## Trigonal $\alpha$ -Ca<sub>2</sub>SiO<sub>4</sub> Structure: A2B4C\_hP14\_164\_abd\_di\_d-001

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Prototype	$Ca_2O_4Si$	
AFLOW prototype label	$A2B4C\_hP14\_164\_abd\_di\_d-001$	
ICSD	182052	
Pearson symbol	hP14	
Space group number	164	
Space group symbol	$P\overline{3}m1$	
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• Ca<sub>2</sub>SiO<sub>4</sub> exists in a variety of structures (Mumme, 1996; Yamnova, 2011):

- hexagonal  $\alpha$ -Ca<sub>2</sub>SiO<sub>4</sub>, stable above 1445°C. There is some dispute as to whether this occurs in a

- \* trigonal, space group  $P\overline{3}m1$ #164 structure (shown here) or a
- \* disordered hexagonal, space group  $P6_3/mmc \#194$  structure.
- orthorhombic  $\alpha_{H}\text{'-Ca}_2\text{SiO}_4,$  stable in the range 1160 1425°C,
- orthorhombic  $\alpha_L$ '-Ca<sub>2</sub>SiO<sub>4</sub>, stable in the range 690 1160°C,
- monoclinic  $\beta$ -Ca<sub>2</sub>SiO<sub>4</sub>, stable in the range 500 690°C and found in nature as the metastable mineral larnite, and
- $\gamma\text{-}\mathrm{Ca_2SiO_4},$  stable below 500°C, in the olivine  $(S1_2)$  structure.
- The ICSD entry for this structure is from (Eysel, 1970). The atomic positions are significantly different than those given in (Mumme, 1996), but we have no ICSD entry from that paper.

Trigonal (Hexagonal) primitive vectors



**Basis vectors** 

		Lattice coordinates		Cartesian coordinates	Wyckoff position	Atom type
$\mathbf{B_1}$	=	0	=	0	(1a)	Ca I
$\mathbf{B_2}$	=	$rac{1}{2}{f a}_3$	=	$rac{1}{2}c\mathbf{\hat{z}}$	(1b)	Ca II
$B_3$	=	$rac{1}{3}{f a}_1+rac{2}{3}{f a}_2+z_3{f a}_3$	=	$\frac{1}{2}a\mathbf{\hat{x}} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{6}a\mathbf{\hat{y}} + cz_3\mathbf{\hat{z}}$	(2d)	Ca III
$\mathbf{B_4}$	=	$rac{2}{3}{f a}_1+rac{1}{3}{f a}_2-z_3{f a}_3$	=	$rac{1}{2}a\mathbf{\hat{x}}-rac{\sqrt{3}}{6}a\mathbf{\hat{y}}-cz_3\mathbf{\hat{z}}$	(2d)	Ca III
$\mathbf{B_5}$	=	$rac{1}{3}{f a}_1+rac{2}{3}{f a}_2+z_4{f a}_3$	=	$\frac{1}{2}a\mathbf{\hat{x}} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{6}a\mathbf{\hat{y}} + cz_4\mathbf{\hat{z}}$	(2d)	ΟΙ
$\mathbf{B_6}$	=	$rac{2}{3}{f a}_1+rac{1}{3}{f a}_2-z_4{f a}_3$	=	$\frac{1}{2}a\mathbf{\hat{x}} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{6}a\mathbf{\hat{y}} - cz_4\mathbf{\hat{z}}$	(2d)	ΟΙ
$\mathbf{B_{7}}$	=	$rac{1}{3}{f a}_1+rac{2}{3}{f a}_2+z_5{f a}_3$	=	$\frac{1}{2}a\mathbf{\hat{x}} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{6}a\mathbf{\hat{y}} + cz_5\mathbf{\hat{z}}$	(2d)	Si I
$\mathbf{B_8}$	=	$rac{2}{3}{f a}_1+rac{1}{3}{f a}_2-z_5{f a}_3$	=	$rac{1}{2}a\mathbf{\hat{x}}-rac{\sqrt{3}}{6}a\mathbf{\hat{y}}-cz_{5}\mathbf{\hat{z}}$	(2d)	Si I
$\mathbf{B}_{9}$	=	$x_6  \mathbf{a}_1 - x_6  \mathbf{a}_2 + z_6  \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$-\sqrt{3}ax_6\mathbf{\hat{y}}+cz_6\mathbf{\hat{z}}$	(6i)	O II
$\mathbf{B_{10}}$	=	$x_6 \mathbf{a}_1 + 2x_6 \mathbf{a}_2 + z_6 \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$\frac{3}{2}ax_6\mathbf{\hat{x}} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}ax_6\mathbf{\hat{y}} + cz_6\mathbf{\hat{z}}$	(6i)	O II
$\mathbf{B_{11}}$	=	$-2x_6 \mathbf{a}_1 - x_6 \mathbf{a}_2 + z_6 \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$-rac{3}{2}ax_6\mathbf{\hat{x}}+rac{\sqrt{3}}{2}ax_6\mathbf{\hat{y}}+cz_6\mathbf{\hat{z}}$	(6i)	O II
$\mathbf{B_{12}}$	=	$-x_6 \mathbf{a}_1 + x_6 \mathbf{a}_2 - z_6 \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$\sqrt{3}ax_6\mathbf{\hat{y}}-cz_6\mathbf{\hat{z}}$	(6i)	O II
$B_{13}$	=	$2x_6 \mathbf{a}_1 + x_6 \mathbf{a}_2 - z_6 \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$\frac{3}{2}ax_6\mathbf{\hat{x}} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}ax_6\mathbf{\hat{y}} - cz_6\mathbf{\hat{z}}$	(6i)	O II
$B_{14}$	=	$-x_6 \mathbf{a}_1 - 2x_6 \mathbf{a}_2 - z_6 \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$-rac{3}{2}ax_6\mathbf{\hat{x}}-rac{\sqrt{3}}{2}ax_6\mathbf{\hat{y}}-cz_6\mathbf{\hat{z}}$	(6i)	O II

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