

$\text{Hf}_2\text{Co}_4\text{P}_3$	$hP36$	$(189) P-62m - k^2jg^2f^3ca$
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$\text{Hf}_2\text{Co}_4\text{P}_3$ [1]; $\text{Nb}_2\text{Co}_4\text{P}_3$ [2]

Structural features: Infinite columns of base-linked $\text{P}(\text{Hf}_4\text{Co}_2)\text{Co}_3$ and $\text{P}(\text{Hf}_2\text{Co}_4)(\text{HfCo}_2)$ tricapped trigonal prisms share atoms to form a 3D-framework (a framework of base- and edge-linked $\text{P}(\text{Hf}_4\text{Co}_2)$ prisms with 6-fold prism columns shifted by $c/2$ in channels).

Ganglberger E. (1968) [1]

$\text{Co}_4\text{Hf}_2\text{P}_3$

$a = 1.20559$, $c = 0.36249$ nm, $c/a = 0.301$, $V = 0.4563$ nm³, $Z = 4$

site	Wyck.	sym.	x	y	z	occ.	atomic environment
P1	$6k$	$m..$	0.1773	0.487	$1/2$		tricapped trigonal prism Co_5Hf_4
Co2	$6k$	$m..$	0.3566	0.4834	$1/2$		cuboctahedron $\text{P}_4\text{Co}_3\text{Hf}_5$
Co3	$6j$	$m..$	0.1776	0.3734	0		cuboctahedron $\text{P}_4\text{Co}_4\text{Hf}_4$
Co4	$3g$	$m2m$	0.2794	0	$1/2$		cuboctahedron $\text{P}_4\text{Co}_4\text{Hf}_4$
Hf5	$3g$	$m2m$	0.8244	0	$1/2$		22-vertex polyhedron $\text{P}_8\text{Co}_{10}\text{Hf}_4$
P6	$3f$	$m2m$	0.1791	0	0		square pyramid Co_5
Hf7	$3f$	$m2m$	0.4454	0	0		13-vertex polyhedron P_5Co_8
P8	$3f$	$m2m$	0.6532	0	0		tricapped trigonal prism Co_6Hf_3
Hf9	$2c$	$-6..$	$1/3$	$2/3$	0		23-vertex polyhedron $\text{P}_9\text{Co}_9\text{Hf}_5$
Co10	$1a$	$-62m$	0	0	0		tricapped trigonal prism P_3Hf_6

Transformation from published data: $-x, -y, -z$

Experimental: single crystal, Weissenberg photographs, X-rays, $R = 0.077$

Remarks: In table 1 of [1] the x -coordinate of former P(2) is misprinted as 0.2097 instead of 0.3097 (checked on interatomic distances).

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