

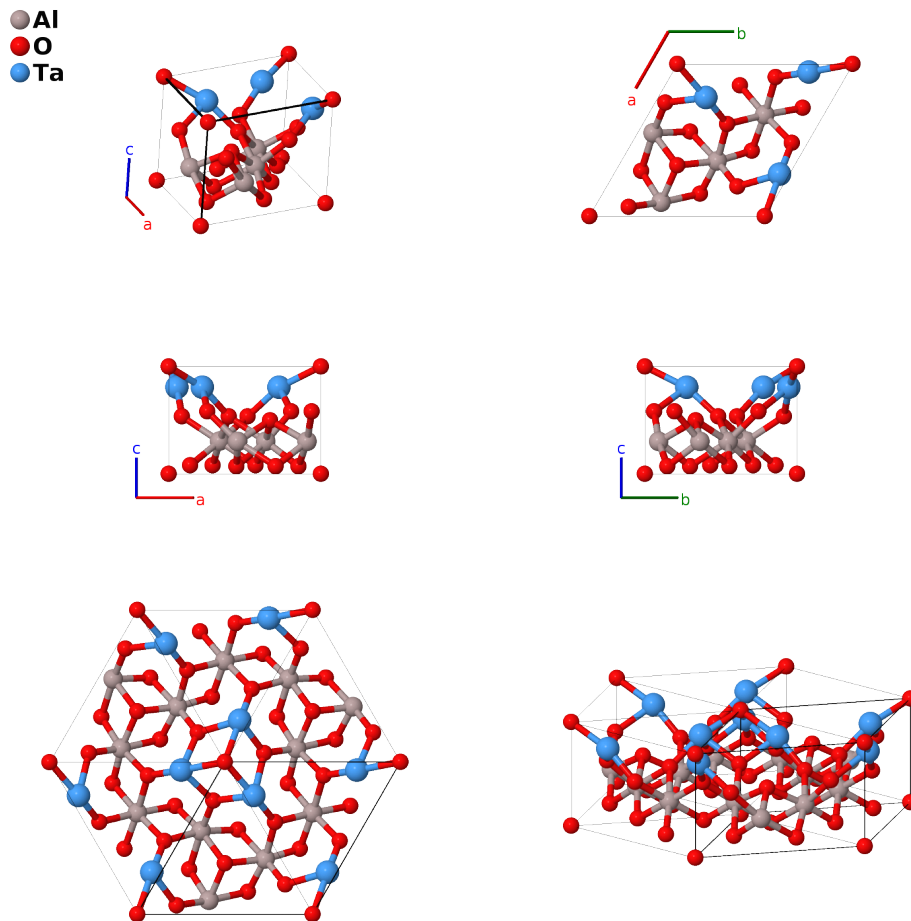
Simpsonite ($\text{Ta}_3\text{Al}_4\text{O}_{13}[\text{OH}]$) Structure: A4B14C3_hP21_143_ad_bc4d_d-001

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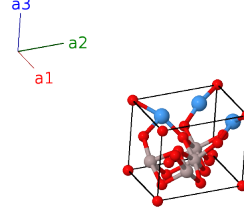


Prototype	$\text{Al}_4\text{O}_{14}\text{Ta}_3$
AFLOW prototype label	A4B14C3_hP21_143_ad_bc4d_d-001
Mineral name	simpsonite
ICSD	67673
Pearson symbol	hP21
Space group number	143
Space group symbol	$P3$
AFLOW prototype command	aflow --proto=A4B14C3_hP21_143_ad_bc4d_d-001 --params= $a, c/a, z_1, z_2, z_3, x_4, y_4, z_4, x_5, y_5, z_5, x_6, y_6, z_6, x_7, y_7, z_7, x_8, y_8, z_8, x_9, y_9, z_9$

- The OH molecule is centered on the (1c) site, however it is only listed as O in this prototype.
- Space group $P3 \#143$ allows an arbitrary origin for the z -axis, here we set it so the $z_1 = 0$ for the O-I atom.

Trigonal (Hexagonal) primitive vectors

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{a}_1 &= \frac{1}{2}a \hat{\mathbf{x}} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}a \hat{\mathbf{y}} \\ \mathbf{a}_2 &= \frac{1}{2}a \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}a \hat{\mathbf{y}} \\ \mathbf{a}_3 &= c \hat{\mathbf{z}}\end{aligned}$$



Basis vectors

	Lattice coordinates		Cartesian coordinates	Wyckoff position	Atom type
\mathbf{B}_1	$= z_1 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$c z_1 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(1a)	Al I
\mathbf{B}_2	$= \frac{1}{3} \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{2}{3} \mathbf{a}_2 + z_2 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$\frac{1}{2}a \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{6}a \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c z_2 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(1b)	O I
\mathbf{B}_3	$= \frac{2}{3} \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{1}{3} \mathbf{a}_2 + z_3 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$\frac{1}{2}a \hat{\mathbf{x}} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{6}a \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c z_3 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(1c)	O II
\mathbf{B}_4	$= x_4 \mathbf{a}_1 + y_4 \mathbf{a}_2 + z_4 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$\frac{1}{2}a (x_4 + y_4) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}a (x_4 - y_4) \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c z_4 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(3d)	Al II
\mathbf{B}_5	$= -y_4 \mathbf{a}_1 + (x_4 - y_4) \mathbf{a}_2 + z_4 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$\frac{1}{2}a (x_4 - 2y_4) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}a x_4 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c z_4 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(3d)	Al II
\mathbf{B}_6	$= -(x_4 - y_4) \mathbf{a}_1 - x_4 \mathbf{a}_2 + z_4 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$-\frac{1}{2}a (2x_4 - y_4) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}a y_4 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c z_4 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(3d)	Al II
\mathbf{B}_7	$= x_5 \mathbf{a}_1 + y_5 \mathbf{a}_2 + z_5 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$\frac{1}{2}a (x_5 + y_5) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}a (x_5 - y_5) \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c z_5 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(3d)	O III
\mathbf{B}_8	$= -y_5 \mathbf{a}_1 + (x_5 - y_5) \mathbf{a}_2 + z_5 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$\frac{1}{2}a (x_5 - 2y_5) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}a x_5 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c z_5 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(3d)	O III
\mathbf{B}_9	$= -(x_5 - y_5) \mathbf{a}_1 - x_5 \mathbf{a}_2 + z_5 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$-\frac{1}{2}a (2x_5 - y_5) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}a y_5 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c z_5 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(3d)	O III
\mathbf{B}_{10}	$= x_6 \mathbf{a}_1 + y_6 \mathbf{a}_2 + z_6 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$\frac{1}{2}a (x_6 + y_6) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}a (x_6 - y_6) \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c z_6 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(3d)	O IV
\mathbf{B}_{11}	$= -y_6 \mathbf{a}_1 + (x_6 - y_6) \mathbf{a}_2 + z_6 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$\frac{1}{2}a (x_6 - 2y_6) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}a x_6 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c z_6 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(3d)	O IV
\mathbf{B}_{12}	$= -(x_6 - y_6) \mathbf{a}_1 - x_6 \mathbf{a}_2 + z_6 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$-\frac{1}{2}a (2x_6 - y_6) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}a y_6 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c z_6 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(3d)	O IV
\mathbf{B}_{13}	$= x_7 \mathbf{a}_1 + y_7 \mathbf{a}_2 + z_7 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$\frac{1}{2}a (x_7 + y_7) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}a (x_7 - y_7) \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c z_7 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(3d)	O V
\mathbf{B}_{14}	$= -y_7 \mathbf{a}_1 + (x_7 - y_7) \mathbf{a}_2 + z_7 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$\frac{1}{2}a (x_7 - 2y_7) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}a x_7 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c z_7 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(3d)	O V
\mathbf{B}_{15}	$= -(x_7 - y_7) \mathbf{a}_1 - x_7 \mathbf{a}_2 + z_7 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$-\frac{1}{2}a (2x_7 - y_7) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}a y_7 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c z_7 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(3d)	O V
\mathbf{B}_{16}	$= x_8 \mathbf{a}_1 + y_8 \mathbf{a}_2 + z_8 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$\frac{1}{2}a (x_8 + y_8) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}a (x_8 - y_8) \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c z_8 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(3d)	O VI
\mathbf{B}_{17}	$= -y_8 \mathbf{a}_1 + (x_8 - y_8) \mathbf{a}_2 + z_8 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$\frac{1}{2}a (x_8 - 2y_8) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}a x_8 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c z_8 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(3d)	O VI
\mathbf{B}_{18}	$= -(x_8 - y_8) \mathbf{a}_1 - x_8 \mathbf{a}_2 + z_8 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$-\frac{1}{2}a (2x_8 - y_8) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}a y_8 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c z_8 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(3d)	O VI
\mathbf{B}_{19}	$= x_9 \mathbf{a}_1 + y_9 \mathbf{a}_2 + z_9 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$\frac{1}{2}a (x_9 + y_9) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}a (x_9 - y_9) \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c z_9 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(3d)	Ta I
\mathbf{B}_{20}	$= -y_9 \mathbf{a}_1 + (x_9 - y_9) \mathbf{a}_2 + z_9 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$\frac{1}{2}a (x_9 - 2y_9) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}a x_9 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c z_9 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(3d)	Ta I
\mathbf{B}_{21}	$= -(x_9 - y_9) \mathbf{a}_1 - x_9 \mathbf{a}_2 + z_9 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$-\frac{1}{2}a (2x_9 - y_9) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}a y_9 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c z_9 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(3d)	Ta I

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