

The streak is shining, and of a cochineal-red colour.

It is opaque.

It is soft.

It is sectile.

It is easily frangible.

It is uncommonly heavy.

Specific gravity, 7.937, *Gellert*. 7.186 to 7.352, *Kirwan*.

Constituent Parts.

Mercury,	-	-	-	81.80
Sulphur,	-	-	-	13.75
Carbon,	-	-	-	2.30
Silica,	-	-	-	0.65
Alumina,	-	-	-	0.55
Oxide of Iron,	-	-	-	0.20
Copper,	-	-	-	0.02
Water,	-	-	-	0.73
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Klaproth, *Beit.* b. iv. s. 24.

Second Subspecies.

Slaty Mercurial Hepatic-Ore.

Schrieffriges Quecksilber Lebererz, *Werner*.

Schiefriges Lebererz, *Reuss*, b. iii. s. 284. *Id. Lud.* b. i. s. 207.

Id. Mohs, b. iii. s. 89. *Id. Karsten*, *Tabel.* s. 60. *Id. Haus.*

s. 76.—Mercure sulphuré bitumine testacé, *Haüy*, *Tabl.* p. 78.

External Characters.

Its colour is nearly the same with the preceding subspecies, only rather more inclining to red.

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