

It is composed of dull dusty particles, which soil very little.

It is usually cohering, sometimes also loose.

The streak is shining.

It is meagre to the feel.

It is light.

Chemical Characters.

Before the blowpipe it yields a white smoke, which has an arsenical smell; it colours borax blue.

It dissolves in muriatic acid.

Second Subspecies.

Indurated Black Cobalt-Ochre.

Fester Schwarz Erdkobold, Werner.

Minera Cobalti scoriformis, *Wall.* Syst. Min. t. ii. p. 180.—Verhärteter schwarzer Erdkobold, *Wid.* s. 933.—Indurated Black Cobalt-ochre, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 275.—Verhärteter schwarzer Erdkobold, *Emm.* b. ii. s. 499.—Le Cobalt terreux noire endurei, *Broch.* t. ii. p. 397.—Cobalt oxidé noire, var. 1.—3. *Hauy*, t. iv. p. 215.—Verhärteter schwarzer Erd-cobalt, *Reuss*, b. iv. s. 413. *Id. Lud.* b. i. s. 286. *Id. Mohs*, b. iii. s. 665. *Id. Leonhard*, Tabel. s. 76.—Cobalt oxidé vitreux, *Brong.* t. ii. p. 118.—Fester Kobaltschwärze, *Haus.* Handb. b. i. s. 333.

External Characters.

Its colour is almost always bluish-black; seldom inclines to brownish-black.

It occurs massive, disseminated, as a coating, small botryoidal,