

## Pharmacolite - $\text{Ca}(\text{HAsO}_4) \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$

Hardness: 2 - 2.5. Cleavage: Perfect. Inert to water (but Wight reports sensitive to water). Readily soluble in acids. Attacked by  $\text{NH}_3$  and strong detergents. Overall broad chemical sensitivity.

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