

$\text{Mg}_4\text{Zn}_{10}(\text{Zn}_{0.5}\text{Al}_{0.5})_2$ $hP19$ $(187) P-6m2 - nki^2hgca$ **Mg₄Zn₁₁Al** [1]

Structural features: Ignoring vacancies, Kagomé-mesh Zn₃ layers alternate with puckered Mg₂Zn and (Zn₂)(Al,Zn)₂ layers (an (Al,Zn) hexagon mesh, the hexagons of which are centered by a Zn₂ dumbbell perpendicular to the layer) along [001] (ratio 2:1 for the latter). Intergrowth of Laves- and Zr₄Al₃-type slabs in the ratio 2:1. Ordering variant of RhBe₆₆.

Auld J.H., Cousland S.M. (1974) [1]

 $\text{AlMg}_4\text{Zn}_{11}$ $a = 0.496$, $c = 1.402$ nm, $c/a = 2.827$, $V = 0.2987$ nm³, $Z = 1$

site	Wyck.	sym.	x	y	z	occ.	atomic environment
Zn1	$6n$	$.m.$	0.16667	0.83333	0.204	0.667	icosahedron Zn ₇ Mg ₃ Al ₂
Zn2	$3k$	$mm2$	0.5	0.5	$\frac{1}{2}$	0.667	icosahedron Zn ₆ Mg ₆
Zn3	$2i$	$3m.$	$\frac{2}{3}$	$\frac{1}{3}$	0.102		14-vertex Frank-Kasper Zn ₇ MgAl ₆
Mg4	$2i$	$3m.$	$\frac{2}{3}$	$\frac{1}{3}$	0.317		16-vertex Frank-Kasper Zn ₁₃ Mg ₃
Zn5	$2h$	$3m.$	$\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{2}{3}$	0.352		icosahedron Zn ₆ Mg ₆
Mg6	$2g$	$3m.$	0	0	0.387		16-vertex Frank-Kasper Zn ₁₂ Mg ₄
M7	$1c$	$-6m2$	$\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{2}{3}$	0		15-vertex Frank-Kasper Al ₃ Zn ₁₂
M8	$1a$	$-6m2$	0	0	0		15-vertex Frank-Kasper Al ₃ Zn ₁₂

 $\text{M7} = 0.5\text{Al} + 0.5\text{Zn}$; $\text{M8} = 0.5\text{Al} + 0.5\text{Zn}$ Transformation from published data: origin shift $0\ 0\ \frac{1}{2}$ Experimental: single crystal, precession photographs, X-rays, $R = 0.180$ Remarks: Metastable phase referred to as η' -(AlMgZn).

References: [1] Auld J.H., Cousland S.M. (1974), J. Austr. Inst. Met. 19, 194-199.