

Crystal Data: Orthorhombic. *Point Group:* 2/m 2/m 2/m. As polycrystalline aggregates to 40 μm, commonly as pseudomorphs of chromite crystals or its fragments less than 1 μm.

Physical Properties: *Cleavage:* n.d. *Tenacity:* n.d. *Fracture:* n.d. *Hardness* = > 5.5
D(meas.) = n.d. D(calc.) = 5.342

Optical Properties: [Opaque.] *Color:* Light gray in reflected light. *Streak:* n.d. *Luster:* [Metallic.]
Optical Class: n.d.
R: (470) 19.9, (546) 19.7, (589) 18.6, (650) 17.6

Cell Data: *Space Group:* Bbmm. *a* = 9.462(6) *b* = 9.562(9) *c* = 2.916(1) *Z* = 4

X-Ray Diffraction Pattern: Suizhou meteorite.
2.675 (100), 1.953 (90), 1.566 (60), 1.337 (40), 2.389 (20), 1.439 (15), 1.425 (15)

Chemistry:	(1)
MgO	2.47
FeO	29.35
MnO	0.55
TiO ₂	2.71
Cr ₂ O ₃	57.46
Al ₂ O ₃	6.07
V ₂ O ₃	0.92
Total	99.53

(1) Suizhou meteorite; average electron microprobe analysis supplemented by Raman spectroscopy; corresponding to (Fe_{0.87}Mg_{0.13}Mn_{0.01})_{Σ=1.01}(Cr_{1.62}Al_{0.25}Ti_{0.08}V_{0.02})_{Σ=1.97}O₄.

Polymorphism & Series: High pressure polymorph of FeCr₂O₄.

Occurrence: In a shock vein in a L6 chondrite meteorite, formed by solid-state transformation of chromite under shock-induced high pressure and temperature (Suizhou).

Association: Ringwoodite, majorite, lingunite, tuite, olivine, pyroxene, chromite (Suizhou); chenmingite, chromite, Fe-Cr-rich ulvöspinel (Tissint).

Distribution: In the Suizhou meteorite [TL]. In the Tissint martian meteorite.

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Type Material: Geological Museum, Guangzhou Institute of Geochemistry, Chinese Academy of Sciences.

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