*), and the coordination of the Mg_2 atom (*c*).

Рис. 18. Кристаллическая структура форстерита-III (*a*), слой из связанных ребрами октаэдров SiO_6 и MgO_6 (*b*) и координация позиции Mg_2 (*c*).

Holl et al., 2006). The structure (Fig. 20*a*) can be described as based upon two types of layers, L_1 and L_2 , shown in Figs. 20*b* and *c*, respectively. The L_1 layer consists of edge-sharing MgO_6 octahedra with triangular cavities occupied by SiO_4 tetrahedra, whereas the L_2 layer is formed by condensation of edge-sharing trimers of Mg-centered octahedra interlinked by SiO_4 tetrahedra. The arrangement of anions corresponds to the ABCB 4-layer closest sphere packing with Mg and Si in octahedral and tetrahedral interstices, respectively.

The phase B exists in at least three topological varieties, phase B, anhydrous phase B (AnhB), and superhydrous phase B (ShyB) that correspond to different connectivities of Mg and Si coordination polyhedra. The anion packings in the three varieties are the same and are of the 6-layer ABACBC sequence. However, the occupancies of octahedral and tetrahedral interstices are different, which results in three different structure topologies (Fig. 21*a, d, g*). For all three phases, the crystal structures can be represented as built up by stacking of two different layers, L_1 and L_2 , taken in the sequence $\dots L_1 L_2 L_2 L_1 L_2 L_2 \dots$. The L_1 layers in the three structures consist of SiO_6 and MgO_6 octahedra that share edges to form continuous layers with single octahedral vacancies (Fig. 21*b, e, h*). However, the patterns of arrangements of SiO_6 units and vacancies are topologically different in the three varieties. The L_2 layers contains chains of edge-sharing MgO_6 octahedra interlinked by single SiO_4 tetrahedra, but again the topologies of the chains and their linkages differ in the three phases (Fig. 21*c, f, i*). The topological differences are dictated by different chemical compositions: the Mg : Si ratios are equal to 3 : 1, 14 : 5 and 10 : 3 for B, AnhB and ShyB, respectively. The crystal structure of superfluous phase, $\text{Mg}_{10}\text{Si}_3\text{O}_{14}\text{F}_4$ (Hazen et al., 1997), is isotopic to the high-temperature modification of ShyB (Pacalo, Parise, 1992), except for the presence of H atoms in the latter. Taking into account the coordination of Si in all three phases, their crystal-chemical formulae can be written as $\text{Mg}_{12}(\text{VI}\text{SiO}_6)(\text{IV}\text{SiO}_4)_3\text{O}(\text{OH})_2$, $\text{Mg}_{14}(\text{VI}\text{SiO}_6)(\text{IV}\text{SiO}_4)_4\text{O}_2$, and $\text{Mg}_{10}(\text{VI}\text{SiO}_6)(\text{IV}\text{SiO}_4)_2(\text{OH})_4$ for the phases B, AnhB and ShyB, respectively. It is worthy to note that the crystal structures of B and AnhB contain “additional” O atoms that are not bonded to VISi or IVSi . These atoms are coordinated octahedrally by Mg atoms as in the crystal structure of periclase and thus represent fragments of periclase structure.

The phase D, $\text{MgSi}_2\text{O}_4(\text{OH})_2$, was prepared by Liu (1987) as a dissociation product of serpentine above ~ 20 GPa and, prior to the discovery of phase H (Nishi et al., 2014), was thought to be the densest DHMS phase stable under deep lower mantle pressures. Its crystal structure

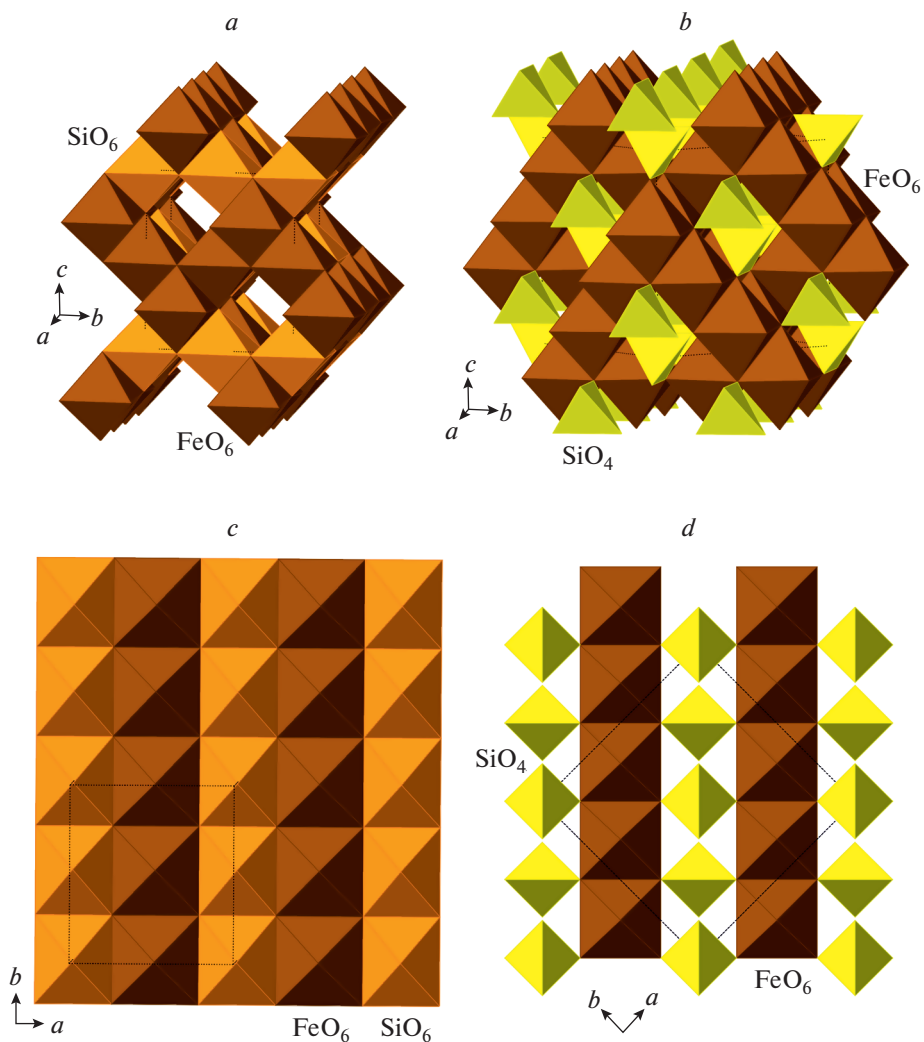


Fig. 19. The crystal structure of *I*-Fe₂SiO₄ (a) in comparison with the crystal structure of γ -Fe₂SiO₄ (b) and the layers of Fe- and Si-centered polyhedra in *I*-Fe₂SiO₄ (c) and γ -Fe₂SiO₄ (d).

Рис. 19. Кристаллическая структура *I*-Fe₂SiO₄ (a) в сравнении с кристаллической структурой γ -Fe₂SiO₄ (b) и слои Fe- и Si-центрированных полиэдров в структурах *I*-Fe₂SiO₄ (c) и γ -Fe₂SiO₄ (d).

(Yang et al., 1997; Kudoh et al., 1997; Ballaran et al., 2010; Bindi et al., 2015b) is rather simple and is based upon dioctahedral layers of SiO₆ octahedra linked into a 3D framework by inter-layer MgO₆ octahedra (Fig. 22a, b). The anion packing corresponds to the hexagonal AB sequence.

The crystal structure of phase E (Fig. 22e) is strongly disordered (Kudoh et al., 1993; Yang et al., 2002) and can be described as 6-layer ccp arrangement of O atoms with the sequence ABCABC = [ABC]². The Mg and Si atoms are disordered over octahedral and tetrahedral interstices.

Table 8. Crystallographic data for metastable M_2SiO_4 polymorphs ($M = Mg, Fe$) obtained by cold compression and related structures
Таблица 8. Кристаллографические данные для метастабильных полиморфов M_2SiO_4 ($M = Mg, Fe$), полученных методом холодной компрессии, и родственных структур

Phase	Chemical formula	SG	a [Å]/ α [°]	b [Å]/ β [°]	c [Å]/ γ [°]	$V, \text{Å}^3$	CN(Si)	Ref.
Forsterite-II (52.4 GPa)	Mg_2SiO_4	<i>P1</i>	4.695/93.1	9.201/107.3	5.311/98.1	215.8	4, 6	1
Forsterite-III (58.2 GPa)	Mg_2SiO_4	<i>Cmcc</i> ₂₁	2.591/90	8.726/90	8.794/90	198.8	6	1
<i>I</i> - Fe_2SiO_4 (54.6 GPa)	Fe_2SiO_4	<i>Imma</i>	5.543/90	6.032/90	7.201/90	240.8	6	2
—	$Mg(Cr_{0.8}Mg_{0.2})(Si_{0.6}Mg_{0.4})O_4$	<i>Cmcc</i> ₂₁	2.848/90	9.459/90	9.635/90	259.6	6	3

References: (1) Finkelstein et al., 2014; (2) Yamanaka et al., 2015; (3) Bindi et al., 2015a.

Table 9. Crystallographic data on dense hydrous magnesium silicates (DHMS) and related phases
Таблица 9. Кристаллографические данные по плотным водным магнезиальным силикатам и родственными фазами

Phase	Chemical formula	Sp. gr.	<i>a</i> , Å	<i>b</i> , Å	<i>c</i> , Å	β , °	<i>V</i> , Å ³	CN(Si)	Reference
A	Mg ₇ (SiO ₄) ₂ (OH) ₆	<i>P6</i> ₃	7.860	= <i>a</i>	9.573	90	512.2	4	1
B (= C)	Mg ₁₂ Si ₄ O ₁₉ (OH) ₂	<i>P2</i> ₁ / <i>c</i>	10.588	14.097	10.073	104.1	1458.2	4, 6	2
AnhB	Mg ₁₄ Si ₅ O ₂₄	<i>Pmcb</i>	5.868	14.178	10.048	90	836.0	4, 6	2
ShyB-HT	Mg ₁₀ Si ₃ O ₁₄ (OH) ₄	<i>Pnmm</i>	5.089	13.968	8.696	90	618.2	4, 6	3
ShyB-LT	Mg ₁₀ Si ₃ O ₁₄ (OH) ₄	<i>Pnn2</i>	14.024	5.109	8.733	90	625.7	4, 6	4
Sf1B	Mg ₁₀ Si ₃ O ₁₄ F ₄	<i>Pnmm</i>	5.050	13.969	8.640	90	609.5	4, 6	5
D (= F = G)	MgSi ₂ O ₄ (OH) ₂	<i>P3</i> ₁ <i>m</i>	4.745	= <i>a</i>	4.345	90	84.7	6	6
E	Mg ₂ SiO ₂ (OH) ₆	<i>R3</i> ₂ <i>m</i>	2.970	= <i>a</i>	13.882	90	106.1	4	7
H	MgSiO ₂ (OH) ₂	<i>Pnmm</i>	4.733	4.325	2.842	90	58.2	6	8
10-Å phase	Mg ₃ Si ₄ O ₁₀ (OH) ₂ ·H ₂ O	<i>C2</i> / <i>m</i>	5.323	9.203	10.216	99.98	492.9	4	9
3.65-Å phase	MgSi(OH) ₆	<i>P2</i> ₁ / <i>n</i>	5.117	5.193	7.336	90.02	195.0	6	10
“HySo”	Mg ₃ Al(OH) ₃ (Si ₂ O ₇)	<i>C2</i> / <i>m</i>	9.150	14.740	5.071	98.3	676.8	4	11
11.5-Å phase	Mg ₆ Al(OH) ₇ (SiO ₄) ₂	<i>C2</i> / <i>c</i>	9.012	5.201	23.202	97.8	1077.4	4	11
“Mg-sursassite”	Mg ₄ Al ₅ (OH) ₅ Si ₇ O ₂₃	<i>P2</i> ₁ / <i>m</i>	8.422	5.581	9.406	106.8	423.3	4, 6	12
X, hydrous K	K _{2-x} Mg ₂ Si ₂ O ₇ H _x	<i>P6</i> ₃ / <i>mcm</i>	5.065	= <i>a</i>	13.238	90	294.1	4	13
X, anhydrous K	K ₂ Mg ₂ Si ₂ O ₇	<i>P3</i> ₁ <i>m</i>	5.076	= <i>a</i>	6.597	90	147.2	4	14
X, anhydrous Na	Na ₂ Mg ₂ Si ₂ O ₇	<i>P3</i> ₁ <i>m</i>	4.893	= <i>a</i>	6.435	90	138.4	4	15

Legend: AnhB = anhydrous B phase; ShyB = superhydrous B phase; Sf1B = superfluous phase B; LT = low-temperature; HT = high-temperature.

References: (1) Horiuchi et al., 1979; (2) Finger et al., 1989, 1991; (3) Pacalo, Parise, 1992; (4) Koch-Müller et al., 2005; (5) Hazen et al., 1997; (6) Yang et al., 1997; (7) Kudoh et al., 1993; (8) Bindi et al., 2014; (9) Comodi et al., 2005; (10) Welch, Wunder, 2012; (11) Gemmi et al., 2016; (12) Bindi et al., 2020b; (13) Welch et al., 2012; (14) Matsuzaki et al., 2010; (15) Yang et al., 2001.

The crystal structure of phase H, MgSiO₂(OH)₂ (Bindi et al., 2014, 2015b), has a rutile-type topology consisting of chains of edge-sharing octahedra occupied equally by Mg and Si atoms (therefore, all Si is in octahedral coordination) (Fig. 22d). Topologically the structure is similar to that of stishovite (see above), but the chains are rotated in such a way that the anions form a hexagonal AB close packing. The structure of the phase can be obtained from that of stishovite by the Si⁴⁺ ↔ Mg²⁺ + 2H⁺ substitution and the tetragonal-to-orthorhombic distortion resulting in a closest packing of anions.

The 10 Å phase, Mg₃Si₄O₁₀(OH)₂·H₂O, was obtained by Yamamoto and Akimoto (1977) from talc at 3–5 GPa. The phase is suggested to be stable under upper mantle pressures and controls recycling of H₂O in subduction zone environments (Fumagalli et al., 2001; Khisina, Wirth, 2008). Its crystal structure (Fig. 23) belongs to the mica-type and contains 2 : 1 layers consisting of the central trioctahedral layers of MgO₆ octahedra sandwiched between two [Si₂O₅] layers of corner-sharing SiO₄ tetrahedra (Comodi et al., 2005).

The formation of the 3.65 Å phase, MgSi(OH)₆, was reported by Wunder et al. (2011), who suggested that it belongs to the hydroxide perovskite group. The structure model was revised by Welch and Wunder (2012), who confirmed this suggestion and demonstrated that the crystal structure of the phase is based upon the framework of alternating corner-sharing Mg(OH)₆ and Si(OH)₆ octahedra (Fig. 24).

The incorporation of Al into DHMS is a subject of continuing interest, since the admixture of Al changes the stability diagram and phase relations. In many cases, Al have no separate

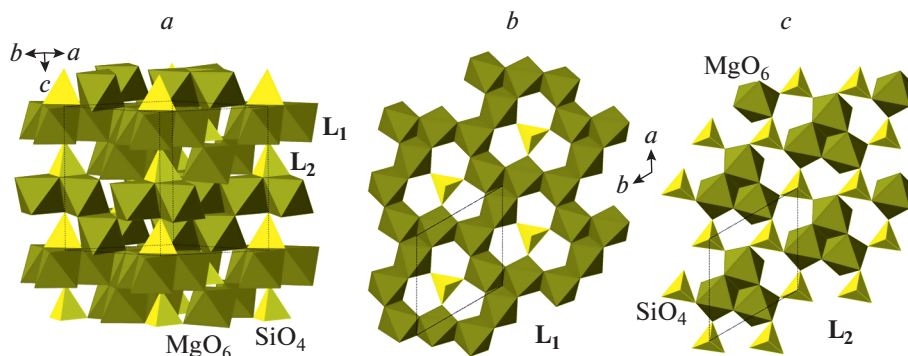


Fig. 20. The crystal structure of phase A (*a*) as consisting of two types of octahedral-tetrahedral layers (*b*, *c*).

Рис. 20. Кристаллическая структура фазы А (*a*) как состоящая из двух типов окта-тетраэдрических слоев (*b*, *c*).

sites in the crystal structure (see, e.g., Ballaran et al., 2010), but, in some Mg–Al hydrous silicates, the Al–Mg ordering has been observed. For instance, Gemmi et al. (2011) reported the synthesis and crystal structure of hydrous Al-bearing pyroxene (HAPY phase) with the composition $\text{Mg}_{2.1}\text{Al}_{0.9}(\text{OH})_2[\text{Al}_{0.9}\text{Si}_{1.1}\text{O}_6]$ and Al occurring in both octahedral and tetrahedral sites. Gemmi et al. (2016) prepared and structurally characterized the HySo phase with the composition $\text{Mg}_3\text{Al}(\text{OH})_3(\text{Si}_2\text{O}_7)$. Its crystal structure (Fig. 25) contains layers of Mg- and Al-centered octahedra linked by sorosilicate groups $[\text{Si}_2\text{O}_7]$; the interlayer contains also low-occupied Mg positions. The arrangement of anions corresponds to the distorted ABC closest packing. The 11.5 Å phase was discovered by Fumagalli et al. (2014). Its crystal structure was solved by Gemmi et al. (2016) using electron diffraction techniques. As can be seen from Fig. 26, it is based upon two types of layers, L₁ and L₂. The L₁ layer is of the hydrotalcite- (or quintinite-) type and consists of Mg- and Al-centered octahedra taken in the 2 : 1 ratio. The L₂ layer is dioctahedral with vacancies covered on both sides by SiO₄ tetrahedra. The packing of anions is remarkable by its relative complexity. It corresponds to the distorted 10-layer sequence ABCABCBCBA (Fig. 26*d*). This sequence may be represented as obtained from the pure cubic ABC sequence by inserting chemical twinning plane m_{tw} into every fifth layer. At the place of twinning, the sequence transforms into the hexagonal one. The Pauling symbol of the packing is $[hcccccccc]$ or $[hcccc]^2$. Gemmi et al. (2016) pointed out that the 11.5 Å phase is probably identical or closely related to the 23 Å phase with the stoichiometry $\text{Mg}_{11}\text{Al}_2\text{Si}_4\text{O}_{16}(\text{OH})_{12}$ reported by Cai et al. (2015).

Bindi et al. (2020*c*) reported the crystal structure of Si-rich “Mg-sursassite”, $[\text{Mg}_4\text{Al}_5(\text{OH})_5\text{Si}_7\text{O}_{23}]$. In contrast to the previous reports on similar materials (e.g., Gottshalk et al., 2000), the new phase contains Si in an octahedral coordination (Fig. 27), though the Si site has the half-half occupancy with Al. The silicate substructure (Fig. 27*b*) may be viewed as a chain of edge-sharing SiO₆ octahedra incrustated on two sides by SiO₄ tetrahedra and (Si₂O₇) groups.

The phase X denotes the whole family of Mg silicates that incorporate alkali metals into their structures (Luth, 1997; Gasparik, Litvin, 1997). The general formula of phases X is $(\text{K},\text{Na})_{2-x}\text{Mg}_2\text{Si}_2\text{O}_7\text{H}_x$ ($0 \leq x \leq 1$). Their crystal chemical studies revealed the presence of two polymorphic forms, which differ from each other in their space groups and *c* unit-cell parameters (Yang et al., 2001; Mancini et al., 2001, 2002; Bindi et al., 2007; Mtsuzaki et al., 2010; Welch et al., 2012). Both crystal structures are based upon dioctahedral layers of Mg-centered polyhedra linked by sorosilicate (Si₂O₇) groups in such a way that triangular bases of silicate

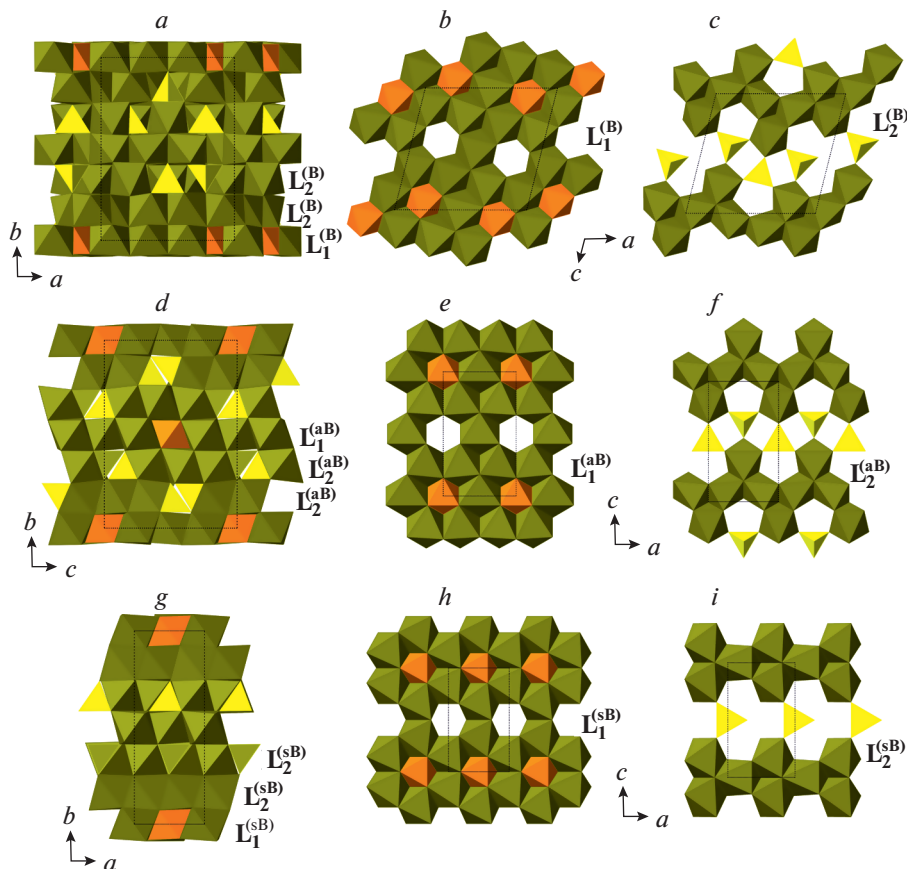


Fig. 21. The crystal structures of the phases B (a), AnhB (d) and ShyB (g) and their subdivision into layers (b, c, e, f, h, i). Legend: aB = AnhB; sB = ShyB; SiO_6 octahedra and SiO_4 tetrahedra are shown in orange and yellow colors, respectively; Mg octahedra are shown in green.

Рис. 21. Кристаллические структуры фаз В (a), AnhB (d) и ShyB (g) и их разделение на слои (b, c, e, f, h, i). Условные обозначения: aB = AnhB; sB = ShyB; октаэдр SiO_6 и тетраэдр SiO_4 показаны оранжевым и желтым цветами, соответственно; октаэдр MgO_6 окрашены зеленым.

tetrahedra are located above the vacancies in the octahedral layers (Fig. 28c). In the crystal structure with the $P\bar{3}1m$ space group, the c parameter is equal to $\sim 6.4\text{--}6.6$ Å, adjacent octahedral layers are translationally equivalent, and the structure is non-centrosymmetric (Fig. 28b). In the $P6_3/mcm$ structure type, the adjacent octahedral layers are rotated relative to each other by 180° , the c parameter is doubled (~ 13 Å) and the structure is centrosymmetric. It is unclear whether polymorphism is induced by the presence of H or is a consequence of the kinetics of crystal growth.

9. HP SILICATES IN THE $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3\text{--SiO}_2$ AND $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3\text{--SiO}_2\text{--H}_2\text{O}$ SYSTEMS

The crystallographic information about the HP-phases in the $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3\text{--SiO}_2$ and $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3\text{--SiO}_2\text{--H}_2\text{O}$ systems is given in Table 10.

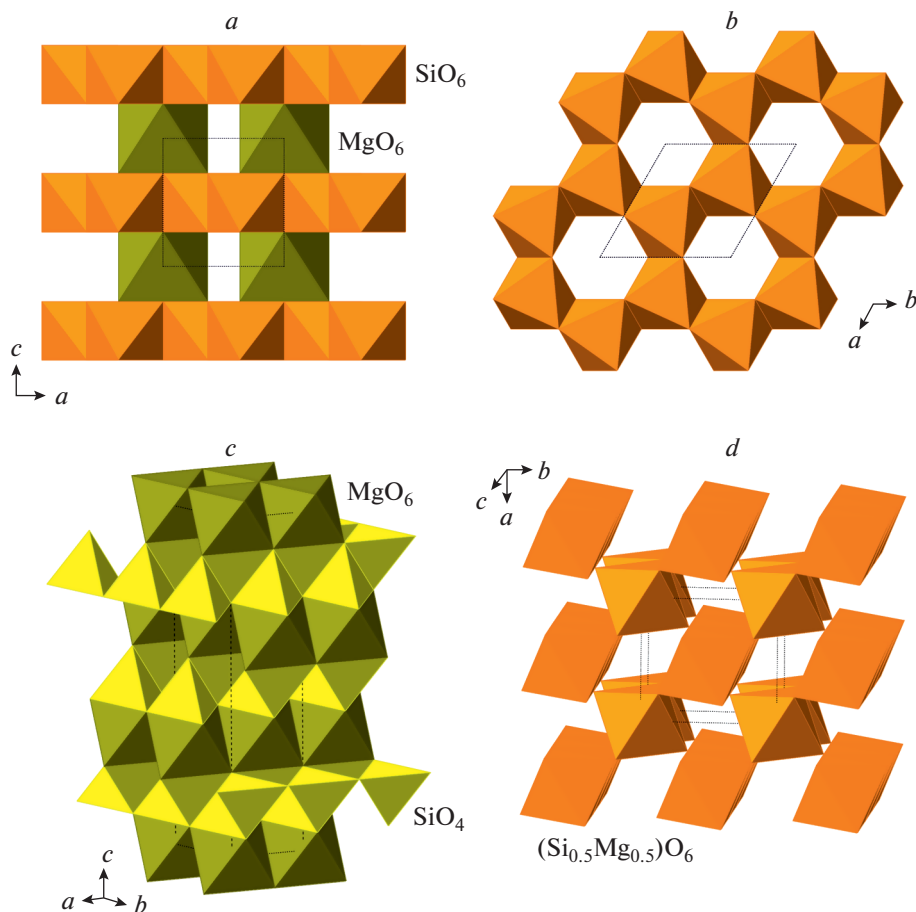


Fig. 22. The crystal structure of phase D (a) and the dioctahedral layer of SiO_6 octahedra (b), the crystal structures of phases E (c) and H (d).

Рис. 22. Кристаллическая структура фазы D (a) и диоктаэдрический слой из октаэдров SiO_6 (b); кристаллические структуры фаз E (c) и H (d).

Among three Al_2SiO_5 polymorphs (kyanite, sillimanite, and andalusite), kyanite is the high-pressure phase that has the highest physical density. Its crystal structure was first determined by Náráy-Szabó et al. (1929) as a cubic close packing of O atoms with Al and Si filling the octahedral and tetrahedral interstices, respectively. According to the results of the high-pressure experiments in diamond-anvil cells at 40–70 GPa and 2500 K, Ahmed-Zaïd and Madon (1991, 1995) reported the existence of the Al_2SiO_5 HP-polymorph with a V_3O_5 -type structure. This phase was studied using computational methods by Urusov et al. (1998) and Oganov and Brodholt (2000). Recently, Zhou et al. (2018) reported the formation of two new high-pressure forms of Al_2SiO_5 , kyanite-II and kyanite-III, at temperatures higher 2300–2500 K in the pressure range of 14–23 GPa. The transition from kyanite-I to kyanite-II occurs near 14 GPa, whereas the transition to kyanite-III occurs near 17 GPa. The full structural data for both new kyanite polymorphs have not been reported in details. However, Zhou et al. (2018) pointed out that both kyanite-II and kyanite-III are based upon hexagonal closest packing of O atoms with

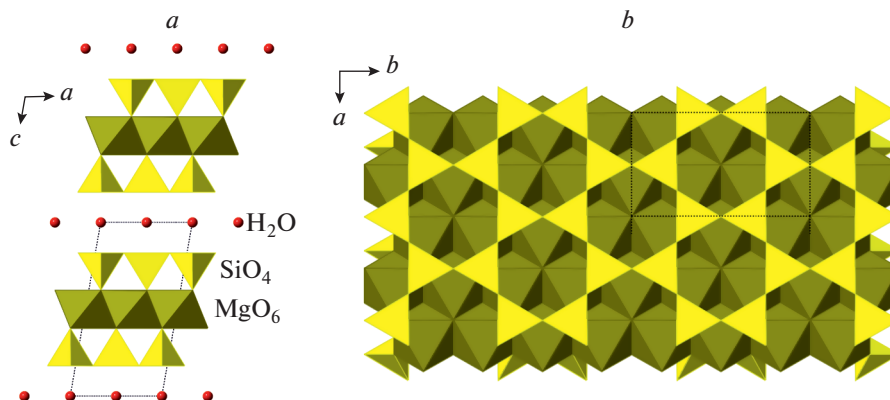


Fig. 23. The crystal structure of the 10 Å phase in projection along the *b* axis (*a*) and its 2 : 1 octahedral-tetrahedral layer (*b*).

Рис. 23. Кристаллическая структура 10-Å фазы в проекции вдоль оси *b* (*a*) и 2 : 1 окта-тетраэдрический слой (*b*).

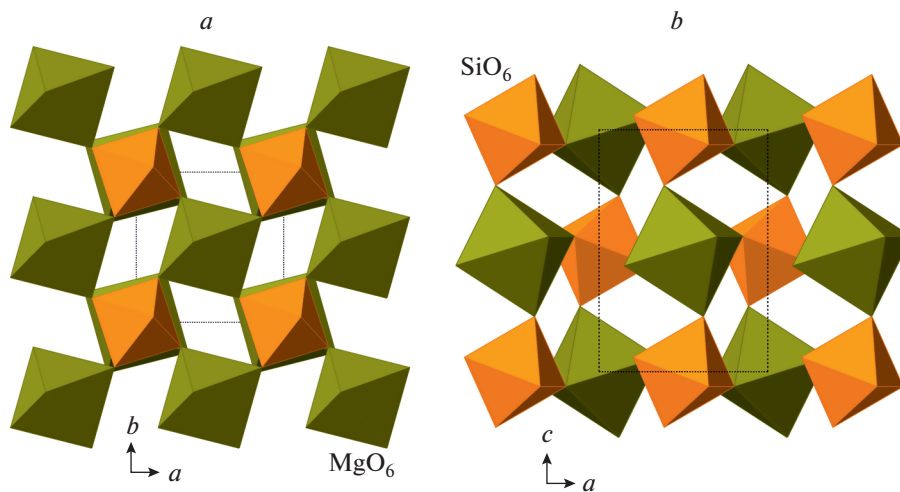


Fig. 24. The crystal structure of the 3.65 Å phase projected along the *c* (*a*) and *b* (*b*) axes.

Рис. 24. Кристаллическая структура 3.65-Å фазы в проекциях вдоль осей *c* (*a*) и *b* (*b*).

Al and Si in interstices. In agreement with the previous reports, kyanite-III adopts a V_3O_5 -type structure that is based upon hexagonal packing of O atoms with Al and Si in octahedral interstices. In contrast, the crystal structure of kyanite-II contains Si in tetrahedral cavities as well, though, according to Zhou et al. (2018), in a rather disordered arrangement. These findings indicate that the kyanite-I \rightarrow kyanite-II phase transition is associated with the reconstructive changes from cubic to hexagonal close packing, whereas the kyanite-II \rightarrow kyanite-III transition is associated with the re-arrangement of Al and Si atoms over interstices in the hexagonal closest packing.

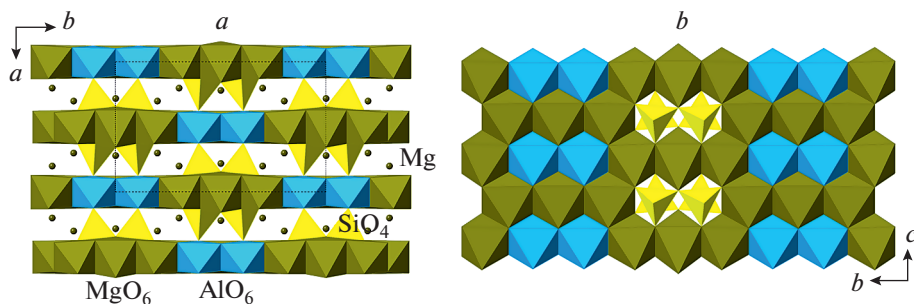


Fig. 25. The crystal structure of the HySo phase projected along the c axis (a) and projection of the octahedral-tetrahedral layer along the a axis (b).

Рис. 25. Кристаллическая структура фазы HySo в проекции вдоль оси c (a) и проекция окта-тетраэдрического слоя вдоль оси a (b).

The crystal structure of $\text{Al}_2\text{Si}_2\text{O}_7$ (or 227 phase) recently reported by Zhou et al. (2021) is based upon hexagonal closest packing of O atoms as well. All Al and two thirds of Si atoms are in octahedral coordination, whereas one third of Si atoms is in tetrahedral coordination. The structure (Fig. 29a) can be described as formed by alternating layers of octahedral chains of Si_2O_{10} and Al_2O_{10} edge-sharing octahedral dimers (A: Fig. 29b) and layers formed by double zigzag chains (B) of SiO_6 and AlO_6 octahedra interlinked by Si_2O_7 tetrahedral dimers (Fig. 29c, d). Taking into account the coordination of cations, the crystal-chemical formula of the 227 phase can be written as $^{\text{VI}}\text{Al}_6^{\text{VI}}\text{Si}_4\text{O}_{14} (^{\text{IV}}\text{Si}_2\text{O}_7)$.

The high-pressure silicate phases in the Al_2O_3 – SiO_2 – H_2O system attracted considerable attention. The most recent research in this area was focused on the phase Egg, AlSiO_3OH , which was first discovered by Eggleton et al. (1978) and structurally characterized by Schmidt et al. (1998). This phase is considered as one of the possible H_2O reservoirs in the mantle transition zone (Fukuyama et al., 2017). Its high-pressure structural behavior was investigated by

Table 10. Crystallographic data for high-pressure phases in the Al_2O_3 – SiO_2 and Al_2O_3 – SiO_2 – H_2O systems
Таблица 10. Кристаллографические данные для высокобарических фаз в системах Al_2O_3 – SiO_2 и Al_2O_3 – SiO_2 – H_2O

Mineral/ phase name	Chemical formula	SG	a [Å]/ α [°]	b [Å]/ β [°]	c [Å]/ γ [°]	V , Å ³	CN(Si)	Reference
Al_2O_3 – SiO_2 system								
Кyanite-I	Al_2SiO_5	$P\bar{1}$	7.126/90.0	7.852/101.1	5.572/106.0	293.6	4	1
Кyanite-II	Al_2SiO_5	$P\bar{1}$	7.056/96.8	9.437/99.2	6.776/108.1	416.5	4, 6(?)	2
Кyanite-III	Al_2SiO_5	$C2/c$	9.296/90	4.708/111.3	6.629/90	270.3	6	2
“227 phase”	$\text{Al}_2\text{Si}_2\text{O}_7$	$P\bar{1}$	7.024/103.5	7.100/99.1	6.673/60.5	281.4	4, 6	3
Al_2O_3 – SiO_2 – H_2O system								
“Phase Egg”	AlSiO_3OH	$P2_1/n$	7.144/90	4.335/98.4	6.953/90	213.0	6	4
Тораз-ОH-I	$\text{Al}_2\text{SiO}_4(\text{OH})_2$	$Pbnm$	4.724/90	8.947/90	8.390/90	354.6	4	5
Тораз-ОH-II	$\text{Al}_2\text{SiO}_4(\text{OH})_2$	$Pbnm$	4.723/90	8.915/90	2.773/90	116.8	4, 6	6
“Phase Pi”	$\text{Al}_3\text{Si}_2\text{O}_7(\text{OH})_3$	$P1$	6.089/115.7	7.283/88.9	7.723/92.9	308.2	4	7

References: (1) Winter, Ghose, 1979; (2) Zhou et al., 2018; (3) Zhou et al., 2021; (4) Schmidt et al., 1998; (5) Wunder et al., 1993a; (6) Kanzaki et al., 2010; (7) Daniels, Wunder, 1996.

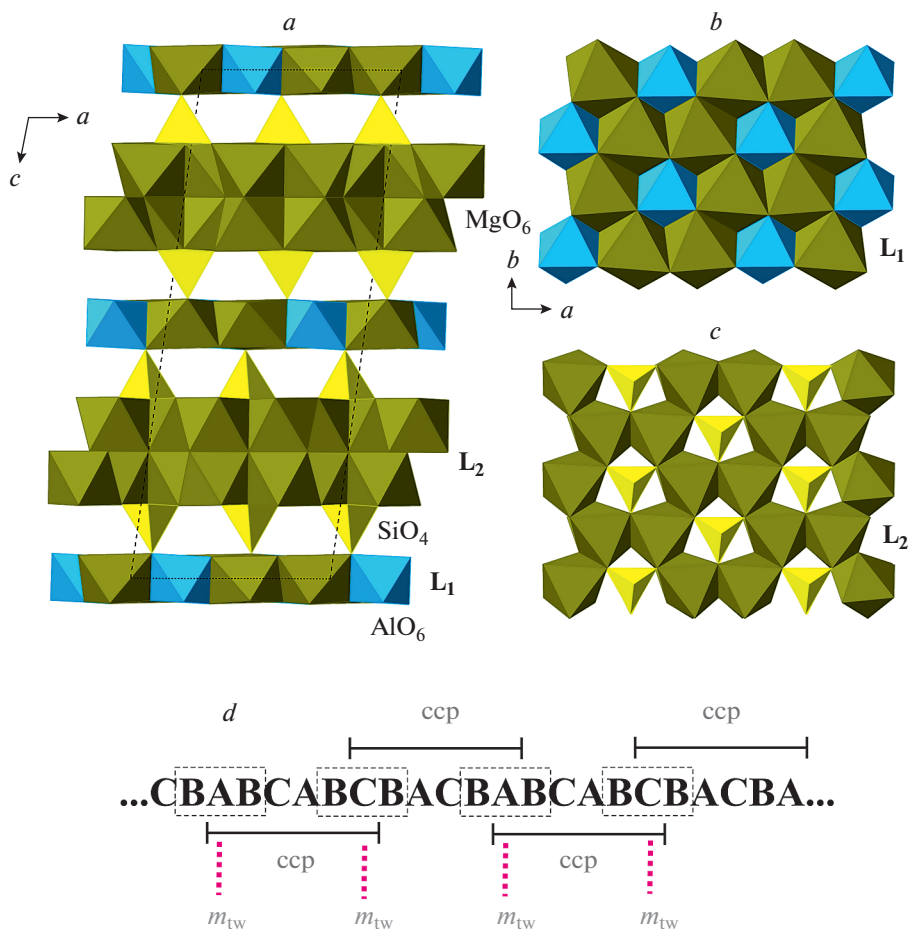


Fig. 26. The crystal structure of the 11.5 Å phase (a), projections of its two layers (b, c), and the sequence of the close-packed layers with indication of ccp regions and chemical twinning planes (m_{tw}) (dashed boxes indicate the hcp regions on the border between ccp regions).

Рис. 26. Кристаллическая структура фазы 11.5 Å (a), проекции составляющих ее слоев (b, c) и последовательность упаковок плотных анионных слоев с указанием областей кубической плотнейшей упаковки и плоскостей химического двойнирования (m_{tw}) (штрихами выделены зоны гексагональной упаковки на границе между зонами кубической упаковки).

Schulze et al. (2018), whereas Bindi et al. (2020a) studied the incorporation of Mg into its structure. The crystal structure of phase Egg is shown in Fig. 30a as based upon distorted hexagonal closest packing of O atoms with Si and Al atoms in octahedral interstices. The structure can be viewed as built by linkage of the octahedral chains shown in Fig. 30b, which are to topologically identical to the chains of the type A observed in the 227 phase (Fig. 29b).

Topaz-OH, $Al_2SiO_4(OH)_2$, the hydroxyl end-member of the topaz solid solution was prepared by Wunder et al. (1993a) at 5.5–10 GPa and 1000–1200 K and was shown to be stable up to 13 GPa and 1800 K. Its crystal structure was refined in the $Pbnm$ space group, which implies hydrogen disorder over two inequivalent sites (Mookherjee et al., 2016). Though there were hypotheses about the existence of the proton-ordered $Pbn2_1$ configurations (Churakov, Wun-

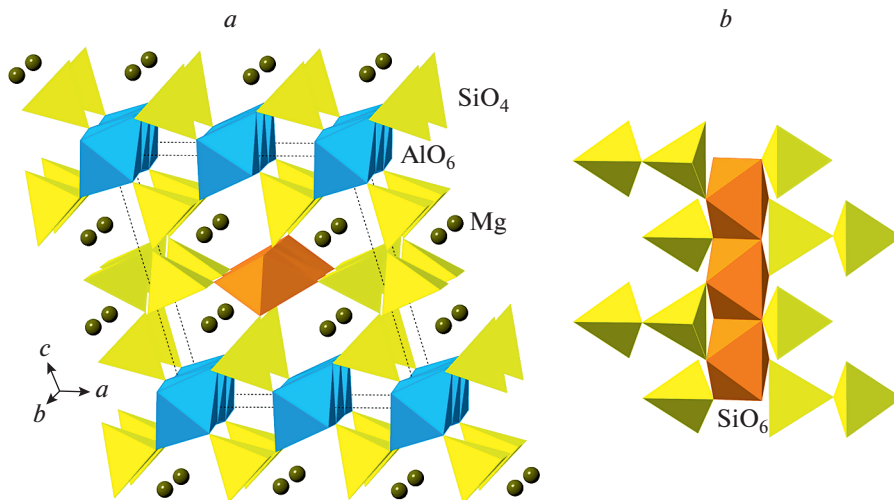


Fig. 27. The crystal structure of Si-rich "Mg-sursassite" (a) and its silicate substructure (b).

Рис. 27. Кристаллическая структура высококремниевую "Mg-сурсассита" (a) и составляющая его силикатная субструктура (b).

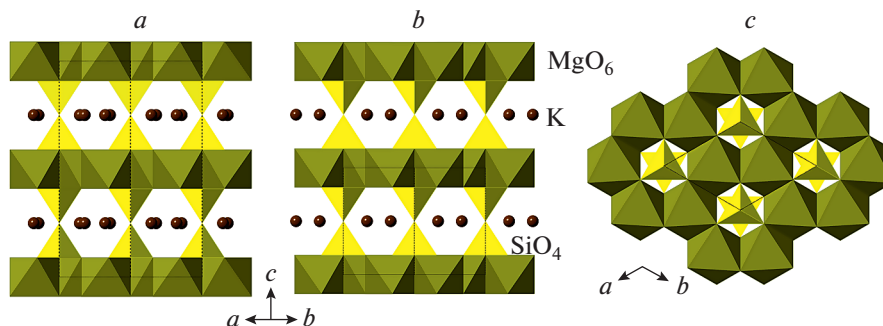


Fig. 28. The crystal structures of two polymorphs of the phase X: the $P\bar{3}1m$ (a) and $P6_3/mcm$ (b) structures, and the octahedral layer with superpositions of SiO_4 tetrahedra (c).

Рис. 28. Кристаллические структуры двух полиморфов фазы X с группами $P\bar{3}1m$ (a) и $P6_3/mcm$ (b) и проекция октаэдрического слоя с суперпозицией тетраэдров SiO_4 (c).

der, 2004), they were not confirmed experimentally. The crystal structure shown in Fig. 31a is based upon 4-layered closest-packing arrangement of O atoms with the stacking sequence ABAC. The close-packed layers are parallel to (010). The Al and Si atoms are in octahedral and tetrahedral interstices, respectively. The AlO_6 chains share edges to form chains running parallel to [001] (Fig. 31b). Kanzaki (2010) reported the existence of the high-pressure topaz-OH polymorph, topaz-OH-II, which is stable at 13–14 GPa and 1600–1800 K. Its crystal structure is based upon the same ABAC close packing of O atoms with disordered arrangement of Al and Si over tetrahedral and octahedral interstices; at least some Si atoms adopt an octahedral coordination. The crystal chemistry of two polymorphs of topaz was studied using spec-

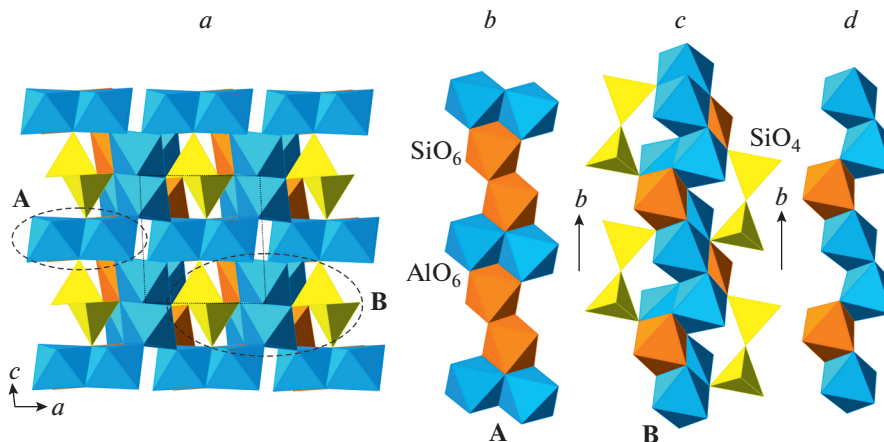


Fig. 29. The crystal structure of $\text{Al}_2\text{Si}_2\text{O}_7$ (or 227 phase) in projection along the b axis (a) as based upon the chains of the type **A** (b) and the double chains of the type **B** (c); (d) shows a single chain as a constituent of the chain **B**.

Рис. 29. Кристаллическая структура $\text{Al}_2\text{Si}_2\text{O}_7$ (фаза 227) в проекции вдоль оси b (a) как основанная на цепочках типа **A** (b) и двойных цепочках типа **B** (c); (d) изображает одинарную цепочку, лежащую в основе цепочек типа **B**.

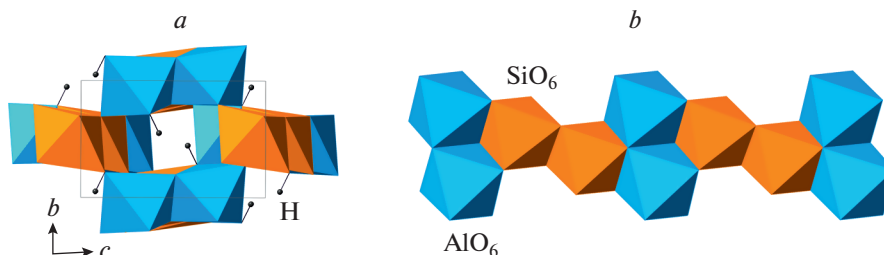


Fig. 30. The crystal structure of phase Egg in projection along the a axis (a) and its constituent chain of edge-sharing AlO_6 and SiO_6 octahedra running parallel to $[100]$ (b).

Рис. 30. Кристаллическая структура фазы Egg в проекции вдоль оси a (a) и ее базовая цепочка из связанных ребрами октаэдров AlO_6 и SiO_6 , вытянутая вдоль направления $[100]$ (b).

troscopic methods by Xue et al. (2010). The OH-dominant topaz was reported in nature from HP rocks (Zhang et al., 2002), but had never been approved as a separate mineral species.

Wunder et al. (1993b) synthesized the HP phase with the composition $\text{Al}_3\text{Si}_2\text{O}_7(\text{OH})_3$ (“phase Pi”), first discovered by Coes (1962), who called it “piezotite” and assigned to it the incorrect formula $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3 \cdot 3\text{SiO}_2$. Daniels and Wunder (1996) determined the crystal structure of the phase as based upon a distorted cubic close packing of O atoms with Al and Si in octahedral and tetrahedral interstices, respectively. The crystal structure shown in Fig. 32a can also be described as consisting of Al-deficient brucite-like layers of AlO_6 tetrahedra with cavities covered by SiO_4 tetrahedra (Fig. 32b) that provide the layer linkage into 3-dimensional framework. The layers are oriented parallel to the (110) plane. The H atoms are located in the inter-layer space.

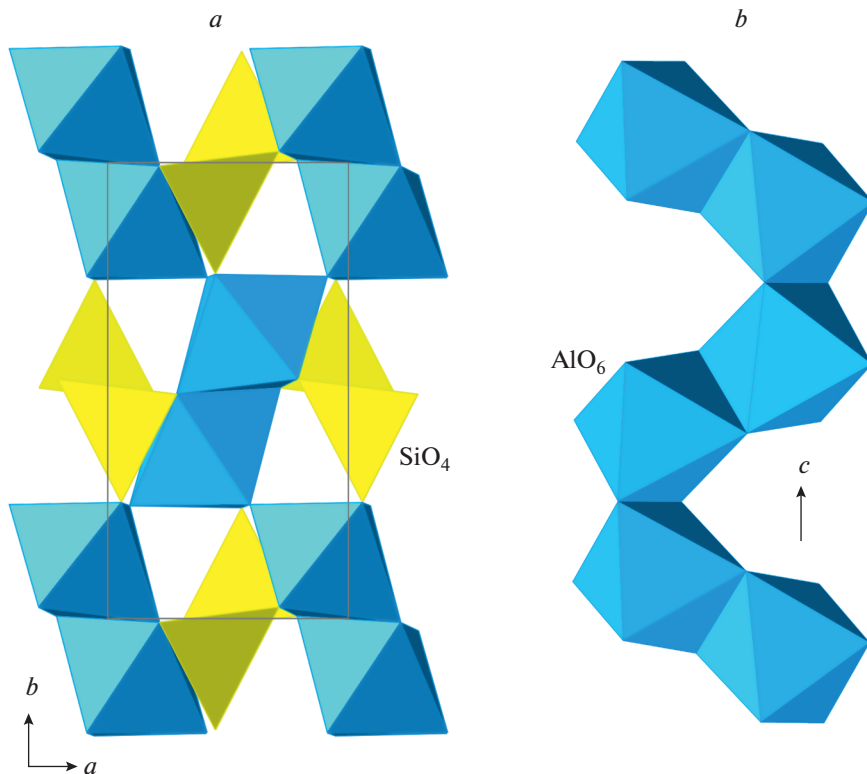


Fig. 31. The crystal structure of topaz-OH projected along the c axis (a) and the linkage of AlO_6 octahedra along $[001]$ (b).

Рис. 31. Кристаллическая структура топаза-ОН в проекции вдоль оси c (a) и связь октаэдров AlO_6 в цепочку вдоль направления $[001]$ (b).

10. Ca, Sr AND Ba HP SILICATES AND ALUMINOSILICATES

The crystallographic data on known HP silicates of Ca, Sr and Ba and related phases are given in Table 11. The Ca–Si–O system is of special interest, since the CaSiO_3 perovskite (Ca–Pv) is thought to be one of the most important Earth’s minerals. According to the current estimates, it may constitute about 7% of the peridotitic mantle and 23% of the mid-oceanic ridge basalts in subducting slabs at lower-mantle pressures (Hirose et al., 2005). The Ca–Pv phase was first reported by Liu and Ringwood (1975) and was the subject of extensive experimental and theoretical studies (Swamy, Dubrovinsky, 1997; Akber-Knutson et al., 2002; Caracas et al., 2005; Jung, Oganov, 2005; Adams, Oganov, 2006; Caracas, Wentzcovitch, 2006, etc.). Initially, it was proposed that Ca–Pv has the only possible cubic symmetry (Mao et al., 1989), until Stixrude et al. (1996) predicted the instability of the cubic phase and its possible transformation into a lower-symmetry polymorph. The existence of tetragonal and orthorhombic Ca–Pv phases was confirmed experimentally (Shim et al., 2002; Kurashina et al., 2004; Komabayashi et al., 2007; Uchida et al., 2009; Chen et al., 2018), but there are no full crystal-structure data for any of them and even space groups cannot be determined reliably. The only natural occurrence of Ca–Pv was reported by Nestola et al. (2018), who found the orthorhombic phase in inclusions in a diamond from South African Cullinan kimberlite. It is believed that, under the release of

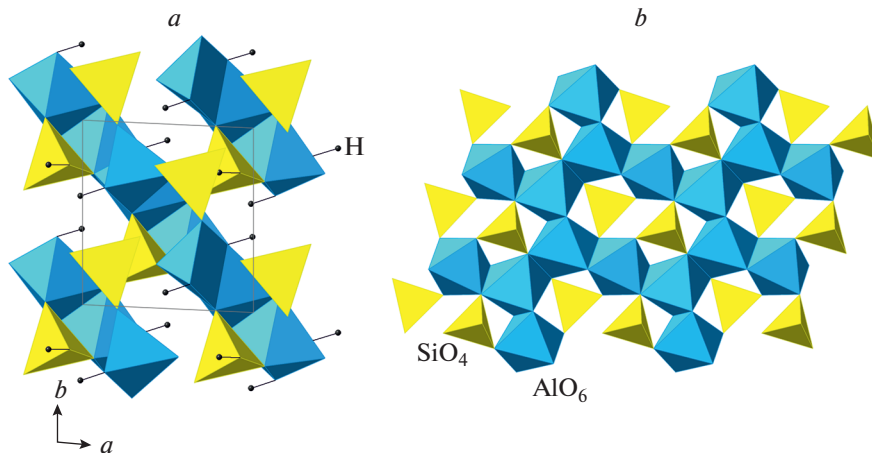


Fig. 32. The crystal structure of the phase Pi in projection along the c axis (a) and the octahedral-tetrahedral layer parallel to (110) (b).

Рис. 32. Кристаллическая структура фазы Pi в проекции вдоль оси c (a) и окта-тетраэдрический слой, параллельный плоскости (110) (b).

high pressure, Ca–Pv transforms into breyite, a walsstromite-structured CaSiO_3 HP polymorph with tetrahedral Si (Joswig et al., 2003; Anzolini et al., 2016; Brenker et al., 2021). Woodland et al. (2020) pointed out that the formation of breyite as retrogressed Ca–Pv does not preclude its direct crystallization under upper-mantle conditions.

The pressure-induced polymorphism of CaSiO_3 was the focus of the recent study by Milani et al. (2021). The low-pressure CaSiO_3 polymorphs are wollastonite and pseudowollastonite that may exist in several polytypes each. Milani et al. (2021) reported the cold compression study of wollastonite and breyite (Table 11) and the occurrence of two new phase transitions for both minerals. The crystal structure of wollastonite is based upon $[\text{SiO}_3]$ chains of SiO_4 tetrahedra, whereas that of breyite consists of $[\text{Si}_3\text{O}_9]$ three-membered rings. The wollastonite-I \rightarrow wollastonite-II \rightarrow wollastonite-III and breyite-I \rightarrow breyite-II \rightarrow breyite-III phase transitions involve rotation of tetrahedra with no changes in the overall structural topologies. During the wollastonite series of phases, the structural complexity is increasing continuously [$I_G/I_{G,\text{total}}$, in bits]: 3.907/117.207 \rightarrow 4.907/294.413 \rightarrow 5.907/708.827. In contrast, in the breyite series, breyite-II is simpler than breyite-I, but breyite-III is the most structurally complex phase: 3.907/117.207 \rightarrow 3.374/101.207 \rightarrow 3.907/234.413.

The crystal structure of Ca_2SiO_4 (Liu et al., 1978a) differs drastically from the structures of the M_2SiO_4 ($\text{M} = \text{Mg}, \text{Fe}$) compounds described above. It can be considered as a cubic perovskite structure broken into slices that are shifted relative to each other by the $(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b})/2$ vector (Fig. 33a). The slices are one octahedron thick (Fig. 33b).

The existence of the CaSi_2O_5 phase with a titanite-related structure was first mentioned by Kanzaki et al. (1991). Later it was recognized that there are two CaSi_2O_5 polymorphs, triclinic low-pressure and monoclinic high-pressure, denoted as α - and β -phases, respectively (Angel et al., 1996; Angel, 1997; Kudoh, Kanzaki, 1998). The crystal structure of α - CaSi_2O_5 (Fig. 34a) is remarkable in that it contains four-, five- and six-coordinated Si atoms. The crystal structure of β - CaSi_2O_5 (Fig. 34b) belongs to the titanite structure type and is based upon a three-dimensional framework consisting of chains of corner-sharing SiO_6 octahedra interlinked by SiO_4 tetrahedra. In α - CaSi_2O_5 , every second SiO_6 octahedron within the chain is replaced by SiO_5

Table 11. Crystallographic data for high-pressure Ca, Sr and Ba silicates
Таблица 11. Кристаллографические данные для высокобарических силикатов Ca, Sr и Ba

Mineral/phase name	Chemical formula	SG	a [Å]/ α [°]	b [Å]/ β [°]	c [Å]/ γ [°]	V , Å ³	CN(Si)	Reference
Ca–Pv	CaSiO ₃	?	5.397/90	5.404/90	7.646/90	223.0	6	1
Wollastonite-I	CaSiO ₃	$P\bar{1}$	7.079/103.4	7.331/95.3	7.938/90.1	398.9	4	2
Wollastonite-II	CaSiO ₃	$P\bar{1}$	6.693/76.0	7.256/87.0	14.297/90.0	702.5	4	2
Wollastonite-III	CaSiO ₃	$P\bar{1}$	6.571/75.5	14.142/90.0	14.311/91.2	1287.1	4	2
Breyite-I	CaSiO ₃	$P\bar{1}$	6.644/69.7	6.689/83.7	9.282/76.2	375.6	4	2
Breyite-II	CaSiO ₃	$C2/m$	10.221/90	7.937/105.2	8.621/90	674.8	4	2
Breyite-III	CaSiO ₃	$P2_1/c$	8.511/90	7.854/104.9	10.096/90	652.3	4	2
–	Ca ₂ SiO ₄	$I4/mmm$	3.564/90	3.564/90	11.660/90	148.1	6	3
α-CaSi ₂ O ₅	CaSi ₂ O ₅	$P\bar{1}$	7.243/81.4	7.546/84.8	6.501/69.6	329.0	4, 5, 6	4
β-CaSi ₂ O ₅	CaSi ₂ O ₅	$A2/a$	6.543/90	8.392/113.2	6.342/90	320.1	4, 6	5
“Post-hatruurite”	Ca ₃ O(SiO ₄)	$P4/ncc$	6.820/90	6.820/90	10.243/90	476.4	4	6
“Hydrous larnite”	Ca ₂ Si _{0.9} O _{3.6} (OH) _{0.4}	$P2_1/n$	5.461/90	6.712/90	9.276/90	340.0	4	6
			Ca silicates					
SrSiO ₃ I (α)	SrSiO ₃	$C2/c$	12.323/90	7.139/11.6	10.873/90	889.5	4	7, 8
SrSiO ₃ II (δ)	SrSiO ₃	$P\bar{1}$	6.874/85.0	6.894/110.6	9.717/104.0	418.3	4	7
SrSiO ₃ III (δ')	SrSiO ₃	$P2_1/c$	7.452/90	6.066/117.1	13.479/90	537.1	4	7
SrSiO ₃ -3C	SrSiO ₃	$Pm\bar{3}m$	3.503/90	3.503/90	3.503/90	43.0	6	9
SrSiO ₃ -6H	SrSiO ₃	$P6_3/mmc$	5.069/90	5.069/90	12.418/120	276.3	6	10
–	SrSi ₂ O ₅	$Cmca$	5.239/90	9.280/90	13.441/90	653.5	4, 6	11
			Sr silicates					
BaSiO ₃ -6H	BaSiO ₃	$P6_3/mmc$	5.113/90	5.113/90	12.387/120	280.4	6	12
BaSiO ₃ -9R	BaSiO ₃	$R\bar{3}m$	5.300/90	5.300/90	19.235/120	468.0	6	12
–	BaSi ₄ O ₉	$P6c2$	6.495/90	6.495/90	9.347/120	341.5	4, 6	13
–	BaSi ₄ O ₉	$P3$	11.247/90	11.247/90	4.485/120	491.3	4, 6	14
			Ba silicates					
Donwilhelmsite	CaAl ₄ Si ₂ O ₁₁	$P6_3/mmc$	5.42/90	5.42/90	12.70/120	323.0	6	15
Zagamite	CaAl ₂ Si _{3.5} O ₁₁	$P6_3/mmc$	5.403/90	5.403/90	12.77/120	322.9	4, 6	16
–	CaAl ₁₂ Si ₄ O ₂₇	$P\bar{3}$	7.223/90	7.223/90	8.614/120	389.2	4, 6	17
“CaAl _{0.5} Si _{10.5} O _{2.75} ”	Ca ₄ Al ₂ Si ₂ O ₁₁	$C2$	9.137/90	5.224/110.0	17.512/90	823.2	4	18
“CaAl _{10.4} Si _{10.6} O _{2.8} ”	Ca ₂ Al ₅ Si ₃ O ₁₄	$C2/c$	9.036/90	5.188/98.0	21.629/90	1004.1	4, 6	18
“CaFe _{0.4} Si _{10.6} O _{2.8} ”	Ca ₅ Fe ₂ Si ₃ O ₁₄	$C2/c$	9.273/90	5.273/97.9	21.936/90	1062.3	4, 6	19

References: (1) Nestola et al., 2018; (2) Miliani et al., 2021; (3) Liu, 1978a; (4) Kudo, Kanzaki, 1998; (5) Angel, 1997; (6) Németh et al., 2017; (7) Machida et al., 1982a; (8) Marsh, Herberstein, 1983; (9) Xiao et al., 2013; (10) Yusa et al., 2005; (11) Kojitani et al., 2005; (12) Yusa et al., 2007; (13) Finger et al., 1995; (14) Hazen et al., 1999; (15) Fritz et al., 2020; (16) Ma et al., 2019b; (17) Grey et al., 2000; (18) Kanzaki et al., 2017; (19) Kanzaki, 2020.

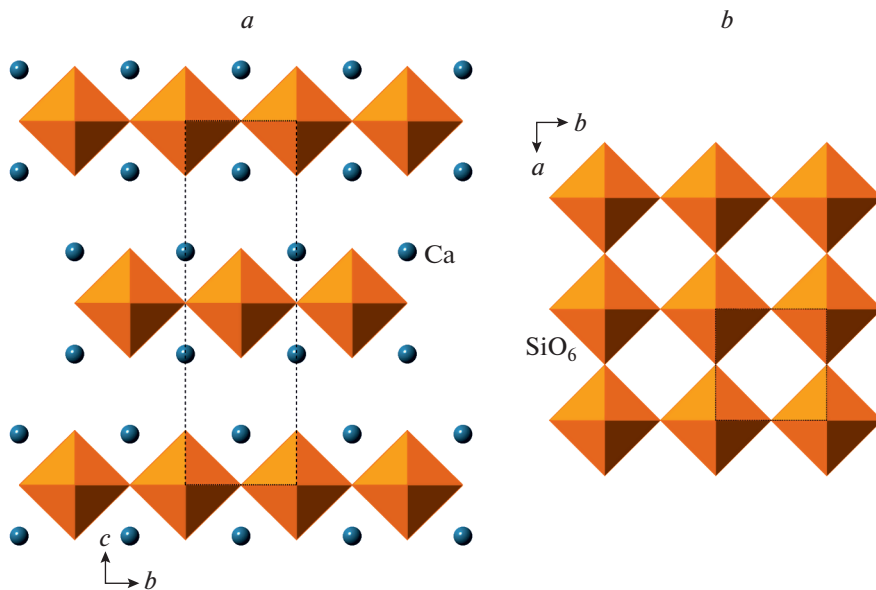


Fig. 33. The crystal structure of Ca_2SiO_4 projected along the a axis (a) and projection of the layer of corner-sharing SiO_6 octahedra (b).

Рис. 33. Кристаллическая структура Ca_2SiO_4 в проекции вдоль оси a (a) и проекция слоя вершинно-связанных октаэдров SiO_6 (b).

tetragonal pyramid (Fig. 34c, d), which was at the time the first example of five-coordinated silicon in a crystalline state (Angel et al., 1996). Under increasing pressure, $\alpha\text{-CaSi}_2\text{O}_5$ transforms into $\beta\text{-CaSi}_2\text{O}_5$, which corresponds to the transformation of SiO_5 pyramid into SiO_6 octahedron and the formation of the structure with higher symmetry and lower complexity. It is worthy to note that $\beta\text{-CaSi}_2\text{O}_5$ had been found in nature in inclusions in natural diamonds (Joswig et al., 1999; Brenker et al., 2005) and therefore may potentially be established as a separate mineral species. Arlt et al. (1998) reported the synthesis and crystal structure of MnSi_2O_5 , which is isotopic to $\beta\text{-CaSi}_2\text{O}_5$ and belongs to the titanite structure type.

The high-pressure $\text{Ca}_3\text{SiO}_5 = \text{Ca}_3\text{O}(\text{SiO}_4)$ phase (“post-hatrrurite”) was reported by Németh et al. (2017) as a phase isotopic to Sr_3SiO_5 . In contrast to rhombohedral hatrrurite, post-hatrrurite has a tetragonal symmetry and belongs to the antiperovskite-type family of structures (Krivovichev, 2008). It is based upon perovskite-type framework consisting of corner-sharing OCa_6 octahedra (Fig. 35). Along with post-hatrrurite, Németh et al. (2017) also described the formation and structure of “hydrous larnite” that has a threefold superstructure compared to the ambient-pressure anhydrous larnite.

The Sr–Si–O system is of interest because of its similarity with the Ca–Si–O system. The high-pressure polymorphism of SrSiO_3 was investigated by Machida et al. (1982a, b). Under compression, the ambient-pressure $\alpha\text{-SrSiO}_3$ transforms into $\delta\text{-SrSiO}_3$ and then to $\delta'\text{-SrSiO}_3$ (all structures contain $[\text{Si}_3\text{O}_9]^{6-}$ three-membered tetrahedral rings). The $\alpha \rightarrow \delta \rightarrow \delta'$ sequence of phases corresponds to the increasing total structural complexity, $93.207 \rightarrow 117.207 \rightarrow 132.877$ bit/cell, though the information per atom changes irregularly, $3.107 \rightarrow 3.907 \rightarrow 3.322$ bit/atom. The existence of perovskite-related SrSiO_3 phases with octahedral coordi-

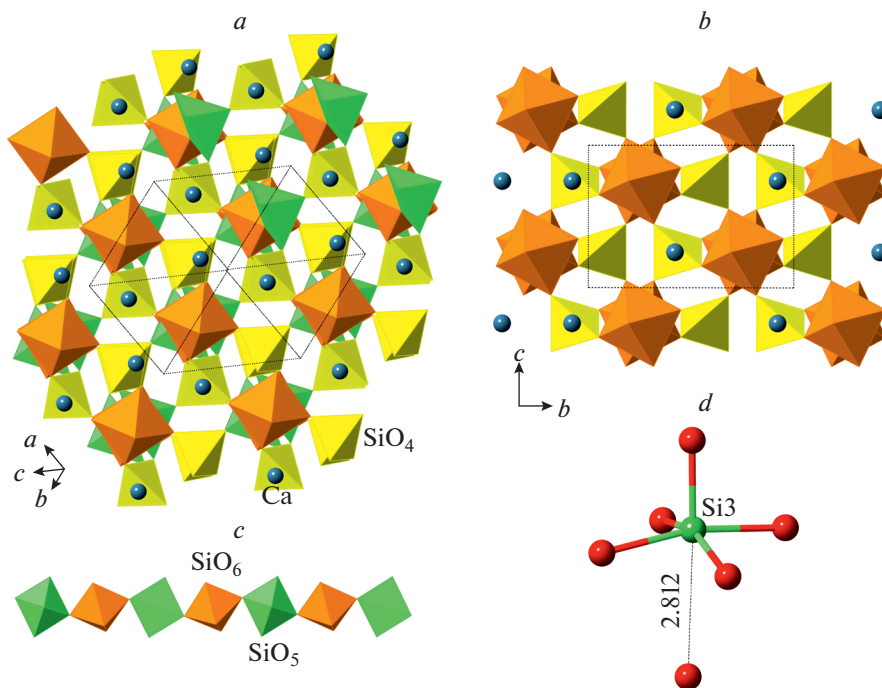


Fig. 34. The crystal structures of α - (*a*) and β - (*b*) polymorphs of CaSi_2O_5 , the chain of SiO_6 octahedra and SiO_5 square pyramids in α - CaSi_2O_5 (*c*) and coordination of $\text{Si}3$ site in α - CaSi_2O_5 (*d*) as having additional O atom at the Si–O distance of 2.812 Å.

Рис. 34. Кристаллические структуры α - (*a*) и β - (*b*) полиморфов CaSi_2O_5 , цепочка из октаэдров SiO_6 и тетрагональных пирамид SiO_5 в структуре α - CaSi_2O_5 (*c*) и координация позиции $\text{Si}3$ в α - CaSi_2O_5 (*d*), имеющая дополнительный атом O на расстоянии Si–O = 2.812 Å.

nation of Si was discovered by Yusa et al. (2005) and Xiao et al. (2013), who reported the occurrence of hexagonal (6H) and cubic (3C) SrSiO_3 perovskites, respectively. The crystal structure of the cubic phase has the highest possible symmetry $Pm\bar{3}m$, whereas the crystal structure of the hexagonal phase was not reported in details.

The crystal structure of SrSi_2O_5 (Kojitani et al., 2005) differs from those observed for the CaSi_2O_5 polymorphs (see above). It consists of $[\text{VI}\text{SiO}(\text{IV}\text{SiO}_4)]$ sheets based upon chains of corner-sharing SiO_6 octahedra running parallel to the *a* axis and interlinked via SiO_4 tetrahedra (Fig. 36). Alternatively, the crystal structure may be described as a 6-layer ABACBC closest packing of Sr and O atoms with Si atoms distributed equally between octahedral and tetrahedral interstices. The octahedral-tetrahedral layers and the layers of close-packed Sr and O atoms are parallel to (001).

The HP polymorphism of BaSiO_3 was studied by Yusa et al. (2007), who reported the crystal structures of two perovskite polytypes, 6H and 9R, both of which contain units of face-sharing SiO_6 octahedra (Fig. 37). The only other HP silicate structures with such a remarkable feature are coesite-IV and -V (see above). As in the coesite polymorphs, the linkage of two octahedra by sharing a common face results in the significant distortion of octahedral geometry. In BaSiO_3 -9R, there are triples of face-sharing octahedra, whereas BaSiO_3 -6H features di-

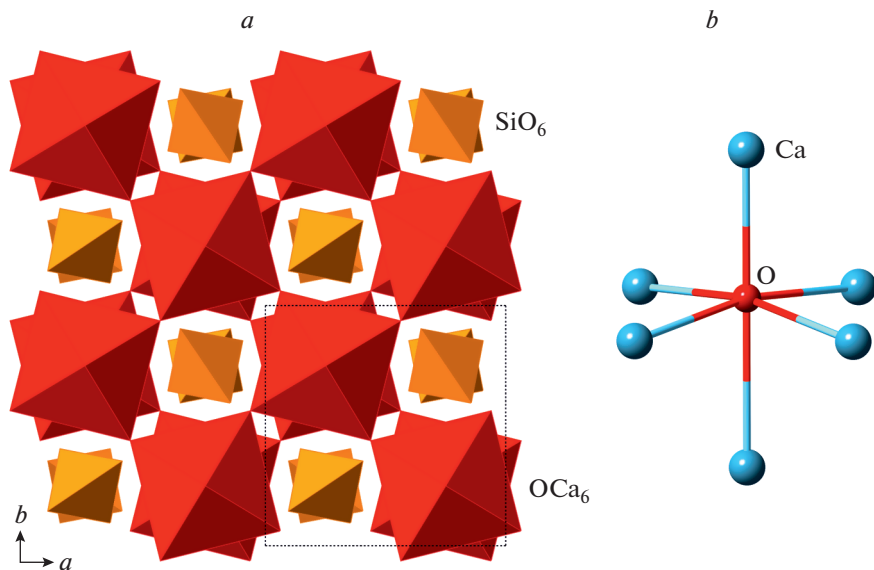


Fig. 35. The crystal structure of "post-hatrurite", Ca_3SiO_5 (a), consisting of an antiperovskite framework formed by corner-sharing OCa_6 octahedra (b) with SiO_4 tetrahedra in interstices.

Рис. 35. Кристаллическая структура "постхатрурита" Ca_3SiO_5 (a), содержащая антиперовскитовый каркас из оксоцентрированных октаэдров OCa_6 (b) с полостями, занятыми тетраэдрами SiO_4 .

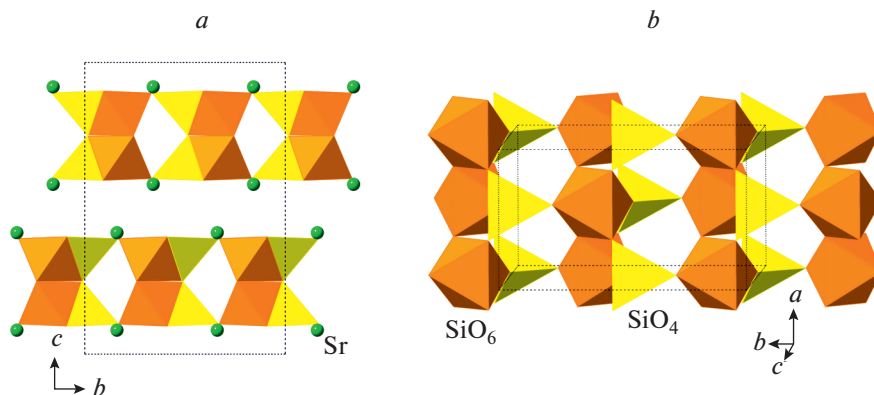


Fig. 36. The crystal structure of SrSi_2O_5 projected along the a axis (a) and projection of the heteropolyhedral silicate layer (b).

Рис. 36. Кристаллическая структура SrSi_2O_5 в проекции вдоль оси a (a) и проекция гетерополиэдрического силикатного слоя (b).

mers of face-sharing octahedra (Fig. 37b, d). In both HP BaSiO_3 polymorphs, Ba and O atoms form close packing with layers parallel to (001). The stacking sequences are ABACBC and ABABCBCAC for the 6H and 9R polytypes, respectively.

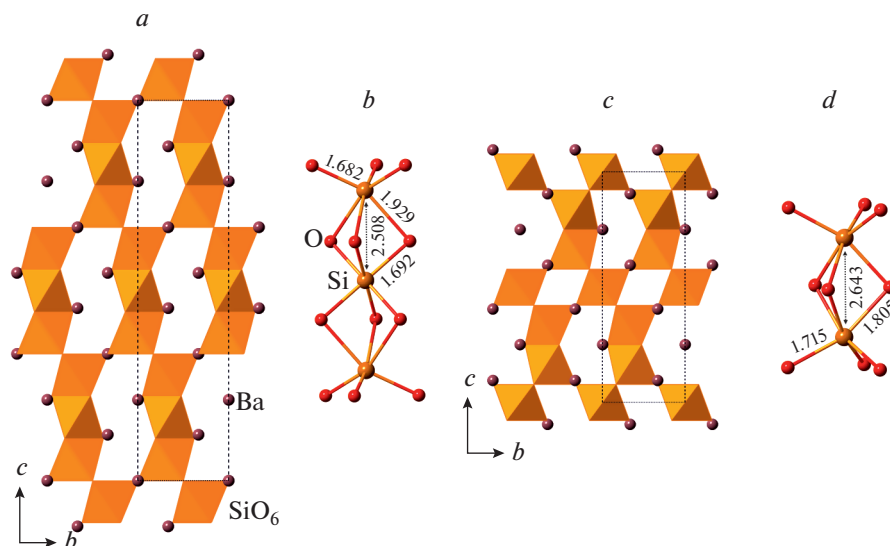


Fig. 37. The crystal structures of $\text{BaSiO}_3\text{-9R}$ (a) and $\text{BaSiO}_3\text{-6H}$ (c) and configurations of trimers (b) and dimers (d) of face-sharing SiO_6 octahedra in 9R- and 6H-polymorphs, respectively.

Рис. 37. Кристаллические структуры $\text{BaSiO}_3\text{-9R}$ (a) и $\text{BaSiO}_3\text{-6H}$ (c) и конфигурации тримеров (b) и димеров (d) из связанных общими гранями октаэдров SiO_6 в 9R- и 6H-полиморфах, соответственно.

There are two polymorphs of BaSi_4O_9 based upon octahedral-tetrahedral silicate frameworks of the same topology. The hexagonal polymorph crystallizes in the $P\bar{6}c2$ space group and belongs to the benitoite structure type (Finger et al., 1995) (Fig. 38a). In contrast, the trigonal polymorph has the $P3$ space group and is isotopic to BaGe_4O_9 (Hazen et al., 1999) (Fig. 38b). Both crystal structures are based upon topologically identical heteropolyhedral frameworks consisting of SiO_6 octahedra interlinked by $[\text{Si}_3\text{O}_9]$ triple tetrahedral rings. The frameworks have large channels occupied by Ba^{2+} cations. Despite the topological similarities, the $P3$ polymorph is 4.2% denser than the benitoite form, which indicates that the former corresponds to the higher pressure modification. The phase transition between the two forms had not been experimentally observed, but most probably is displacive in character. The structural complexity of the denser polymorph (3.921 bit/atom and 164.664 bit/cell) is higher than that for the benitoite form (2.020 bit/atom and 56.567 bit/cell), which is in agreement with similar observations for displacive phase transitions.

The HP Ca aluminosilicates attracted attention due to the discovery of the $\text{CaAl}_4\text{Si}_2\text{O}_{11}$ phase (CAS) during the experiments on the densification of terrigenous and pelagic sediments in the mantle transition zone (Irifune et al., 1994). This phase was later found as inclusions in shocked basaltic Martian meteorites (shergottites: Beck et al., 2004; El Goresy et al., 2013; Tomioka, Miyahara, 2017) and lunar meteorites and was recently established as a separate mineral species, donwilhelmsite (Fritz et al., 2020). The phase forms a solid solution with its Na analogue, $\text{NaAl}_3\text{Si}_3\text{O}_{11}$ (NAS) (Akaogi et al., 2010; Zhou, Irifune, 2020). The crystal structure of synthetic CAS was investigated using different diffraction and spectroscopic techniques (Gautron et al., 1999; Grey et al., 1999; Ono et al., 2005; Xue et al., 2009). It is based upon close packing of Ca and O atoms that follow the hexagonal $\text{ABABAB} = [\text{AB}]^3$ sequence (six layers per unit cell), but with different occupancies of the close-packed layers by Ca, which

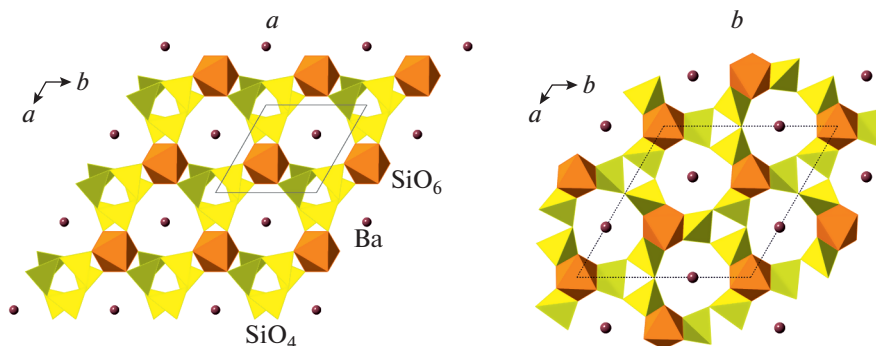


Fig. 38. The crystal structures of the hexagonal (*a*) and trigonal (*b*) polymorphs of BaSi_4O_9 , both based upon 3D framework of SiO_6 octahedra and SiO_4 tetrahedra.

Рис. 38. Кристаллическая структура гексагонального (*a*) и тригонального (*b*) полиморфов BaSi_4O_9 , содержащих трехмерные каркасы из октаэдров SiO_6 и тетраэдров SiO_4 .

generates a threefold superstructure along the *c* axis. The structure can also be described as consisting of two types of layers, L_1 and L_2 (Fig. 39*a*). The L_1 layer is a dioctahedral layer formed by edge-sharing SiO_6 octahedra (Fig. 39*b*), whereas the L_2 layer (Fig. 39*c*) is formed by dimers of face-sharing AlO_6 octahedra (Fig. 39*d*) and dimers of face-sharing AlO_4 tetrahedra (Fig. 39*e*). The face-sharing octahedra are fully occupied and strongly distorted due to the $\text{Al}^{3+}\cdots\text{Al}^{3+}$ repulsion, whereas the face-sharing AlO_4 tetrahedra are half-occupied only, due to the extremely short $^{\text{IV}}\text{Al}\cdots^{\text{IV}}\text{Al}$ distance. Zagamiite, $\text{CaAl}_2\text{Si}_{3.5}\text{O}_{11}$, is the Si-rich analogue of donwilhelmsite discovered by Ma and Tschauer (2017) and briefly described by Ma et al. (2019*b*) in basaltic shergottites Zagami and NWA856, where the mineral formed as a result of a shock metamorphism. Donwilhelmsite and zagamiite crystallize in the same structure type and differ in the occupancies of the cation sites only.

Whereas both donwilhelmsite and zagamiite contain partially or mixed occupied sites, it seems that all other known quaternary phases in the Ca–Al–Si–O system are fully ordered. The crystal structure of the high-pressure compound $\text{CaAl}_{12}\text{Si}_4\text{O}_{27}$ was determined by Grey et al. (2000) and was described as consisting of a dense framework formed by AlO_6 and SiO_6 octahedra and SiO_4 tetrahedra (Fig. 40*a*). It can be considered as formed by layers of two types, L_1 and L_2 . The L_1 layer (Fig. 40*c*) is formed by two identical L'_1 sublayers shown in Fig. 40*b*. The latter are built from SiO_6 octahedra sharing edges with trimers of edge-sharing AlO_6 octahedra. The L_2 layer contains Lindquist-type $[\text{Al}_6\text{O}_{19}]$ hexamers interlinked by SiO_4 tetrahedra by sharing common corners.

Two other structurally characterized Ca–Al–Si–O phases belong to the group of defect perovskite structures and have been prepared during the investigation of incorporation of Al into CaSiO_3 perovskite. Fitz Gerald and Ringwood (1991), following early observations of Liu (1978*b*), reported the formation of the $\text{Ca}_2\text{AlSiO}_{5.5}$ phase with rhombohedral symmetry and fivefold perovskite superstructure, but structure details have never been reported in full (see also: Kojitani et al., 2009). The system was further investigated by Bläß et al. (2004, 2007), who discovered the $\text{CaAl}_{0.5}\text{Si}_{0.5}\text{O}_{2.75}$ ($= \text{Ca}_4\text{Al}_2\text{Si}_2\text{O}_{11}$) and $\text{CaAl}_{0.4}\text{Si}_{0.6}\text{O}_{2.8}$ ($= \text{Ca}_5\text{Al}_2\text{Si}_3\text{O}_{14}$) phases, along with the Fe analogue of the latter. The crystal-structure solution for these phases was done by Kanzaki et al. (2017) and Kanzaki (2020). Both structures (Fig. 41) can be viewed as belonging to the same polysomatic series and consist of perovskite slabs of corner-sharing

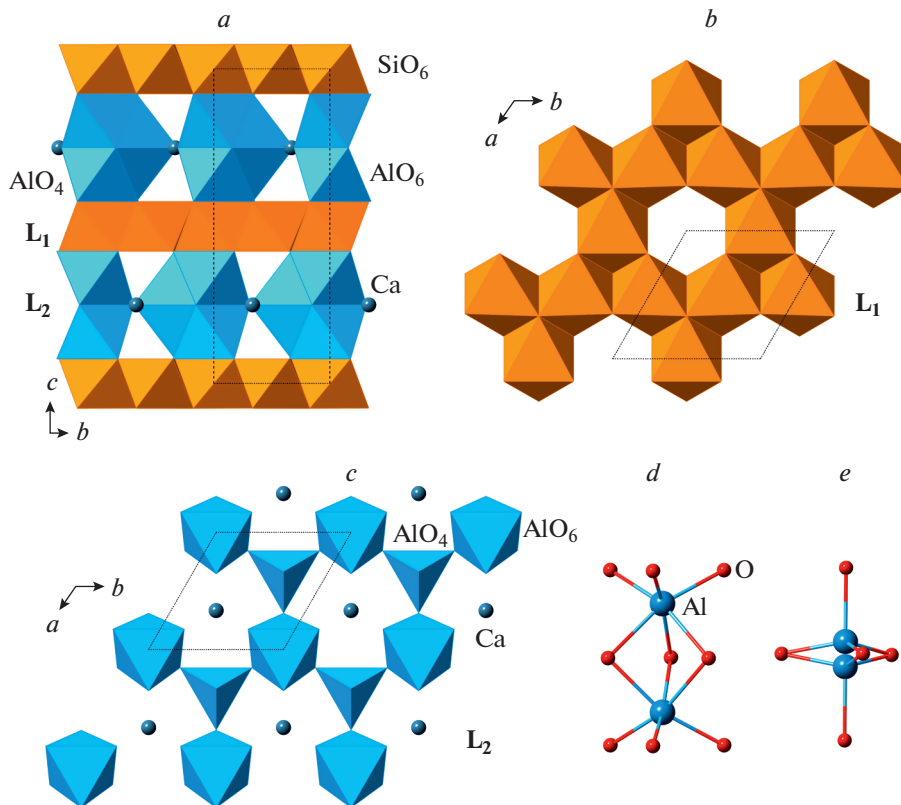


Fig. 39. The crystal structure of donwilhelmsite projected along the *a* axis (*a*) and the projections of the L₁ (*b*) and L₂ (*c*) layers along [001]. The L₂ layer is based upon corner-sharing dimers of fully occupied AlO₆ octahedra (*d*) and dimers of face-sharing half-occupied AlO₄ tetrahedra (*e*).

Рис. 39. Кристаллическая структура донвиллемсита в проекции вдоль оси *a* (*a*) и проекции составляющих ее слоев L₁ (*b*) и L₂ (*c*) вдоль направления [001]. Слой L₂ образован вершинным объединением димеров из гранно-связанных полностью заселенных октаэдров AlO₆ (*d*) и димеров из гранно-связанных полузаселенных тетраэдров AlO₄ (*e*).

octahedra incrustated on both sides by SiO₄ tetrahedra. In CaAl_{0.5}Si_{0.5}O_{2.75} (= Ca₄Al₂Si₂O₁₁), the octahedra are occupied by Al and slabs are two octahedra thick, whereas, in CaAl_{0.4}Si_{0.6}O_{2.8} (= Ca₅Al₂Si₃O₁₄), the slabs are three octahedra thick and contain both AlO₆ and SiO₆ octahedra. Thus, the crystal-chemical formulae of the first and the second compounds should be written as Ca₄[^{VI}Al₂O₃(^{IV}SiO₄)₂] and Ca₅[^{VI}Al₂^{VI}SiO₆(^{IV}SiO₄)₂], respectively. Considering the polysomatic series consisting of perovskite slabs, one may notice that merwinite, Ca₃Mg(SiO₄)₂, can be counted as the first phase in the family containing octahedral slabs one octahedron thick (Moore, Araki, 1972; Kim et al., 2017; Dewangan et al., 2019). Moore and Araki (1972) described the crystal structure of merwinite as distorted close packing formed by Ca and O atoms. However, the arrangement is quite far from being close-packed, despite the fact that it contains some closely packed layers. Moriyama et al. (1992) noted that merwinite is stable at least up to 16 GPa and 2300 K, whereas Zedgenizov et al. (2014) report on the occurrence of merwinite in diamond inclusions along with breyite and olivine.

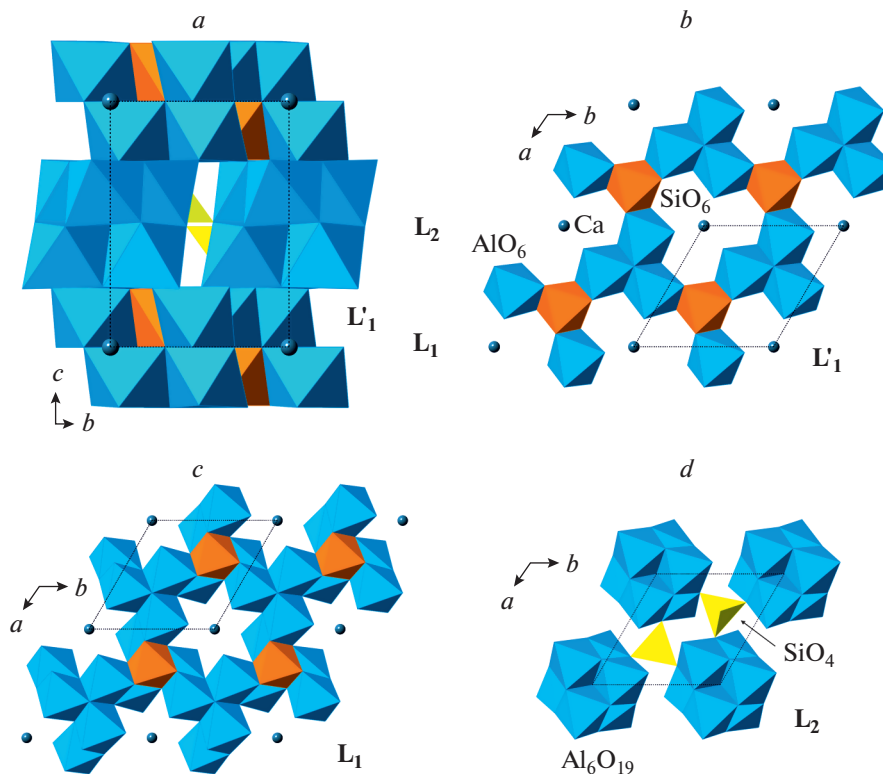


Fig. 40. The crystal structure of $\text{CaAl}_{12}\text{Si}_4\text{O}_{27}$ projected along the a axis (a) and the projections of the \mathbf{L}'_1 sublayer (b), and \mathbf{L}_1 (c) and \mathbf{L}_2 (d) layers along $[001]$.

Рис. 40. Кристаллическая структура $\text{CaAl}_{12}\text{Si}_4\text{O}_{27}$ в проекции вдоль оси a (a) и проекции субслоя \mathbf{L}'_1 (b) и слоев \mathbf{L}_1 (c) и \mathbf{L}_2 (d) вдоль $[001]$.

Tissintite, $(\text{Ca}, \text{Na}, \square)\text{AlSi}_2\text{O}_6$, is a Ca, Na aluminosilicate found in shock melt pockets in the Martian meteorite Tissint (Ma et al., 2015; Rucks et al., 2018) and found later in shock-lithified lunar regolith (Zhang et al., 2021). It has a high-pressure $C2/c$ clinopyroxene crystal structure with Si in tetrahedral coordination.

11. ALKALI METAL HP SILICATES AND ALUMINOSILICATES

Alkali metal high-pressure silicates and aluminosilicates have already been mentioned in this review (e.g., HP feldspar polymorphs and phase X). Herein we provide an overview on Na and K HP silicates with Si in octahedral coordination.

The alkali metal HP silicates with octahedral-tetrahedral structures (i.e. those based upon units of linked SiO_6 octahedra and SiO_4 tetrahedra) have been reviewed by Finger and Hazen (2000). Surprisingly enough, not much new information on these phases appeared in the literature over the past 20 years. The crystallographic data and relevant references are provided in Table 12.

The crystal structure of $\text{Na}_2^{\text{VI}}\text{Si}^{\text{IV}}\text{Si}_2\text{O}_7$ is based upon 3D framework formed by corner linkage of SiO_6 octahedra and Si_2O_7 groups (Fig. 42a). Krivovichev (2005) noticed that the

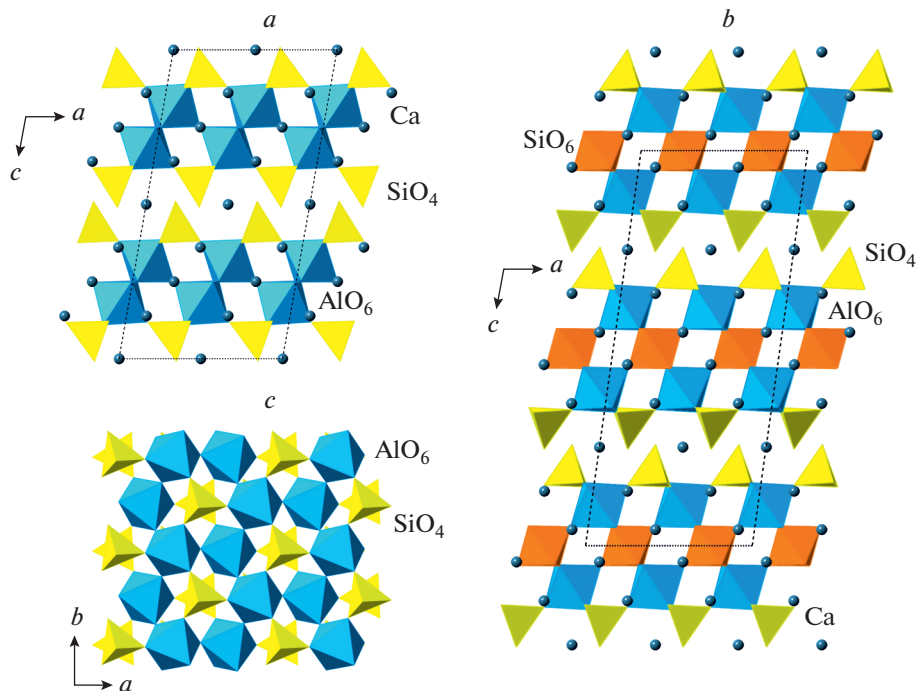


Fig. 41. Ca–Al–Si defect perovskites: the crystal structures of $\text{CaAl}_{0.5}\text{Si}_{0.5}\text{O}_{2.75}$ ($= \text{Ca}_4\text{Al}_2\text{Si}_2\text{O}_{11}$) (a) and $\text{CaAl}_{0.4}\text{Si}_{0.6}\text{O}_{2.8}$ ($= \text{Ca}_5\text{Al}_2\text{Si}_3\text{O}_{14}$) (b) projected along their b axes.

Рис. 41. Ca–Al–Si дефектные перовскиты: кристаллические структуры $\text{CaAl}_{0.5}\text{Si}_{0.5}\text{O}_{2.75}$ ($= \text{Ca}_4\text{Al}_2\text{Si}_2\text{O}_{11}$) (a) и $\text{CaAl}_{0.4}\text{Si}_{0.6}\text{O}_{2.8}$ ($= \text{Ca}_5\text{Al}_2\text{Si}_3\text{O}_{14}$) (b) в проекциях вдоль осей b .

structure topology of this compound corresponds to the **fsk** keldyshite-parakeldyshite type, which is also typical for khibinskite and several synthetic materials (see: Kabanova et al., 2020, and references therein). The crystal structure of $\text{Na}_8^{\text{VI}}\text{Si}(\text{IVSi}_6\text{O}_{18})$ belongs to the lovozerite structure type and is the simplest archetype in the family of lovozerite-like structures (Pekov et al., 2009; Krivovichev, 2015). It represents a framework of six-membered silicate rings with a chair conformation linked via SiO_6 octahedra (Fig. 42b). The crystal structure of $\text{Na}_6^{\text{VI}}\text{Si}_3(\text{IVSi}_9\text{O}_{27})$ has no natural or synthetic analogues and consists of nine-membered tetrahedral silicate rings arranged within the (010) plane and interlinked by SiO_6 octahedra into a 3D framework (Fig. 43). The crystal structure of $\text{Na}_{1.8}\text{Ca}_{1.1}^{\text{VI}}\text{Si}(\text{IVSi}_5\text{O}_{14})$ belongs to the $\text{Ca}_3(\text{Ga}_2\text{Ge})\text{Ge}_3\text{O}_{14}$ structure type (Belokoneva et al., 1980). Among minerals, this structure type is possessed by dugganite, $\text{Pb}_3\text{Zn}_3\text{Te}^{6+}\text{As}_2\text{O}_{14}$ (Lam et al., 1998), and its phosphate analogue kuksite, $\text{Pb}_3\text{Zn}_3\text{Te}^{6+}\text{P}_2\text{O}_{14}$ (Mills et al., 2010). The crystal structure (Fig. 44a, b) is based upon the $[\text{Si}_5\text{O}_{14}]$ layers of corner-sharing SiO_4 tetrahedra consisting of the nine-membered $[\text{Si}_9\text{O}_{27}]$ rings similar to those observed in $\text{Na}_6^{\text{VI}}\text{Si}_3(\text{IVSi}_9\text{O}_{27})$ (Fig. 44c, d). In dugganite and kuksite, the layers are built up by condensation of ZnO_4 and TO_4 ($\text{T} = \text{P}, \text{As}$) tetrahedra. The crystal structure of $\text{K}_2^{\text{VI}}\text{Si}(\text{IVSi}_3\text{O}_9)$ (Fig. 45) is of the wadeite, $\text{K}_2^{\text{VI}}\text{Zr}(\text{IVSi}_3\text{O}_9)$, structure type (Krivovichev, 2005) and contains three-membered silicate tetrahedral rings interlinked by SiO_6 tetrahedra (Fig. 45). The wadeite framework topology is different from those of benitoite and trigonal $\text{BaGe}(\text{Ge}_3\text{O}_9)$ that had

Table 12. Crystallographic data for high-pressure alkali metal silicates and aluminosilicates
 Таблица 12. Кристаллографические данные для высокобарических силикатов и алюмосиликатов щелочных металлов

Chemical formula	Structure topology	SG	a [Å]/ α [°]	b [Å]/ β [°]	c [Å]/ γ [°]	V , Å ³	CN(Si)	Reference
$\text{Na}_2^{\text{VI}}\text{Si}(\text{IV}\text{Si}_2\text{O}_7)$	Keldyshite	$C2/c$	8.922/90	4.849/102.6	11.567/90	488.3	4, 6	1
$\text{Na}_8^{\text{VI}}\text{Si}(\text{IV}\text{Si}_6\text{O}_{18})$	Lovozerite	$R\bar{3}$	7.180/87.3	= a/α	= a/α	368.9	4, 6	2
$\text{Na}_6^{\text{VI}}\text{Si}_3(\text{IV}\text{Si}_9\text{O}_{27})$	—	$P2_1/n$	10.875/90	9.326/90.2	19.224/90	1949.7	4, 6	3
$\text{Na}_{1.8}\text{Ca}_{1.1}^{\text{VI}}\text{Si}(\text{IV}\text{Si}_5\text{O}_{14})$	$\text{Ca}_3(\text{Ga}_2\text{Ge})\text{Ge}_3\text{O}_{14}$	$P321$	7.889/90	= a/α	4.595/120	248.3	4, 6	4
$\text{K}_2^{\text{VI}}\text{Si}(\text{IV}\text{Si}_3\text{O}_9)$	Wadeite	$P6_3/m$	6.612/90	= a/α	9.510/120	360.1	4, 6	5
NaAlSiO_4	CaFe_2O_4	$Pbnm$	10.155/90	8.664/90	2.739/90	240.9	6	6
$(\text{K}, \text{Na})_{0.9}(\text{Mg}, \text{Fe})_2(\text{Mg}, \text{Fe}, \text{Al}, \text{Si})_6\text{O}_{12}$	$\text{BaCa}_2\text{In}_6\text{O}_{12}$	$P6_3/m$	8.830/90	= a/α	2.779/120	187.7	6	7
$\text{KMg}_2\text{Al}_{4.80}\text{Si}_{1.15}\text{O}_{12}$	$\text{BaCa}_2\text{In}_6\text{O}_{12}$	$P6_3/m$	8.817/90	= a/α	2.768/120	186.4	6	8
$\text{Na}_{1.04}\text{Mg}_{1.88}\text{Al}_{4.64}\text{Si}_{1.32}\text{O}_{12}$	$\text{BaCa}_2\text{In}_6\text{O}_{12}$	$P6_3/m$	8.727/90	= a/α	2.766/120	182.5	6	8

References: (1) Fleet, Hederson, 1995; (2) Fleet, Hederson, 1995; (3) Fleet, 1998; (4) Gasparik et al., 1995; (5) Swanson, Prewitt, 1983; (6) Yamada et al., 1983; (7) Gasparik et al., 2000; (8) Kojitani et al., 2011.

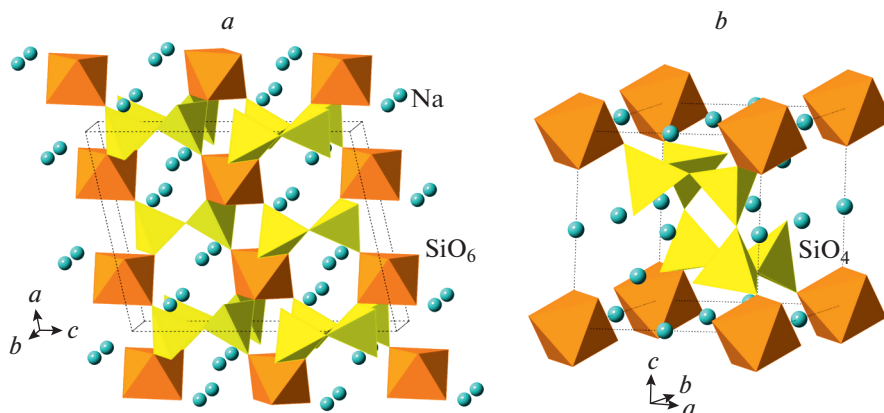


Fig. 42. The crystal structures of $\text{Na}_2^{\text{VI}}\text{Si}^{\text{IV}}\text{Si}_2\text{O}_7$ (a) and $\text{Na}_8^{\text{VI}}\text{Si}^{\text{IV}}\text{Si}_6\text{O}_{18}$ (b).

Рис. 42. Кристаллические структуры $\text{Na}_2^{\text{VI}}\text{Si}^{\text{IV}}\text{Si}_2\text{O}_7$ (a) и $\text{Na}_8^{\text{VI}}\text{Si}^{\text{IV}}\text{Si}_6\text{O}_{18}$ (b).

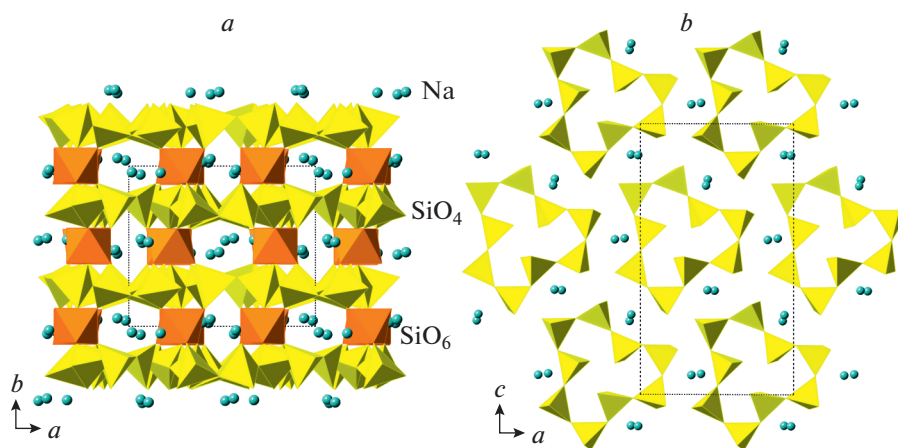


Fig. 43. The crystal structure of $\text{Na}_6^{\text{VI}}\text{Si}_3^{\text{IV}}\text{Si}_9\text{O}_{27}$ (a) and the projection of the layer of nine-membered silicate rings parallel to (010) (b).

Рис. 43. Кристаллическая структура $\text{Na}_6^{\text{VI}}\text{Si}_3^{\text{IV}}\text{Si}_9\text{O}_{27}$ (a) и проекция слоя из девятичленных колец, параллельного плоскости (010) (b).

been observed for isochemical $[\text{VI}\text{Si}^{\text{IV}}\text{Si}_3\text{O}_9]$ frameworks in the BaSi_4O_9 polymorphs (see above). No crystal-structure information exists for the HP phases with sixfold coordination of Si in Rb- and Cs-bearing silicate systems, which represents an interesting avenue for the chemical explorative studies.

Except for the HP polymorphs of albite and microcline (Pakhomova et al., 2020; Krivovichev, 2020), the alkali metal HP aluminosilicates are remarkable in the fact that they possess exclusively octahedral coordination. In addition to the hollandite-type lingunite, $\text{NaAlSi}_3\text{O}_8$, and

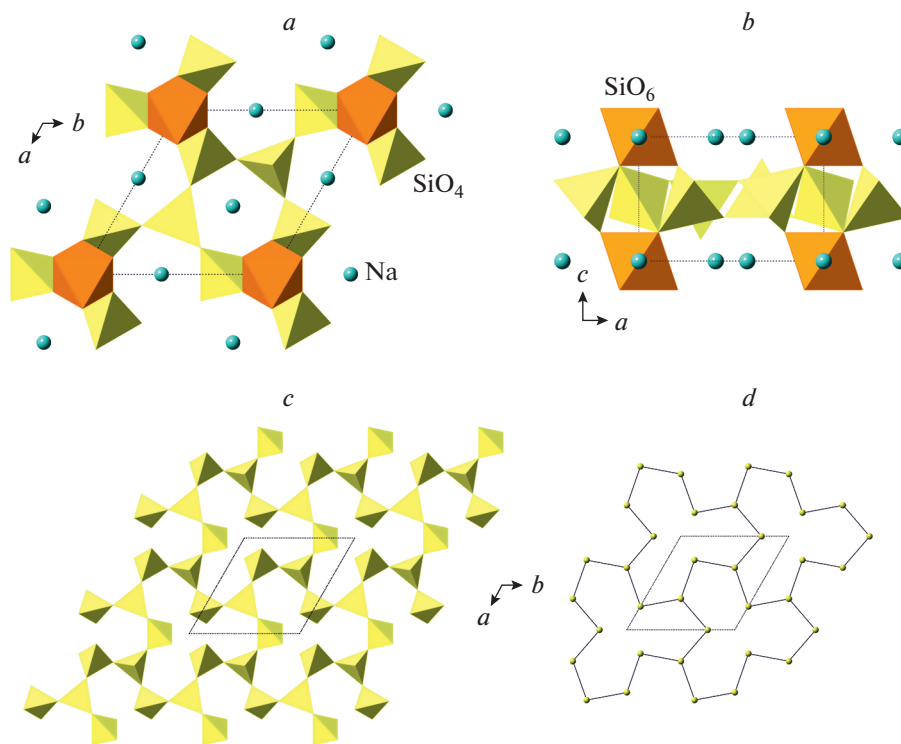


Fig. 44. The crystal structure of $\text{Na}_{1.8}\text{Ca}_{1.1}\text{VI}\text{Si}(\text{IV})\text{Si}_5\text{O}_{14}$ in projections along the c (a) and b (b) axes, the silicate layer (c) and its graph (d).

Рис. 44. Кристаллическая структура $\text{Na}_{1.8}\text{Ca}_{1.1}\text{VI}\text{Si}(\text{IV})\text{Si}_5\text{O}_{14}$ в проекциях вдоль осей c (a) и b (b), силикатный слой (c) и его граф (d).

liebermannite, KAlSi_3O_8 (see: Krivovichev, 2020), there are two structure types consisting of frameworks with tunnels outlined by double chains of edge-sharing MO_6 octahedra ($\text{M} = \text{Si}, \text{Al}$). The chemical analogue of trinepheline, $\text{NaAlSi}_4\text{O}_{14}$, with the CaFe_2O_4 (CF) structure type, was first reported by Liu (1977) and structurally characterized by Yamada et al. (1980). Its structure is based upon a 3D framework formed by lateral condensation of double octahedral chains that creates tunnels occupied by Na^+ cations (Fig. 46a). The NAL phase (new Al-rich phase) first prepared by Irifune and Ringwood (1993) has a complex crystal chemistry and is based upon a 3D framework also formed by double octahedral chains. However, the framework topology is different from that adopted by CF- $\text{NaAlSi}_4\text{O}_{14}$ and contains channels of two types (Fig. 46b). The channels with trigonal cross-section accommodate smaller cations (such as Mg^{2+}), whereas channels with hexagonal cross-section are large enough to host large cations such as K^+ . In all known chemical variations of the NAL phase (Table 12), Al is the dominant octahedral cation, whereas Si is a subordinate component. Neither CF- nor NAL-type phases are known in nature, though their existence in inclusions in diamonds was suggested on the basis of the chemical studies (Walter et al., 2011; Kaminsky, 2017).

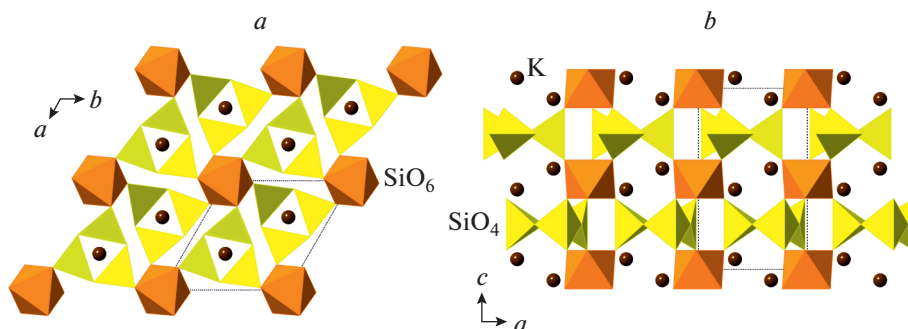


Fig. 45. The crystal structure of $K_2^{VI}Si^{IV}Si_3O_9$ projected along the a (a) and b (b) axes.

Рис. 45. Кристаллическая структура $K_2^{VI}Si^{IV}Si_3O_9$ в проекциях вдоль осей a (a) и b (b).

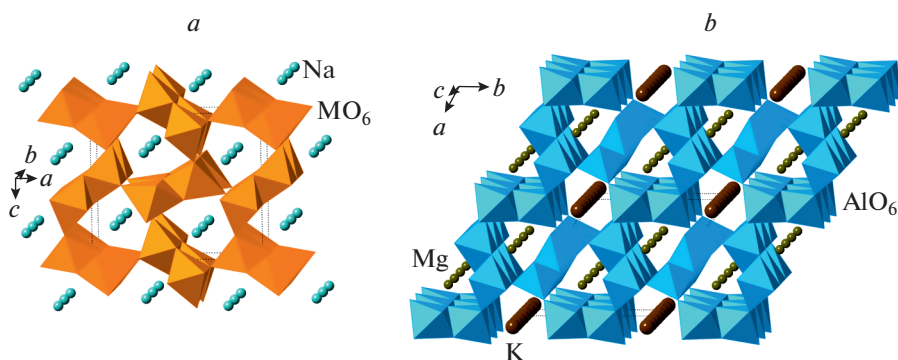


Fig. 46. The crystal structures of CF- $NaAlSiO_4$ (a) and the NAL phase (b).

Рис. 46. Кристаллическая структура CF- $NaAlSiO_4$ (a) и фазы NAL (b).

12. MISCELLANEOUS

12.1. Silicate pyrochlores and related structures

Silicate pyrochlores with Si in octahedral coordination have been first reported by Shannon and Sleight (1968). Reid et al. (1977) provided crystal-structure data for $Sc_2Si_2O_7$ and $In_2Si_2O_7$ (Table 13), whereas Xu et al. (2011) and Zhai et al. (2013) investigated structure and properties of $MgZrSi_2O_7$. All three mentioned compounds belong to the cubic pyrochlore structure type (Fig. 47) based upon three-dimensional framework consisting of corner-sharing SiO_6 octahedra. The framework has the $[^{VI}SiO_3]$ composition and the crystal-chemical formula of the compounds should be written as $A_2O[^{VI}Si_2O_6]$ ($A = Sc, In, Mg, Zr$). Bindi et al. (2017a) described the high-pressure synthesis and crystal structure of $MgTiSi_2O_7$, which is remarkably different from that of $MgZrSi_2O_7$ and belongs to the weberite structure type (Fig. 47b). The topological relations between the pyrochlore and weberite structure types is shown in Fig. 48 in terms of the nodal representation (Krivovichev, 2005). Both structures can be described as based upon kagomé-type layers of corner-sharing Si-centered octahedra with topology shown in Fig. 48a. However, the stacking sequence of the layers and their linkage is different (Figs. 48b–e).

Table 13. Crystallographic data for silicate pyrochlores and related phases**Таблица 13.** Кристаллографические данные для силикатных пироксидов и родственных фаз

Chemical formula	SG	a , Å	c , Å	V , Å ³	CN(Si)	Reference
In ₂ O[Si ₂ O ₆]	$Fd\bar{3}m$	9.413	$= a$	834.0	6	1
Sc ₂ O[Si ₂ O ₆]	$Fd\bar{3}m$	9.287	$= a$	801.0	6	1
MgZrSi ₂ O ₇	$Fd\bar{3}m$	9.288	$= a$	801.3	6	2
MgTiSi ₂ O ₇	$P3_121$	6.335	16.325	567.4	6	3

References: (1) Reid et al., 1977; (2) Xu et al., 2011; (3) Bindi et al., 2017a.

In both structures, the layers are linked by additional octahedra located in the interlayer space. In the pyrochlore structure type (Fig. 48f), the additional octahedron is six-connected and connects two triangular units from the adjacent layers, whereas, in the weberite structure type (Fig. 48g), the additional octahedron (centered by the Si1 site) is only four-connected, i.e. the Si1O₆ octahedron has pending Si–O bonds to non-shared O atoms. As a consequence, the silicate framework no longer has the Si : O ratio of 1 : 3 as in pyrochlore, but 2 : 7, i.e. the framework has the composition [Si₂O₇]. Thus the Zr ↔ Ti substitution has considerable influence upon the structural topology of the silicate octahedral framework.

12.2. HP behavior of the layered silicates of the gadolinite supergroup

The crystal structures of the gadolinite-supergroup minerals are based upon tetrahedral sheets of corner-sharing SiO₄ and TO₄ tetrahedra (T = B, Be) shown in Fig. 49a. The sheet is composed from four- and eight-membered tetrahedral rings. Gorelova et al. (2018) investigated the high-pressure behavior of datolite, CaBSiO₄(OH), and found out that, in between

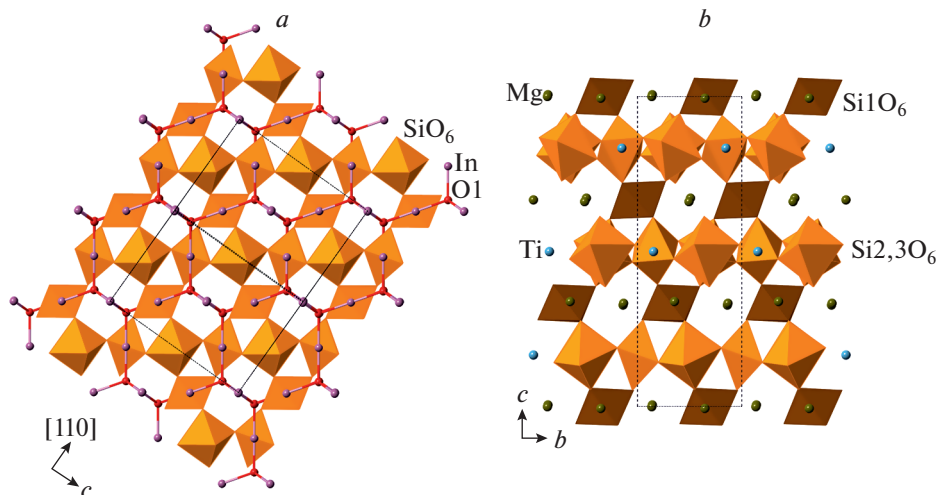


Fig. 47. The crystal structure of silicate pyrochlore In₂O[Si₂O₆] in projection along $[\bar{1}10]$ (a) and the crystal structure of the weberite-type MgTi[Si₂O₇] projected along the a axis (b).

Рис. 47. Кристаллическая структура силикатного пироксидов In₂O[Si₂O₆] в проекции вдоль направления $[\bar{1}10]$ (a) и кристаллическая структура соединения MgTi[Si₂O₇] со структурным типом веберита в проекции вдоль оси a (b).

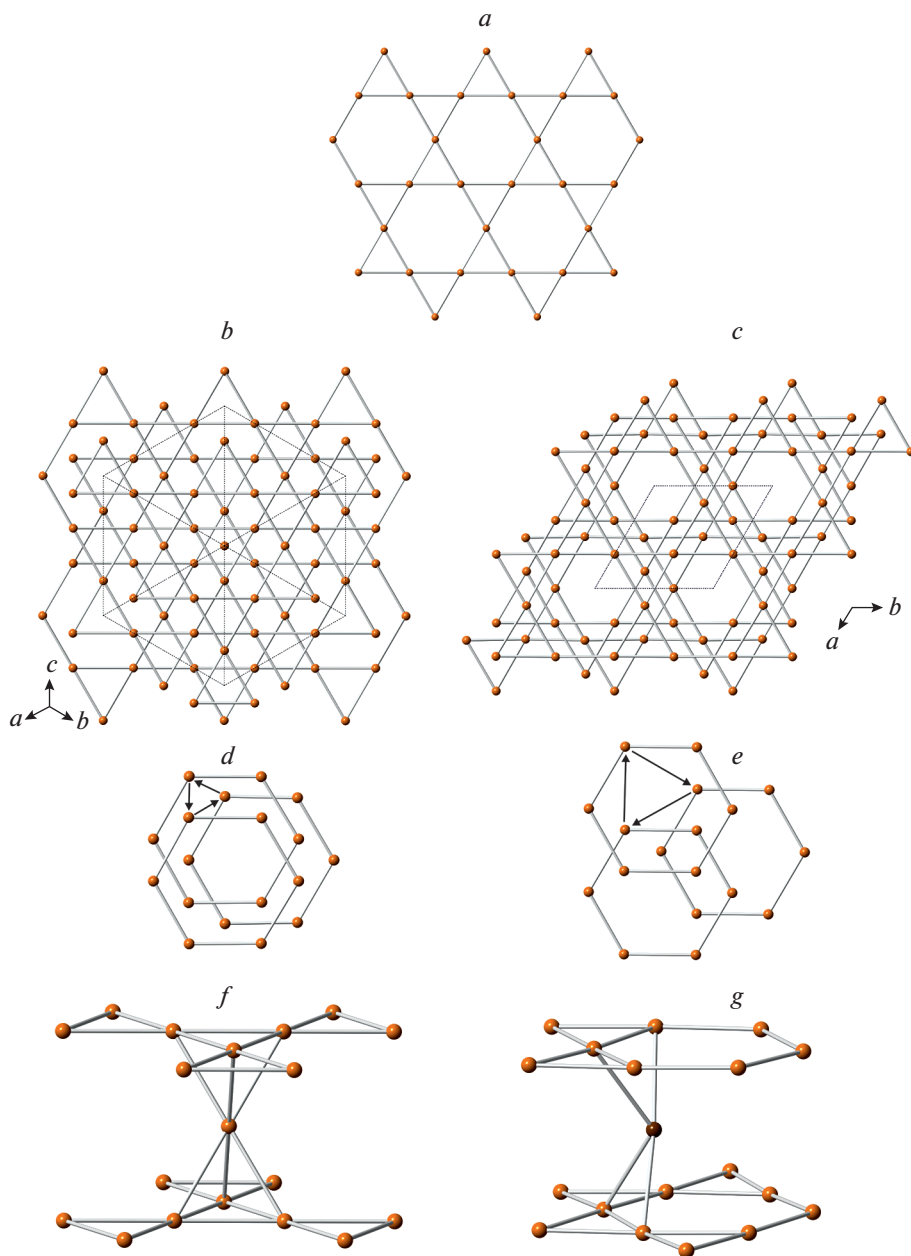


Fig. 48. Relations between topologies of octahedral frameworks in the pyrochlore and weberite structure types: both frameworks are based upon the same kagome-type layers (*a*), but with different stacking modes (*b*: pyrochlore; *c*: weberite) that can be described in terms of the arrangement of six-membered rings (*d*: pyrochlore; *e*: weberite; arrows indicate the stacking direction from bottom to top). The layers are linked by six-connected Si node in pyrochlore (*f*) and four-connected Si node in weberite (*g*).

Рис. 48. Сравнение топологии октаэдрических каркасов в структурных типах пироклора и веберита: оба каркаса основаны на одинаковых сетках кагомэ (*a*) с различной укладкой (*b*: пироклор; *c*: веберит), которая может быть описана в терминах укладки шестичленных колец (*d*: пироклор; *e*: веберит; стрелки указывают направление укладки снизу вверх). Сетки кагомэ соединены шестисвязными Si-узлами в пироклоре (*f*) и четырёхсвязными Si-узлами в веберите (*g*).

Table 14. Crystallographic data for miscellaneous HP silicates
Таблица 14. Кристаллографические данные для разнообразных высокобарических силикатов

Mineral/phase name	Chemical formula	SG	a [Å]/ α [°]	b [Å]/ β [°]	c [Å]/ γ [°]	$V, \text{Å}^3$	CN(Si)	Reference
Datolite (0.0001 GPa)	$\text{CaBSiO}_4(\text{OH})$	$P2_1/c$	4.835/90	7.608/90.2	9.629/90	354.2	4	1
Datolite II (37.6 GPa)	$\text{CaBSiO}_4(\text{OH})$	$P2_1/c$	4.479/90	6.717/90.6	9.242/90	278.0	5	1
Jeffbenite	$\text{Mg}_3\text{Al}_2\text{Si}_3\text{O}_{12}$	$\bar{I}42d$	6.523/90	$= a/\alpha$	18.176/90	773.4	4	2
Reidite	ZrSiO_4	$I4_1/a$	4.738/90	$= a/\alpha$	10.506/90	235.8	4	3
“Scheelite-USiO ₄ ”	USiO_4	$I4_1/a$	4.768/90	$= a/\alpha$	10.988/90	249.8	4	4
Cordierite (0.0001 GPa)	$\text{Mg}_2\text{Al}_3(\text{AlSi}_5\text{O}_{18})(\text{H}_2\text{O})$	$Cccm$	17.051/90	9.713/90	9.336/90	1546.1	4	5
Cordierite II (7.5 GPa)	$\text{Mg}_2\text{Al}_3(\text{AlSi}_5\text{O}_{18})(\text{H}_2\text{O})$	$P1$	15.567/90.0	9.624/86.3	9.066/91.0	1355.1	4, 5	5
Cordierite III (15.2 GPa)	$\text{Mg}_2\text{Al}_3(\text{AlSi}_5\text{O}_{18})(\text{H}_2\text{O})$	$P1$	8.519/85.7	8.245/86.0	9.163/70.8	605.5	4, 5, 6	5
“Beryl II”	$\text{Cs}(\text{Be}_2\text{Li})\text{Al}_2\text{Si}_6\text{O}_{18}$	$R3c$	15.658/90	$= a/\alpha$	27.166/120	5768.0	4	6
“Dravite II”	$\text{NaMg}_3\text{Al}_6(\text{Si}_6\text{O}_{18})(\text{BO}_3)_3(\text{OH})_4$	$R3$	15.449/90	$= a/\alpha$	6.695/120	1383.8	4	7

References: (1) Gorelova et al., 2018; (2) Nestola et al., 2016; (3) Glass et al., 2002; (4) Bauer et al., 2014; (5) Finkelstein et al., 2015b; (6) Ende et al., 2021; (7) O’ Bannon et al., 2018.

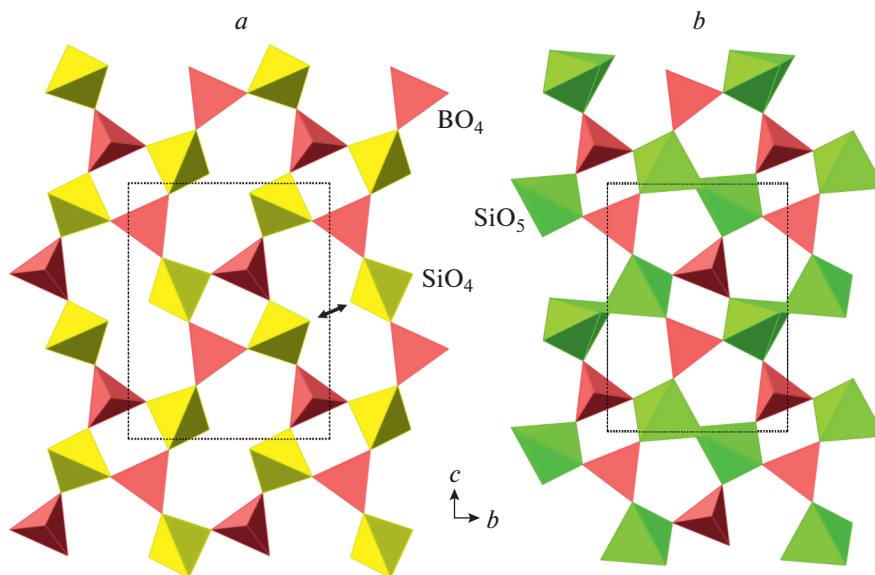


Fig. 49. The $[\text{BSiO}_4(\text{OH})]$ borosilicate layer in datolite (a) and its high-pressure polymorph datolite II (b).

Рис. 49. Боросиликатный слой $[\text{BSiO}_4(\text{OH})]$ в датолите (a) и его высокобарическом полиморфе датолите II (b).

27 and 33 GPa, the mineral isosymmetrically transforms into its HP polymorph datolite II. The phase transition is associated with the collapse of the eight-membered rings and the formation of dimers of edge-sharing SiO_5 trigonal bipyramids (Fig. 49b). The resulting sheet topology does not contain eight-membered rings, which transform into pairs of five-membered rings. It is of interest that another member of the gadolinite supergroup, hingganite-(Y), $\text{YBeSiO}_4(\text{OH})$, does not show similar phase transitions, though there is a strong tendency of two SiO_4 tetrahedra across the ring to approach each other (Gorelova et al., 2020). After danburite II (Pakhomova et al., 2017a), datolite-II is the second example of an inorganic silicate that contains Si in exclusively fivefold coordination.

12.3. Jeffbenite

Jeffbenite, $\text{Mg}_3\text{Al}_2\text{Si}_3\text{O}_{12}$, was originally described by Harris et al. (1997) in an inclusion in a lower-mantle diamond and was identified as a “tetragonal almandine-pyrope phase” (TAPP). Nestola et al. (2016) established its status as a separate mineral species and discussed its origin (see also: Kaminsky, 2012, 2020; Zedgenizov et al., 2020). The crystal structure of jeffbenite represents a framework of Mg, Al and Si coordination polyhedra (Fig. 50a). The aluminosilicate subframework is formed by AlO_6 octahedra and SiO_4 tetrahedra as strongest structural subunits. It is remarkable that each AlO_6 octahedron shares an edge with the adjacent SiO_4 tetrahedron. The resulting units are linked by corner sharing into kröhnkite-type chains (Fig. 50b) that run parallel to the *a* and *c* axes on different *z* levels, thus forming a trellis-like arrangement. The adjacent chains are interlinked by additional SiO_4 tetrahedra into a 3D framework. Mg atoms are located in the cavities of the aluminosilicate framework.

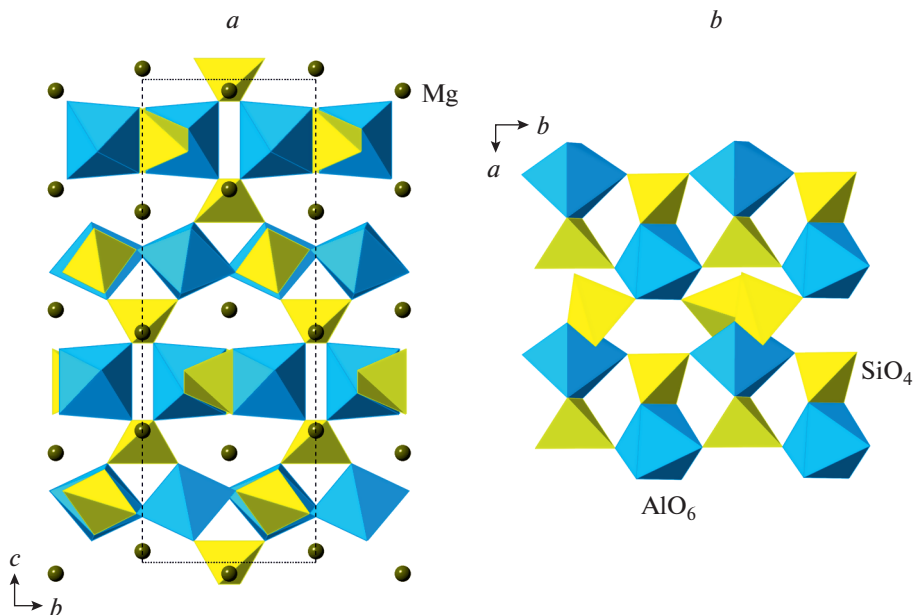


Fig. 50. The crystal structure of jeffbenite projected along the *a* axis (*a*) and the projection of the layer of kröhnkite-type chains (*b*).

Рис. 50. Кристаллическая структура джеффбенита в проекции вдоль оси *a* (*a*) и проекция слоя и крёнкитоподобных цепочек (*b*).

12.4. *Reidite*

Reidite is a high-pressure scheelite-type polymorph of zircon, ZrSiO_4 , that was first obtained experimentally by Reid and Ringwood (1969). Glass and Liu (2001) found reidite in natural shock-metamorphosed zircons, which allowed Glass et al. (2002) to establish it as a separate mineral species. Figure 51 compares the crystal structures of zircon and reidite (the latter is inferred from the scheelite structure model). Both minerals are based upon dense frameworks of ZrO_8 polyhedra and SiO_4 tetrahedra. However, the framework topologies are different. In zircon, the ZrO_8 and SiO_4 polyhedra share edges to produce chains parallel to $[001]$, whereas, in reidite, only corner-linkage between the ZrO_8 and SiO_4 polyhedra is observed. The same type of zircon \rightarrow scheelite pressure induced phase transition is also known for coffinite, USiO_4 (Bauer et al., 2014).

12.4. *HP polymorphs of ring silicates*

Finkelstein et al. (2015b) investigated high-pressure phase transitions in cordierite under ambient temperature and observed the formation of two new high-pressure polymorphs, cordierite II and III. Figure 52 provides a comparison of the three known polymorphs of cordierite. The ambient-pressure structure (Fig. 52a) possesses hexagonal channels occupied by H_2O molecules and outlined by hexagonal rings formed by (Si_2O_7) tetrahedral dimers and AlO_4 tetrahedra. During the phase transition from cordierite I to cordierite II, the channels collapse and some of the Si and Al atoms become pentacoordinated (Fig. 52b). Further compression results in the transformation of cordierite II into cordierite III that contains Si in four-, five- and sixfold coordination at the same time (Fig. 52c). From the viewpoint of sili-

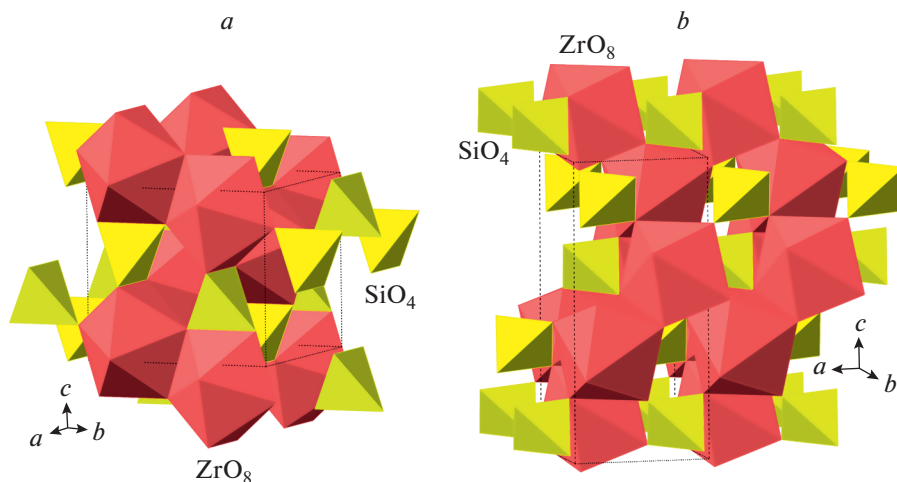


Fig. 51. Comparison of the crystal structures of zircon (*a*) and its high-pressure polymorph reidite (*b*).

Рис. 51. Сравнение кристаллических структур циркона (*a*) и его высокобарического полиморфа рейдита (*b*).

cate connectivity, the phase transitions result in the increasing degree of condensation of Si polyhedra. In cordierite I, only silicate dimers $^{\text{IV}}\text{Si}-^{\text{IV}}\text{Si}$ and isolated $^{\text{IV}}\text{Si}$ tetrahedra are present. In cordierite II, with the increasing of coordination number of Si sites, these two units are transformed into a single oligomer $^{\text{IV}}\text{Si}-^{\text{IV}}\text{Si}-^{\text{V}}\text{Si}$ that involves SiO_5 trigonal bipyramids. The formation of cordierite III results in the branched oligomeric unit shown in Fig. 52*d* and consisting of four SiO_6 octahedra, three dimers of edge-sharing SiO_5 trigonal bipyramids and five SiO_4 tetrahedra that exist as branches to the backbone formed by Si in five- and sixfold coordination.

Ende et al. (2021) and O'Bannon et al. (2018) studied the high-pressure transformations of beryl-type $\text{Cs}(\text{Be}_2\text{Li})\text{Al}_2\text{Si}_6\text{O}_{18}$ and dravite, $\text{NaMg}_3\text{Al}_6(\text{Si}_6\text{O}_{18})(\text{BO}_3)_3(\text{OH})_4$, respectively. In both cases, high-pressure-induced phase transitions have been observed associated with the symmetry reduction without remarkable coordination changes.

12.5. HP behavior and polymorphism in zeolites and other open-framework silicates

During last two decades, the HP polymorphism of zeolites and open-framework silicates was a subject of a number of studies, and several new pressure-induced polymorphic transitions were observed as partly reviewed by Gatta et al. (2018). In most cases, the observed phase transitions are displacive in character and are accompanied by the symmetry reduction (Gatta et al., 2006; Lotti et al., 2015, 2018; Thibaud et al., 2017; Seryotkin et al., 2017; Seryotkin, 2019; Comboni et al., 2019, etc.) associated with the increase in structural complexity and respective decrease in configurational entropy (Krivovichev, 2016). The detailed analysis of these phenomena will be described elsewhere. In all the case mentioned above, the coordination of Si atoms remains tetrahedral in the studied pressure ranges.

13. CONCLUSIONS

Finger and Hazen (1991) first reviewed the field of high-pressure silicates and listed twelve different structure types with octahedrally coordinated Si atoms. In 2000, the same authors provided a review of twenty-four such structure types, i.e. the number has doubled over one

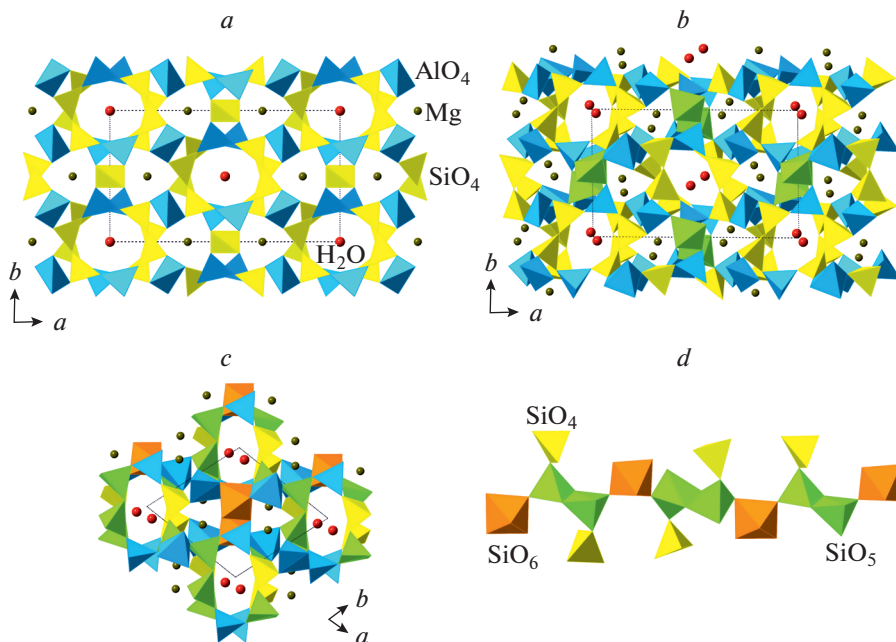


Fig. 52. The crystal structures of cordierite (a), cordierite II (b), and cordierite III (c), an oligomeric unit formed by Si-centered polyhedra in cordierite III (d).

Рис. 52. Кристаллическая структура кордиерита (a), кордиерита II (b), кордиерита III (c) и олигомер из пятнадцати Si-центрированных полиэдров в кордиерите III (d).

decade (Finger, Hazen, 2000). In this paper, more than seventy-six structure types with $^{\text{VI}}\text{Si}$ are considered, i.e. their number has tripled since 2000. The field was also extended due to the new discoveries of structures with pentacoordinated Si: in 2000, only such structure was known, whereas herein we provided description of at least twelve structures possessing this unique structural feature. Only thirteen structures containing both $^{\text{IV}}\text{Si}$ and $^{\text{VI}}\text{Si}$ were known in 2000 (Hazen et al., 1996; Finger, Hazen, 2000), whereas more than thirty have been described above.

Finger and Hazen (2000) classified all high-pressure silicates with $^{\text{VI}}\text{Si}$ into three major structural groups: octahedral structures, octahedral-tetrahedral frameworks and other structures containing both $^{\text{IV}}\text{Si}$ and $^{\text{VI}}\text{Si}$. In 2021, this classification should be complemented by the structures containing $^{\text{V}}\text{Si}$, and it should be noted that there exist structures containing exclusively $^{\text{V}}\text{Si}$, and containing both $^{\text{V}}\text{Si}$ and $^{\text{VI}}\text{Si}$, $^{\text{IV}}\text{Si}$ and $^{\text{V}}\text{Si}$, and all three known types of Si coordination polyhedra, SiO_4 , SiO_5 and SiO_6 groups. Thus, the systematics by Finger and Hazen (2000) should be extended by addition of four new structural groups according to the different combinations of Si coordination numbers in the same crystal structure. In the whole crystal chemistry of inorganic silicates, now seven groups can be recognized with $\text{CN}(\text{Si}) = 4; 4 + 5; 4 + 5 + 6; 4 + 6; 5; 5 + 6; 6$. We note that there many high-pressure inorganic silicates that contain Si in exclusively fourfold coordination, and only some are considered in this review.

The tendency of oxide crystal structures to form close-packed arrangements of anions under increasing pressure has been widely recognized (Prewitt, Downs, 1998). However, from over 160 HP silicates considered in this work less than half ($\sim 45\%$) are based upon closest packing of atoms, mostly oxygen, but also including mixed-ion closest packings based upon

O²⁻ and large M²⁺ cations (M = Ca, Sr, Ba). It is remarkable that the hypothetically most common Earth's mineral bridgmanite, MgSiO₃, has an atomic arrangement that is quite far from the eutactic (close-packed) one. Pushcharovsky (1986) noted that, under compression, the ^{IV}Si → ^{VI}Si transition occurs more easily for silicates containing cations with higher electro-negativity.

Liebau (1985) formulated the rules of topology for silicate anions based upon SiO₄ tetrahedra with two major rules that "...[SiO₄] tetrahedra are linked to other [SiO₄] tetrahedra via corners rather than edges or faces" and that "...one oxygen atom can belong to no more than two [SiO₄] tetrahedra" (Liebau, 1985). The recent research on HP crystal chemistry of silicates complement the first rule by the additional experimental data on silicates containing SiO₅ and SiO₆ polyhedra. In particular, it was shown that SiO₅ polyhedra may share edges, whereas SiO₆ octahedra may share faces. It seems that the second rule has to be expressed as following: "one oxygen atom can belong to no more than three Si-centered oxygen polyhedra". The only one structure with fourfold coordination of O by Si atoms reported so far is the silica polymorph "IP-phase" (see above), which has been studied by the combination of experimental and theoretical methods so that the structure model is rather hypothetical than solidly proved.

The generalization of the existing data on crystal chemistry of silicates based on the new results allows for the formulation of general rules concerning their coordination features, topology, atomic arrangements, etc. A detailed analytical account of the HP crystal chemistry of silicates will be published elsewhere.

The outstanding progress in the HP crystal chemistry of silicates during recent two decades has been marked by the unique mineralogical discoveries. In particular, at least sixteen HP silicates have been established since 2000 as separate mineral species: ahrensite, asimowite, breyite, bridgmanite, downwilhelmsite, hemleyite, hiroseite, jeffbenite, liebermannite, lingunite, poirerite, reidite, seifertite, stöfflerite, tissintite, zagamiite (see references above). The number of potential new minerals discovered in shocked meteorites, mineral inclusions in diamonds, and other high-pressure environments is still high and there are no doubts that there will be interesting advances in the field of descriptive HP mineralogy in the nearest future.

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СИЛИКАТЫ ВЫСОКИХ ДАВЛЕНИЙ: КРИСТАЛЛОХИМИЯ И СИСТЕМАТИКА

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Проведен обзор высокобарических силикатов с подробным анализом их структурной топологии и координации кремния. Высокобарические силикаты разделены на одиннадцать основных групп в согласии с их химическим составом: (i) полиморфы кремнезема; (ii) полиморфы полевых шпатов; (iii) полиморфы пироксенов и амфиболов; (iv) гранатоподобные фазы с октаэдрическим Si; (v) полиморфы MSiO_3 ($M = \text{Mg, Fe}$); (vi) полиморфы M_2SiO_4 ($M = \text{Mg, Fe}$); (vii) плотные водные магнезиальные силикаты и родственные им структуры; (viii) силикаты систем Al_2O_3 – SiO_2 и Al_2O_3 – SiO_2 – H_2O ; (ix) силикаты и алюмосиликаты Ca, Sr и Ba; (x) силикаты и алюмосиликаты щелочных металлов; (xi) разнообразные высокобарические силикаты. Всего рассмотрено более 160 высокобарических силикатов, которые кристаллизуются в более чем 115 различных структурных типах. На основе последних достижений предложена общая систематика неорганических силикатов на основе координации кремния в отношении атомов кислорода. По координации кремния выделено семь структурных групп: 4; 4 + 5; 4 + 5 + 6; 4 + 6; 5; 5 + 6; 6. Структуры менее половины всех известных высокобарических силикатов образованы плотнейшими упаковками атомов. Топологические свойства объединения силикатных полиэдров включают объединение по вершинам (для всех координационных чисел (КЧ) кремния), по ребрам (для КЧ = 5 и 6) и граням (для КЧ = 6). Один атом кислорода может быть поделен не более чем между тремя координационными полиэдрами кремния.

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