

Freibergit a jamesonit z historického ložiska stříbra Šebestěnice u Čáslavi (Česká republika)

Freibergite and jamesonite from the historical silver deposit Šebestěnice near Čáslav, Czech Republic

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Abstract

Small Ag-bearing base metals ore deposit Šebestěnice (SSW near Čáslav, central Bohemia, Czech Republic) was last mined in 16th - 18th century and its mineralogy is not known in detail. The ore mineralization close to the Kutná Hora type is represented by quartz of two generations (\pm dolomitic carbonate) with disseminated aggregates of ore minerals: pyrite, sphalerite, galena, chalcopyrite (aggregates 0.X - 3 mm) and rare freibergite and jamesonite (up to 1 mm in size). The variable Ag contents are characteristic of Fe-dominant freibergite, its chemical composition on the basis 29 *apfu* can be expressed as $(\text{Ag}_{5.94}\text{Cu}_{0.06})_{\Sigma 6.00}[\text{Cu}_{4.22}(\text{Fe}_{1.81}\text{Zn}_{0.22}\text{Cd}_{0.02})_{\Sigma 2.05}]_{\Sigma 6.27}(\text{Sb}_{4.17}\text{As}_{0.07}\text{Bi}_{0.01})_{\Sigma 4.25}(\text{S}_{12.45}\text{Cl}_{0.03})_{\Sigma 12.48}$ (Ag-rich) and $(\text{Ag}_{3.46}\text{Cu}_{2.54})_{\Sigma 6.00}[\text{Cu}_{3.86}(\text{Fe}_{1.66}\text{Zn}_{0.37}\text{Cd}_{0.01})_{\Sigma 2.04}]_{\Sigma 5.90}(\text{Sb}_{4.14}\text{Bi}_{0.02})_{\Sigma 4.16}(\text{S}_{2.93}\text{Cl}_{0.02})_{\Sigma 2.95}$ (Ag-poor). Acicular jamesonite crystals are homogenous and its empirical formula on the basis 25 *apfu* $(\text{Pb}_{3.78}\text{Ag}_{0.01})_{\Sigma 3.79}\text{Fe}_{0.95}(\text{Sb}_{6.09}\text{As}_{0.01})_{\Sigma 6.10}\text{S}_{14.15}$ is close to ideal composition of this mineral species.

Key words: silver-bearing base metals ore mineralization, freibergite, jamesonite, mineralogy, chemical composition, Šebestěnice near Čáslav, Czech Republic