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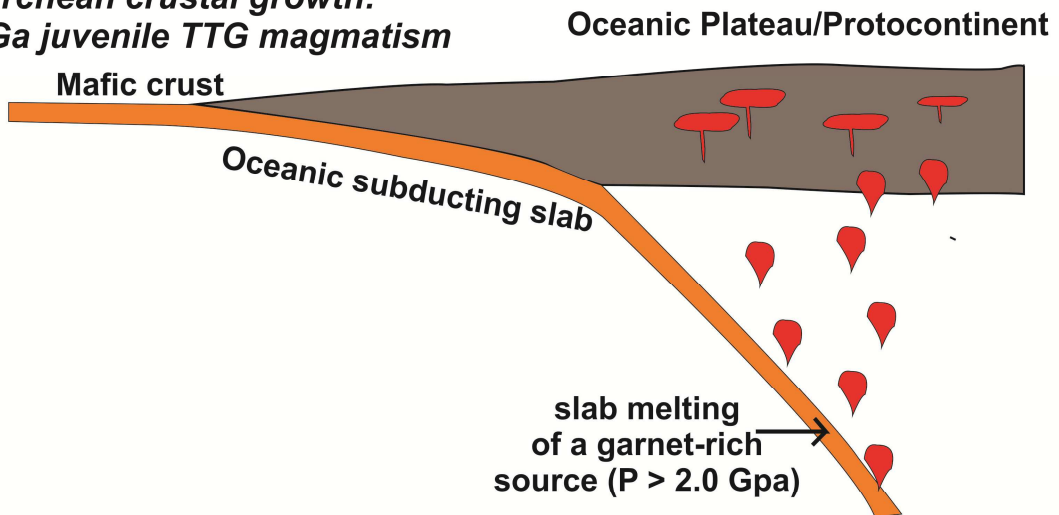
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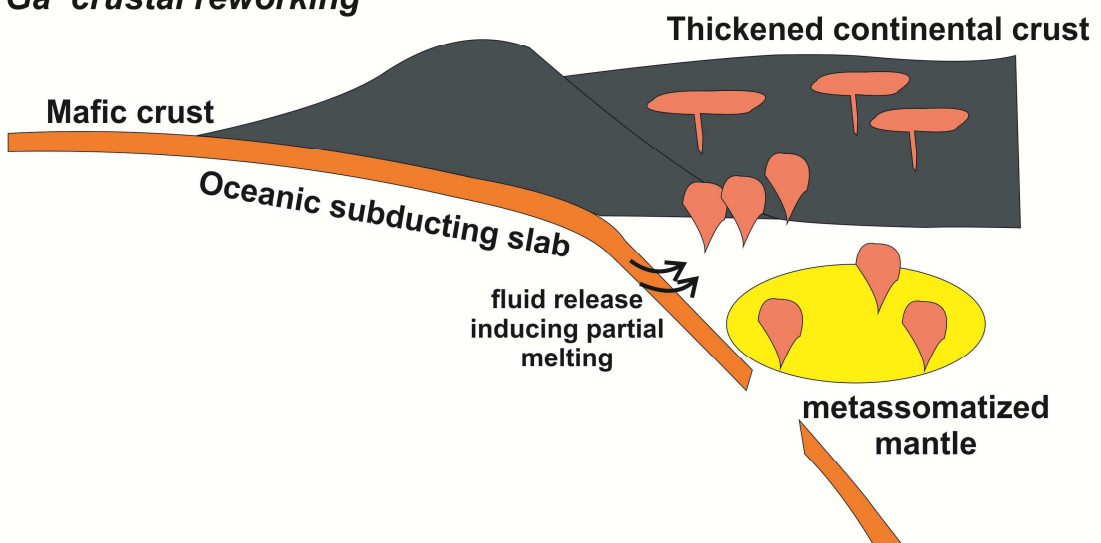
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*Neoarchean crustal growth:
2.6 Ga juvenile TTG magmatism*



b)

*Paleoproterozoic crustal reworking with slab breakoff:
2.1 Ga crustal reworking*



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3 **metagranitic rocks of the Alto Moxotó Terrane**

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12 **Highlights**

13 > First record of Archean Continental Crust in Central Subprovince of the Borborema
14 Province;

15 > Geochemical and isotopic data reveals a complex accretionary history for the Alto
16 Moxotó Terrane;

17 > Our data provide evidence for new Neoproterozoic crustal growth and Paleoproterozoic
18 reworking in central Western Gondwana.

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20 **ABSTRACT**

21 Pre-Brasiliano rocks in the Borborema Province (NE Brazil) are concentrated in
22 basement blocks, such as the Alto Moxotó Terrane. Petrographic, geochemical, and U-
23 Pb and Sm-Nd isotopic data from two basement metagranitic suites within the terrane
24 provide evidence for Neoproterozoic (2.6 Ga) and Paleoproterozoic (2.1 Ga) subduction-
25 related events. The Riacho das Lajes Suite is made of medium to coarse-grained
26 hornblende and biotite-bearing metatonalites and metamonzogranites. Whole-rock
27 geochemical data indicate that these rocks represent calcic, magnesian and meta- to
28 peraluminous magmas, and have unequivocal affinities with high-Al low-REE tonalite-
29 trondhjemite-granodiorites (TTG). Zircon U-Pb data from two samples of this suite
30 indicate that they were emplaced at 2.6 Ga, which is the first discovered Archean crust

31 in the central portion of the province. The suite has Neoproterozoic depleted mantle model
32 ages (T_{DM}) and slightly negative to positive $\epsilon Nd(t)$, indicating slight crustal
33 contamination. The overall geochemical and isotopic data indicate a Neoproterozoic
34 intraoceanic setting for genesis of the Riacho das Lajes magma via melting of basaltic
35 oceanic crust submitted to high-pressure eclogite facies conditions. On the other hand,
36 the Floresta Suite comprise metaigneous rocks, which are mostly tonalitic and
37 granodioritic in composition. Geochemical data indicate that this suite shares
38 similarities with calcic to calc-alkalic magmas with magnesian and metaluminous to
39 slightly peraluminous characteristics. Other geochemical features include anomalous
40 Ni, V and Cr contents, as well as high large-ion lithophile elements (LILE) values. The
41 suite yields U-Pb zircon ages of approximately 2.1 Ga, Archean to Paleoproterozoic
42 T_{DM} ages, and negative to positive $\epsilon Nd(t)$ values, suggesting both new crust formation
43 and reworking of Archean crust, in addition to mantle metasomatism, reflecting mixed
44 sources. The most likely tectonic setting for the Floresta Suite magmas involved crustal
45 thickening by terrane accretion, coeval to slab break off. Our results provide new
46 insights on proto-Western Gondwana crustal evolution.

47 Keywords: Crustal growth; continental reworking; Neoproterozoic TTG; Western
48 Gondwana; Borborema Province.

49 1. Introduction

50 The recognition of major petrogenetic controls on formation and recycling of
51 preexisting crust in younger orogenic provinces provide important insights on major
52 cratonic connections. For instance, it has been suggested that some reworked basement
53 inliers/terrane may eventually represent missing crustal puzzles of continents or
54 supercontinents, such as Atlantica and Nuna/Columbia (Reddy and Evans, 2009; Rogers
55 and Santosh, 2009; Neves, 2011).

56 The preserved record for the generation of continental crust is episodic, its
57 formation being related to juvenile magmatism in subduction-related (Niu and O'Hara
58 2009; Cawood et al., 2013) or mantle plume (Condie, 1998) settings. Conversely,
59 recycling of continental crust back to the mantle may have been active since the
60 Paleoproterozoic, and coeval with crustal growth events (Cavosie et al., 2006; Arndt, 2013).

61 In the Archean, high heat production and accretion rates favored the generation
62 of specific petrogenetic associations, such as komatiites in granite-greenstone terranes
63 and voluminous tonalite-trondhjemite-granodiorite (TTG) magmas (Martin et al., 2005).
64 In contrast, during the Archean-Proterozoic transition, changes in geodynamic processes
65 resulted in a decrease of TTG production, followed by a strong increase in the
66 generation of more potassic and less sodic granitoids (Shirey and Hanson 1984,
67 Smithies and Champion, 2000; Laurent et al., 2014). In several cratonic blocks, these
68 compositional changes are recorded in juvenile plutonic and volcanic suites related to a
69 major 2.7-2.5 Ga crustal growth event, which is considered to be one of the most
70 important periods of continental crust generation in Earth's history (Condie, 2000;
71 Hawkesworth et al., 2010; Condie and Kröner 2013; Wan et al., 2014).

72 Experimental studies indicate that unlike normal calc-alkaline magmas, TTG-
73 like geochemical signature results from a moderate degree of partial melting of hydrated
74 basaltic (low-K) crust at pressures high enough to stabilize garnet±amphibole
75 paragenesis (Rapp and Watson 1995; Martin et al., 2005). The classic tectonic scenario
76 for TTG genesis is usually attributed to subduction-related settings, in which partial
77 melting of subducted oceanic crust (meta-basalts) under high pressure conditions is
78 induced by elevated Archean geothermal gradients (Defant and Drummon, 1990; Rapp
79 et al., 2003; Halla et al., 2009; Laurent et al., 2014). Other possible scenarios include
80 the development of a thick oceanic plateau due to mantle plume over oceanic crust
81 (Smithies and Champion 2000; Zegers and van Keken 2001; Condie, 2005) and the
82 delamination of an over-thickened mafic crust (Johnson et al., 2013).

83 Continental magmatic arcs are widespread in the Paleoproterozoic (Rogers and
84 Santosh, 2003; Zhao et al., 2004). They are responsible for the production of a large
85 compositional range of volcanic and plutonic rocks (Tatsumi and Eggins, 1995). In such
86 settings, the most accepted mechanism of melt generation involves progressive
87 releasing of aqueous fluids or silicate melts from the subducting slab. This gradual
88 process induces partial melting of the overlying mantle wedge by reducing its solidus
89 temperature (van Keken et al., 2002; Kelley et al., 2010), leading to the formation of
90 magmas with unique arc geochemistry. It has been argued that the generation of these
91 arc magmas contributes directly to formation of new crust and/or reworking of early
92 formed continental margins (Rudnick, 1995; Hollister and Andronicos, 2006).

93 Recently, several ancient basement terranes/domains and granitoids representing
94 variable sources has been documented in the Neoproterozoic Brasiliano-Pan African
95 belts revealing complex pre-Western Gondwana scenarios (e.g. Neves et al., 2015;
96 Santos et al., 2015). However, petrological and geochronological studies are still scarce,
97 mostly due the strong reworking during Neoproterozoic orogenesis.

98 In this work, we present whole-rock geochemical and Sm-Nd isotopic data and
99 U-Pb zircon age determinations of the basement Riacho das Lajes and Floresta suites of
100 the Alto Moxotó Terrane, central portion of the Borborema Province (BP). Our main
101 goals are to: (1) identify the nature of their sources and tectonic setting; (2) determine
102 the timing of intrusion and associated crust-related processes (crustal growth vs.
103 reworking); and (3) constrain geodynamic processes through integration of data from
104 across the Borborema Province and other domains of Western Gondwana.

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106 **2. Regional Geology**

107 **2.1 Borborema Province**

108 The Borborema Province is the largely exposed, northeastern portion of the
109 Precambrian basement of the South American Platform (Almeida et al., 1981). It is
110 located in the central part of Western Gondwana and is part of a large and complex
111 orogenic system that extends through the Pan-African fold-belts between Togo to the
112 north and Cameroon to the east in Central Africa (Fig. 1a; Brito Neves 1975; Trompette
113 1994; de Wit et al., 2008; Van Schmus et al., 2008, 2011).

114 The geologic configuration of the BP includes basement complexes with
115 Paleoproterozoic ages as well as local exposures of Archean nuclei, in which constituent
116 orthogneisses and migmatites have been inferred to have formed by subduction-related
117 and minor within-plate-related processes (Brito Neves et al., 2000; Santos et al., 2000;
118 Fetter et al., 2003; Van Schmus et al., 2008; Martins et al., 2009; Brito Neves, 2011;
119 Neves et al., 2015; Santos et al., 2015a). In addition, the province includes early to late
120 Neoproterozoic supracrustal fold belts and magmatic arcs containing widespread
121 granitic magmatism related to Brasiliano orogenesis (Santos and Medeiros, 1999;

122 Kozuch, 2003; Santos et al., 2010; Caxito et al., 2014a, b; Ganade de Araújo et al.,
123 2014a,b,c).

124 The province is transected by a complex network of E-W and NE-SW crustal-
125 scale strike-slip shear zones with mylonites up to several kilometers across (Vauchez et
126 al., 1995; Archanjo et al., 2008). It is divided into the Northern, Central and Southern
127 subprovinces (Fig. 1b; Van Schmus et al., 1995, 2008; Brito Neves et al., 2000).
128 Available isotopic and structural data have led to the suggestion that the province was
129 subjected to a polycyclic tectonic evolution involving episodes of accretion of tectono-
130 stratigraphic terranes during the Neoproterozoic (Santos 1996; Santos and Medeiros,
131 1999; Santos et al., 2010; Brito Neves et al., 2005, 2014; Santos et al., 2015b).
132 However, an intracontinental orogen hypothesis has also been invoked for the evolution
133 of the BP (Neves, 2015). For this reason, we follow the original terrane definition of
134 Coney et al., (1980), which is exclusively descriptive.

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136 2.1.1. Central Subprovince

137 The Central Subprovince occupies the central portion of the BP and is bounded
138 by the regional Patos and Pernambuco lineaments to the north and south, respectively. It
139 was affected by the Cariris Velhos orogenic event at ca. 1.0 Ga, followed by the
140 Brasiliano orogeny at ca. 0.6 Ga (Van Schmus et al., 1995; Santos, 1996; Santos and
141 Medeiros, 1999; Santos et al., 2010; Brito Neves et al., 2014).

142 From west to east five terranes are recognized in the Central Subprovince: São
143 José do Caiano (SJC), Piancó-Alto Brígida (PABT), Alto Pajeú (APT), Alto Moxotó
144 (AMT), and Rio Capibaribe (RCT) (Fig. 1c). NE-SW trending strike-slip shear zones
145 cut across these crustal blocks. Neoproterozoic felsic and mafic plutons occur
146 throughout the Subprovince along with Paleo- and Neoproterozoic supracrustal fold
147 belts (Santos and Medeiros, 1999). Early Paleoproterozoic units are concentrated in the
148 Alto Moxotó Terrane and in some areas of the Rio Capibaribe Terrane, whereas
149 Archean rocks have not previously been described from the Central Subprovince (see
150 Neves et al., 2015 and Santos et al., 2015a for details).

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152 2.1.1.1. The Alto Moxotó Terrane

153 The Alto Moxotó Terrane (AMT) is a high-grade metamorphic block composed
154 of metaplutonic suites, including metagranites, orthogneisses, migmatites and mafic-
155 ultramafic rocks in addition to supracrustal sequences that are interpreted by some
156 authors as Paleoproterozoic in age (Rodrigues and Brito Neves 2008; Santos et al.,
157 2004, 2012, 2013). Up to now, there is no consensus on the location of the boundary of
158 this terrane with the Alto Pajeú Terrane. The Serra de Jabitacá and Afogados da
159 Ingazeira shear zones are the main candidates for this boundary (Santos and Medeiros
160 1999; Rodrigues and Brito Neves, 2008). The southern limit of the AMT is represented
161 by the strike-slip Pernambuco lineament and the Congo Cruzeiro do Nordeste shear
162 zone (Brito Neves et al., 2013).

163 A long-lived Paleoproterozoic tectono-magmatic evolution for the AMT,
164 divided into three main tectonic pulses, has been proposed by Santos et al. (2015a). The
165 first tectonic event was responsible for the emplacement of intermediate metaplutonic
166 rocks with a magmatic arc-related signature, which are Siderian in age with both
167 juvenile and crustal characteristics. The second event is represented by granodioritic to
168 tonalitic gneisses and mafic-ultramafic magmatism, also in a subduction-related setting,
169 but with a stronger crustal signature at 2.1-2.0 Ga. This event was responsible for
170 multiple sheet-like intrusions that are widespread throughout the terrane. The final
171 Paleoproterozoic igneous activity is characterized by within-plate bimodal magmatism
172 dated at 1.6 Ga (Santos et al., 2015a). Cambrian granites occur along the margins of the
173 Alto Moxotó Terrane.

174 [Fig. 1 near here]

175 **3. Local Geology**

176 The study area is located in the SW portion of the Alto Moxotó Terrane, close to
177 Floresta, and comprises a series of metaplutonic and supracrustal sequences (Fig. 2).
178 The Riacho das Lajes Suite is separated by SSE-verging contractional shear zones from
179 the Riacho do Navio Suite (highly deformed augen-gneisses) to the north and the
180 Sertânia Complex (garnet paragneisses and migmatites) to the south. The Floresta Suite
181 forms a batholith along the south rim of the terrane, in tectonic contact with the
182 southern Subprovince along the Pernambuco Lineament. Contact relationship with the

183 supracrustal rocks of the Sertânia Complex is poorly understood due to the strong 0.6
184 Ga Brasiliano deformation that affected the region.

185 [Fig. 2 near here]

186 3.1. *Riacho das Lajes Suite*

187 This suite was previously described as a series of white metagranitoids and
188 orthogneisses with trondhjemitic affinity (Santos, 1995). It is formed by leucocratic
189 rocks that are elongated E-W and NE-SW due to Neoproterozoic Brasiliano
190 deformation. The suite occupies the central part of the study area, where two main
191 facies were identified: i) slightly deformed granitoids (Fig. 3a); and ii) strongly foliated
192 members forming orthogneisses (Fig. 3b) that show mafic-felsic streaky compositional
193 banding and scarce occurrences of E-W oriented, 30-50 cm long mafic enclaves.
194 Additionally, partially migmatized facies occur locally and are characterized by
195 metatexites with well-preserved paleosome, but local bands of leucosomes are present
196 and occur parallel to the regional foliation forming stromatic fabrics (Fig. 3c).
197 Discordant quartz-feldspar veins also occur, which is a typical feature of vein-structured
198 migmatites.

199 Petrographic analysis indicates that these rocks represent holo-leucocratic,
200 leucocratic and mesocratic protoliths, ranging from tonalite to granodiorite in
201 composition, but quartz monzodioritic and monzogranitic variations are also present
202 (Fig. 4). They are medium to coarse-grained (1.0 to 5.0 mm in diameter). The less
203 deformed samples are characterized by hypidiomorphic to allotriomorphic granular
204 textures, in contrast with dominant granoblastic polygonal texture in the most deformed
205 members. The groundmass mineralogy of Riacho das Lajes granitoids includes
206 plagioclase (oligoclase-andesine) (40-42%) and quartz (35-38%) (Fig. 5a). Plagioclase
207 crystals form hypidiomorphic prismatic grains that can preserve relicts of myrmekitic
208 intergrowths with irregular quartz crystals. In addition, the former is locally zoned,
209 indicating abrupt changes in magma composition, whereas the quartz grains are
210 idioblastic, hypidioblastic or xenoblastic. Polygonal shapes are common in the most
211 deformed samples, suggesting intense recrystallization.

212 Quartz grains also occur as static rotated grains or exhibit ribbon-like structures
213 with frequent undulose extinction, which reflects intense post-crystallization

214 deformation (Fig. 5b). In some samples, the local deformation is also characterized by
215 grain orientations alternating millimeter-size felsic and mafic minerals (mainly biotite),
216 thus indicating metamorphic segregation. K-feldspar grains (~10%) may exhibit
217 perthitic intergrowth but are rare. Hypidioblastic microcline grains exhibit crosshatch
218 crystal twinning, but irregular orthoclase aggregates are also common. Dark to reddish
219 brown biotite (5-15%) (Fig. 5c) and greenish hornblende (5-10%) are widespread in all
220 samples and represent the main ferromagnesian phases. Minor clinopyroxene crystals
221 are also present (2-3%). The accessory minerals include hypidioblastic titanite (1-2%),
222 xenoblastic allanite (1-2%), idiomorphic apatite (1%) and hypidioblastic zircon (1%).
223 Magnetite (2-3%) is the main opaque mineral, and the occurrence of hypidioblastic
224 chlorite crystals (1%) represents the main secondary phase, which we interpret as the
225 result of biotite alteration.

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227 3.2. Floresta Suite

228 This suite corresponds to part of the Floresta Complex defined by Lima et al.
229 (1985). Several petrographic types were distinguished by Santos (1995), including
230 amphibolites, metatonalites, metadiorites and metagranodiorites. According to these
231 authors, the Floresta Complex corresponds to the regional basement of the entire Alto
232 Moxotó Terrane. Recent work by Santos et al. (2013, 2015a) as well as the present
233 study reveals that the Floresta Complex consists of a series of metaplutonic suites on the
234 basis of field, petrographic and isotopic data. In this paper, we describe a new unit of
235 the Floresta Complex, termed the Floresta Suite.

236 The Floresta Suite is an approximately 30 km long, E-W elongated batholith
237 with interleaving mafic-ultramafic rocks (metagabbros, metapyroxenites and
238 metaperidotites) referred to as the Malhada Vermelha Suite (Santos, 1995). Its shape is
239 controlled by the Brasiliano strike-slip Pernambuco lineament along the south rim of the
240 body. The suite shows strong structural zonation, with less deformed members in its
241 central part (Figs. 3d and 3e) and progressively more intensively foliated rocks towards
242 its margins, forming orthogneissic facies with mafic-felsic compositional banding (Fig.
243 3f), as well as developing mylonitic to ultra-mylonitic fabric. Local migmatization is
244 also present and is characterized by discrete stromatic and folded structures. The main
245 rock associations comprise biotite-bearing and hornblende-bearing metaplutonic

246 members, including granodioritic, dioritic, quartz-dioritic, tonalitic and monzogranitic
247 compositions (Fig. 4).

248 Fine-, medium- and coarse-grained (0.25 to 5 mm in diameter) irregular
249 groundmass is mostly dominated by granoblastic and less nematoblastic texture (Figs.
250 5d, 5e). Granoblastic polygonal fabric is very common in the most deformed samples
251 and is characterized by equidimensional grains forming local triple junctions.
252 Subidioblastic and xenoblastic textures are present in strongly foliated samples.
253 Mineralogically, the suite consists of a subidiomorphic aggregate mass of quartz (35-
254 40%), plagioclase (35-40%) and K-feldspar (10-15%), with hornblende and biotite as
255 the main mafic phases.

256 Quartz grains are recrystallized with sutured boundaries exhibiting undulose
257 extinction, whereas plagioclase crystals (oligoclase to andesine) are primarily
258 hypidioblastic to xenoblastic with local myrmekitic intergrowth relicts. Idioblastic
259 microcline is the most common potassic feldspar, but orthoclase grains are also present,
260 exhibiting patch and vein type perthites, as well as quartz and biotite inclusions.

261 The main mafic phases are represented by large deformed greenish hornblende
262 crystals (10-15%, Fig. 5f) and bent flakes of dark brown biotite (5-7%), which can also
263 replace hornblende crystals. Xenoblastic clinopyroxene clusters are present in lesser
264 amounts (2%). Titanite (1-2%) is the most common accessory phase in these rocks,
265 indicating early crystallization in the protolith progenitor magma. Well-formed apatite
266 and zircon crystals are other common accessories, representing less than 2% of the rock
267 composition. Opaque minerals are represented by small magnetite crystals (less than
268 1%). Chlorite crystals are rare and result from biotite alteration (less than 1%).

269 [Fig. 3 near here]

270 [Fig. 4 near here]

271 [Fig. 5 near here]

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273 3. Analytical Procedures

274 Fresh representative rock samples were analyzed for major and trace elements at
275 Acme Analytical Laboratories Ltd. (Canada). Major elements were determined by
276 inductively coupled plasma-emission spectrometry, with a detection limit of 0.01% and
277 precision of $\pm 0.1\%$. Trace elements were analyzed by inductively coupled plasma-mass
278 spectrometry (ICP-MS), with detection limits between 0.01 and 0.5 ppm and precision
279 of $\pm 5\%$. Geochemical diagrams were generated using Igpet 06 software, GCDkit,
280 Petrograph and Excel sheets.

281 Four samples, two for each studied unit, were selected for zircon U-Pb age
282 dating at the Geochronology Laboratory of Universidade de Brasilia, Brazil. The
283 samples were initially crushed and sieved, and then the heavy minerals were separated
284 using conventional gravimetric and magnetic methods. Zircon grains were then
285 handpicked using a binocular microscope and mounted on epoxy resin for Laser
286 Ablation Inductively Coupled Plasma Mass Spectrometry (LA-MC-ICP-MS) isotope
287 ratio acquisition. Data reduction was performed following Böhn et al. (2009) and
288 Matteini et al. (2009). Isotopic analyses were performed on a Thermo Finnigan Neptune
289 Multi-collector ICPMS equipped with a secondary electron multiplier-ion counter at the
290 Geochronology Lab of the University of Brasilia. Cathodoluminescence and back-
291 scattered images were used to investigate the internal structure of the zircon crystals
292 prior to each analysis. Only coherent interval analyses were chosen to avoid signal
293 mixed ages. Normalization was performed with internal GJ standard zircon (608.5 ± 1.5
294 Ma; Jackson et al., 2004), and the age calculations were performed using in-house
295 developed Excel spreadsheets.

296 For the Sm-Nd data, an 24 samples from both studied suites were analyzed,
297 following the method described by Gióia and Pimentel (2000). Whole rock powders (ca.
298 50 mg) were mixed with a ^{149}Sm - ^{150}Nd spike solution and dissolved in Savillex
299 capsules. Extraction of Sm and Nd from whole-rock samples followed conventional
300 cation exchange techniques, using Teflon columns containing LN-Spec resin (HDEHP –
301 diethylhexyl phosphoric acid supported on PTFE powder). Sm and Nd samples were
302 loaded on double-filament of Re evaporation assemblies, and the isotopic measurements
303 were also performed on a multi-collector Finnigan MAT 262 mass spectrometer in
304 static mode at the University of Brasilia. Uncertainties in the Sm/Nd and $^{143}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd}$
305 ratios are better than $\pm 0.4\%$ (1σ) and $\pm 0.005\%$ (1σ), respectively, based on repeated
306 analyses using the international rock standards BHVO-1 and BCR-1. $^{143}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd}$ ratios

307 were normalized to a $^{146}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd}$ of 0.7219, and the decay constant used was 6.54×10^{-12} . Depleted mantle model age values were calculated using the DePaolo (1981) model.

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310 4. Results

311 4.1. Geochemistry

312 4.1.1 Riacho das Lajes Suite

313 Eleven samples of metagranitoid and orthogneiss from this suite were selected for
314 geochemical analysis, and the results are listed in Table 1. On the ternary diagram of
315 normative feldspar composition (O'Connor, 1965) the samples show a relatively narrow
316 compositional range, corresponding mostly to granodiorites and tonalites, but granite
317 and quartz monzonite compositions are also present (Fig. 6a).

318 SiO_2 values for the Riacho das Lajes Suite range from 69.8 to 76.4 wt.%, Na_2O from
319 3.98 to 5.07 wt.%, and K_2O from 0.83 to 4.23 wt.%. On the alkali-lime index vs. silica
320 diagram the samples are calcic (CaO ranging from 2.54 to 3.39 wt.%, Fig. 6b). The
321 samples are mostly magnesian, with minor iron enrichment (MgO and FeO values
322 ranging from 0.15 to 1.02 wt.% and 0.9 to 3.3 wt.%, respectively), and are chemically
323 similar to Cordilleran granites (Fig. 6c). Al_2O_3 values range from 13.8 to 16.95 wt.% and
324 plot in the peraluminous and metaluminous fields of the A/NK vs. A/CNK diagram
325 (Fig. 6d). On the K-Na-Ca diagram, the samples show a small sodic tendency but also
326 slight K enrichment, and they do not follow the trondhjemitic or the calc-alkaline trends
327 (Fig. 6e).

328 On primitive-mantle normalized multi-element diagram (spider diagram) the
329 Riacho das Lajes Suite displays a uniform pattern (Fig. 7a) characterized by moderate to
330 high contents of large ion lithophile elements (LILE) and high field strength elements
331 (HFSE). Strong Nb, P and Ti negative anomalies are observed, in addition to discrete to
332 moderate depletions of Ce, Sm and Lu in most samples. Pb and Zr mark positive peaks.
333 A steep rare earth elements pattern in reference to chondrite is clearly observed in the
334 studied samples (Fig. 7b). This behavior is characterized by strong enrichment of light
335 rare earth elements (LREE) with respect to most heavy rare earth elements (HREE)

336 ([La/Yb]_N = 55.68 - 175.85). The samples also display a pronounced positive Eu peak
337 (Eu/Eu* varying between 1.15 and 2.10).

338 [Table 1 near here]

339 4.1.2. Floresta Suite

340 Seventeen samples of the Floresta Suite were selected for whole-rock geochemical
341 determination, and the results are given in Table 2. Chemically, they correspond
342 primarily to tonalites, granites and granodiorites on the ternary diagram of normative
343 feldspar composition (Fig. 6a). They are characterized by SiO₂, ranging from 52.5 to
344 76.7 wt.%, whilst Na₂O values are rather homogeneous and range from 2.52 to 4.22
345 wt.%. CaO and K₂O contents are variable, ranging from 1.15 to 8.83 wt.% and 0.71 to
346 5.49 wt.%, respectively. On the alkali-lime index vs. silica diagram, the samples show a
347 calcic to calc-alkalic trend (Fig. 6b). On the FeO_T/(FeO + MgO) diagram (Frost et al.,
348 2001), they plot mainly in the magnesian field, sharing chemical similarities with
349 classic Cordilleran type-granites (MgO ranging from 0.23 to 5.22 wt.% and FeO
350 ranging from 1.45 to 9.6 wt.%, Fig. 6c). The Al₂O₃ values range from 13.15 to 20.8
351 wt.%, and on the A/NK vs. A/CNK diagram, using the alumina saturation index, these
352 rocks can be characterized as metaluminous to slightly peraluminous (Fig. 6d), whereas
353 on the K-Na-Ca diagram, although somewhat dispersed, they follow the calc-alkaline
354 trend (Fig. 6e). The primitive mantle-normalized spider diagram for the Floresta Suite
355 displays moderate to high values of large ion lithophile elements (LILE). The high field
356 strength elements (HFSE) behavior is marked by negative anomalies of Nb; P and Ti
357 also show important negative peaks (Fig. 7c). In terms of rare earth elements (REE)
358 content, the samples from this suite exhibit moderate to high fractionation of LREE
359 compared to HREE ([La/Yb]_N = 7.07 - 108.70), and negative to positive Eu anomalies,
360 which are generally induced by plagioclase accumulation in the melt (Eu/Eu* varying
361 between 0.38 and 2.09) (Fig. 7d).

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365 4.2. U-Pb Geochronology

366 U-Pb zircon data for the Riacho das Lajes and Floresta suites are presented in
367 tables 3, 4, 5 and 6. Cathodoluminescence images were used as a guide for spot
368 selection of representative zircon grains and are shown in Fig. 8.

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374 4.2.1. Riacho das Lajes Suite

375 Sample FL-56 is a white to light-gray, coarse-grained metatonalite. This sample
376 was collected 10 km east of Airi (coordinates: 8°30'12"S and 38°5'30"W). The majority
377 of the dated zircon grains are idiomorphic and have well-developed oscillatory zoning,
378 with dimensions ranging from 120 to 240 μm . Most of the grains have a discrete
379 metamorphic overgrowth due to later thermal events. However, most of the grains
380 present Th/U ratios varying from 0.10 to 0.46, which attests to a magmatic origin. The
381 analyses of zircon grains from this sample result in a Discordia line with an upper
382 intercept of 2625 ± 14 Ma (MSWD = 3.9), which is interpreted as the crystallization
383 age of the tonalitic protolith (Fig. 9).

384 The second dated sample (FL-105) corresponds to a discretely banded
385 granodiorite orthogneiss, collected near Airi. Zircon crystals from this sample are
386 euhedral, subhedral and anhedral. The geographical coordinates are 8°29'16"S and
387 38°12'24"W. Some exhibit oscillatory zoning and around 100 μm on average. The
388 majority of the analyzed zircon grains present Th/U ratios ranging from 0.12 to 0.4,
389 which correspond to igneous crystals, but in various grains pronounced metamorphic
390 overgrowth can be observed, which is probably due to later thermal events that affected
391 the region. The analyzed grains resulted in a Discordia line that yields an upper
392 intercept age of 2643 ± 18 Ma (MSWD = 1.9), which is interpreted as the crystallization
393 age of the granodiorite protolith (Fig. 10). The ages of 560 ± 36 Ma and 645 ± 85 Ma
394 observed in the lower intercepts of samples FL-56 and FL-105, respectively, are

395 interpreted as the result of Pb loss during the Brasiliano orogeny that strongly affected
396 most of the Borborema Province (Brito Neves, 2014).

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399 4.2.2. Floresta Suite

400 Sample FL-65 corresponds to a dark gray inequigranular, biotite-bearing,
401 medium-grade metadiorite with pronounced metamorphic foliation, collected near the
402 Barragem locality (coordinates 8°34'44"S and 38°22'33"W). The selected
403 hypidiomorphic to idiomorphic zircon grains are colorless to dark grey and display
404 some cracks in inner domains. They range from 100 to 140 μm and their Th/U ratios
405 range from 0.190 to 0.426, indicating an igneous origin. The Concordia diagram for the
406 analyzed zircon grains yields an upper intercept age of 2103.8 ± 9.3 Ma (MSWD =
407 1.8), which is interpreted as the protolith crystallization age (Fig. 11).

408 Sample FL-60 is a pale gray inequigranular medium to coarse-grained
409 metatonalite. This sample was collected in the central part of the Floresta Suite
410 (coordinates 8°35'10"S and 38°26'00"W). Zircon grains from this sample are
411 heterogeneous, subhedral, euhedral and anhedral and are 100 to 119 μm long. They
412 have well-developed igneous oscillatory zoning surrounded by discrete metamorphic
413 overgrowth. Th/U ratios range from 0.121 to 0.849. The Concordia diagram for this
414 rock has a MSWD of 1.4, and the analyzed grains exhibit an upper intercept age of
415 2.098 ± 18 Ma (MSWD = 1.4), which is interpreted as the age of crystallization of the
416 protolith (Fig. 12). FL-65 and FL-60 samples yield lower intercept ages of 492 ± 46
417 Ma and 457 ± 57 Ma, respectively, which are interpreted as the result of Pb loss related
418 to later thermal effects.

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421 4.4.3. Sm-Nd Isotopes

422 Sm-Nd isotope analyses were performed on seven representative samples of the
423 Riacho das Lajes Suite and seventeen samples of the Floresta Suite. The corresponding

424 isotopic compositions and isotopic ratios are presented in Table 7. Figure 13 shows the
425 geographic distribution of the collected samples and the results, including those of the
426 U-Pb data. The obtained $\epsilon\text{Nd}(t)$ values were calculated using the 2.625 and 2.098 Ga
427 crystallization ages obtained for the Riacho das Lajes and Floresta suites, respectively
428 (Fig. 14). The samples from the Riacho das Lajes suite yielded Meso- to Neoproterozoic
429 Nd depleted mantle (T_{DM}) model ages ranging from 2.76 to 2.93 Ga and a narrow range
430 of slightly negative and positive $\epsilon\text{Nd}(t)$ values (-2.35 to +0.36). The samples from the
431 Floresta Suite present heterogeneous Archean to Paleoproterozoic T_{DM} model ages (3.19
432 to 2.23 Ga). These data indicate the involvement of old crust in the genesis of these
433 rocks. The $\epsilon\text{Nd}(t)$ values range from -12.03 to +4.47.

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437 5. Discussion

438 5.1. Magma sources and tectonic setting

439 5.1.1. Riacho das Lajes Suite

440 Studied samples from the Riacho das Lajes Suite represent silicic, calcic,
441 magnesian and slightly peraluminous magmas emplaced during the Neoproterozoic (ca. 2.6
442 Ga). The primitive mantle-normalized spider diagram shows strong depletions of Nb,
443 Ta and Ti, which can be interpreted as the effect of rutile, sphene or Ti-bearing
444 amphibole as residual phases in the source region (Foley et al., 2000; Klemme et al.,
445 2006). Such negative anomalies in spider diagrams are very distinctive of subduction-
446 related settings (Pearce, 1982). The chondrite-normalized REE diagram is characterized
447 by the enrichment of light REE relative to heavy REE and exhibits positive Eu
448 anomalies. Due to its high partition coefficient (K_d), garnet is usually invoked as the
449 main residual phase. This mineral concentrates most of HREE, thereby generating
450 magmas with very low concentrations of Er, Lu, Tm, Y and Yb, whereas Eu is easily
451 accommodated in the plagioclase structure, and its high content suggests the enrichment
452 of this phase in the melt.

453 General petrographic and geochemical data indicate that the Riacho das Lajes
454 Suite samples have similar characteristics to classic Archean TTG or high-silica
455 adakites. These include the i) dominant tonalite and granodiorite members, ii) high SiO_2
456 ($> 70\%$ wt.%) and Na_2O (> 4 wt.%), iii) low MgO (< 1 wt.%) and FeO (< 3 wt.%), iv)
457 low $\text{K}_2\text{O}/\text{Na}_2\text{O}$ ratios (< 0.4), and v) strongly fractionated REE pattern (Martin et al.,
458 2005; Smithies and Champion, 2000; Condie, 2005; Castillo et al., 2006). However,
459 they also display relatively high K_2O contents (> 2 wt.%) compared to classic Archean
460 TTGs. This fact can be explained by the greater extent of fractional crystallization or re-
461 melting processes, which is fairly common in granitoid rocks related to the Neoproterozoic-
462 Paleoproterozoic transition (Sylvester 1994; Moyen et al., 2003; Martin et al., 2010).

463 Experimental studies suggest that the main source region for the generation of
464 Archean TTG is strongly controlled by Sr, Y and REE contents, once these elements are
465 very pressure sensitive, therefore their concentrations in the melt depend on the depth
466 and temperature conditions of partial melting (Moyen and Stevens, 2011; Moyen and
467 Martin, 2012). On Sr/Y vs. Y (ppm), $(\text{Yb})_N$ vs. $(\text{La}/\text{Yb})_N$, and binary plots the Riacho
468 das Lajes Suite samples represent TTG magmas derived from basaltic oceanic crust that
469 likely experienced high pressure conditions (eclogitic source; Figs. 15a and 15b).
470 Moreover, the $(\text{Gd}/\text{Er})_N$ vs. MgO binary plot also suggests a garnet-rich mafic source
471 (Fig. 15c).

472 Halla et al. (2009) divided the TTG series in two main groups: 1) high-HREE
473 TTGs (low Al), which are related to a garnet-free source, and 2) low-HREE TTGs (high
474 Al), which are related to a garnet-bearing source. According to these authors, such
475 contrasting sources can be attributed to two distinct pressure conditions (1.0 GPa for the
476 first group and > 2.0 GPa for the second one). They also conclude that the involved
477 physical conditions require that the precursor mafic source must be somehow
478 introduced deep into the mantle. Most of the studied samples of Riacho das Lajes Suite
479 are characterized by high SiO_2 (> 70 wt.%), Al_2O_3 (> 14 wt.%) and Sr (> 350 ppm)
480 contents, in addition to low MgO (< 1 wt.%) and HREE contents, which fits the High-
481 Al low-HREE TTG group (Fig. 15d). These features can be associated to high-pressure
482 and temperature conditions of partial melting of a garnet-rich basaltic (eclogitic) source
483 as predicted by Moyen and Martin (2012) and Martin et al. (2014). Additionally,

484 slightly negative and positive $\epsilon\text{Nd}(t)$ values suggest that these magmas experienced
485 little contribution from the continental crust during their ascent.

486 Generation of TTG is generally related to the melting of oceanic crust or
487 plateaus in subduction zones (Drummond and Defant 1990; Martin et al., 2005, 2014),
488 melting of an oceanic plateau above a mantle plume (Zegers and van Keken, 2001;
489 Willbold et al., 2009), and interactions between subduction zones and upwelling mantle
490 plumes (Johnson et al., 2013). Thus, we suggest that deep, intraoceanic, hot subduction
491 took place in the Neoproterozoic (ca. 2.6 Ga), probably underneath an oceanic plateau or
492 protocrust as suggested by results from experimental studies (Halla et al., 2009; Moyer,
493 2011; Laurent et al., 2014). Partial melting of the slab resulted in a garnet-rich residuum
494 and produced low-HREE TTG melts that generated the granitoid rocks of the Riacho
495 das Lajes Suite (Fig. 17a).

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497 *5.1.2. Floresta Suite*

498 Metagranitoids and orthogneisses of the ca. 2.1 Ga Floresta Suite display a wide
499 spectrum of SiO_2 and CaO values that correspond to the calcic to calc-alkalic series. In
500 addition, they represent highly magnesian magmas with metaluminous to slightly
501 peraluminous character. Samples are characterized by LILE enrichment and HFSE
502 depletions, especially in Nb, P and Ti. This pattern is generally related to the
503 accumulation of Ti-rich phases (e.g., rutile, titanomagnetite and sphene). Furthermore,
504 they exhibit moderate to high REE fractionation, which can be explained by the
505 retention of HREE by garnet in the source region, similar to that in the Riacho das Lajes
506 Suite. Positive Eu peak is observed in most of the samples and is interpreted as resulting
507 from the high concentration of this element in plagioclase during magma crystallization.
508 Eu negative peaks are also present and reflect retention of this element by the same
509 mineral during magma differentiation.

510 This geochemical signature is typical of magmas generated in subduction-related
511 tectonic settings (Pearce and Peate, 1995; Tatsumi, 2005; Foley et al., 2000; Klemme et
512 al., 2006). Magma generation can be explained by successive episodes of mantle wedge
513 partial melting, which is metasomatized by fluids released from the subducted oceanic
514 plate (Tatsumi, 1989; Schmidt et al., 2004; Li et al., 2009). Such arc-related magmas

515 rise rapidly to the crust where they undergo fractional crystallization (Sisson and Grove,
516 1993; Grove et al., 2003). The tectonic discriminant diagram of Pearce (1984, Fig. 16a)
517 also confirms the proposed tectonic setting, whereas the major and trace element
518 signature points out to an igneous high-K mafic source, with small contributions from
519 metasedimentary sources (Fig. 16b).

520 Some samples are characterized by high concentrations of Ni (>15 ppm), Cr
521 (>20 ppm) and V (> 100 ppm), as well as Ba (> 1000 ppm) and Sr (> 500 ppm). This
522 enrichment of crustal- and mantle-related elements suggests that part of the rock
523 samples from the Floresta Suite is chemically similar to the high-Mg dioritic magmas or
524 sanukitoids (Shirey and Hanson 1984; Stern et al., 1989; Martin et al., 2005, 2010).
525 Experimental studies indicate that such anomalous concentration of these elements rely
526 on the interaction between mantle peridotite and melts enriched in incompatible
527 elements (Halla et al., 2009; Heilimo et al., 2010; Oliveira et al., 2011; Laurent et al.,
528 2014 Semprich et al., 2015). Hence, it seems that the source region for rocks of the
529 Floresta Suite is strongly heterogeneous and the nature of each individual melting origin
530 is still difficult to explain at this time.

531 The mixing of sources is also reflected by high variability of $\epsilon\text{Nd}(t)$ values
532 calculated for the 2.09 Ga crystallization age. They range from positive to strongly
533 negative, and thus reflect strong input of juvenile material as well as an important
534 crustal component. Negative $\epsilon\text{Nd}(t)$ values also suggest an enriched source (Menzies et
535 al., 1987), which can also be an explanation for the enrichment of transition elements in
536 subduction-related magmas (Halla et al., 2009; Laurent et al., 2014).

537 Any tectonic scenario for the generation of the Floresta Suite must account for
538 input from crust and metasomatized mantle. The most common tectonic setting for such
539 rocks involves crustal thickening by terrane accretion, which is generally coeval with
540 slab breakoff events, where the retreat of the slab and lithospheric delamination provide
541 an important heat source (Halla et al., 2009; Laurent et al., 2014). Based on the obtained
542 geochemical and isotopic data, we suggest that subduction took place at 2.1-2.0 Ga
543 and resulted in the emplacement of the Floresta Suite (Fig. 17b). This hypothesis is
544 consistent with the description of several accretion events in the region during the
545 Rhyacian period (2.15 to 2.0 Ga, Santos et al., 2013; Santos et al., 2015a; Neves et al.,
546 2015).

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549 *5.2. Neoproterozoic crustal growth, Paleoproterozoic reworking and regional*
550 *correlations*

551 U-Pb and Sm-Nd data of the TTG rocks of the Riacho das Lajes Suite indicate
552 juvenile magmatism with little crustal contamination at 2.6 Ga in the Borborema
553 Province. This is the first evidence of Archean crust in the Central Subprovince. These
554 rocks present T_{DM} model ages that are very close to the crystallization age and slightly
555 negative to positive $\epsilon Nd(t)$ values. Therefore, they represent an important continental
556 crustal growth event in the region, although evidence for some crustal contamination is
557 also recorded. Dated samples from the Floresta Suite present Rhyacian crystallization
558 ages (~2.1 Ga), and Nd T_{DM} model ages range from Archean to Paleoproterozoic, which
559 suggests mixing of older and younger contributions in the source. These data indicate
560 that crustal growth in the Rhyacian was coeval with reworking of the older Neoproterozoic
561 crust, in addition to inferred mantle metasomatism. An important parameter related to
562 the emplacement of rocks of the Floresta Suite is that negative $\epsilon Nd(t)$ values are
563 concentrated in the rims of the intrusion, whereas positive values are present in its core.
564 This strongly suggests that crustal contamination took place mostly in the peripheral
565 region of the intrusion, triggered by country rocks.

566 It has been suggested that continental growth has been episodic throughout
567 Earth's history, with main events marked by peaks at 3.3, 2.7, 1.9 and 1.2 Ga (Condie
568 and Kröner, 2013; Brown, 2009; Hawkesworth et al., 2010; Cawood et al., 2013).
569 Moreover, in several cratonic blocks worldwide, the main growth episodes in the
570 Archean took place at approximately 2.7 Ga (Bleeker, 2003). However, although less
571 frequently, juvenile TTGs dated at 2.6 Ga, such as for the Riacho das Lajes, have been
572 documented in the Yilgarn Craton in West Australia (Griffin et al., 2004) and in the
573 North China Craton in China (Wang and Liu, 2012), which suggests that subduction-
574 related events and crustal accretion continued until the Neoproterozoic-Paleoproterozoic
575 transition, at least in some continental margins (Condie, 2000; Laurent et al., 2014).

576 Nevertheless, the recognition of such Archean and Paleoproterozoic crustal
577 fragments within younger provinces, such as the Borborema Province, remains a

578 difficult challenge, primarily because of the intense crustal reworking by younger
579 tectonic events. Most of the Archean domains concentrated in the northern portion of
580 the province are interpreted as part of ancient far-travelled terranes or basement inliers,
581 such as the São José do Campestre Massif (Dantas et al., 2013; Souza et al., 2016),
582 Tróia Massif (Costa et al., 2015; Ganade de Araujo et al., 2017) and Granjeiro Terrane
583 (Delgado et al., 2003; Silva et al., 2014). Late Archean associations in these domains
584 have ages in the 2.8-2.7 Ga interval and are a record of juvenile and reworked crust,
585 such as the quartz-dioritic to syenogranitic rocks of the São José do Campestre Terrane
586 and the orthogneisses and granitoids of the Cruzeta Complex of the Tróia Massif (Fetter
587 et al., 2000). Similarity of ages and sources for these Archean successions suggest they
588 may have been linked by the Late Archean.

589 Possible correlatives of the Riacho das Lajes Suite occur in neighboring cratons.
590 For instance, Neoproterozoic crustal growth followed by Paleoproterozoic reworking has
591 been documented in the juvenile and reworked mafic-ultramafic sequences, grey
592 gneisses, migmatites and granitic rocks of the Serrinha and Jequié Blocks and
593 Contendas Mirante Belt in the São Francisco Craton (Teixeira et al., 2000; Barbosa and
594 Sabaté, 2005; Oliveira et al., 2011; Romano et al., 2013; Farina et al., 2015). Lastly,
595 Rhyacian orthogneisses are widespread in the inner domains of the Borborema Province
596 as basement rocks. For instance, recent geochronological and geochemical investigation
597 conducted by Neves et al., (2015), has demonstrated that calc-alkaline rocks aged at 2.1
598 Ga occur through the Central Domain of the Borborema Province, including the Rio
599 Capibaribe Terrane, such as the Vertentes Complex, indicating that these domains may
600 have been connected during that time. Such domains also finds continuity in the African
601 continent, being resulted of the Paleoproterozoic the long-lived Eburnean orogeny
602 (Hein, 2010; Baratoux et al., 2011; Blocks et al., 2014).

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604 5.3. *Tectonic evolution of the Alto Moxotó Terrane and implications for*
605 *supercontinent reconstructions*

606 Previous geodynamic hypotheses on the evolution of the Alto Moxotó Terrane
607 did not consider tectonic events older than the Siderian (2.5-2.3 Ga, Santos et al., 2004;
608 Santos et al., 2015a). However, several inherited zircon grains with ages around 2.7 to

609 2.6 Ga and associated Archean Nd T_{DM} model ages of the Siderian and Rhyacian units
610 strongly indicate the formation of older crust (Santos et al., 2015a). Nevertheless,
611 available isotopic data concerning crustal events between 2.4 and 2.2 Ga in the Alto
612 Moxotó Terrane are rather scarce. The absence of data over this large time span
613 hampers formulation of major geodynamic models or establishing accurate correlations.
614 A synthesis of available isotopic data plus the results of this study is presented in Fig.
615 18.

616 In the present study, we suggest that the evolution of the Alto Moxotó Terrane
617 began with a subduction-related event in the Neoproterozoic (ca. 2.6 Ga), which involved
618 the melting of oceanic basaltic crust in an intra-oceanic setting that produced the TTG
619 magmas of the Riacho das Lajes Suite. Subsequently, this geodynamic scenario may
620 have evolved to cratonized crust or microcontinent in the early Paleoproterozoic that
621 may have been the source of several inherited Archean zircon grains found in other
622 Paleoproterozoic units (Santos et al., 2015a). Between 2.2 and 2.0 Ga, arc accretion
623 took place within a continental magmatic arc context and produced mafic-ultramafic
624 tholeiitic magmas that evolved to calc-alkaline magmas (Santos et al., 2015b; Neves et
625 al., 2015). Peraluminous gneisses formed at approximately 2.0 Ga indicate a final
626 continental collision marking the end of this convergent cycle, and resulted in high-
627 grade metamorphism (see Santos et al., 2015a and Neves et al., 2015 for details).

628 Several authors stated that most of cratonic fragments or microcontinents are
629 missing in Paleoproterozoic supercontinent reconstructions, which may be represented
630 by basement inliers or exotic terranes that occur within younger orogenic belts (e.g.
631 Reddy and Evans, 2009; Bradley, 2011). In this sense, the recognition of old crustal
632 segments, such as the Alto Moxotó Terrane within the Neoproterozoic Borborema
633 Province, may provide useful information to understanding the evolution of
634 Paleoproterozoic supercontinents such as Nuna and Atlantica (Rogers and Santosh
635 2004; Zhao et al., 2002, 2004).

636 [Fig. 18 near here]

637 **6. Conclusions**

638 The main obtained results of this paper can be summarized as:

639 (1) In the westernmost Alto Moxotó Terrane, Borborema Province, NE Brazil,
640 we identified two distinct metaplutonic suites that represent important Neoproterozoic (ca.
641 2.6 Ga) and Rhyacian (ca. 2.1 Ga) tectono-magmatic events;

642 (2) Emplacement of the high-Al low-REE TTG Riacho das Lajes Suite is the
643 first record of Neoproterozoic rocks within the Central Subprovince of the Borborema
644 Province. Its rock association was generated in a garnet-rich and fluid-absent source,
645 which points to slab melting of oceanic crust metamorphosed under eclogite facies
646 conditions. Nd isotopes clearly indicate a juvenile source with only minor crustal
647 contamination. We interpret this event as the result of subduction beneath a thick
648 oceanic plateau/protocrust;

649 (3) Emplacement of the Floresta Suite tonalites, granodiorites and granites
650 represents the Paleoproterozoic event (ca. 2.1 Ga). Geochemical parameters are
651 compatible with subduction-related magmas. Combined trace-element geochemistry and
652 isotopic data indicate a heterogeneous source, involving K-rich mafic rocks and minor
653 contributions of metasedimentary deposits. Mantle metasomatism likely also took place.
654 Heterogeneity is also reflected in the distribution of $\epsilon\text{Nd}(t)$ values, suggesting major
655 involvement of country rocks, particularly in the marginal zones of the intrusions. The
656 Floresta Suite records both juvenile magmatism and intense crustal reworking of
657 Archean to Paleoproterozoic crust. We suggest that the Rhyacian (ca. 2.1 Ga) accretion
658 of terranes resulted in the emplacement of the Floresta magmas, coeval with slab
659 breakoff. Slab retreat and lithospheric delamination provided the heat source. This
660 interpretation is consistent with several subduction-related events suggested for this
661 period in the Borborema Province.

662 (4) Although the major Neoproterozoic crustal growth events have been dated at 2.7
663 Ga in several provinces worldwide, magmatism extended until 2.6 and 2.5 Ga, as
664 recorded in the Riacho das Lajes Suite of the Alto Moxotó Terrane. Accretion of
665 Rhyacian (ca. 2.1 Ga) magmatic arc was widespread in most Paleoproterozoic cratonic
666 blocks, including the São Francisco-Congo Craton, where they are interpreted as being
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1032 **FIG. CAPTIONS**

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1034 West Africa and northeastern South America, b) tectonic framework of the Borborema
1035 Province and c) Simplified geological map of the Central Subprovince and its terranes
1036 with the study area highlighted.

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1038 Floresta suites. PEL = Pernambuco Lineament, SJN = Serra de Jabitacá Nappe. The red
1039 circles of Floresta and Airí represents the main towns of the area.

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1041 (Riacho das Lajes suite); b) Biotite gneiss with well developed compositional banding
1042 (Riacho das Lajes suite); c) Stromatic metatexite with tonalitic protolith (Riacho das
1043 Lajes suite); d) Metagranitoid with granodioritic composition (Floresta suite); e)
1044 Coarse-grained metatonalite (Floresta Suite); e) Compositional banding of tonalitic to
1045 granodioritic orthogneiss (Floresta Suite).

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1047 suites reported in the Q-A-P triangular diagram from Streckeisen (1976).

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1051 Lajes Suite); c) Elongated biotite within quartz-plagioclase aggregates in
1052 metagranodiorite (Riacho das Lajes Suite); d) and e) Graboblastic texture in
1053 metatonalite and metadiorite, respectively (Floresta Suite), f) Greenish hornblende
1054 aggregates in metagranitic rock (Floresta Suite).

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1057 diagram (Frost et al. 2001); c) SiO_2 vs. $\text{FeOt}/(\text{FeOt} + \text{MgO})$ diagram (Frost et al. 2001);
1058 d) $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3/(\text{Na}_2\text{O} + \text{K}_2\text{O})$ molar vs. $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3/\text{CaO} + \text{Na}_2\text{O} + \text{K}_2\text{O}$ molar diagram (Maniar
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1060 trondhjemitic (Barker and Arth, 1976) evolutions.

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1062 of the Riacho das Lajes Suite, 1995; c) Spider diagrams of trace elements abundances
1063 and b) REE abundances for rocks of the Floresta Suite. Spiderdiagrams were
1064 normalized by primitive mantle from McDonough and Sun, 1995 and REE normalized
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1083 TTG and adakites and normal calc-alkaline rocks from Drummond and Defant (1990)
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1086 amphibolites and amphibolites were calculated using the batch melting equation of
1087 Shaw (1970) and the partition coefficients compiled Rollinson (1993) and Nielsen
1088 (2007); c) $(Gd/Er)_n$ vs. MgO diagram with fields of low- to high HREE TTG and
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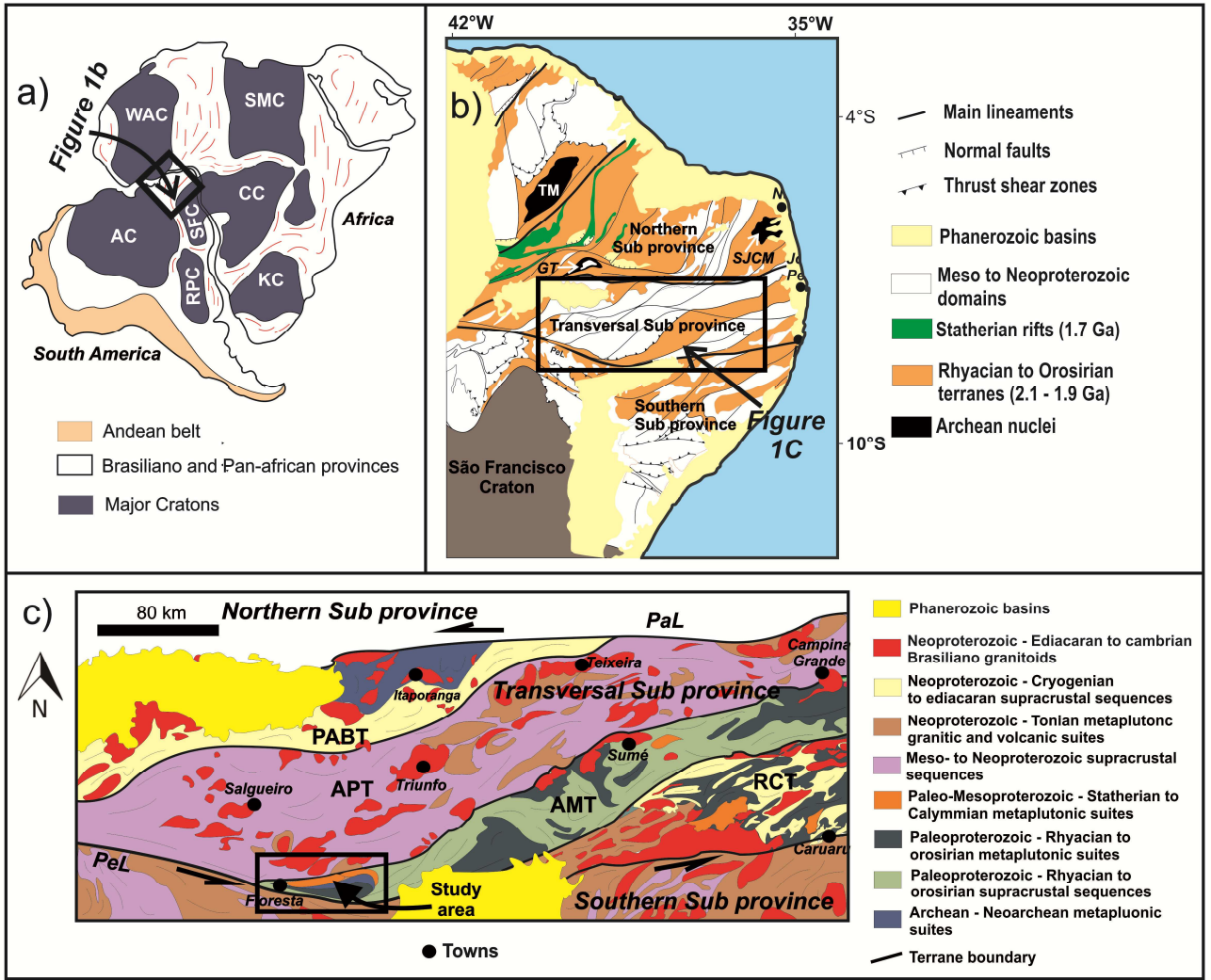
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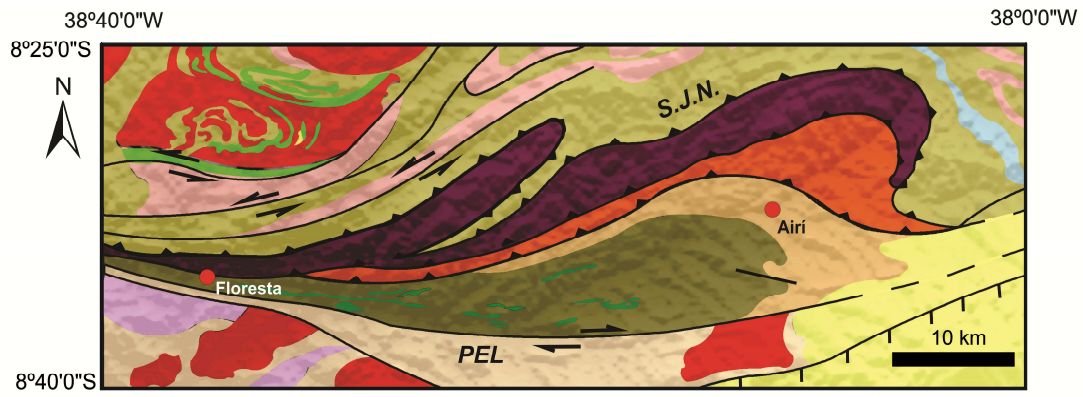
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Fig. 1

**Phanerozoic - Sedimentary cover**

Jatobá Basin

Neoproterozoic

Brasiliano granites

Cariris Velhos metagranitoids

Serrote das Pedras Pretas Suite: Metamafic and metaultramafic rocks

São Caetano Complex: paragneisses and metavolcanic rocks

Cabrobó Complex: paragneisses, schists marble and amphibolites

Belém do São Francisco Complex: orthogneisses and metamafic rocks

Paleoproterozoic

Riacho do Navio orthogneisses.

Malhada Vermelha Suite: metamafic and metaultramafic rocks

Sertânia Complex: paragneisses and migmatites

Floresta Batolith: metadioritic to metagranitic rocks.

Archean

Riacho das Lajes Suite: tonalites, diorites and quartz-diorites.

⇐⇐⇐ Sinistral strike-slip shear zone

⇐⇐⇐ Dextral strike-slip shear zone

⇐⇐⇐ Thrust shear zone

—|— Normal fault

—|— Covered shear zone

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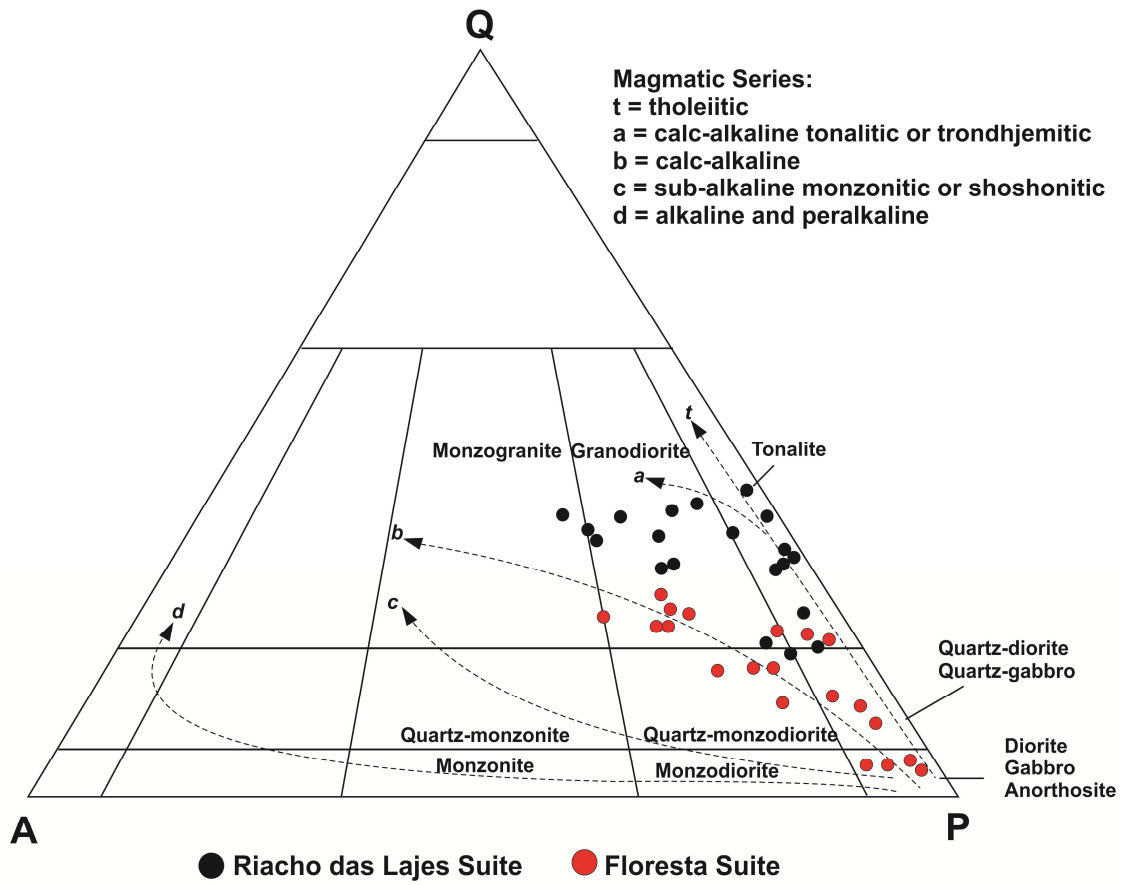
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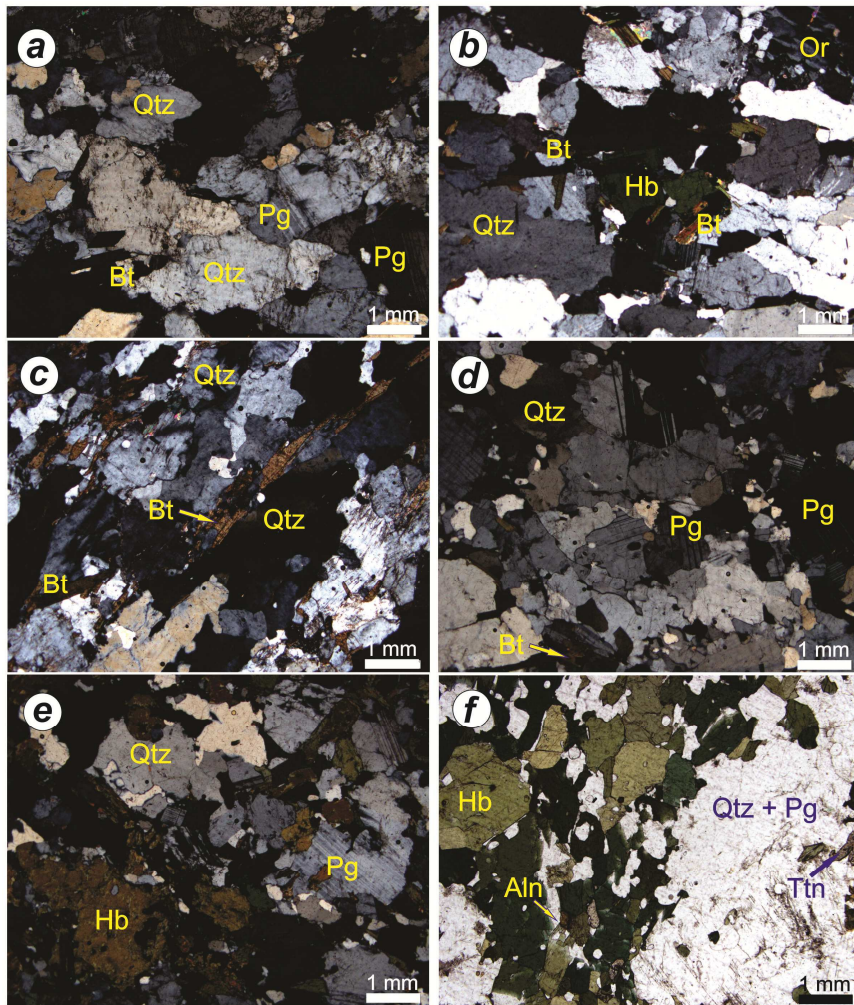
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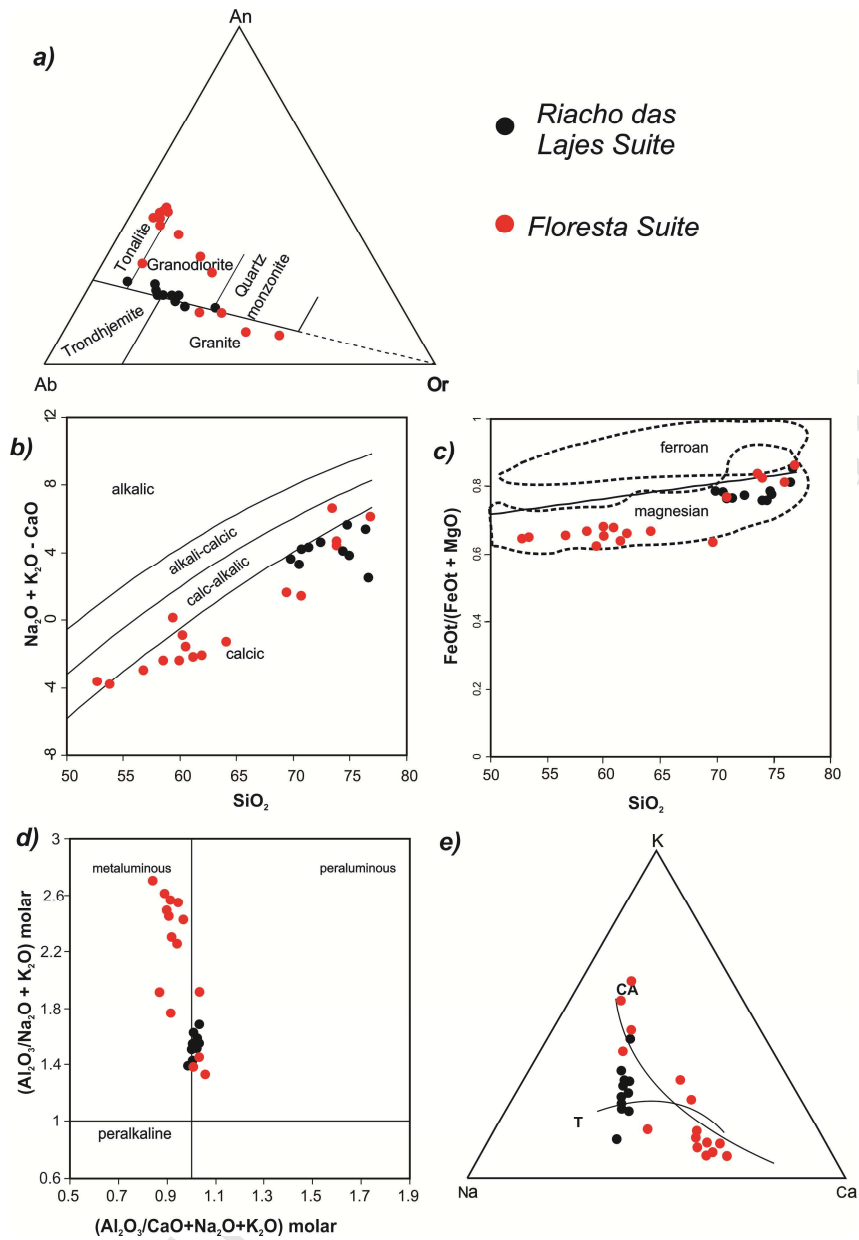
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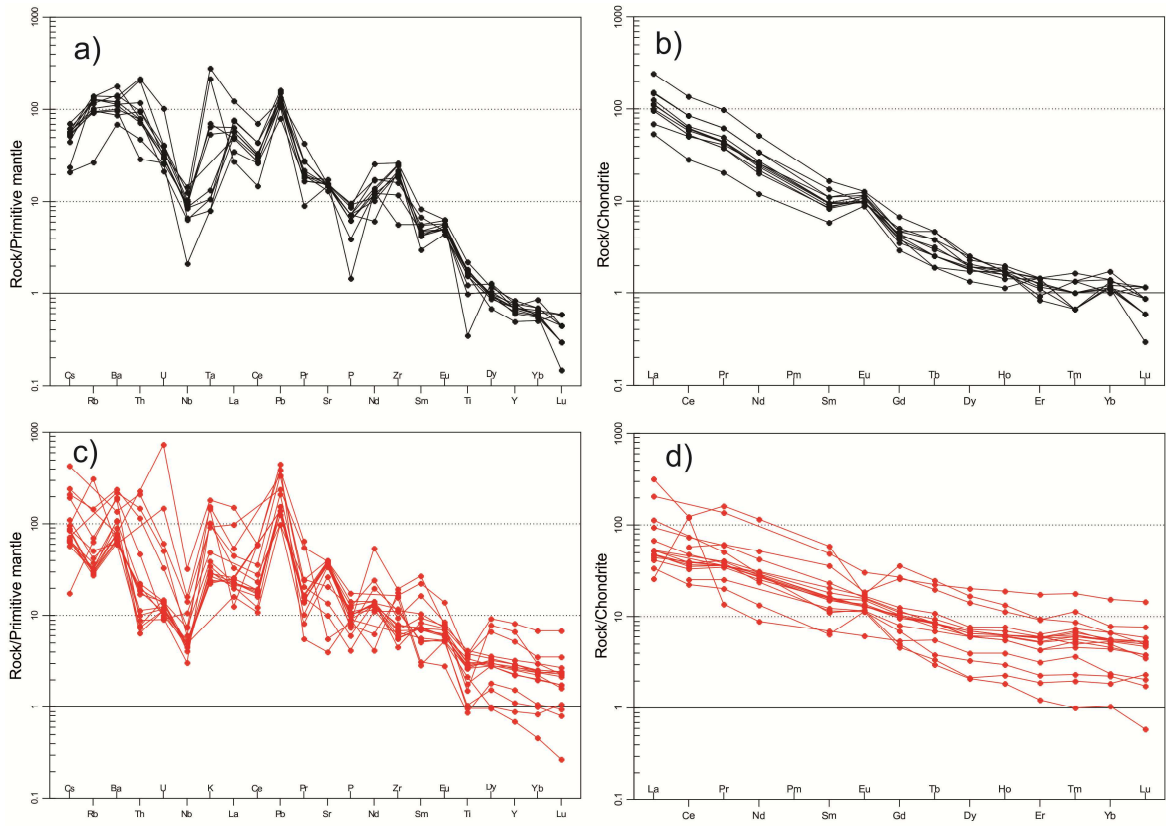
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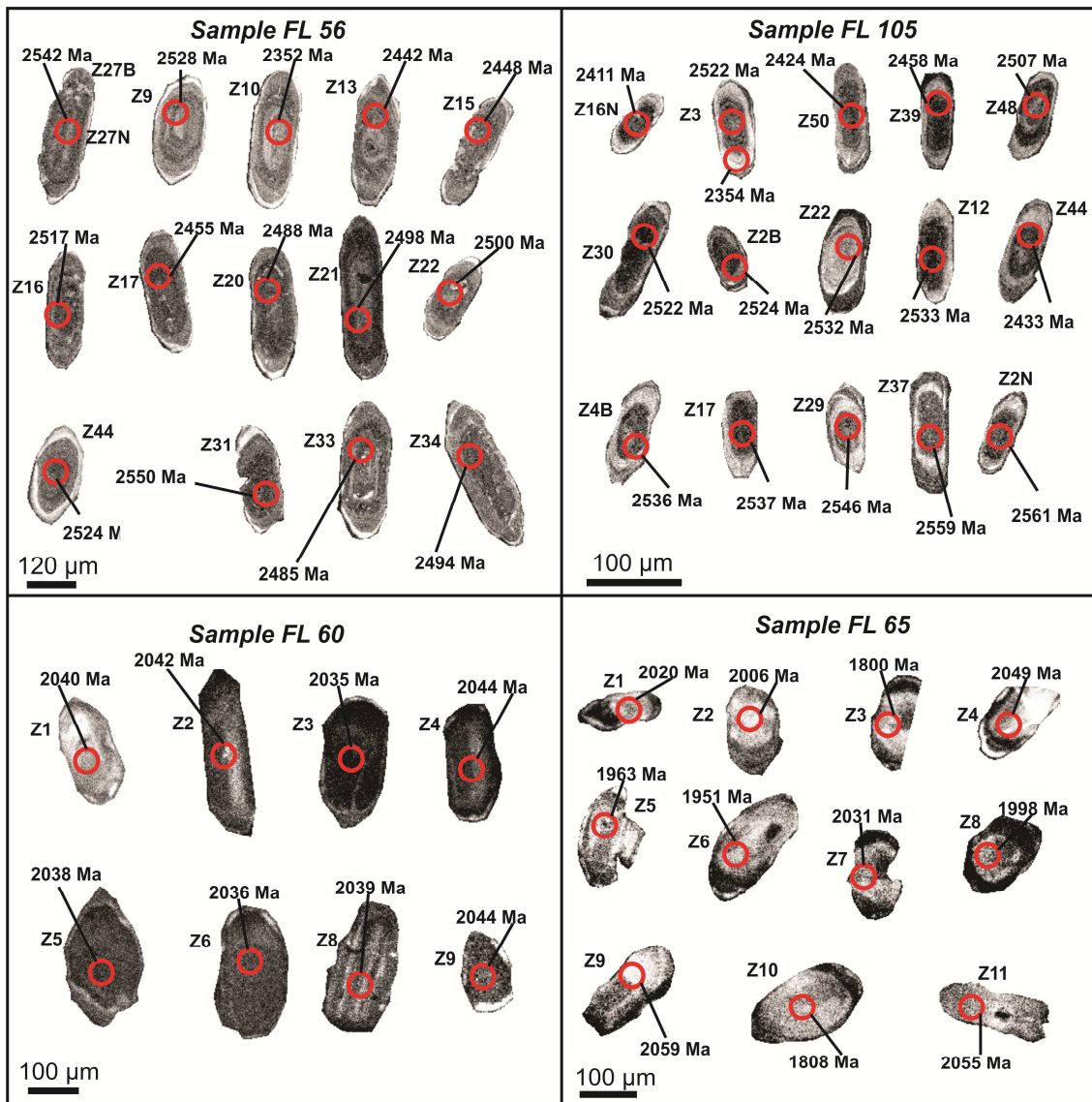
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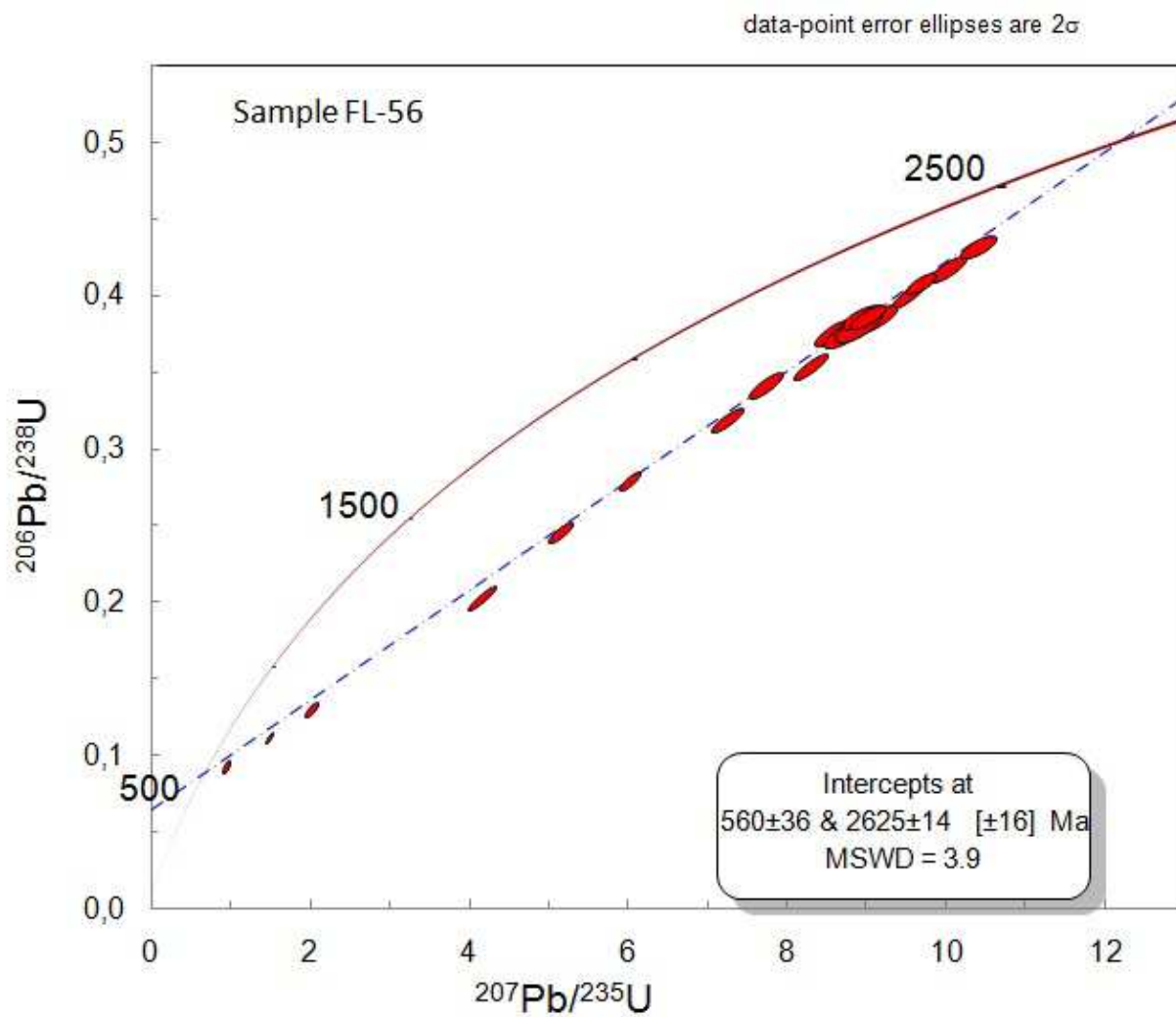
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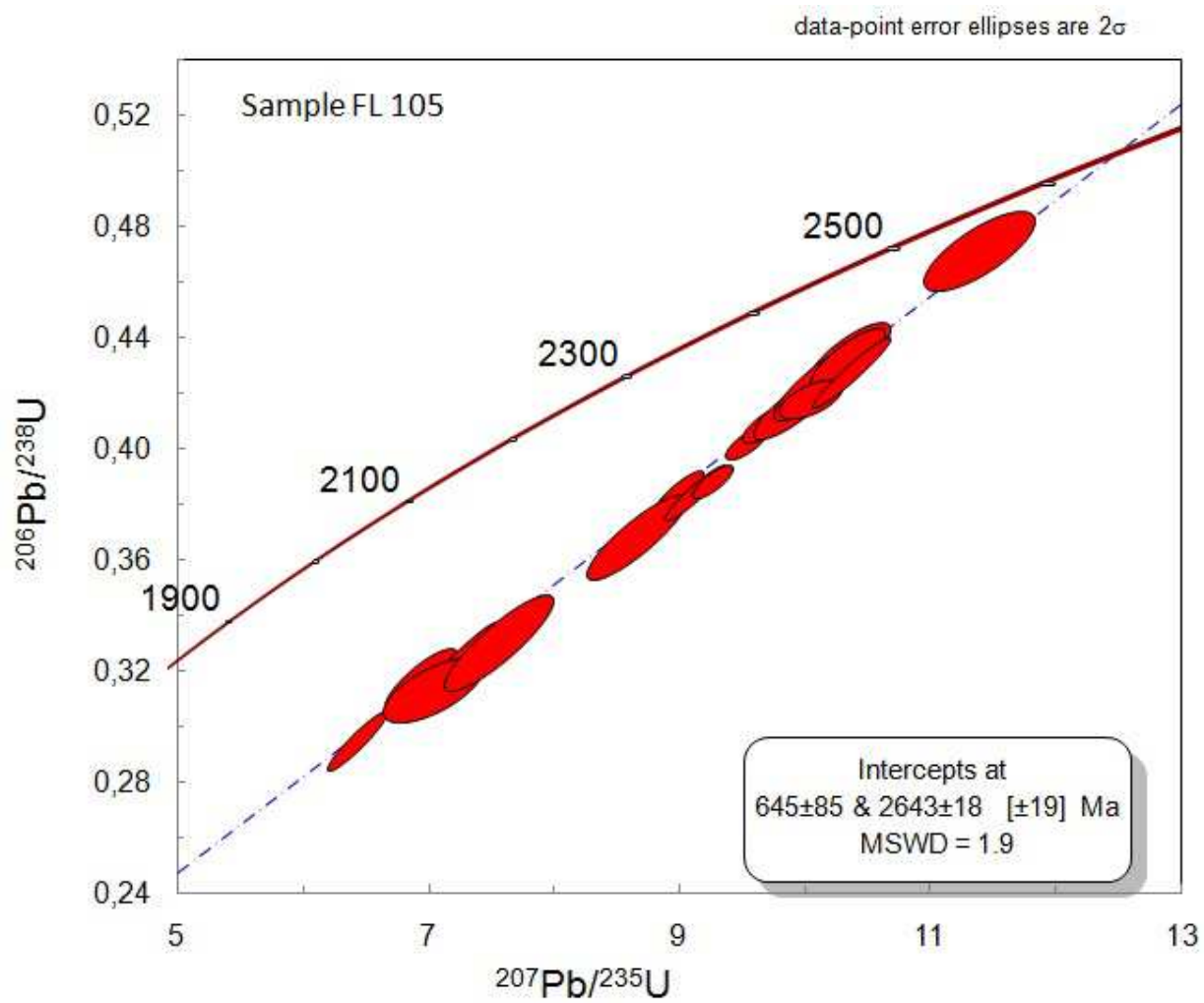
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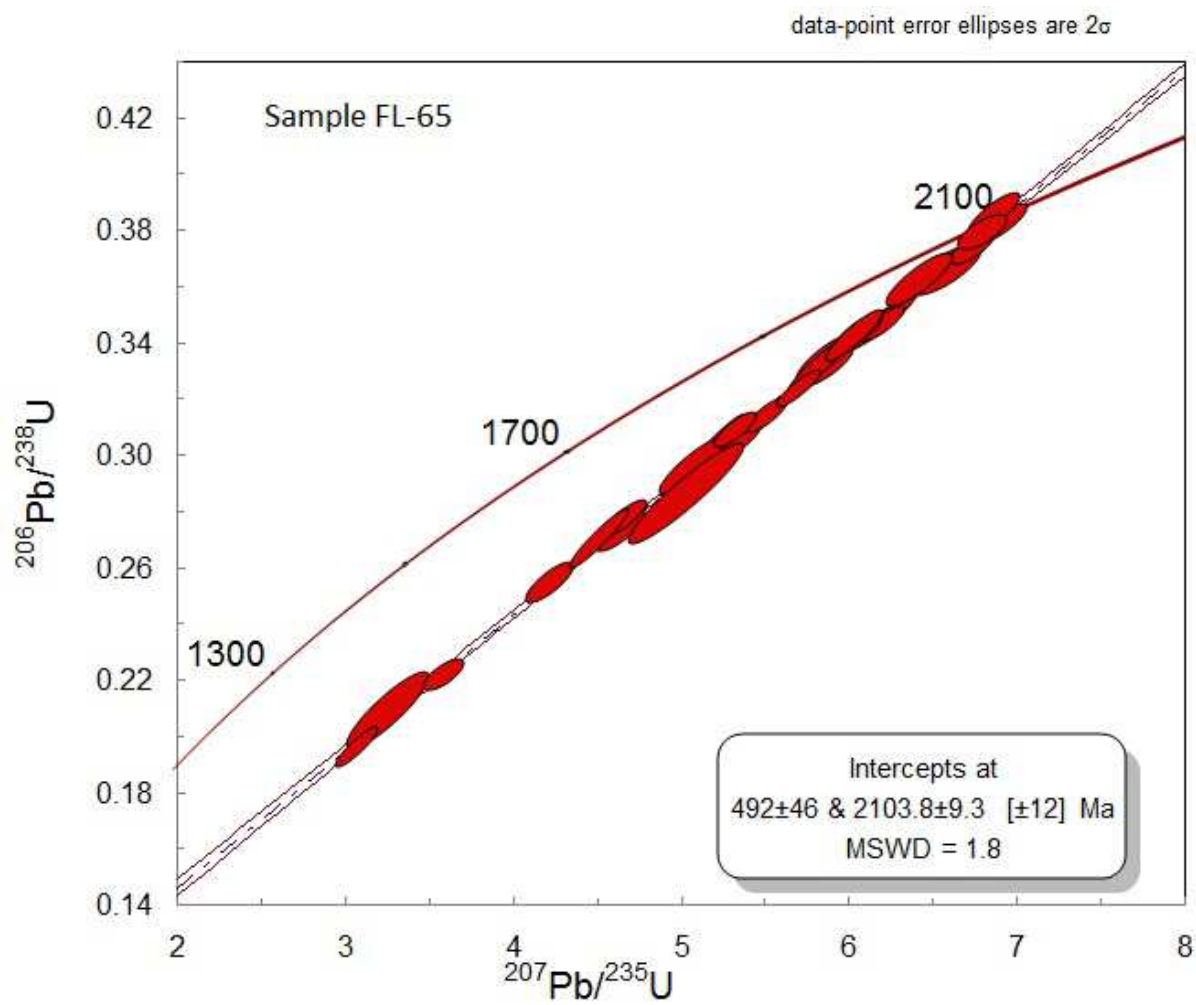
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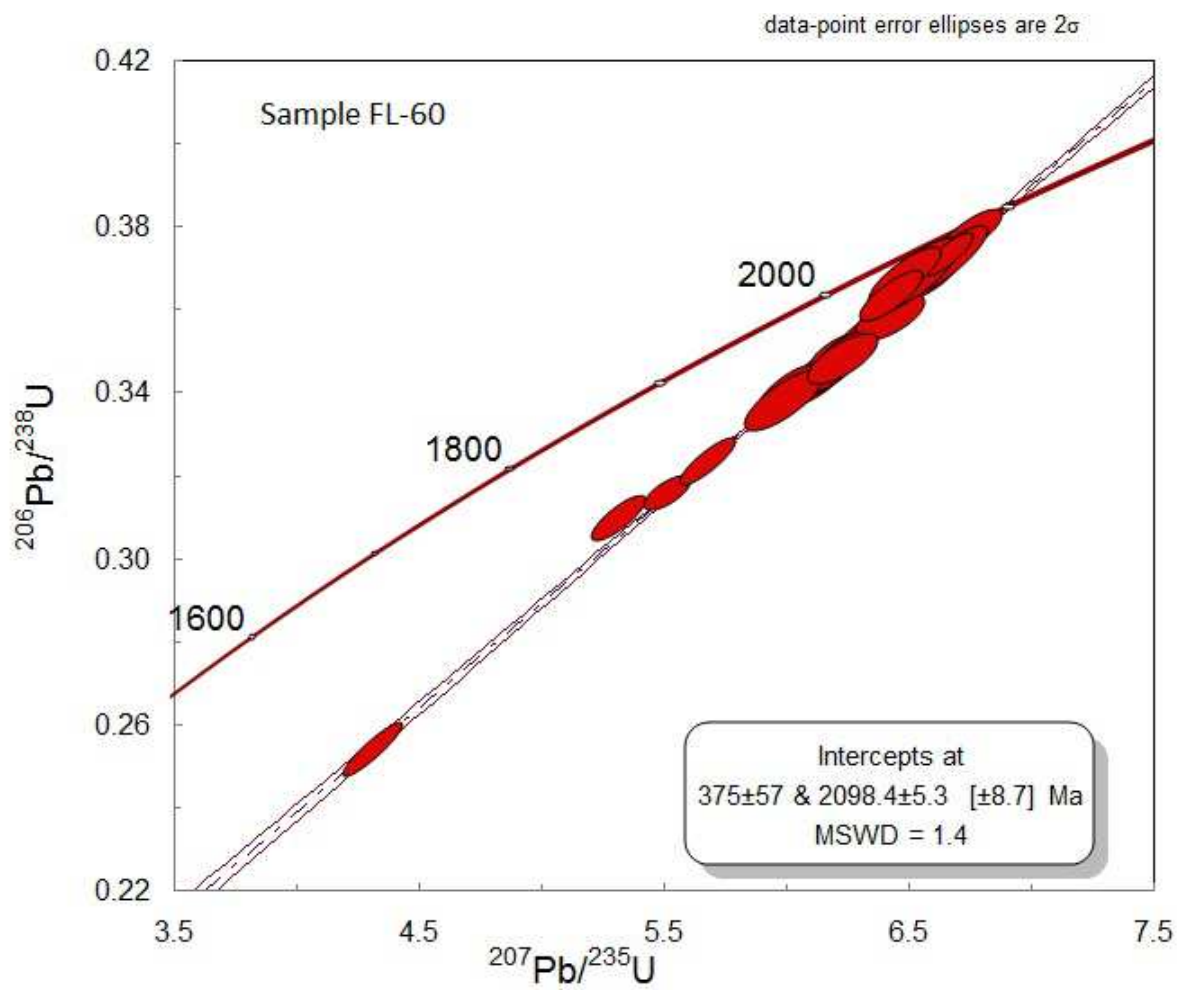
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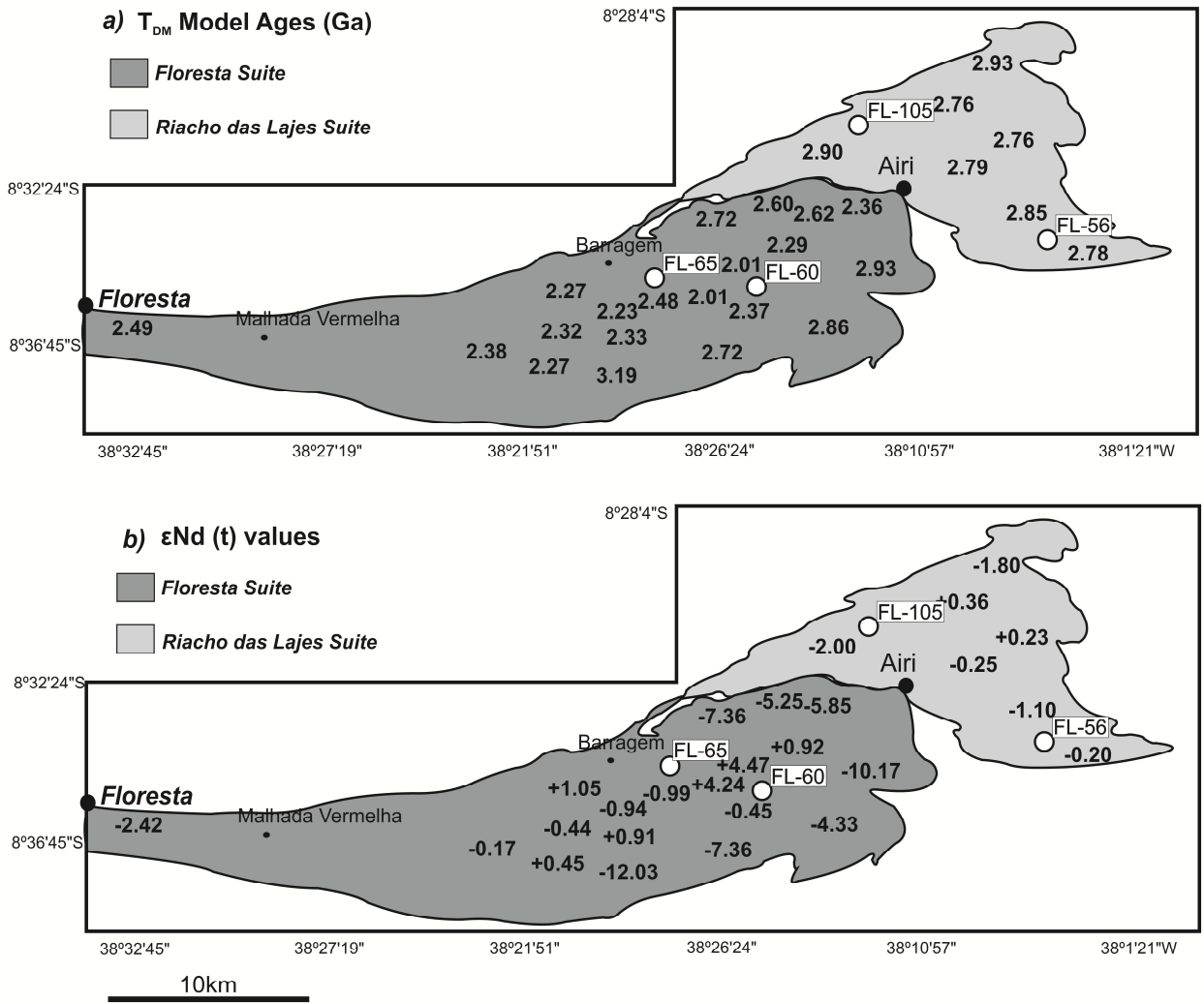
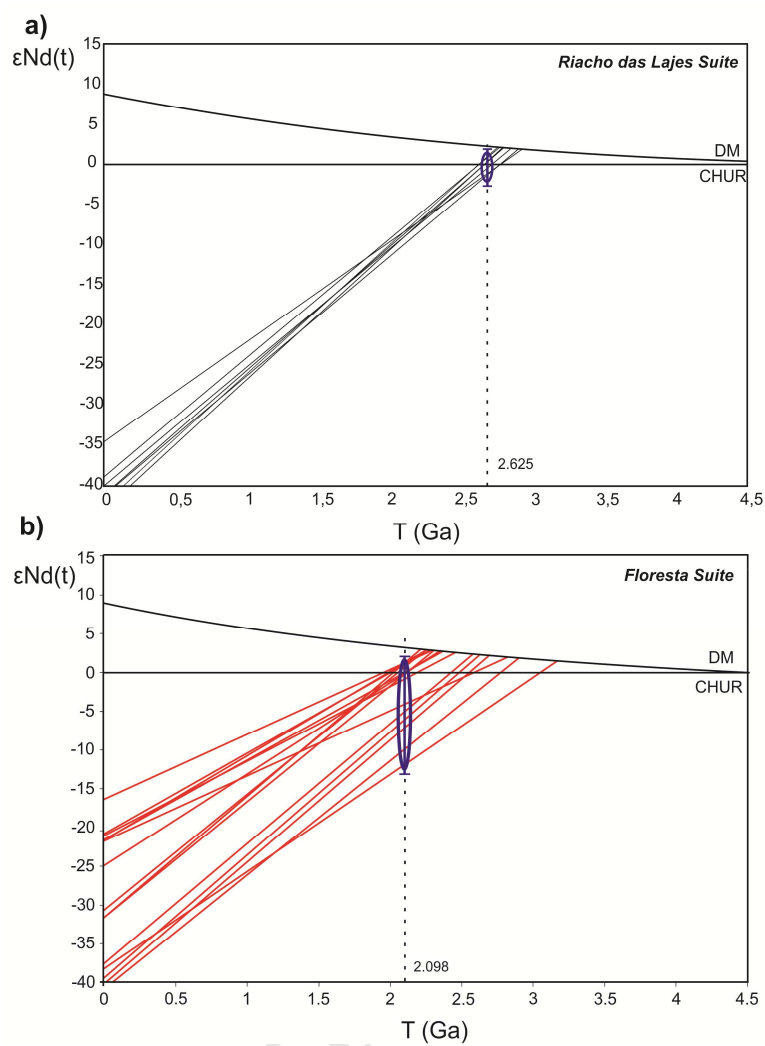


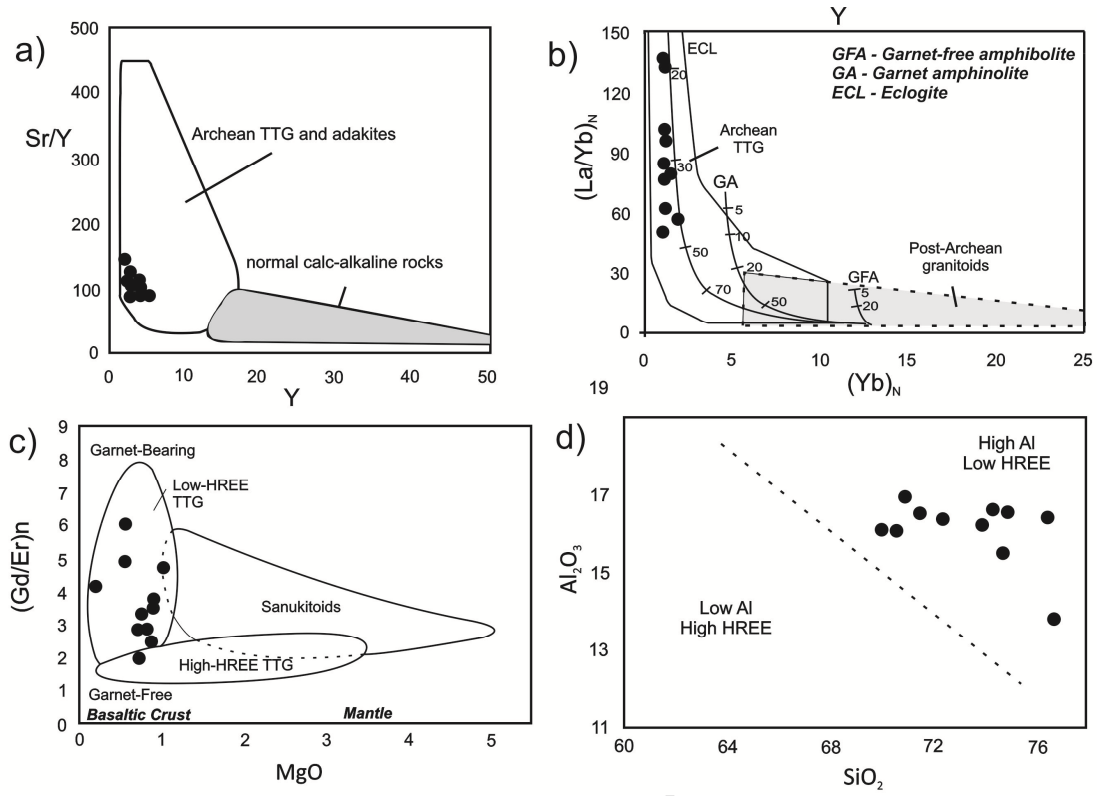
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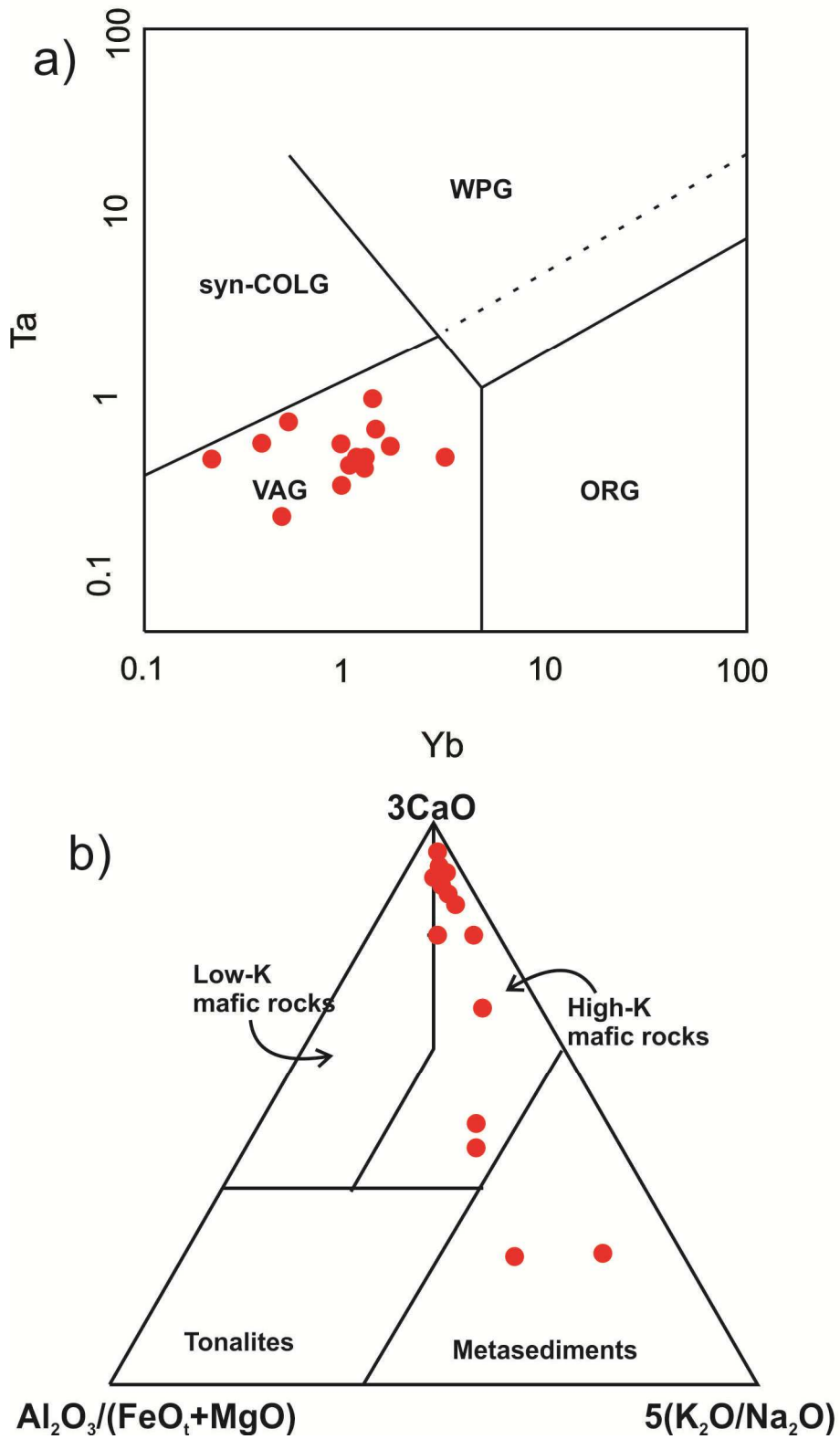
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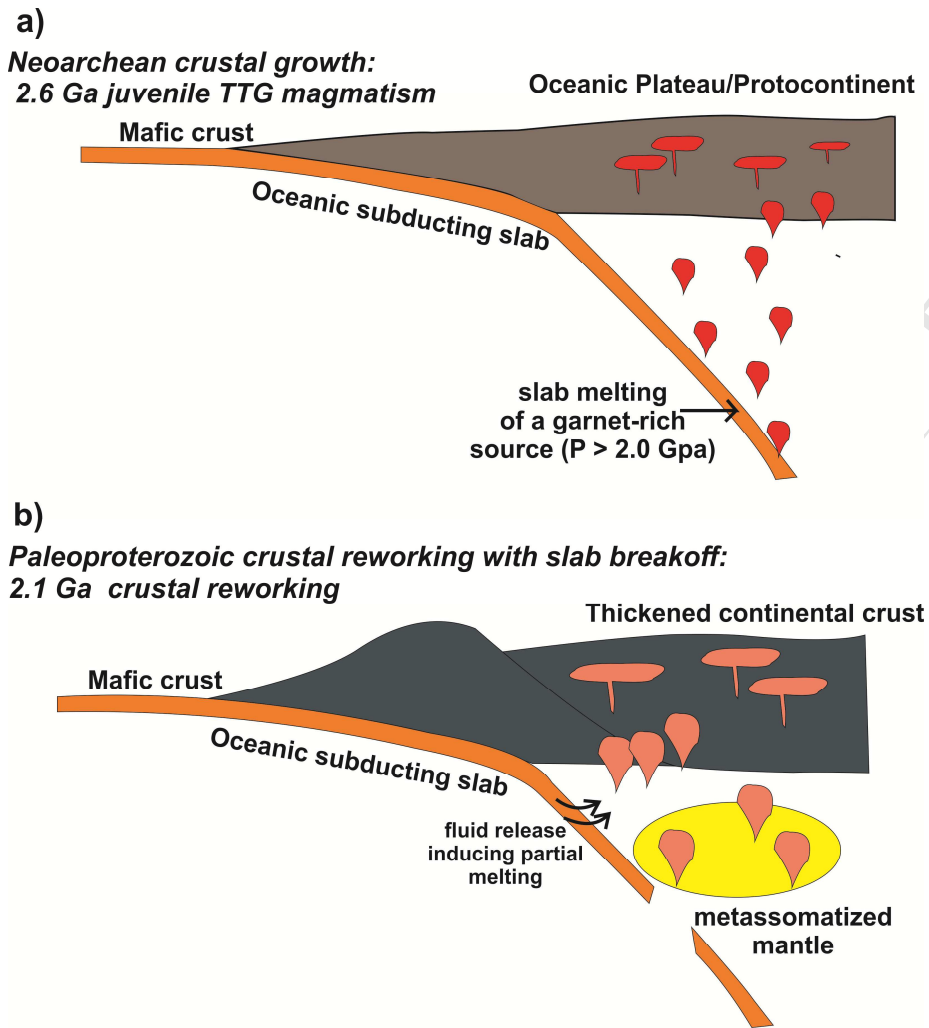
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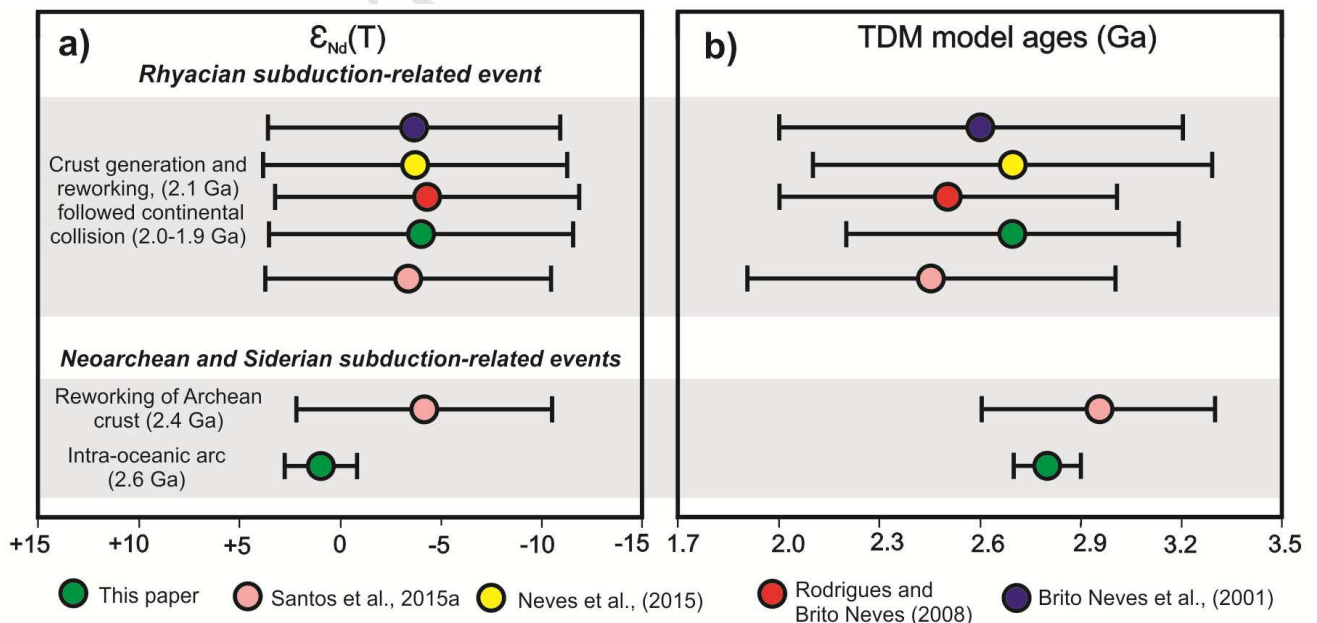
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Sample	RL 01	RL 02	RL 03	RL 04	RL 05	RL 06	FL 55	FL 56	FL 57	FL 58	FL 105
Major elements (wt.%)											
Al ₂ O ₃	16.9	16.3	16.6	16.5	16.0	16.0	13.8	16.5	15.45	16.4	16.1
CaO	3.22	2.95	3.17	3.3	3.39	3.16	2.86	3.09	2.54	2.75	3.07
Fe ₂ O ₃	3.69	3.20	2.8	2.78	3.11	2.97	1.04	3.16	2.12	2.64	2.98
Cr ₂ O ₃	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.02	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01
K ₂ O	2.69	2.89	2.36	2.17	1.88	2.05	0.83	2.75	4.23	3.35	2.87
MgO	1.02	0.84	0.8	0.71	0.78	0.73	0.15	0.88	0.53	0.54	0.86
MnO	0.04	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.02	0.03	0.02	0.03	0.03
Na ₂ O	4.85	4.67	5.0	5.07	4.76	4.82	4.43	4.76	3.98	4.79	4.61
P ₂ O ₅	0.18	0.15	0.15	0.19	0.13	0.15	0.03	0.23	0.08	0.15	0.13
SiO ₂	70.8	72.4	74.3	74.8	70.5	69.8	76.7	71.3	74.7	76.4	73.9
TiO ₂	0.44	0.37	0.34	0.31	0.35	0.32	0.07	0.35	0.2	0.25	0.34
Trace elements (ppm)											
Ba	802	946	733	659	570	631	460	746	1190	911	796
Ce	118	56.4	46.4	46.5	54.3	25.1	44.1	74.2	51.1	73.6	53.5
Cr	140	150	160	160	110	140	70.0	70.0	60.0	60.0	70.0
Cs	1.49	1.33	1.21	1.09	1.22	1.13	0.44	0.94	0.5	1.21	1.14
Dy	0.78	0.63	0.66	0.59	0.67	0.46	0.87	0.67	0.71	0.85	0.61
Er	0.33	0.32	0.28	0.32	0.33	0.33	0.26	0.29	0.21	0.19	0.25
Eu	0.99	0.78	0.84	0.77	0.87	0.68	0.97	0.89	0.75	0.74	0.77
Ga	20.4	19.8	20.2	19.8	20.3	20.7	12.0	19.7	16.9	17.4	18.8
Gd	1.89	0.98	1.16	1.11	1.17	0.81	1.3	1.31	1.23	1.4	1.06
Hf	6.9	6.7	5.3	5.7	6.3	5.6	1.8	4.8	3.2	4.4	5.2
Ho	0.14	0.1	0.13	0.12	0.12	0.08	0.12	0.11	0.12	0.12	0.11
La	80.1	41.4	31.9	32.0	37.1	18.0	22.8	49.1	33.2	50.1	37.7
Lu	0.03	0.04	0.04	0.02	0.03	0.04	0.01	0.02	0.03	0.03	0.02
Nb	8.4	6.9	6.0	9.6	6.5	6.4	1.4	5.6	4.2	4.4	5.8

Nd	32.6	17.4	12.8	14.0	16.3	7.7	16.2	21.6	15.6	22.0	15.1
Pr	11.0	5.63	4.3	4.28	5.11	2.31	4.65	6.99	4.95	7.09	4.91
Rb	75.1	69.9	61.9	56.7	58.5	56.0	16.1	77.9	82.8	84.0	76.6
Sm	3.44	1.97	1.73	1.71	1.95	1.21	2.28	2.26	1.94	2.77	1.82
Sn	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	n.d.	n.d	1.00	n.d.	1.00	n.d
Sr	311	304	312	316	311	296	352	308	263	294	295
Ta	10.4	2.41	2.60	2.12	2.03	8.00	0.38	0.48	0.46	0.39	0.50
Tb	0.22	0.12	0.12	0.09	0.15	0.09	0.22	0.18	0.14	0.18	0.12
Th	16.6	7.73	5.74	6.25	7.63	2.35	3.87	9.55	6.36	17.25	6.34
Tm	0.04	0.02	0.03	0.02	0.05	0.04	0.03	0.03	0.04	0.02	0.02
U	0.83	0.82	0.61	0.66	0.72	0.53	0.52	0.62	0.43	2.07	0.62
V	32.0	31.0	27.0	25.0	26.0	25.0	7.0	31.0	14.0	17.0	27.0
W	12.0	9.0	11.0	10.0	8.0	8.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	5.0	3.0
Y	3.6	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.3	2.1	3.3	2.6	3.1	2.9	2.7
Yb	0.31	0.29	0.27	0.26	0.31	0.22	0.25	0.24	0.38	0.25	0.25
Zr	278.0	268.0	212.0	228.0	261.0	229.0	59.0	193.0	125.0	170.0	205.0

Table 1 - Major (wt. %) and trace element (ppm) concentrations of the Riacho das Lajes Suite, Alto Moxotó Terrane, NE Brazil.

Sample	FL02	FL05	FL06	FL07	FL09	FL10	FL19	FL51B	FL60	FL65	FL122	FL 20	FL 67	FL59	FL10b	FL20	FL64
Major elements (wt.%)																	
Al ₂ O ₃	13.1	18.9	18.6	19.9	20.8	15.0	18.1	15.7	17.1	18.5	13.0	13.5	16.9	14.9	17.2	17.1	18.1
CaO	1.94	7.52	7.41	8.17	8.83	3.76	6.79	2.35	6.39	6.61	1.15	1.32	6.04	4.51	6.56	6.53	8.46
Fe ₂ O ₃	2.43	7.63	7.8	8.41	10.7	3.96	7.98	1.99	7.49	7.10	1.62	3.07	7.89	3.36	6.59	5.95	9.49
K ₂ O	3.12	0.89	0.87	0.92	1.18	1.00	1.04	4.63	2.79	0.74	4.43	5.49	1.49	3.02	0.71	0.68	0.82
MgO	0.44	3.57	3.52	4.02	5.22	1.02	3.41	0.41	4.13	3.28	0.23	0.52	3.41	1.91	3.19	3.08	4.69
MnO	0.05	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.19	0.05	0.12	0.02	0.12	0.13	0.02	0.06	0.17	0.06	0.14	0.13	0.16
Na ₂ O	3.66	4.09	3.99	4.07	4.06	4.22	4.01	3.95	3.63	4.09	2.91	2.52	3.55	3.14	3.61	3.60	3.53
P ₂ O ₅	0.09	0.24	0.22	0.23	0.31	0.17	0.2	0.13	0.38	0.21	0.20	0.18	0.27	0.16	0.22	0.22	0.08
SiO ₂	74.4	59.8	58.4	56.4	52.5	71.1	60.4	76.2	59.2	63.8	76.71	73.50	59.9	69.5	61.4	61.3	53.1
TiO ₂	0.23	0.66	0.66	0.73	0.91	0.47	0.57	0.21	0.78	0.63	0.19	0.33	0.80	0.39	0.60	0.58	0.84
Trace elements (ppm)																	
Ba	1345	460	473	432	507	746	427	1545	948	545	418	546	1290	1660	641	763	542
Ce	41.3	31.6	34	28.7	33.3	19.4	21.8	59	125	30.3	104.5	106.5	49.8	63.8	34.0	33.7	34.6
Cr	60	80	80	70	70	100	130	60	110	60	n.d.	10	40	30	20	20	40
Cs	0.14	0.68	0.71	0.53	0.89	0.53	0.71	0.57	3.39	0.54	0.77	1.93	1.53	1.66	0.51	0.46	0.52
Dy	1.15	2.26	2.08	2.13	2.66	0.74	2.07	0.72	4.88	2.23	1.36	5.75	6.91	2.07	2.38	2.39	2.48
Er	0.52	1.35	1.21	1.18	1.44	0.43	0.98	0.28	2.1	1.29	0.72	2.13	3.91	0.98	1.31	1.33	1.35

Eu	0.87	1.05	1.16	1.02	1.30	0.87	0.89	0.91	2.37	0.99	0.47	1.36	1.43	1.25	1.01	1.01	1.21
Ga	11.7	17.8	18.2	18.6	21.0	14.2	18.5	17.0	19.6	18	23.5	21.3	22.1	16.2	21.9	20.8	24.7
Gd	1.92	2.8	2.87	2.84	3.47	1.27	2.24	1.38	7.53	2.89	1.50	9.93	7.21	3.24	2.81	2.69	3.09
Hf	3.4	2.0	1.6	1.6	1.9	4.4	1.9	3.3	4.8	2.3	6.2	6.4	2.9	3.4	2.3	1.8	1.5
Ho	0.21	0.44	0.43	0.42	0.54	0.16	0.39	0.13	0.80	0.44	0.28	0.95	1.33	0.39	0.44	0.44	0.49
La	22.7	15.6	17.7	13.6	15.7	11.2	10.0	37.5	68.4	15.8	8.6	104.5	21.0	31.1	17.1	17.5	14.7
Lu	0.06	0.16	0.18	0.12	0.17	0.08	0.13	0.02	0.26	0.18	0.07	0.20	0.50	0.13	0.18	0.17	0.17
Nb	2.2	3.2	3.2	2.9	5.3	3.5	3.5	4.3	10.1	3.5	11.5	23.1	7.7	5.4	3.8	3.5	3.5
Nd	15.1	17.1	17.7	15.9	19.5	8.5	12.0	18.4	56.0	17.4	5.6	73.4	32.8	26.9	18.3	18.4	19.2
Pr	4.33	4.01	4.47	3.85	4.61	2.28	2.83	5.77	15.35	4.04	1.53	18.15	6.85	6.7	4.04	4.06	4.03
Rb	40.4	18.4	19.2	17.6	27.1	23.6	32.2	99.0	112.0	20.3	197.5	267.0	44.9	91.6	21.1	19.9	19.1
Sm	2.37	3.09	3.24	3.24	4.18	1.29	2.50	2.25	10.05	3.11	1.40	11.95	7.35	4.71	3.32	3.28	3.71
Sn	1	1	1	1	1	n.d.	1	n.d.	2	1	2	4	2	1	1	1	1
Sr	213	775	795	841	833	555	721	290	828	768	96.1	119	435	834	747	740	745
Ta	0.21	0.40	0.45	0.33	0.61	0.52	0.52	0.44	0.51	0.43	0.78	0.91	0.49	1.02	0.45	0.42	0.48
Tb	0.18	0.4	0.41	0.36	0.51	0.16	0.33	0.14	0.93	0.40	0.26	1.18	1.05	0.40	0.39	0.40	0.45
Th	4.01	1.59	1.66	0.65	1.46	1.89	1.78	12.75	17.9	0.86	80.0	19.35	0.76	9.88	0.54	0.63	0.97
Tm	0.07	0.15	0.18	0.17	0.22	0.06	0.16	0.0.03	0.34	0.18	0.11	0.26	0.54	0.14	0.20	0.21	0.19
U	0.2	0.23	0.29	0.31	0.3	0.3	0.21	1.07	1.29	0.25	3.15	16.35	0.19	0.70	0.24	0.25	0.26

V	21	160	167	174	217	47	163	13	168	153	13	19	138	77	138	129	211
W	4	4	3	7	2	5	3	3	3	2	76	14	49	37	97	11	5
Y	5.1	11.9	12.3	11	14.7	4.1	10.3	3.2	23.7	12.6	7.1	30.6	37.4	10.5	13.5	13.5	13.5
Yb	0.5	1.17	1.26	1.11	1.48	0.41	1.01	0.23	1.74	1.19	0.53	1.47	3.38	0.98	1.25	1.21	1.20
Zr	126	77	62	63	78	178	74	132	183	91	199	220	107	128	86	67	51

Table 2 - Major (wt. %) and trace element (ppm) concentrations of the Floresta Suite, Alto Moxotó Terrane, NE Brazil. n.d. = not detected.

Grain spot	Isotopic ratios		Ages						Rho	Th/U	Conc. (%)				
	$^{207}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$	$\pm (1\sigma)$	$^{207}\text{Pb}/^{235}\text{U}$	$\pm (1\sigma)$	$^{206}\text{Pb}/^{238}\text{U}$	$\pm (1\sigma)$	$^{207}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$	$\pm (1\sigma)$				$^{207}\text{Pb}/^{235}\text{U}$	$\pm (1\sigma)$	$^{206}\text{Pb}/^{238}\text{U}$	$\pm (1\sigma)$
Z7N	0.17	0.51	10.05	0.95	0.42	0.81	2541.90	8.84	2439.75	8.81	2264.08	15.37	0.82	0.34	92.80
Z7B	0.17	0.42	9.58	0.97	0.40	0.88	2528.10	7.29	2394.90	8.96	2187.97	16.29	0.89	0.28	91.36
Z8	0.11	0.95	2.15	1.65	0.14	1.35	1759.20	17.32	1163.78	11.36	847.93	10.69	0.82	0.30	72.86
Z9	0.15	0.55	5.24	1.13	0.25	0.98	2301.07	9.67	1859.24	9.60	1452.83	12.80	0.86	0.46	78.14
Z10	0.15	0.43	6.10	0.88	0.29	0.77	2351.98	7.60	1990.24	7.72	1619.64	11.06	0.85	0.14	81.38
Z13	0.16	0.54	7.80	1.08	0.35	0.94	2441.53	9.42	2208.00	9.76	1917.48	15.60	0.85	0.10	86.84
Z15	0.16	0.50	7.32	1.10	0.32	0.97	2448.32	8.78	2151.18	9.79	1808.49	15.35	0.88	0.36	84.07
Z16	0.17	0.73	9.15	1.20	0.39	0.95	2517.25	12.70	2353.60	11.03	2117.40	17.23	0.78	0.21	89.96
Z17	0.16	0.58	8.61	1.06	0.38	0.89	2454.79	10.06	2297.77	9.65	2074.25	15.76	0.82	0.21	90.27
Z20	0.17	0.80	8.80	1.33	0.38	1.07	2487.71	13.83	2317.30	12.16	2077.69	18.98	0.79	0.23	89.66
Z21	0.17	0.88	8.95	1.38	0.38	1.06	2497.68	15.29	2332.43	12.56	2096.71	18.89	0.75	0.31	89.89
Z22	0.17	0.46	8.35	1.05	0.36	0.94	2499.71	8.01	2269.58	9.52	1974.08	16.02	0.89	0.26	86.98
Z25	0.08	1.31	1.08	1.94	0.10	1.43	1021.96	26.30	743.06	10.17	636.39	8.66	0.76	0.32	85.64
Z31	0.17	0.52	10.43	0.84	0.43	0.66	2550.09	8.98	2473.74	7.82	2325.60	12.98	0.75	0.40	94.01
Z33	0.17	0.80	9.01	1.14	0.39	0.81	2485.13	13.92	2338.84	10.44	2122.72	14.70	0.68	0.30	90.76
Z34	0.17	0.57	9.06	0.99	0.39	0.81	2493.80	9.91	2344.22	9.07	2124.06	14.66	0.79	0.25	90.61

Table 3 - Summary of LA-ICP-MS data of zircons from sample LS-56 (Riacho das Lajes Suite).

Grain spot	Isotopic ratios		Ages						Rho	Th/U	Conc. (%)				
	$^{207}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$	$\pm (1\sigma)$	$^{207}\text{Pb}/^{235}\text{U}$	$\pm (1\sigma)$	$^{206}\text{Pb}/^{238}\text{U}$	$\pm (1\sigma)$	$^{207}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$	$\pm (1\sigma)$				$^{207}\text{Pb}/^{235}\text{U}$	$\pm (1\sigma)$	$^{206}\text{Pb}/^{238}\text{U}$	$\pm (1\sigma)$
Z16	0.16	0.52	6.51	1.48	0.30	1.39	2375.27	8.77	2047.38	12.94	1694.98	20.62	0.94	0.13	82.79
Z52	0.16	0.92	7.00	1.67	0.32	1.39	2380.10	16.10	2110.85	14.82	1800.48	21.88	0.83	0.05	85.30
Z6N	0.16	0.42	7.28	1.80	0.33	1.75	2414.84	7.26	2146.17	16.05	1830.91	27.88	0.97	0.23	85.31
Z50	0.16	1.70	7.11	2.24	0.32	1.46	2423.83	28.53	2124.71	19.76	1784.61	22.75	0.67	0.15	83.99
Z39	0.16	1.12	7.62	2.33	0.34	2.04	2458.08	18.79	2187.38	20.67	1863.86	32.94	0.88	0.23	85.21
Z23	0.17	0.39	9.04	0.86	0.39	0.76	2497.96	6.68	2342.34	7.83	2115.89	13.79	0.88	0.16	90.33
Z48	0.17	0.89	8.71	1.87	0.37	1.64	2506.76	15.48	2307.99	17.00	2039.74	28.65	0.87	0.15	88.38
Z3	0.17	0.36	9.16	1.07	0.39	1.01	2521.97	6.14	2354.19	9.82	2113.50	18.23	0.94	0.28	89.78
Z30	0.17	0.42	9.57	0.72	0.41	0.58	2522.02	7.19	2394.53	6.59	2193.95	10.85	0.76	0.36	91.62
Z2B	0.17	0.50	9.74	0.84	0.41	0.68	2524.31	8.72	2410.78	7.77	2224.42	12.71	0.77	0.43	92.27
Z22	0.17	0.39	9.31	0.73	0.39	0.62	2532.17	6.77	2368.60	6.69	2130.94	11.17	0.80	0.35	89.97
Z12	0.17	0.76	10.38	1.28	0.44	1.03	2532.92	13.13	2469.69	11.86	2337.09	20.19	0.79	0.43	94.63
Z44	0.17	0.69	9.93	1.26	0.42	1.06	2533.00	11.96	2428.32	11.65	2250.62	20.06	0.82	0.18	92.68
Z4B	0.17	0.78	10.18	1.56	0.43	1.36	2536.40	13.45	2451.50	14.47	2294.81	26.19	0.86	0.27	93.61
Z17	0.17	0.65	10.37	1.17	0.44	0.98	2537.14	11.16	2468.35	10.87	2329.33	19.15	0.82	0.36	94.37
Z29	0.17	0.77	10.08	1.02	0.42	0.67	2546.49	13.35	2442.20	9.44	2263.93	12.73	0.61	0.18	92.70
Z37	0.18	1.01	11.41	1.58	0.47	1.22	2558.54	17.33	2556.97	14.75	2495.37	25.20	0.76	0.29	97.59
Z2N	0.18	0.33	10.40	1.22	0.43	1.18	2560.98	5.73	2470.86	11.33	2306.89	22.82	0.96	0.44	93.36

Table 4 - Summary of LA-ICP-MS data of zircons from sample FL-105 (Riacho das Lajes Suite).

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Grain spot	Isotopic ratios		Ages						Rho	Th/U	Conc. (%)				
	$^{207}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$	$\pm (1\sigma)$	$^{207}\text{Pb}/^{235}\text{U}$	$\pm (1\sigma)$	$^{206}\text{Pb}/^{238}\text{U}$	$\pm (1\sigma)$	$^{207}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$	$\pm (1\sigma)$				$^{207}\text{Pb}/^{235}\text{U}$	$\pm (1\sigma)$	$^{206}\text{Pb}/^{238}\text{U}$	$\pm (1\sigma)$
Z1	0.13	0.65	5.87	1.13	0.33	0.93	2019.98	11.85	1956.81	9.83	1851.22	14.93	0.80	0.21	94.60
Z2	0.12	0.77	4.23	1.34	0.26	1.10	1906.44	14.16	1680.15	11.02	1467.06	14.45	0.81	0.22	87.32
Z3	0.11	1.39	3.28	3.01	0.21	2.67	1799.81	25.94	1475.51	23.43	1228.33	29.91	0.89	0.23	83.25
Z4	0.13	0.79	6.58	1.29	0.37	1.03	2049.02	14.33	2056.16	11.40	2013.41	17.74	0.78	0.20	97.92
Z5	0.12	0.36	5.24	1.18	0.31	1.12	1963.47	6.66	1859.60	10.06	1724.45	16.99	0.95	0.31	92.73
Z6	0.12	0.78	4.65	1.35	0.27	1.09	1950.71	14.39	1758.48	11.25	1561.26	15.18	0.80	0.28	88.78
Z7	0.13	0.44	6.13	1.05	0.35	0.96	2031.00	7.93	1994.29	9.19	1911.34	15.85	0.90	0.24	95.84
Z8	0.13	0.68	5.34	1.15	0.31	0.92	1998.47	12.48	1875.42	9.80	1722.75	13.92	0.79	0.26	91.86
Z9	0.13	0.46	6.90	0.89	0.38	0.76	2059.23	8.44	2099.07	7.91	2088.51	13.58	0.83	0.30	99.50
Z10	0.11	0.67	3.09	1.60	0.20	1.45	1807.86	12.53	1430.81	12.28	1160.45	15.44	0.90	0.39	81.10
Z11	0.13	0.47	6.74	0.79	0.37	0.63	2054.71	8.61	2077.25	6.96	2049.42	11.04	0.76	0.43	98.66
Z12	0.12	0.60	4.67	1.20	0.28	1.04	1932.26	11.06	1761.77	10.05	1581.14	14.60	0.86	0.20	89.75
Z13	0.13	0.49	5.52	0.92	0.31	0.78	2007.40	8.99	1903.16	7.91	1764.49	12.01	0.82	0.29	92.71
Z14	0.12	0.60	5.08	0.91	0.30	0.69	1966.13	10.93	1833.19	7.74	1675.83	10.19	0.72	0.35	91.42
Z15	0.13	0.57	5.86	1.15	0.33	1.00	2004.80	10.47	1955.13	10.01	1861.92	16.21	0.86	0.32	95.23
Z16	0.13	0.42	6.21	1.29	0.35	1.22	2037.21	7.71	2006.12	11.26	1927.98	20.26	0.94	0.45	96.11
Z17	0.12	0.86	3.61	1.31	0.22	0.99	1871.08	16.02	1552.27	10.45	1295.05	11.63	0.74	0.29	83.43
Z18	0.13	0.43	6.20	0.84	0.35	0.72	2042.34	7.76	2005.11	7.32	1921.24	11.97	0.84	0.24	95.82
Z19	0.12	0.73	5.07	1.54	0.30	1.36	1962.88	13.39	1831.81	13.06	1676.13	20.01	0.88	0.33	91.50

Z21	0.13	0.44	5.82	1.28	0.33	1.20	2007.64	8.01	1949.84	11.09	1849.49	19.33	0.94	0.23	94.85
Z22	0.12	0.51	5.33	0.95	0.31	0.80	1977.04	9.27	1874.46	8.10	1739.34	12.21	0.83	0.33	92.79
Z23	0.13	0.55	6.06	0.97	0.34	0.80	2015.97	10.01	1985.23	8.44	1908.20	13.18	0.80	0.27	96.12
Z24	0.13	0.63	6.42	1.23	0.36	1.06	2026.29	11.44	2035.27	10.82	1994.67	18.18	0.85	0.36	98.00
Z25	0.12	0.53	4.53	1.62	0.27	1.53	1921.64	9.77	1735.95	13.45	1546.38	21.01	0.94	0.24	89.08
Z26	0.13	0.49	6.87	0.92	0.39	0.78	2032.35	8.89	2094.51	8.14	2106.53	13.97	0.83	0.34	100.57
Z27	0.13	0.57	6.80	0.88	0.38	0.66	2044.60	10.43	2085.20	7.75	2075.39	11.73	0.71	0.40	99.53
Z28	0.13	0.50	6.04	1.19	0.34	1.08	2013.95	9.13	1980.94	10.40	1901.95	17.86	0.90	0.23	96.01
Z29	0.13	0.41	5.71	0.94	0.32	0.85	2014.84	7.43	1932.18	8.14	1810.50	13.42	0.89	0.43	93.70
Z30	0.13	0.95	5.04	2.74	0.29	2.56	2013.24	17.40	1826.77	23.18	1626.23	36.86	0.94	0.42	89.02

Table 5 - Summary of LA-ICP-MS data of zircons from sample LS-65 (Floresta Suite).

Grain spot	Isotopic ratios		Ages						Rho	Th/U	Conc. (%)				
	$^{207}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$	$\pm (1\sigma)$	$^{207}\text{Pb}/^{235}\text{U}$	$\pm (1\sigma)$	$^{206}\text{Pb}/^{238}\text{U}$	$\pm (1\sigma)$	$^{207}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$	$\pm (1\sigma)$				$^{207}\text{Pb}/^{235}\text{U}$	$\pm (1\sigma)$	$^{206}\text{Pb}/^{238}\text{U}$	$\pm (1\sigma)$
Z01	0.13	0.45	6.76	0.77	0.38	0.63	2039.75	8.24	2080.37	6.84	2070.58	11.11	0.77	0.58	99.53
Z02	0.13	0.36	6.50	0.70	0.36	0.61	2042.20	6.55	2045.94	6.20	2000.06	10.42	0.82	0.73	97.76
Z03	0.13	0.44	6.43	0.71	0.36	0.55	2035.44	8.07	2036.29	6.24	1987.78	9.48	0.72	0.80	97.62
Z04	0.13	0.52	6.58	0.82	0.37	0.63	2043.75	9.40	2056.50	7.20	2019.23	10.97	0.73	0.74	98.19
Z05	0.13	0.64	6.15	0.98	0.35	0.74	2037.65	11.73	1997.98	8.60	1912.12	12.32	0.72	0.49	95.70
Z06	0.13	0.59	6.23	0.84	0.35	0.60	2035.56	10.74	2008.48	7.37	1934.05	10.04	0.66	0.56	96.29
Z07N	0.13	0.46	5.53	0.72	0.32	0.55	2003.01	8.47	1904.85	6.19	1771.35	8.54	0.70	0.09	92.99
Z07B	0.12	0.44	4.33	1.14	0.25	1.05	1953.94	8.06	1698.75	9.39	1461.92	13.74	0.92	0.12	86.06
Z08	0.13	0.61	6.11	0.94	0.34	0.71	2039.00	11.18	1992.07	8.18	1899.68	11.64	0.72	0.49	95.36
Z09	0.13	0.53	6.65	1.07	0.37	0.93	2043.85	9.70	2066.66	9.43	2039.20	16.19	0.85	0.65	98.67
Z10	0.13	0.34	6.33	0.62	0.35	0.52	2040.58	6.10	2021.94	5.44	1955.08	8.81	0.78	0.82	96.69
Z11	0.13	0.37	6.32	0.78	0.35	0.69	2035.38	6.75	2020.66	6.86	1957.59	11.63	0.86	0.58	96.88
Z12	0.13	0.38	5.68	0.81	0.32	0.71	2009.51	6.93	1929.02	6.96	1809.48	11.23	0.86	0.21	93.80
Z13	0.13	0.52	6.17	0.89	0.34	0.72	2043.24	9.49	1999.88	7.76	1910.49	11.87	0.78	0.68	95.53
Z14N	0.13	0.39	6.44	0.75	0.36	0.64	2044.60	7.12	2037.63	6.59	1981.54	10.90	0.82	0.63	97.25
Z14B	0.13	0.47	5.98	0.72	0.34	0.55	2024.69	8.50	1973.45	6.26	1877.95	8.94	0.70	0.42	95.16
Z15N	0.13	0.54	6.17	0.85	0.35	0.66	2042.17	9.90	2000.90	7.47	1913.43	10.91	0.73	0.68	95.63
Z15B	0.13	0.64	6.43	0.91	0.36	0.64	2048.64	11.64	2036.30	7.98	1975.06	10.94	0.66	0.74	96.99
Z16	0.13	0.61	6.55	1.03	0.37	0.82	2025.66	11.17	2052.55	9.05	2029.21	14.36	0.78	0.85	98.86
Z17	0.13	0.41	6.01	0.76	0.34	0.64	2014.36	7.40	1977.17	6.63	1894.46	10.57	0.81	0.20	95.82
Z18	0.13	0.31	6.00	0.62	0.34	0.53	2021.27	5.68	1976.41	5.38	1886.63	8.73	0.81	0.25	95.46
Z19	0.13	0.31	6.21	0.65	0.35	0.57	2030.22	5.56	2006.26	5.69	1934.85	9.60	0.85	0.74	96.44
Z20	0.13	0.51	6.46	0.83	0.36	0.65	2026.95	9.36	2040.68	7.29	2004.59	11.21	0.74	0.69	98.23

Z21	0.13	0.46	6.55	0.93	0.37	0.81	2034.66	8.43	2052.59	8.19	2020.46	13.97	0.85	0.85	98.43
Z22	0.13	0.30	6.67	0.64	0.37	0.56	2038.61	5.54	2068.13	5.62	2047.29	9.80	0.84	0.74	98.99
Z23	0.13	0.52	6.49	0.93	0.37	0.78	2017.92	9.40	2044.98	8.21	2021.86	13.49	0.81	0.61	98.87
Z24	0.13	0.45	6.43	0.82	0.36	0.68	2024.19	8.18	2036.65	7.18	1999.40	11.74	0.81	0.65	98.17
Z25	0.13	0.66	6.00	1.09	0.34	0.88	2026.49	11.94	1975.45	9.51	1880.03	14.27	0.78	0.45	95.17
Z26	0.12	0.46	5.32	0.86	0.31	0.72	1971.43	8.42	1872.71	7.33	1741.01	11.04	0.82	0.73	92.97
Z27	0.13	0.63	6.24	0.96	0.35	0.72	2045.41	11.46	2009.74	8.36	1927.16	11.96	0.72	0.64	95.89

Table 6 - Summary of LA-ICP-MS data of zircons from sample LS-60 (Floresta Suite).

Sample	Unit	Sm (ppm)	Nd (ppm)	$^{143}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd}$ ($\pm 2\text{SE}$)	ϵNd (0)	ϵNd (t)	U-Pb age (Ga)	T_{DM} (Ga)
FL105	R.L.S.	2.28	17.07	0.510515 (± 17)	-41.41	-2,001	2.648	2.90
FL53	R.L.S.	4.50	33.53	0.510637 (± 20)	-39.04	0,361	2.648	2.76
FL58	R.L.S.	2.92	23.14	0.510522 (± 14)	-41.28	-0,251	2.648	2.79
FL46a	R.L.S.	2.37	19.88	0.510477 (± 19)	-42.15	0,238	2.648	2.76
FL56	R.L.S.	1.87	16.01	0.510430 (± 12)	-43.08	-0,205	2.648	2.78
FL57	R.L.S.	2.35	17.26	0.510587 (± 09)	-40.01	-1,101	2.648	2.85
FL54B	R.L.S.	2.01	12.15	0.510864 (± 05)	-34.62	-1,802	2.648	2.93
FL 70	F.S.	1.56	12.06	0.511049 (± 18)	-31.00	+0.94	2.098	2.23
FL67	F.S.	7.85	35.43	0.511818 (± 18)	-15.99	+0.91	2.098	2.33
Fl 106a	F.S.	4.09	18.53	0.511547 (± 17)	-21.28	-4.33	2.098	2.86
FL 95b	F.S.	1.93	9.162	0.511897 (± 03)	-14.45	+4.24	2.098	2.01
FL 65	F.S.	3.74	18.15	0.511590 (± 08)	-20.44	-0.99	2.098	2.48
FL 73	F.S.	4.88	25.17	0.511588 (± 15)	-20.48	+0.92	2.098	2.29
FL 104a	F.S.	1.33	10.27	0.516031 (± 25)	-39.15	-7.36	2.098	2.72
Fl 66	F.S.	11.83	69.88	0.510722 (± 19)	-37.38	-12.03	2.098	3.19
Fl 59	F.S.	2.69	18.86	0.510594 (± 16)	-39.87	-10.17	2.098	2.93
Fl 40	F.S.	2.84	17.04	0.511191 (± 08)	-28.23	-2.42	2.098	2.49

Fl 102	F.S.	10.04	80.02	0.510671 (± 19)	-38.37	-5.85	2.098	2.36
Fl 32a	F.S.	10.05	76.46	0.510751 (± 04)	-36.81	-5.25	2.098	2.60
Fl 88	F.S.	0.54	3.018	0.511660 (± 10)	-19.08	+4.47	2.098	2.01
Fl 69	F.S.	3.48	17.72	0.511553 (± 13)	-21.17	-0.17	2.098	2.38
Fl 60	F.S.	4.76	26.70	0.511388 (± 05)	-24.38	-0.45	2.098	2.37
Fl 68	F.S.	2.72	19.42	0.511112 (± 18)	-29.77	+0.45	2.098	2.27
Fl 62	F.S.	8.96	47.45	0.511552 (± 14)	-21.18	+1.05	2.098	2.27

Table 7 - Summary of Nd isotope data for the metaplutonic rocks of Riacho das Lajes (R.L.S.) and Floresta Suites (F.S.).

Highlights

- > First record of Archean Continental Crust in Central Subprovince of the Borborema Province
- > Geochemical and isotopic data reveals a complex accretionary history for the Alto Moxotó Terrane
- > Our data provide evidence for new Neoproterozoic crustal growth and Paleoproterozoic reworking in central Western Gondwana