

Albite ($\text{NaAlSi}_3\text{O}_8$, $S6_8$) Structure:

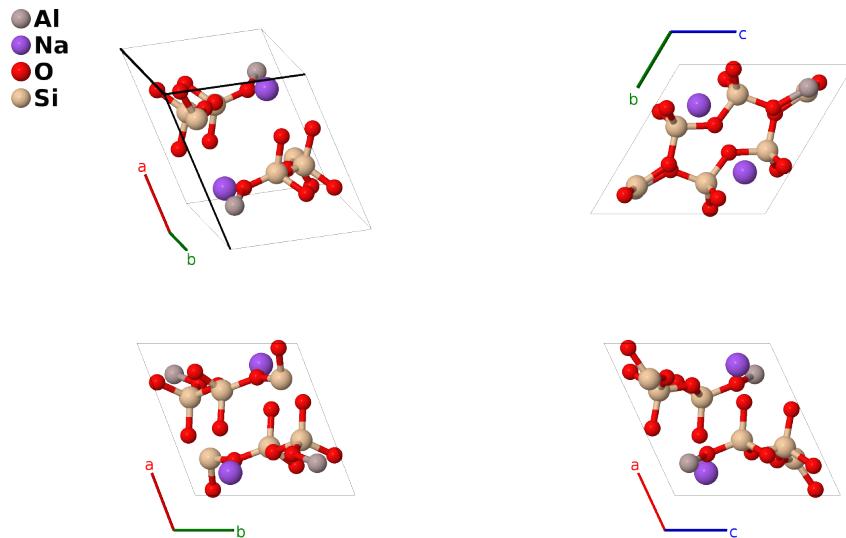
ABC8D3_aP26_2_i_i_8i_3i-001

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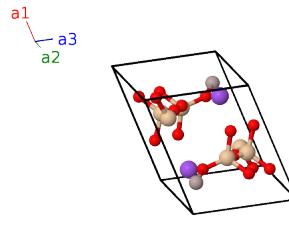


Prototype	$\text{AlNaO}_8\text{Si}_3$
AFLOW prototype label	ABC8D3_aP26_2_i_i_8i_3i-001
Strukturbericht designation	$S6_8$
Mineral name	albite
ICSD	201919
Pearson symbol	aP26
Space group number	2
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- We used the 13K data from (Smith, 1986), however they present their data in space group $C\bar{1}$, which doubles the primitive unit cell compared to the standard space group $P\bar{1} \#2$. We used findsym to convert from the presented cell to the conventional cell. This involved a rotation of the cell, *e.g.*, the original c axis is the a axis in our standard primitive cell.
- Technically this is “low” albite. In high albite the silicon and aluminum atoms are mixed over all four sites, as in sandine ($S6_7$). Indeed, under some conditions albite crystals are seen in the sandine structure (Winter, 1979). See the albite entry in (Downs, 2003) for other experimental work.

Triclinic primitive vectors

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{a}_1 &= a \hat{\mathbf{x}} \\
 \mathbf{a}_2 &= b \cos \gamma \hat{\mathbf{x}} + b \sin \gamma \hat{\mathbf{y}} \\
 \mathbf{a}_3 &= c_x \hat{\mathbf{x}} + c_y \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c_z \hat{\mathbf{z}} \\
 c_x &= c \cos \beta \\
 c_y &= c(\cos \alpha - \cos \beta \cos \gamma) / \sin \gamma \\
 c_z &= \sqrt{c^2 - c_x^2 - c_y^2}
 \end{aligned}$$



Basis vectors

	Lattice coordinates	Cartesian coordinates	Wyckoff position	Atom type
\mathbf{B}_1	$x_1 \mathbf{a}_1 + y_1 \mathbf{a}_2 + z_1 \mathbf{a}_3$	$(ax_1 + by_1 \cos \gamma + c_x z_1) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + (by_1 \sin \gamma + c_y z_1) \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c_z z_1 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(2i)	Al I
\mathbf{B}_2	$-x_1 \mathbf{a}_1 - y_1 \mathbf{a}_2 - z_1 \mathbf{a}_3$	$-(ax_1 + by_1 \cos \gamma + c_x z_1) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - (by_1 \sin \gamma + c_y z_1) \hat{\mathbf{y}} - c_z z_1 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(2i)	Al I
\mathbf{B}_3	$x_2 \mathbf{a}_1 + y_2 \mathbf{a}_2 + z_2 \mathbf{a}_3$	$(ax_2 + by_2 \cos \gamma + c_x z_2) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + (by_2 \sin \gamma + c_y z_2) \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c_z z_2 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(2i)	Na I
\mathbf{B}_4	$-x_2 \mathbf{a}_1 - y_2 \mathbf{a}_2 - z_2 \mathbf{a}_3$	$-(ax_2 + by_2 \cos \gamma + c_x z_2) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - (by_2 \sin \gamma + c_y z_2) \hat{\mathbf{y}} - c_z z_2 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(2i)	Na I
\mathbf{B}_5	$x_3 \mathbf{a}_1 + y_3 \mathbf{a}_2 + z_3 \mathbf{a}_3$	$(ax_3 + by_3 \cos \gamma + c_x z_3) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + (by_3 \sin \gamma + c_y z_3) \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c_z z_3 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(2i)	O I
\mathbf{B}_6	$-x_3 \mathbf{a}_1 - y_3 \mathbf{a}_2 - z_3 \mathbf{a}_3$	$-(ax_3 + by_3 \cos \gamma + c_x z_3) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - (by_3 \sin \gamma + c_y z_3) \hat{\mathbf{y}} - c_z z_3 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(2i)	O I
\mathbf{B}_7	$x_4 \mathbf{a}_1 + y_4 \mathbf{a}_2 + z_4 \mathbf{a}_3$	$(ax_4 + by_4 \cos \gamma + c_x z_4) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + (by_4 \sin \gamma + c_y z_4) \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c_z z_4 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(2i)	O II
\mathbf{B}_8	$-x_4 \mathbf{a}_1 - y_4 \mathbf{a}_2 - z_4 \mathbf{a}_3$	$-(ax_4 + by_4 \cos \gamma + c_x z_4) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - (by_4 \sin \gamma + c_y z_4) \hat{\mathbf{y}} - c_z z_4 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(2i)	O II
\mathbf{B}_9	$x_5 \mathbf{a}_1 + y_5 \mathbf{a}_2 + z_5 \mathbf{a}_3$	$(ax_5 + by_5 \cos \gamma + c_x z_5) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + (by_5 \sin \gamma + c_y z_5) \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c_z z_5 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(2i)	O III
\mathbf{B}_{10}	$-x_5 \mathbf{a}_1 - y_5 \mathbf{a}_2 - z_5 \mathbf{a}_3$	$-(ax_5 + by_5 \cos \gamma + c_x z_5) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - (by_5 \sin \gamma + c_y z_5) \hat{\mathbf{y}} - c_z z_5 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(2i)	O III
\mathbf{B}_{11}	$x_6 \mathbf{a}_1 + y_6 \mathbf{a}_2 + z_6 \mathbf{a}_3$	$(ax_6 + by_6 \cos \gamma + c_x z_6) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + (by_6 \sin \gamma + c_y z_6) \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c_z z_6 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(2i)	O IV
\mathbf{B}_{12}	$-x_6 \mathbf{a}_1 - y_6 \mathbf{a}_2 - z_6 \mathbf{a}_3$	$-(ax_6 + by_6 \cos \gamma + c_x z_6) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - (by_6 \sin \gamma + c_y z_6) \hat{\mathbf{y}} - c_z z_6 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(2i)	O IV
\mathbf{B}_{13}	$x_7 \mathbf{a}_1 + y_7 \mathbf{a}_2 + z_7 \mathbf{a}_3$	$(ax_7 + by_7 \cos \gamma + c_x z_7) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + (by_7 \sin \gamma + c_y z_7) \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c_z z_7 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(2i)	O V
\mathbf{B}_{14}	$-x_7 \mathbf{a}_1 - y_7 \mathbf{a}_2 - z_7 \mathbf{a}_3$	$-(ax_7 + by_7 \cos \gamma + c_x z_7) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - (by_7 \sin \gamma + c_y z_7) \hat{\mathbf{y}} - c_z z_7 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(2i)	O V
\mathbf{B}_{15}	$x_8 \mathbf{a}_1 + y_8 \mathbf{a}_2 + z_8 \mathbf{a}_3$	$(ax_8 + by_8 \cos \gamma + c_x z_8) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + (by_8 \sin \gamma + c_y z_8) \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c_z z_8 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(2i)	O VI
\mathbf{B}_{16}	$-x_8 \mathbf{a}_1 - y_8 \mathbf{a}_2 - z_8 \mathbf{a}_3$	$-(ax_8 + by_8 \cos \gamma + c_x z_8) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - (by_8 \sin \gamma + c_y z_8) \hat{\mathbf{y}} - c_z z_8 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(2i)	O VI
\mathbf{B}_{17}	$x_9 \mathbf{a}_1 + y_9 \mathbf{a}_2 + z_9 \mathbf{a}_3$	$(ax_9 + by_9 \cos \gamma + c_x z_9) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + (by_9 \sin \gamma + c_y z_9) \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c_z z_9 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(2i)	O VII

B₁₈	=	$-x_9 \mathbf{a}_1 - y_9 \mathbf{a}_2 - z_9 \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$-(ax_9 + by_9 \cos \gamma + c_x z_9) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - (by_9 \sin \gamma + c_y z_9) \hat{\mathbf{y}} - c_z z_9 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(2i)	O VII
B₁₉	=	$x_{10} \mathbf{a}_1 + y_{10} \mathbf{a}_2 + z_{10} \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$(ax_{10} + by_{10} \cos \gamma + c_x z_{10}) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + (by_{10} \sin \gamma + c_y z_{10}) \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c_z z_{10} \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(2i)	O VIII
B₂₀	=	$-x_{10} \mathbf{a}_1 - y_{10} \mathbf{a}_2 - z_{10} \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$-(ax_{10} + by_{10} \cos \gamma + c_x z_{10}) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - (by_{10} \sin \gamma + c_y z_{10}) \hat{\mathbf{y}} - c_z z_{10} \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(2i)	O VIII
B₂₁	=	$x_{11} \mathbf{a}_1 + y_{11} \mathbf{a}_2 + z_{11} \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$(ax_{11} + by_{11} \cos \gamma + c_x z_{11}) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + (by_{11} \sin \gamma + c_y z_{11}) \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c_z z_{11} \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(2i)	Si I
B₂₂	=	$-x_{11} \mathbf{a}_1 - y_{11} \mathbf{a}_2 - z_{11} \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$-(ax_{11} + by_{11} \cos \gamma + c_x z_{11}) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - (by_{11} \sin \gamma + c_y z_{11}) \hat{\mathbf{y}} - c_z z_{11} \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(2i)	Si I
B₂₃	=	$x_{12} \mathbf{a}_1 + y_{12} \mathbf{a}_2 + z_{12} \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$(ax_{12} + by_{12} \cos \gamma + c_x z_{12}) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + (by_{12} \sin \gamma + c_y z_{12}) \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c_z z_{12} \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(2i)	Si II
B₂₄	=	$-x_{12} \mathbf{a}_1 - y_{12} \mathbf{a}_2 - z_{12} \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$-(ax_{12} + by_{12} \cos \gamma + c_x z_{12}) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - (by_{12} \sin \gamma + c_y z_{12}) \hat{\mathbf{y}} - c_z z_{12} \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(2i)	Si II
B₂₅	=	$x_{13} \mathbf{a}_1 + y_{13} \mathbf{a}_2 + z_{13} \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$(ax_{13} + by_{13} \cos \gamma + c_x z_{13}) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + (by_{13} \sin \gamma + c_y z_{13}) \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c_z z_{13} \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(2i)	Si III
B₂₆	=	$-x_{13} \mathbf{a}_1 - y_{13} \mathbf{a}_2 - z_{13} \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$-(ax_{13} + by_{13} \cos \gamma + c_x z_{13}) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - (by_{13} \sin \gamma + c_y z_{13}) \hat{\mathbf{y}} - c_z z_{13} \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(2i)	Si III

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