

**Crystal Data:** Hexagonal. *Point Group:*  $\bar{3}2/m$ . As short prismatic crystals, to 1 mm, displaying {0001}, {10 $\bar{1}$ 0}, {10 $\bar{1}$ 1}.

**Physical Properties:** *Cleavage:* Perfect {0001}. *Fracture:* Uneven. *Tenacity:* Brittle. Hardness = 2 VHN = 57.8 (15/25 g load). D(meas.) = 3.27(1) D(calc.) = 3.24

**Optical Properties:** Transparent. *Color:* Greenish blue. *Streak:* Bright greenish-blue. *Luster:* Vitreous.

*Optical Class:* Uniaxial (-).  $\omega = 1.753(5)$   $\epsilon = 1.710(5)$

*Pleochroism:* O = greenish blue; E = faint greenish-blue.

**Cell Data:** *Space Group:*  $P\bar{3}m1$ .  $a = 6.2733(4)$   $c = 5.7472(5)$   $Z = 1$

**X-ray Powder Pattern:** Haydee mine, Atacama Desert, northern Chile. 5.745 (100), 2.872 (17), 1.915 (9), 2.455 (6), 1.972 (4), 2.750 (3), 2.540 (3)

| Chemistry:       | (1)    | (2)    |
|------------------|--------|--------|
| CuO              | 61.83  | 61.52  |
| MgO              | 10.06  | 10.39  |
| Cl               | 17.91  | 18.28  |
| H <sub>2</sub> O | 14.97  | 13.94  |
| -O = Cl          | 4.05   | 4.12   |
| Total            | 100.72 | 100.00 |

(1) Haydee mine, Atacama Desert, northern Chile; average of 10 electron microprobe and combustion element analyzer analyses, corresponding to  $\text{Cu}_{2.95}\text{Mg}_{0.95}\text{H}_{6.30}\text{Cl}_{1.92}\text{O}_{6.08}$ .

(2)  $\text{Cu}_3\text{Mg}(\text{OH})_6\text{Cl}_2$ .

**Distribution:** Haydee mine, western border of the southern end of Salar Grande, 110 km SE of Iquique, Atacama Desert, Tarapacá Province, northern Chile.

**Name:** For the Haydee mine, where the first specimens were collected.

**Type Material:** Mineralogical Museum, University of Hamburg, Germany.

**References:** (1) Schlüter, J. and T. Malcherek (2007) Haydeeite,  $\text{Cu}_3\text{Mg}(\text{OH})_6\text{Cl}_2$ , a new mineral from the Haydee mine, Salar Grande, Atacama desert, Chile. *Neus Jb. Mineral. Abh.*, 184, 39–43.

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