

Geological relationships and laser ablation ICP-MS U-Pb geochronology of the Saint George Batholith, southwestern New Brunswick, Canada: implications for its tectonomagmatic evolution

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ABSTRACT

The Late Silurian to Late Devonian Saint George Batholith in southwestern New Brunswick is a large composite intrusion (2000 km²) emplaced into the continental margin of the peri-Gondwanan microcontinent of Ganderia. The batholith includes: (1) Bocabec Gabbro; (2) equigranular Utopia and Wellington Lake biotite granites; (3) Welsford, Jake Lee Mountain, and Parks Brook peralkaline granites; (4) two-mica John Lee Brook Granite; (6) Jimmy Hill and Magaguadavic megacrystic granites; and (6) rapakivi Mount Douglas Granite. New LA ICP-MS in situ analyses of six samples from the Saint George Batholith are as follows: (1) U-Pb monazite crystallization age of 425.5 ± 2.1 Ma for the Utopia Granite in the western part of the batholith (2) U-Pb zircon crystallization ages of 420.4 ± 2.4 Ma and 420.0 ± 3.5 Ma for two samples of the Utopia Granite from the central part of the batholith; (3) U-Pb zircon crystallization age of 418.0 ± 2.3 Ma for the Jake Lee Mountain Granite; (4) U-Pb zircon crystallization age of 415.5 ± 2.1 Ma for the Wellington Lake Granite; and (5) U-Pb monazite crystallization age of 413.3 ± 2.1 Ma for the John Lee Brook Granite. The new geochronological together with new and existing geochemical data suggest that the protracted magmatic evolution of the Late Silurian to Early Devonian plutonic rocks is related to the transition of the Silurian Kingston arc-Mascarene backarc system from an extensional to compressional tectonic environment during collision of the Avalonian microcontinent with Laurentia followed by slab break-off.

RÉSUMÉ

Le batholite du Silurien tardif au Dévonien tardif de Saint George dans le sud ouest du Nouveau Brunswick est une vaste intrusion composite (2 000 kilomètres carrés) qui s'est mise en place à l'intérieur de la marge continentale du microcontinent périgondwanien de Ganderia. Le batholite englobe : (1) le gabbro de Bocabec; (2) les granites à biotite isogranulaire Utopia et du lac Wellington; (3) les granites hyperalkalins de Welsford, du mont Jake Lee et du ruisseau Parks Brook; (4) le granite à deux micas du ruisseau John Lee; (5) les granites macrocristallins de la colline Jimmy et de Magaguadavic; et (6) le granite rapakivi du mont Douglas. De nouvelles analyses par spectrométrie de masse à plasma induit couplée à l'ablation laser in situ de six échantillons provenant de Saint George ont révélé ce qui suit : (1) une cristallisation survenue il y a $425,5 \pm 2,1$ Ma d'après une datation U-Pb sur monazite, dans le cas du granite Utopia dans la partie occidentale du batholite; (2) des âges de cristallisation en vertu d'une datation U-Pb sur zircon de $420,4 \pm 2,4$ Ma et de $420,0 \pm 3,5$ Ma dans le cas de deux échantillons en provenance du granite Utopia dans le centre du batholite; (3) un âge de cristallisation de $418,0 \pm 2,3$ Ma dans le cas du granite du mont Jake Lee, d'après une datation U-Pb sur zircon; (4) un âge de cristallisation de $415,5 \pm 2,1$ Ma obtenu par datation U-Pb sur zircon dans le cas du granite du lac Wellington; et (5) un âge de cristallisation de $413,3 \pm 2,1$ Ma d'après une datation U-Pb sur monazite, dans le cas du granite du ruisseau John Lee. Les nouvelles données géochronologiques conjuguées aux données géochimiques existantes laissent supposer que l'évolution magmatique prolongée de ces roches plutoniques du Silurien tardif au Dévonien précoce est apparentée à la transition de l'arc silurien de Kingston-arrière-arc de Mascarene d'un milieu tectonique de distension à un milieu de compression durant la collision du microcontinent avalonien avec Laurentia suivie d'une rupture par tranches.

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INTRODUCTION

The Silurian (Ludlovian to Pridolian) to Late Devonian (Famennian) Saint George Batholith in southwestern New Brunswick is a large composite intrusion (2000 km²) that was emplaced into the margin of the peri-Gondwanan microcontinent of Ganderia (Fig. 1). The batholith and associated Silurian volcanic and sedimentary rocks of the Mascarene belt are situated along the boundary between Precambrian Ganderian basement rocks of the New River and Brookville belts to the southeast and Ganderian passive margin Cambrian-Ordovician sedimentary rocks of the St. Croix belt to the northwest (Fyffe and Riva 1990; van Staal *et al.* 2009; Fyffe *et al.* 2011). The presence of Proterozoic marble and quartzite in the Brookville belt distinguishes it from the Neoproterozoic volcanic and comagmatic plutonic rocks of the New River belt (Johnson and McLeod 1996; White and Barr 1996). The St. Croix belt is a highly deformed Cambrian-Ordovician (Tremadocian to Sandbian) sequence of shale, wacke, and quartzose sandstone; the Fredericton belt is a thick Silurian

(Llandoveryan to Ludlovian) sequence of wacke, shale, and calcareous sandstone (Ruitenberg 1967; Fyffe and Riva 2001; Castonguay *et al.* 2003; Thorne *et al.* 2008). The precise nature of the contact between the St. Croix and Fredericton belts is difficult to discern in the field due to poor exposure, complex deformation, and similarity of lithotypes. The contact has been interpreted as a northwest-directed thrust, referred to as the Honeydale Fault (Ruitenberg 1967).

Silurian (Llandoveryan) volcanic and comagmatic plutonic rocks of the Kingston belt separate the Brookville belt from the New River belt. Felsic volcanic rocks in the Kingston belt have yielded U-Pb zircon ages ranging from 442 to 436 Ma, and associated felsic plutonic rocks, ranging from 437 to 435 Ma (Doig *et al.* 1990; Barr *et al.* 2002; McLeod *et al.* 2003). These volcanic and plutonic rocks are interpreted, based on geochemical characteristics, to represent remnants of a Silurian volcanic arc that formed above a subduction zone dipping to the northwest beneath the New River belt (Fyffe *et al.* 1999; Barr *et al.* 2002; White *et al.* 2006). The shallow marine to subaerial sedimentary and volcanic sequences of the Silurian (Llandoveryan to

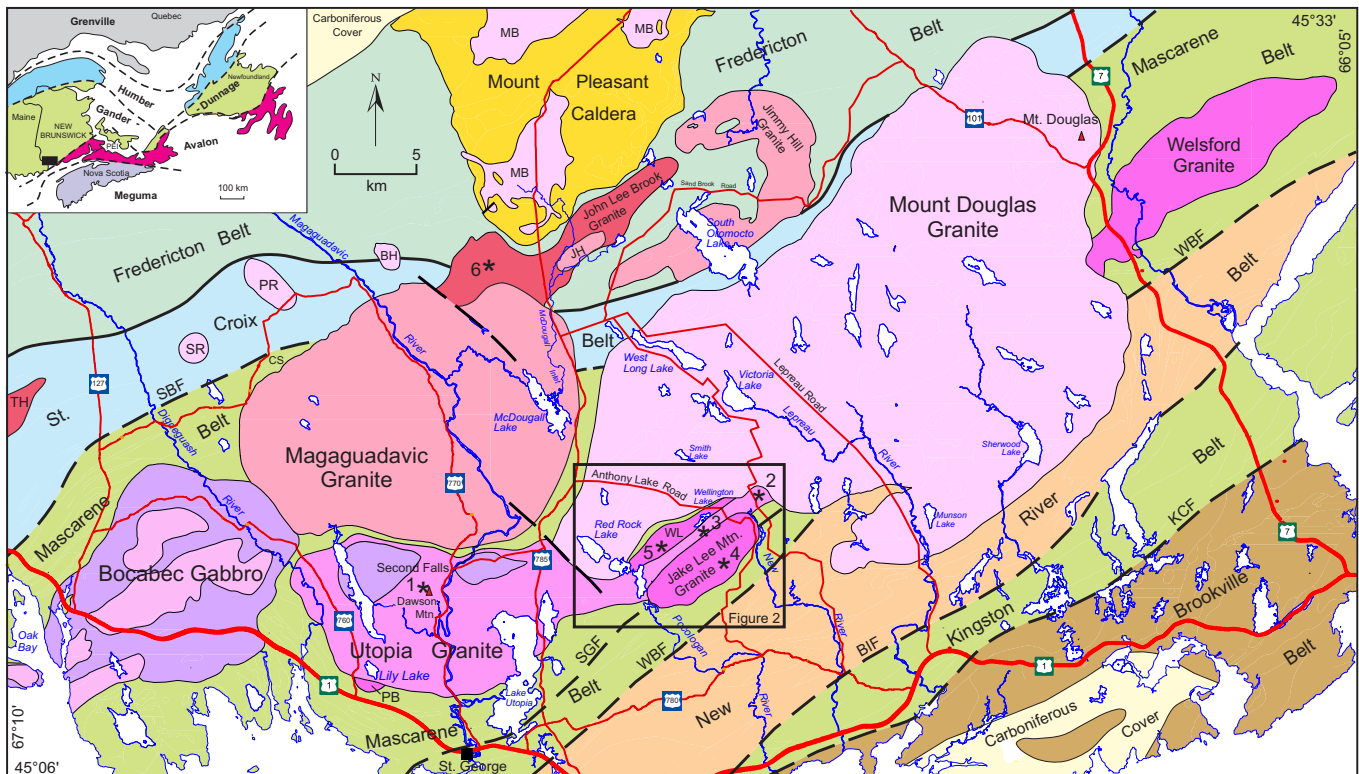


Figure 1. Map of geological belts and plutonic rocks in southwestern New Brunswick, Canada; the Caledonia Fault along the southeast side of the Brookville belt (outside of area of Figure 1) defines the boundary between Ganderia and Avalonia. Inset map shows tectonostratigraphic terranes in the northeastern Appalachians (after Hibbard *et al.* 2006) with location of Figure 1 outlined by a black block on insert. Location of Figure 2 is shown by outlined rectangle. Major plutons comprising the Saint George Batholith are named in full. Abbreviations: BIF = Belleisle Fault; KCF = Kennebecasis Fault; SGF = St. George Fault; WBF = Wheaton Brook Fault; BH = Bech Hill Granite; MB = McDougall Brook Granite; PR = Pleasant Ridge Granite; SR = Sorrel Ridge Granite; TH = Tower Hill Granite; JH = Jimmy Hill Granite; PB = Parks Brook Granite; WL = Wellington Lake Granite; CS = Clarence Stream gold deposit. Granitic rocks in the Bocabec Gabbro are shown in pink and gabbroic rocks in the Utopia Granite are shown in purple. Asterisk shows location of dated samples in the Saint George Batholith: 1 = 171-6; 2 = 15-87; 3 = 15-104; 4 = JL16-1; 5 = 15-72; 6 = 85MM-154B.

Pridolian) Mascarene belt, lying to the northwest of the Kingston belt, are interpreted to have been deposited in a backarc basin that opened behind the Kingston arc (Fyffe *et al.* 1999; Barr *et al.* 2002). Felsic volcanic rocks from the Mascarene belt have yielded U-Pb zircon ages ranging from 438 to 423 Ma (Miller and Fyffe 2002; Van Wagoner *et al.* 2002).

Based on field relationships and geochronological data, McLeod (1990) divided the Saint George Batholith into the following units from oldest to youngest (Fig. 1): Bocabec Gabbro – greyish green, locally layered, medium-grained gabbro and minor associated granitic rocks; Utopia Granite – typically red, leucocratic, medium- to coarse-grained, equigranular, biotite granite; Welsford, Jake Lee Mountain, and Parks Brook granites – beige to pink, medium-grained and equigranular to fine-grained and porphyritic, amphibole-bearing, peralkaline granites; Magaguadavic Granite – greyish pink, coarse-grained, megacrystic granite; John Lee Brook Granite – light grey, medium-grained, equigranular, garnetiferous, two-mica granite; and Mount Douglas Granite – light pink, medium-to-coarse-grained and equigranular to fine-grained and porphyritic, rapakivi-textured, biotite granite. Geochronological data available to McLeod (1990) included: U-Pb zircon ages from the Utopia (430 ± 3 Ma), Welsford (422 ± 1 Ma), and Magaguadavic (396 ± 1 Ma) granites; an $^{40}\text{Ar} / ^{39}\text{Ar}$ muscovite age of 384 ± 7 Ma from the John Lee Brook Granite; and U-Pb monazite ages from the Mount Douglas granite (367 ± 1 Ma, 366 ± 1 Ma).

To provide additional crystallization ages for the plutons comprising the Saint George Batholith, six samples were selected for laser ablation inductively coupled plasma-mass spectrometry (LA ICP-MS) analysis at the University of New Brunswick's Department of Earth Sciences. The U-Pb geochronological work was coordinated with field mapping of the Saint George Batholith by the Geological Surveys Branch of the New Brunswick Department of Energy and Resource Development during the summers of 2015 and 2016. Dated sample sites (Locations 1 through 6, numbered from oldest to youngest age of crystallization) are shown on Figure 1 and Figure 2. Locations 1, 4, 5 and 6 are in the Utopia, Jake Lee Mountain, Wellington Lake (new name), and John Lee Brook granites, respectively. Locations 2 and 3, previously mapped as part of the Mount Douglas Granite and Jake Lee Mountain Granite, respectively (McLeod 1990, McLeod *et al.* 1998), are here assigned to the Utopia Granite on the basis of new field mapping (see below).

FIELD OBSERVATIONS

In 2015, geochronological analysis of an archived sample from the John Lee Brook Granite indicated that this two-mica granite is older than the megacrystic Magaguadavic Granite rather than younger as previously suggested (McLeod 1990). Field work was therefore undertaken in the summers of 2015 and 2016 to resolve the conflict

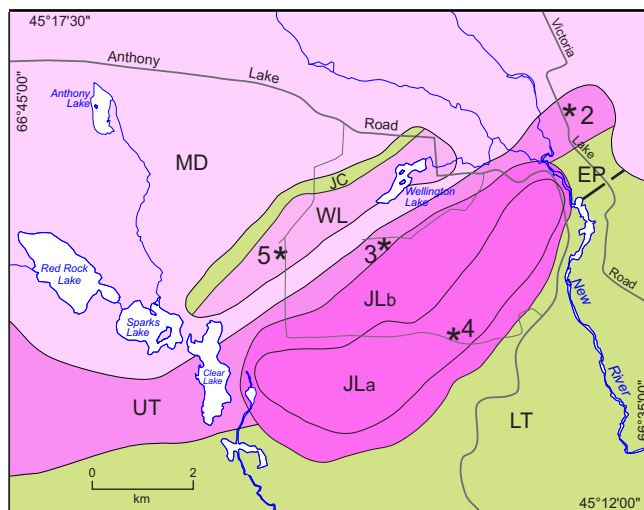


Figure 2. Detailed geology of Wellington Lake – New River area (see Figure 1 for location). Abbreviations: EP = Eastport Formation; JC = Jones Creek Formation; LT = Letete Formation; JL = Jake Lee Mountain Granite (a) coarse-grained, (b) fine-grained; MD = Mount Douglas Granite; WL = Wellington Lake Granite; UT = Utopia Granite. Asterisk shows location of dated samples: 2 = 15-87; 3 = 15-104; 4 = JL16-1; 5 = 15-72.

between the previously interpreted intrusive history of the Saint George Batholith and the new geochronological data. Contact relationships between the various plutons comprising the Saint George Batholith were examined and the new findings are reported below and incorporated into the revised regional map of the batholith (Fig. 1). Detailed mapping of contacts between intrusive and country rocks during our recent mapping has also better defined the areal distribution and geometry of the plutons comprising the batholith. Previous maps depicted the Saint George Batholith as a contiguous assemblage of intrusions that were emplaced over an extended period of time to form a single massive body. The new mapping, however, suggests that the batholith is more realistically comprised of a loose cluster of distinctive plutons that intruded mainly into sedimentary and volcanic host rocks rather than into previously consolidated intrusive bodies (Fig. 1).

McLeod (1990) recognized and named the poorly exposed John Lee Brook Granite as a distinct pluton during his mapping of the Saint George Batholith. It is a medium-grained, equigranular, garnetiferous, two-mica granite, underlying an area of about 50 km² along the northern margin of the batholith just south of the Late Devonian Mount Pleasant Caldera (Thorne *et al.* 2013). The $^{40}\text{Ar} / ^{39}\text{Ar}$ muscovite age of 384 ± 7 Ma from the John Lee Brook Granite together with the reported presence of white microgranitic veins cutting the adjacent Magaguadavic Granite, dated by U-Pb on zircon at 396 ± 1 Ma (Bevier 1990), suggested that the former was younger than the latter (McLeod 1990). However, dating of sample 85MM-154B, collected by McLeod (1990) from near the headwaters

of John Lee Brook, yielded a crystallization age of 413 ± 2 Ma (Location 6 on Fig. 1) casting doubt on the above interpretation.

Field observations undertaken in the summer of 2015 on a small isolated body of megacrystic granite exposed along the upper reaches of McDougall Inlet, west of South Oromocto Lake (Fig. 1), indicate that the megacrystic granite intrudes and truncates quartz veins and aplitic dykelets within the John Lee Brook Granite (Fig. 3a). This isolated body is considered herein to be part of the larger Jimmy Hill Granite (Fig. 1), which underlies the South Oromocto Lake area to the east of McDougall Inlet; McLeod (1990) previously included the granite in the South Oromocto Lake area as part of the Magaguadavic pluton. A close-up photograph of the outcrop along McDougall Inlet clearly shows pink megacrysts of potassium feldspar with rapakivi mantling characteristic of the Jimmy Hill Granite

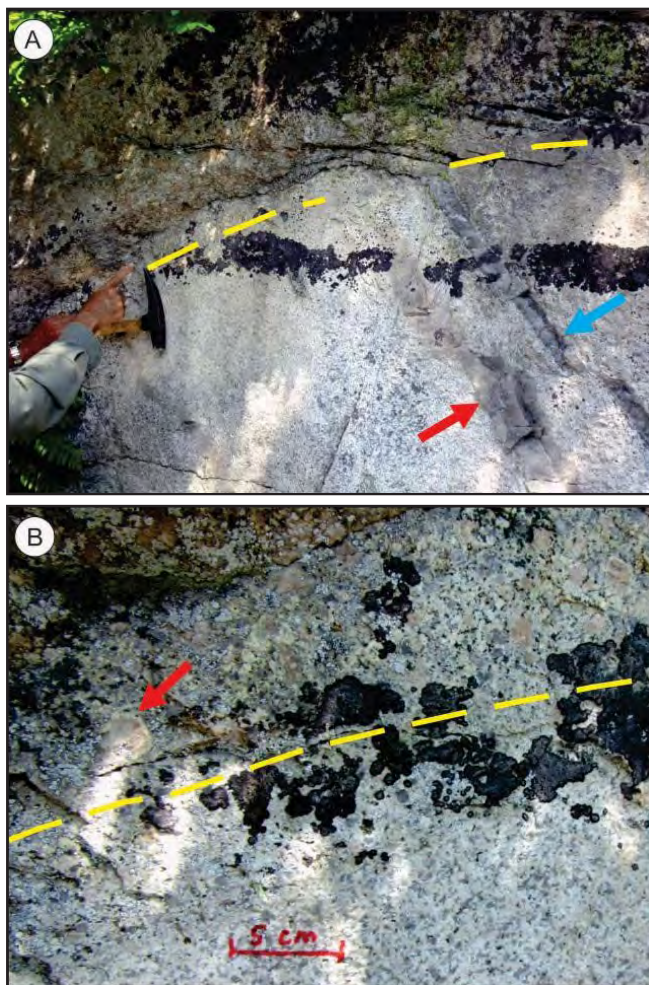


Figure 3. (a) Megacrystic Jimmy Hill Granite intruded into equigranular John Lee Brook Granite along West Branch McDougall Inlet. Quartz vein in the John Lee Granite is truncated by the Jimmy Hill Granite (latitude $45^{\circ} 24' 39.7''$; longitude $66^{\circ} 45' 26.3''$). (b) Close-up of the contact between pink rapakivi megacrystic Jimmy Hill Granite and white equigranular John Lee Brook Granite.

in contact with the equigranular John Lee Brook Granite (Fig. 3b). The observed cross-cutting relationship confirms that both the megacrystic Jimmy Hill and Magaguadavic plutons, dated at 403 ± 2 Ma and 396 ± 1 Ma, respectively (Bevier 1990; Davis *et al.* 2004), are younger than the John Lee Granite in agreement with new age determination obtained on the latter (see below).

Geophysical maps of the St. George area clearly outline the Magaguadavic pluton in the McDougall Lake area as a prominent, circular magnetic feature (King and Barr 2004). This magnetic signature has been used to draw contacts on previously published bedrock maps that enigmatically suggest that the Early Devonian megacrystic granite of the Magaguadavic pluton cross-cuts the adjacent Late Devonian rapakivi granite of the Mount Douglas pluton. However, the recent field mapping has shown that the two plutons are separated by a screen of sedimentary rocks from 300 to 400 m wide and so do not come into direct contact with one another as shown on earlier maps; thus, the Magaguadavic pluton in this area intruded sedimentary and volcanic rocks along its eastern margin – Ordovician quartzose sandstone of the Kendall Mountain Formation (Cookson Group) in the north and Silurian siltstone and mafic volcanic tuff assigned to the Jones Creek Formation (Mascarene Group) in the south – and the Mount Douglas pluton intruded the same screen of sedimentary and volcanic rocks of Jones Creek Formation along its western margin (Fig. 1). More details on the stratigraphy of the Mascarene Group are given below under the discussion on the tectonic evolution of the Mascarene backarc basin.

The Utopia Granite underlies an area of about 100 km² along the southern margin of the Saint George Batholith. The northern margin of the Utopia pluton is separated from the southern margin of the Magaguadavic pluton by a screen from 300 to 600 m wide of dark grey siltstone and minor mafic tuff of the Silurian Jones Creek Formation exposed above Second Falls on the Magaguadavic River (Figs. 1, 4, and 5). Gabbroic rocks, exposed a short distance



Figure 4. Red, medium-grained, equigranular granite of the Utopia Granite at Second Falls on the Magaguadavic River.



Figure 5. Inclusions of dark grey siltstone in red Utopia Granite about 2 km above Second Falls on the Magaguadavic River.

down river to the south, are injected by red granitic dykelets characteristic of the Utopia Granite; the granitic dykelets surround clusters of lobate gabbroic enclaves, many of which have fine-grained margins, suggesting that emplacement of the two magma types was essentially contemporaneous (Fig. 6). Similar magma mingling has been observed in the main part of the Bocabec Gabbro in the Oak Bay area (Fig. 1) farther to the southwest and in the Moosehorn Plutonic Suite in adjacent Maine (Fyffe 1971; McLaughlin *et al.* 2003). Note, however, that the new mapping suggests that a sedimentary screen exists between the Utopia and Bocabec plutons (Fig. 1), casting doubt on previous map interpretations showing a direct physical connection between gabbroic rocks in the Utopia pluton and those of the adjacent Bocabec pluton.

Bevier (1990) and Barr *et al.* (2010) reported U-Pb zircon ages of 430 ± 3 , 428 ± 1 , and 426 ± 6 Ma from samples of red Utopia Granite collected near the northern end of Lake Utopia (Fig. 1). These late Wenlockian to Ludlovian ages, according to the time scale of Ogg *et al.* (2016), seemed too old given that fossil evidence from sedimentary rocks in Maine indicate a Pridolian age (Churchill-Dickson 2004) for the surrounding Eastport Formation (Mascarene Group) and that felsic volcanic rocks in the Eastport Formation in New Brunswick have yielded a preliminary U-Pb zircon age of 423 ± 1 Ma (Van Wagoner *et al.* 2002). However, the recent field mapping indicates that the Utopia pluton near the above dated granite may have been emplaced no higher in the stratigraphic section than the Llandoverian to Wenlockian Jones Creek Formation (Mascarene Group). To further investigate the age of the Utopia Granite, sample 171-6 was collected from a distinctive, light pink granite (Martin 2013) exposed on the summit of Dawson Mountain (Fig. 7) to the northwest of Lake Utopia (Location 1 on Fig. 1).

Field mapping was conducted in the Red Rock Lake area to the northeast of Lake Utopia (Fig. 1) to better delineate



Figure 6. Dark grey, lobate enclaves gabbro injected by veins of red Utopia Granite about 1.8 km above Second Falls on the Magaguadavic River.



Figure 7. Light pink, medium-grained, equigranular granite of the Utopia Granite on Dawson Mountain (Location 1 on Fig. 1).

the contact between the Silurian Utopia Granite and Late Devonian Mount Douglas Granite. Distinguishing between these two granites can be difficult in places as both can vary from red to pink. However, as documented by Cherry and Trembath (1978), the granitic rocks in the Lake Utopia area are homogeneous, equigranular, and medium- to coarse-grained, whereas those in the Mount Douglas area are heterogeneous consisting of about 65% equigranular, medium- to coarse-grained phase and about 35% fine-grained porphyritic and aplitic phases. In addition, rapakivi-mantling of potassium feldspar is common in the granitic rocks in the Mount Douglas area (Fig. 8) – a feature that is rare in those of the Lake Utopia area (Cherry and Trembath 1978). These criteria were used to conclude that the Mount Douglas Granite extends farther south in the Red Rock Lake area (Fig. 1) than shown by McLeod (1990). This



Figure 8. Mount Douglas Granite with abundant rapakivi-mantled alkali feldspar. Location along Lepreau Road west of Munsen Lake (see Fig. 1).

conclusion was confirmed by preliminary Late Devonian dates of 363.7 ± 4.1 Ma and 365.0 ± 3.2 Ma obtained on zircon grains from two samples taken along Red Rock Stream to the west of Red Rock Lake (geochronological data for these samples are not included herein). The location of the contact between the Mount Douglas and Utopia granites could only be limited to within a distance of 500 m due to the scarcity of exposures to the south of Red Rock Lake.

Detailed field mapping was conducted in the Wellington Lake-New River area (Figs. 1 and 2) to better define the contacts between the Utopia, Mount Douglas, and Jake Lee Mountain plutons. Previous mapping in this area by McLeod (1990) had delineated a one km-wide by two km-long eastward continuation of the Utopia Granite preserved within the Mount Douglas Granite on the east side of New River. Re-examination of exposures along the resource road running south from Victoria Lake revealed the presence of conspicuous rapakivi-mantling of potassium feldspars leaving little doubt that these rocks are part of the Mount Douglas pluton. The next exposure to the south along the resource road, following a gap in exposure of 800 m, is comprised of a medium pink, equigranular granite mapped by McLeod (1990) as part of the Mount Douglas pluton. However, the outcrop at this site lacks rapakivi texture so sample 15-87 was collected for geochronological analysis (Location 2 on Figs. 1 and 2) to determine if this granite is part of the Silurian Utopia pluton. sample 15-104 was collected to the south of Wellington Lake to confirm that the Utopia Granite extends to the west of New River as suggested by the recent mapping (Location 3 on Figs. 1 and 2).

Distinctive, medium- to coarse-grained, light greyish-white to greyish-pink granite, underlying an area of about 15 km² centered on Wellington Lake, was recognized during the recent mapping on west side of the New River about 19 km northeast of Lake Utopia (Fig. 1). Originally included as part of the Utopia Granite by McLeod (1990), its zirconium-rich geochemistry suggests that it may be a separate pluton

(see geochemistry section below) and is herein referred to as the Wellington Lake Granite. It is bordered to the southeast by a narrow band of Mount Douglas Granite consisting of light pink, medium-grained granite grading into a fine-grained porphyry containing rapakivi-mantled potassium feldspar. The Wellington Lake Granite is separated from the main mass of the Mount Douglas Granite to the northwest by a screen from 200 to 400 m wide of light grey siltstone with locally interbedded basalt assigned to the Silurian (Llandoveryan to Wenlockian) Jones Creek Formation of the Mascarene Group (Fig. 2). Siltstone inclusions from 10 to 20 cm in diameter are common in the Wellington Lake Granite to the west of Wellington Lake near the unexposed northwestern contact with the sedimentary screen (Fig. 9). Sample 15-72 was collected at this site (Location 5 on Figs. 1 and 2) to define the age of crystallization of the Wellington Lake Granite.



Figure 9. Greyish-white, medium-grained, equigranular granite of the Wellington Lake Granite containing light grey siltstone inclusion about 2 km southwest of Wellington Lake (Location 5 on Fig. 1).

The peralkaline Jake Lee Granite, named by Currie (1988), is an oblong pluton about 20 km² in area intruded into volcanic and sedimentary rocks of the Llandoveryan Letete Formation (Mascarene Group) in the southeast, Pridolian sedimentary rocks of the Eastport Formation (Mascarene Group) in the northeast, and granitic rocks of the Utopia pluton in the northwest (Fig. 2). Its core consists of medium-grained, beige, equigranular, riebeckite-bearing granite grading outward to a fine-grained, light grey to light pink, porphyritic margin locally exhibiting rapakivi texture (Fyffe 1998). The fine-grained, northern margin of the Jake Lee Mountain pluton contains abundant, angular blocks of gabbro (Fig. 10). A coherent screen of gabbroic rocks about 300 m wide separates it from the Utopia Granite to the north. Sample JL16-1 was collected from medium-grained, beige granite forming the core of the Jake Lee Mountain pluton in order to determine the age of this previously undated peralkaline granite (Location 4 on Figs. 1 and 2).



Figure 10. Angular blocks of gabbro injected by amphibole-bearing granite along the northern margin of Jake Lee Mountain pluton.

LASER ABLATION ICP-MS U-Pb GEOCHRONOLOGY

U-Pb crystallization ages of zircon and monazite were determined by in situ laser ablation inductively coupled plasma-mass spectrometry (LA ICP-MS) at the University of New Brunswick. Standard polished thin sections were prepared and the zircon and monazite were analyzed using a Resonetics S-155-LR 193 nm ArF Excimer laser ablation (LA) system coupled to an Agilent 7700x quadrupole inductively coupled plasma-mass spectrometer (ICP-MS). Only those zircon and monazite grains large enough to accommodate a 25 μm and 17 μm diameter crater, respectively are measurable using laser ablation. Masses of ^{31}P , ^{89}Y , ^{202}Hg , ^{204}Pb , ^{206}Pb , ^{207}Pb , and ^{208}Pb , ^{232}Th , and ^{238}U were analyzed with ^{31}P used as a guide mass and for internal standardization (assuming ~ 13 wt. % P in monazite) for

calculating Y, Pb, Th, and U concentrations in monazite. ^{90}Zr was used as a guide mass and internal standardization (assuming ~ 43 wt. % Zr in zircon) for calculating Pb, Th, and U concentrations in zircon. For monazite, U-Pb isotope data was standardized using GSC-8153 monazite and the accuracy of the results confirmed using 44069 monazite (Aleinikoff *et al.* 2006). Zircon was standardized against 1099 Ma FC-1 zircon (Paces and Miller 1993) and accuracy checked using 337 Ma Plesovice zircon (Slama *et al.* 2008). Concentrations of U and Th in zircon were calculated relative to NIST610 which was analyzed throughout the analytical sequence. The data have been reduced using the VizualAge U-Pb geochronology data reduction scheme under Iolite software v. 2.5. Common-Pb correction was applied using Andersen (2002) method. A total between 45 and 82 of zircon and monazite analyses were obtained for each sample; however, of this total number of analyses a subset that are $<5\%$ discordant was used to calculate concordia ages using Isoplot version 3.71.09.05.23nx (Ludwig 2009). Details of the method have been described in McFarlane (2015) and Azadbakht *et al.* (2016). The results of the U-Pb monazite and zircon geochronological studies on the six samples selected for LA ICP-MS analysis (Table 1, Fig. 11) are discussed in detail below.

Utopia Granite (sample 171-6)

Sample 171-6 was collected on the summit of Dawson Mountain at Location 1 on Fig. 1. This light pink variety of Utopia Granite is a medium-grained, moderately altered granite with a slightly seriate texture composed of subhedral potassium feldspar, quartz, plagioclase, and biotite. Fractures and thin veins in the granite are filled with crystalline quartz. The perthitic potassium feldspar occurs as subhedral to euhedral twinned crystals up to 1.25 cm in diameter. Plagioclase occurs as smaller laths and is

Table 1. Summary of new U-Pb monazite and zircon concordia ages obtained by LA ICP-MS from the Saint George Batholith*.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Sample	Location	Latitude	Longitude	Unit	Material	Spot #	Age	Error	+ Error	- Error	MSWD	Probability
171-6	1	45° 12' 54.8"	66° 51' 28.7"	Utopia Granite	Monazite	82	425.5	2.1	427.6	423.4	0.67	0.41
15-87	2	45° 16' 15.9"	66° 36' 31.6"	Utopia Granite	Zircon	68	420.4	2.4	422.8	418.0	0.18	0.67
15-104	3	45° 15' 03.4"	66° 38' 59.9"	Utopia Granite	Zircon	62	420.0	3.5	423.5	416.5	0.20	0.66
JL-16-1	4	45° 13' 57.5"	66° 38' 08.9"	Jake Lee Mountain Granite	Zircon	60	418.0	2.3	420.3	415.7	0.40	0.53
15-72	5	45° 14' 58.1"	66° 40' 55.1"	Wellington Lake Granite	Zircon	53	415.5	2.1	417.6	413.4	1.08	0.3
85MM-154B	6	45° 23' 18.0"	66° 48' 45.0"	John Lee Brook Granite	Monazite	45	413.3	2.1	415.4	411.2	0.13	0.72

***Note:** (2) = Location of the samples are shown in Figures 1 and 2. (7) = Number of analyzed spots of monazite or zircon grains; (8) = Concordia ages (Ma) of samples; (9) = Error is two standard deviations; (10) = Concordia ages plus the error number (Ma); (11) = Concordia ages minus the error number (Ma); (12) = MSWD (Mean Squares of Weighted Deviation) of concordance; 13 = Probability of concordance.

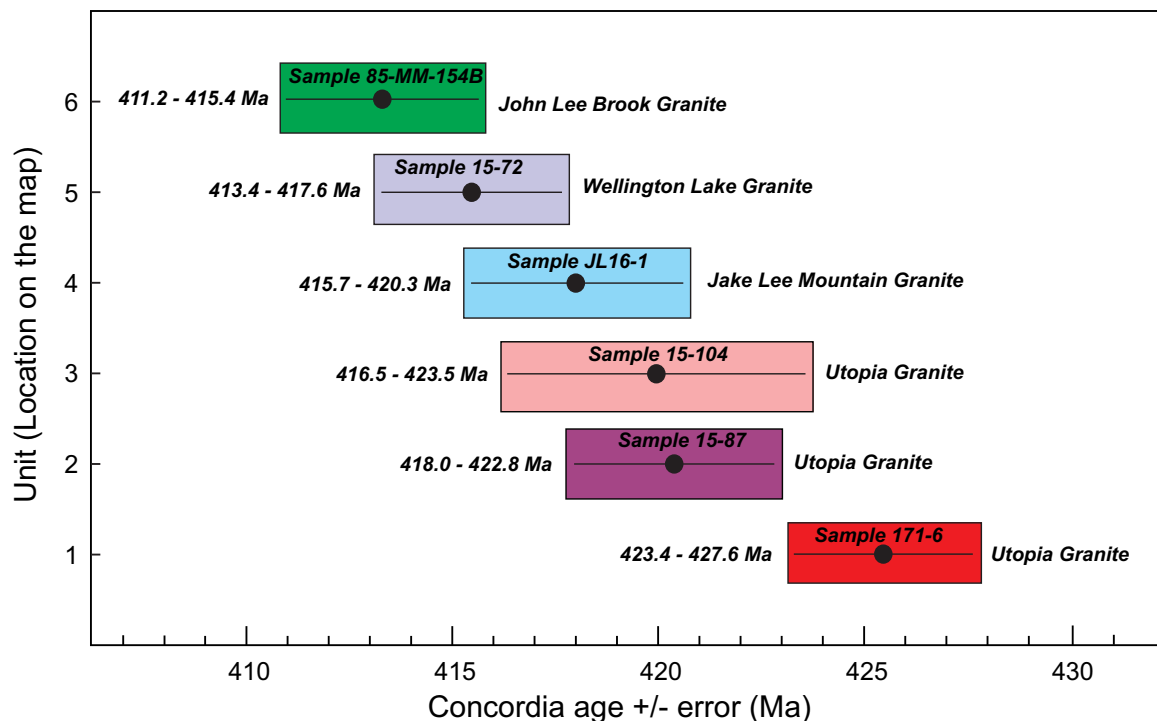


Figure 11. New U-Pb monazite and zircon geochronological results from the Saint George Batholith. Vertical axis legend is location number for dated samples shown on Figures 1 and 2. Error bars show the concordia age of each sample $\pm 2\sigma$ (see Table 1).

moderately altered to sericite in the central parts of grains. Quartz crystals are typically rounded and have seriate boundaries with the surrounding groundmass. Biotite grains are present as tabular grains rich in opaques (Fe-Ti oxides), zircon, monazite, and apatite. Monazite crystals occur as subhedral to anhedral and almost rounded

grains ranging from very small up to 100 μm in diameter and are mostly in contact with other accessory minerals, such as Fe-Ti oxides, zircon, and apatite (Fig. 12). A total of 82 spot analyses on monazite grains were obtained for the U-Pb geochronological study (Table A1). The results for monazite grains from the Dawson Mountain sample

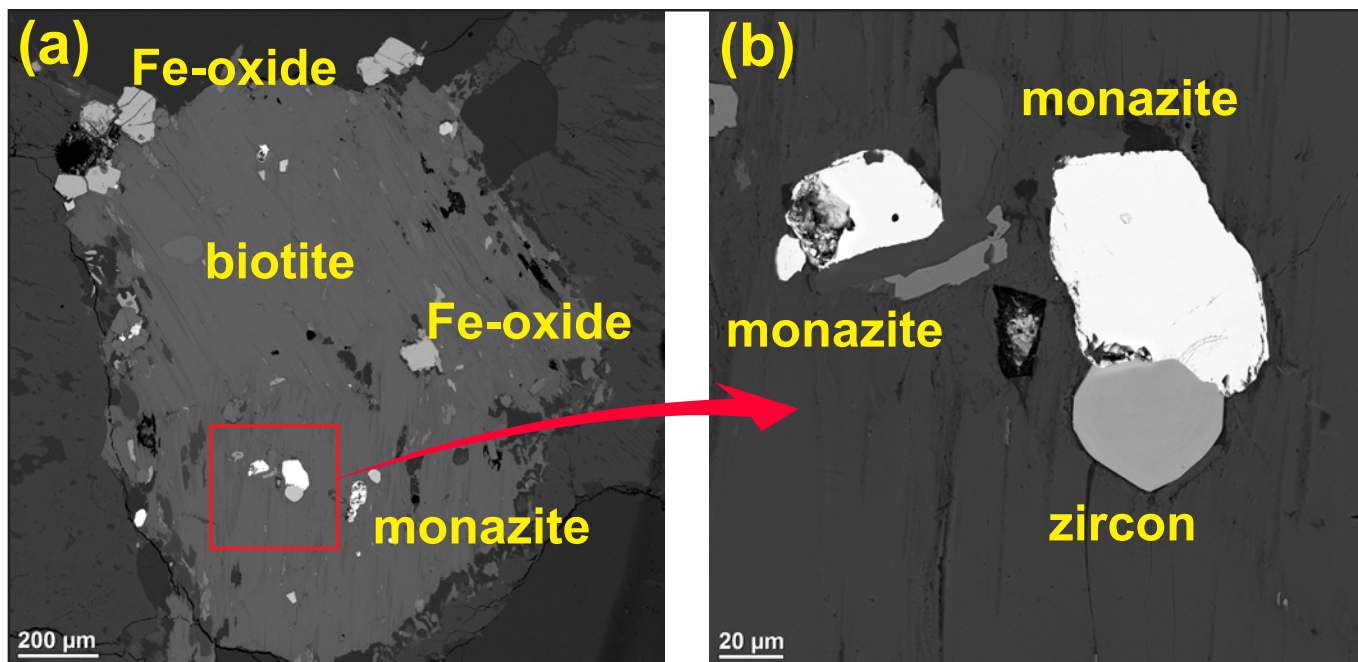


Figure 12. (a) SEM-BSE image of accessory minerals as inclusions in biotite from sample 171-6. (b) Close-up of image (a) showing homogeneous monazite grains with no internal zoning revealed by changing the gamma value (back scatter contrast) of the photograph.

yielded a U-Pb crystallization age of 425.5 ± 2.1 Ma (Table 1 and Fig. 13), i.e., Ludlovian according to the time scale of Ogg *et al.* (2016). This age is the same within error as the previously published U-Pb zircon age of 428.3 ± 1.0 Ma (latest Wenlockian) obtained on a sample of the typically red Utopia Granite exposed on Rte. 785 near the northern end of Lake Utopia (Barr *et al.* 2010).

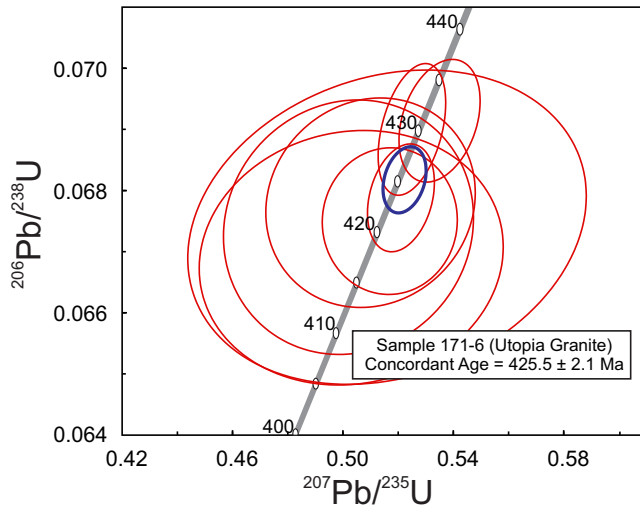
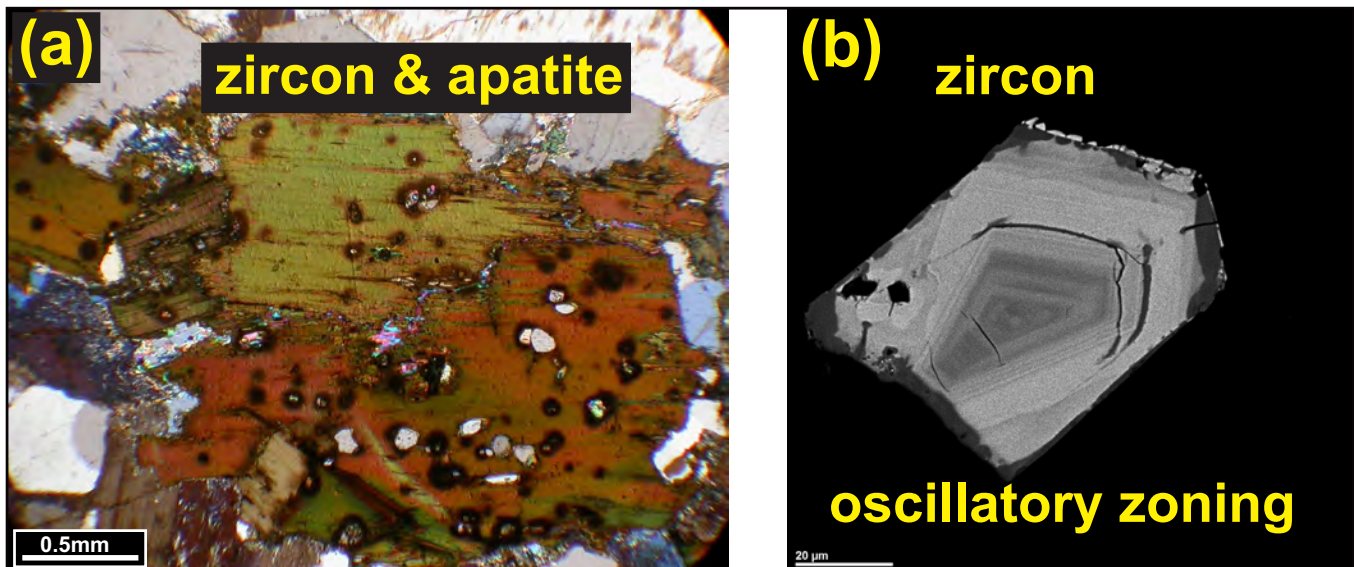


Figure 13. U-Pb concordia plot for laser ablation ICP-MS analyses of monazite grains from the Sample 171-6 (Utopia Granite). Concordia age = 425.5 ± 2.1 Ma; data point error ellipses are 2σ ; MSWD of concordance = 0.67; probability of concordance = 0.41. The blue ellipse is weighted-mean error ellipse.

Figure 14. (a) Photomicrograph of a biotite from sample 15-87; the biotite contains inclusions of zircon and apatite surrounded by zones of radiation damage (in cross-polarized light). (b) SEM-BSE image of a zircon crystal from sample 15-87 exhibiting oscillatory zoning.



Utopia Granite (samples 15-87 and 15-104)

Sample 15-87 was collected on the east side of New River at Location 2 on Figs. 1 and 2. Previously included as part of Mount Douglas Granite (McLeod 1990), recent field observations indicate that it is texturally more similar to the Utopia Granite in that rapakivi-mantling is lacking. The sample is a granular, medium-grained, pink granite composed mainly of quartz grains; perthitic potassium feldspar grains up to 0.75 cm in diameter, which are moderately altered to very fine-grained sericite along fractures or twinning planes; plagioclase grains that range from small inclusions hosted by potassium feldspar to moderately large subhedral-euhedral grains with a maximum diameter of 0.5 cm are locally altered to sericite along albite twin planes; and iron-rich biotite laths, which are altered to chlorite along cleavage planes. Zircon and apatite are the most abundant accessory minerals, mostly occurring as inclusions in biotite (Fig. 14a). The zircon crystals occur as subhedral to euhedral grains up to 100 μm in diameter that mostly are in contact with other accessory minerals, such as Fe-Ti oxides, apatite, and xenotime, and exhibit oscillatory zoning (Fig. 14b). Only those zircon crystals large enough to accommodate a 25 μm -diameter crater are measurable using laser ablation, and inclusion- and crack-free grains are preferred for analyses. A total of 68 spot analyses of zircon grains were ablated for the U-Pb geochronological study (Table A2). The results for zircon grains from sample 15-87 yielded a U-Pb crystallization age of 420.4 ± 2.4 Ma (Table 1 and Fig. 15), confirming that it is of Silurian (Pridolian) age and, therefore, part of the Utopia pluton rather than the Late Devonian Mount Douglas pluton.

A sample of medium-grained, pink, biotite granite (sample 15-104) was collected on the west side of New River at Location 3 on Figs. 1 and 2 to confirm that the Utopia Granite extends into the area south of Wellington

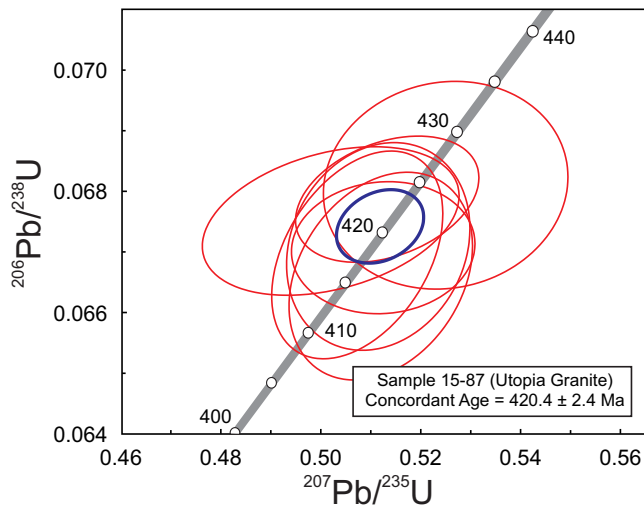


Figure 15. U-Pb concordia plot for laser ablation ICP-MS analyses of zircon grains from sample 15-87 (Utopia Granite). Concordia age = 420.4 ± 2.4 Ma; data point error ellipses are 2σ ; MSWD of concordance = 0.18; probability of concordance = 0.67. The blue ellipse is weighted-mean error ellipse.

Lake. The exposures in this area were previously included as part of Jake Lee Mountain Granite (McLeod *et al.* 1998) but recent field observations indicate that amphibole is not present in these rocks. A total of 62 spot analyses of zircon grains were ablated for the U-Pb geochronological study (Table A3). The analytical results on the zircon grains from sample 15-104 yielded a U-Pb crystallization age of 420.0 ± 3.5 Ma (Table 1 and Fig. 16) essentially identical to that obtained from sample 15-87.

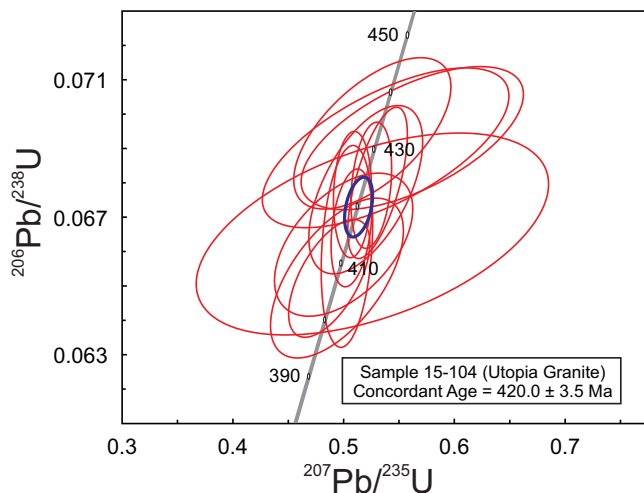


Figure 16. U-Pb concordia plot for laser ablation ICP-MS analyses of zircon grains from sample 15-104 (Utopia Granite). Concordia age = 420.0 ± 3.5 Ma; data point error ellipses are 2σ ; MSWD of concordance = 0.20; probability of concordance = 0.66. The blue ellipse is weighted-mean error ellipse.

Jake Lee Mountain Granite (sample JL16-1)

A sample of medium-grained, beige, equigranular, riebeckite-bearing granite (sample JL16-1) was collected along the resource road leading west off the Anthony Lake Road toward Jake Lee Mountain at Location 4 on Figs. 1 and 2. The sample is composed of quartz up to 2 mm in diameter, slightly altered perthitic potassium feldspar grains up to 3 mm in diameter, minor plagioclase with a maximum diameter of 1 mm; and iron-rich biotite laths, which are intensely altered to Fe-Ti oxides. Quartz and alkali feldspar are locally intergrown in a granophyric texture within a mosaic of polygonal, equigranular crystals of quartz and alkali feldspar. Accessory minerals include euhedral to subhedral zircon crystals that display oscillatory zoning, Fe-Ti oxides, and monazite crystals, which are present as inclusions in zircon or as small grains near or in contact with zircon and Fe-Ti oxide grains. Fine fractures and quartz stringers are present in the specimen.

A total of 60 spot analyses of zircon grains were ablated for the U-Pb geochronological study (Table A4). The analytical results from zircon grains from sample JL16-1 yielded a U-Pb crystallization age of 418.0 ± 2.3 Ma for the core of the Jake Lee Mountain Granite (Table 1 and Fig. 17). Although this latest Pridolian to earliest Lochkovian age overlaps statistically with the ages obtained from the two samples of Utopia Granite in the New River area, it is consistent with the Jake Lee Mountain Granite being the younger pluton based on the presence of its finer grained northern margin (Fyffe 1998; Barr *et al.* 2010). The peralkaline Welsford Granite, dated at 422 ± 1 Ma (Bevier 1990), is not found in contact with the Utopia Granite whereas the undated peralkaline Parks Brook Granite is veined by the Utopia Granite.

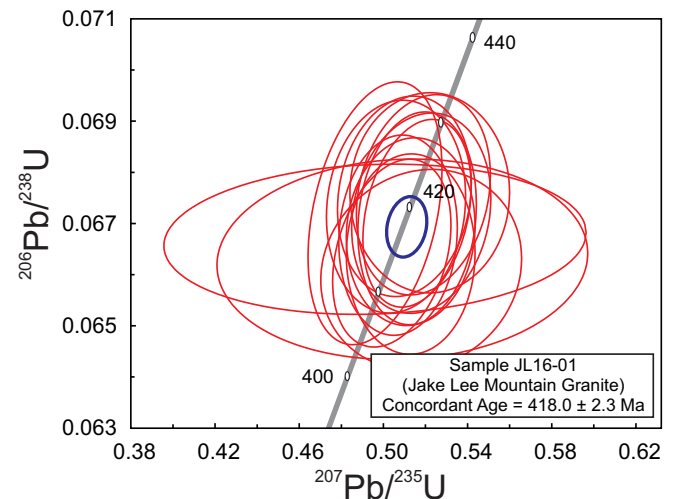


Figure 17. U-Pb concordia plot for laser ablation ICP-MS analyses of zircon grains from sample JL16-01 (Jake Lee Mountain Granite). Concordia age = 418.0 ± 2.3 Ma; data point error ellipses are 2σ ; MSWD of concordance = 0.40; probability of concordance = 0.53. The blue ellipse is weighted-mean error ellipse.

Wellington Lake Granite (sample 15-72)

Sample 15-72 from the Wellington Lake Granite was collected at Location 5 on Fig. 1 and 2 along a resource road running south off the Anthony Lake Road to the west of Wellington Lake. This sample is a holocrystalline, greyish pink, medium-grained, equigranular granite dominated by quartz; perthitic potassium feldspar grains, which are moderately altered to sericite; plagioclase grains, which are altered to sericite in their central parts (Fig. 18a); and biotite laths. Accessory minerals are subhedral zircon (Fig. 18b), apatite, monazite, and xenotime, which are mostly hosted by biotite; and garnet, which occurs as inclusions in plagioclase. A total of 53 spot analyses of zircon grains were ablated for the U–Pb geochronological study. The analytical results on the zircon grains from sample 15-72 (Table A5) yielded a U–Pb crystallization age of 415.5 ± 2.1 Ma (Table 1 and Fig. 19). This Early Devonian (Lochkovian) age together with its unique textural characteristics (Fig. 9) and chemical composition (see below) supports the recognition of the Wellington Lake Granite as distinct from the Silurian Utopia Granite, to which it was previously assigned (McLeod 1990).

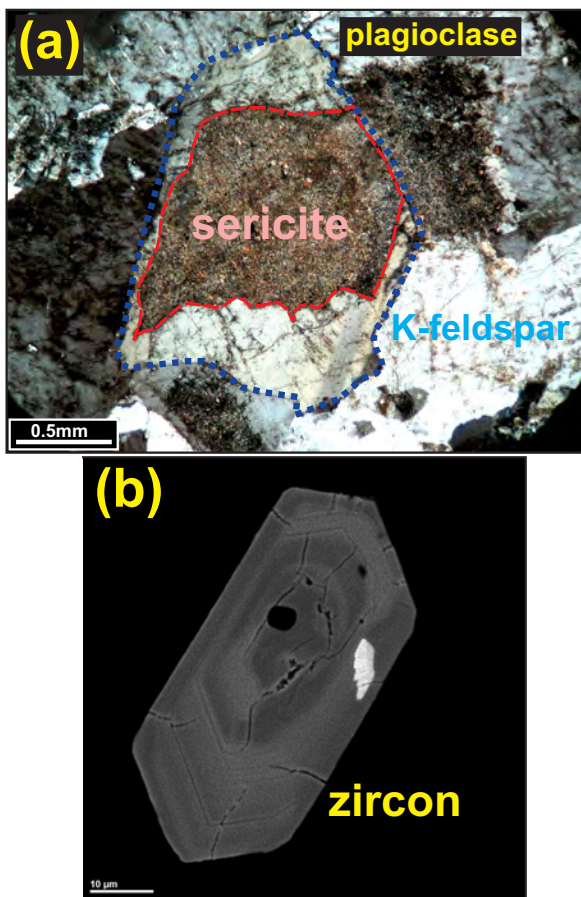


Figure 18. (a) Photomicrograph of a plagioclase grain from sample 15-72 with oscillatory zoning and selectively sericitized central part of the grain. (b) SEM-BSE image of a representative zircon crystal from sample 15-72 with oscillatory zoning.

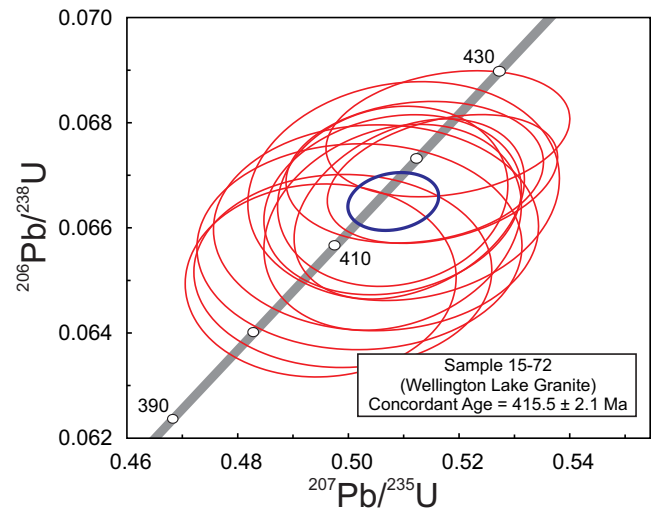


Figure 19. U–Pb concordia plot for laser ablation ICP–MS analyses of zircon grains from sample 15-72. (Wellington Lake Granite). Concordia age = 415.5 ± 2.1 Ma; data point error ellipses are 2σ ; MSWD of concordance = 1.08; probability of concordance = 0.3. The blue ellipse is weighted-mean error ellipse.

John Lee Brook Granite (sample 85MM-154B)

Sample 85MM-154B from the John Lee Brook Granite was collected by Malcolm McLeod in 1985 during his mapping of the Saint George Batholith (McLeod 1990). The sample site at Location 6 on Figs. 1 and 2 is located along a resource road about 3 km west of Rte. 785 near the headwaters of John Lee Brook. This white, medium-grained, equigranular, two-mica granite exhibits hypidiomorphic granular texture and is composed mainly of quartz, moderately altered perthitic potassium feldspar and plagioclase, and biotite (up to 20%), which is partially altered to chlorite. About 5 % primary muscovite is present but no garnet was observed. Zircon, monazite, apatite, xenotime, and Fe–Ti oxides are accessory minerals.

Scanning electron microscope-back scattered electron (SEM–BSE) images of monazite-bearing specimens from the John Lee Brook Granite were taken using software application dPict32 (developed by Geller Microanalytical Laboratories). The abundant accessory monazite in the sample of John Lee Brook Granite occur primarily as inclusions in principal minerals, such as biotite, or in contact with other accessory minerals. To obtain a reliable age of emplacement, monazite grains showing evidence that they were crystallized from a magma and not exhibiting inherited cores need to be chosen for measurement. Thus, monazite grains that are in equilibrium with other accessory minerals, such as apatite and xenotime, were selected for geochronological studies (Figs. 20 a, b, f, and h); disseminated monazite grains hosted as inclusions in biotite appear to be relatively homogeneous and reveal no inherited cores (Figs. 20c–d).

The monazite occurs as subhedral grains from 5 to

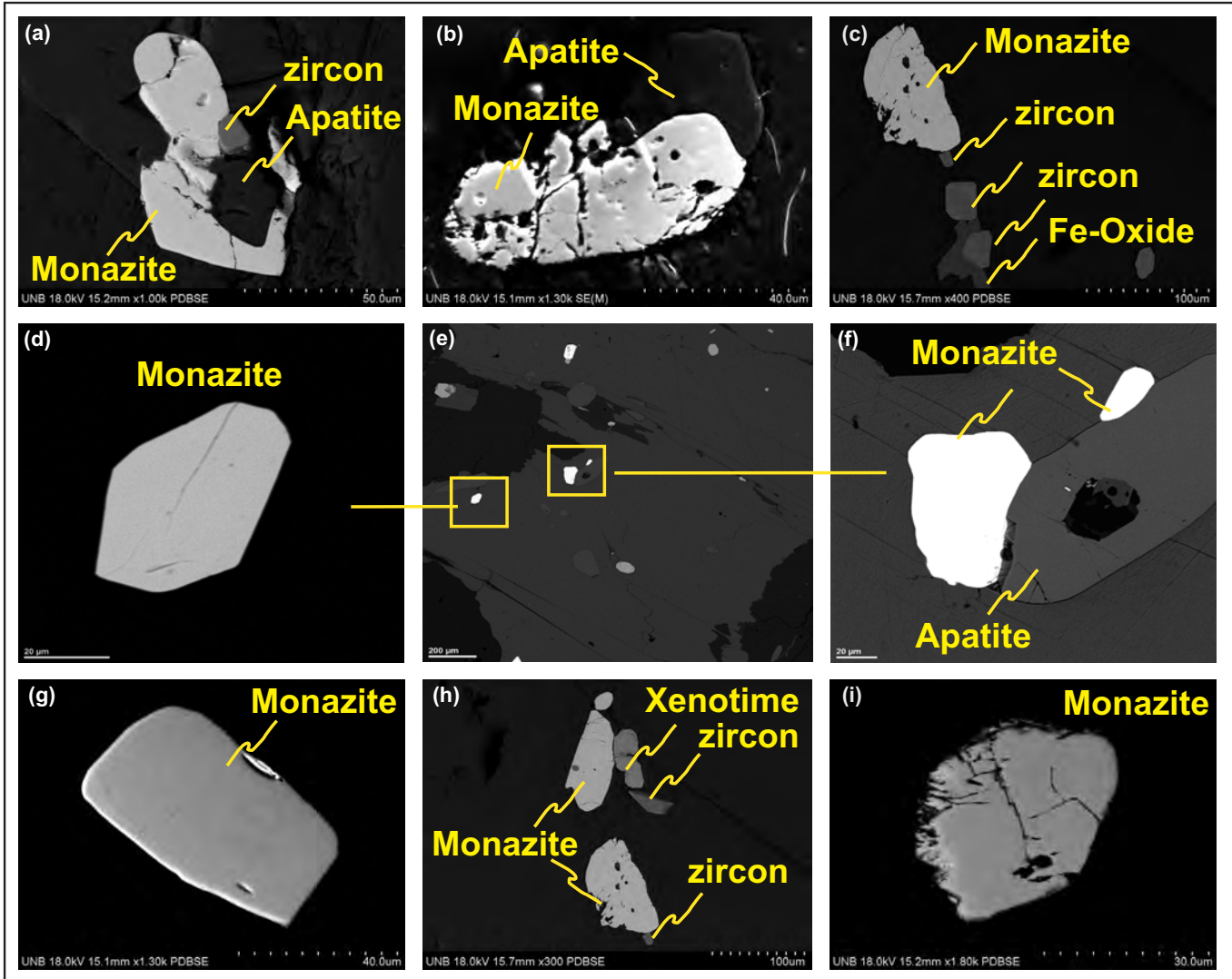


Figure 20. Representative SEM-BSE images of selected monazite grains from sample 85MM-154B. (a) Two subhedral monazite grains in equilibrium with zircon and apatite. (b) Fractured subhedral monazite that is in equilibrium with apatite. (c) Aggregate of monazite, zircon, and Fe-oxide. (d) Close-up of a fractured homogeneous monazite of image (a). (e) A biotite with plenty of inclusions, including monazite, apatite, and zircon. (f) Close-up of two homogeneous monazite grains of image (e) that are in equilibrium with apatite. (g) A 60 µm × 40 µm subhedral homogeneous monazite. (h) Monazite grains that are in equilibrium with xenotime and zircon. (i) Fractured homogeneous monazite showing no zoning.

80 µm in diameter. Only those grains large enough to accommodate a 17 µm diameter crater are measurable using laser ablation. Chemical discriminants, such as Y vs. U/Th, and P vs. U/Th, indicate that the monazite is chemically homogeneous, although faint patchy zoning was locally evident in SEM-BSE images (Figs. 20b, g).

A total of 45 spot analyses of monazite grains were ablated for the U-Pb geochronological study (Table A6). The analytical results on the monazite grains from the John Lee Brook Granite yielded a crystallization age of 413.3 ± 2.1 Ma (Table 1 and Fig. 21). This Early Devonian (Lochkovian) age is significantly older than the previous age of 384 ± 7 Ma obtained by $^{40}\text{Ar} / ^{39}\text{Ar}$ dating of muscovite (McLeod 1990). The contact between the John Lee Brook pluton and adjacent Magaguadavic pluton is located about

2 km south of the sample site at Location 6. This site yielded both the monazite age and younger muscovite age for the John Lee Brook Granite so it is likely that the intrusion of the Magaguadavic Granite was responsible for resetting the $^{40}\text{Ar} / ^{39}\text{Ar}$ isotopic system in the muscovite.

By way of contrast, ages obtained by various geochronological methods from the Magaguadavic Granite in the McDougall Lake area all fall within a relatively narrow range indicating its isotopic systems were not significantly affected by later intrusive events. A sample of megacrystic granite along Rte. 785 just east of McDougall Lake yielded a U-Pb zircon age of 396 ± 1 Ma (Bevier 1990) and an $^{40}\text{Ar} / ^{39}\text{Ar}$ biotite age of 400 ± 4 Ma (McLeod 1990). A porphyritic granitic dyke along the northwestern margin of the Magaguadavic Granite at the Clarence Stream gold

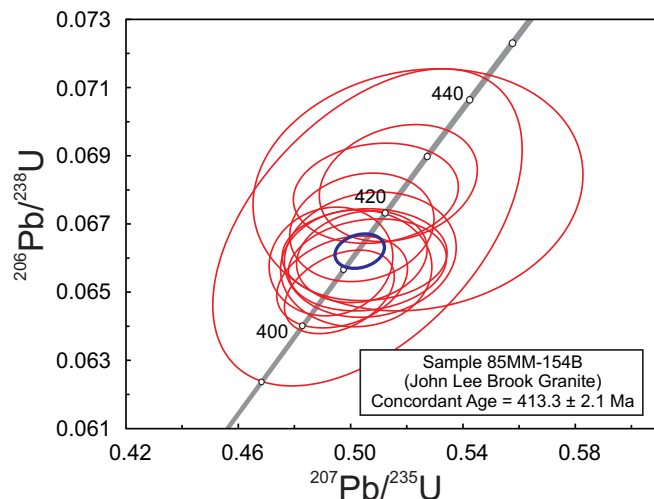


Figure 21. Concordia plot for laser ablation ICP-MS analyses of monazite grains from sample 85MM-154B (John Lee Brook Granite). Concordia age = 413.0 ± 2.1 Ma; data point error ellipses are 2σ ; MSWD of concordance = 0.13; probability of concordance = 0.72. The blue ellipse is weighted-mean error ellipse.

deposit (CS on Fig. 1) yielded a U-Pb monazite age of 395.5 ± 0.5 Ma, and a pegmatitic dyke in the same area yielded a U-Pb monazite age of 390 ± 8 Ma and a U-Pb zircon age 400 ± 5 Ma (Thorne *et al.* 2002, 2008; Davis *et al.* 2004).

GEOCHEMISTRY

Dated samples from the Utopia Granite (Sample 171-6 and 15-87) and Wellington Lake Granite (Sample 15-72) were analyzed for major elements and selected trace elements, including rare earth elements (REEs). The method used was laser ablation inductively coupled plasma-mass spectrometry (LA ICP-MS) on fused glass beads at the University of New Brunswick. Standards BCR-2, GSP-2, and SY-4 were used to check precision and accuracy on the fusion beads. Major elements were obtained with a JEOL JSM 6400 Scanning Electron Microscope equipped with an EDAX Genesis X-ray microanalysis system (SEM-EDS). The accelerating voltage was 15 kV and the probe current was approximately 1.5 nA. Spectra were collected for 50 s live-time. Trace element analyses were performed using LA-ICP-MS with a $45\mu\text{m}$ diameter crater. Standards used were NIST-610 (primary concentration standard), NIST-612 (secondary concentration standard), and BCR-2G (QC standard). The geochemical results are shown in Table 2 together with data on the John Lee Brook Granite (sample 85MM-154B) taken from McLeod (1990). No analysis is available for the dated Jake Lee Mountain Granite (sample J16-1).

Table 2. LA-ICP-MS analyses of selected granites from the Saint George Batholith.

Pluton	John Lee Brook Granite	Wellington Lake Granite	Utopia Granite	Utopia Granite
Sample	85MM-154B	15-72	15-87	171-6
SiO ₂ (wt. %)	74.9	70.3	77.26	71.66
TiO ₂	0.09	0.32	0.08	0.57
Al ₂ O ₃	13.97	16.2	12.92	14.13
FeO	1.09	2.62	1.43	2.16
MnO	0.05	0.06	0.04	0.81
MgO	0.23	0.27	0.08	0.36
CaO	0.5	0.94	0.34	0.83
Na ₂ O	4.1	3.41	2.92	3.63
K ₂ O	4.78	5.57	4.78	5.07
P ₂ O ₅	0.03	0.1	0.05	0.05
Total	100.04	99.7	99.85	99.22
Rb (ppm)	247	132.1	201.2	223.2
Cs	7.3	2.9	6	7.2
Ba	132	119.1	23.1	167
Sr	43	34.2	18.5	40.1
Ga	–	19.8	20.8	20.6
Ge	–	1.5	1.9	3.6
Ta	1.9	1.6	2.2	2.3
Nb	11	33.9	22.4	25.5
Hf	3.2	16.1	1.5	7.9
Zr	83	473.5	44	240.8
Y	33	118.1	29.6	53
La	21	101.5	11.1	50.5
Ce	49	222.5	24.9	98.4
Pr	–	24.5	2.9	10.5
Nd	17	95.4	11.9	38.8
Sm	3.8	22.9	2.5	8.9
Eu	0.4	0.4	0.02	0.5
Gd	–	20.6	3.3	7.7
Tb	0.8	3.5	0.7	1.5
Dy	4.4	21.5	4.3	9.2
Ho	–	4.4	1	1.8
Er	–	12	2.8	5.3
Tm	0.3	1.6	0.5	0.8
Yb	2.3	9.4	3.5	6.2
Lu	0.4	1.4	0.6	0.9
Ni	0	6.3	5.1	3.2
Co	1.1	1.7	0.6	1.7
Sc	3.4	19.5	8.4	9
Cu	2	6.5	16.5	13.6
Pb	10	2.9	12.5	57.1
Zn	47	9.4	21.03	27

Major element characteristics

Sample 15-72 from the Wellington Lake Granite has the lowest silica content (70.3 wt.%) followed by sample 171-6 from the less evolved Utopia Granite (71.7 wt. %), sample 85MM-154B from the John Lee Brook Granite (74.9 wt.%), and sample 15-87 from the more evolved Utopia Granite (77.3 wt.%). All four of the dated samples fall in the peraluminous field (Fig. 22a) and are characterized by high $(\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3 + \text{FeO})/\text{MgO}$ ratio (ranging from 4.7 to 17.9), alkalis with $\text{K}_2\text{O}/\text{Na}_2\text{O} > 1$, and low CaO , P_2O_5 , TiO_2 , and MgO (Table 2). On the plot of SiO_2 versus K_2O (Fig. 22b), samples from the John Lee Brook and Utopia granites plot in the fields of high-K; whereas the sample from the Wellington Lake Granite is associated with the shoshonite series.

Trace and rare earth element characteristics

Geochemical data presented by McLeod (1990) and Whalen (1993) indicate that the granite dated on Dawson Mountain and that dated by Barr *et al.* (2010) on the northern end of Lake Utopia, both of which have yielded Ludlovian ages of emplacement, are less evolved than the granite dated as Pridolian to the east of New River (Sample 15-87). McLeod's and Whalen's data also indicate that granite similar in composition to that east of New River also exists in the southern part of the Lake Utopia area to the east of Lily Lake (Fig. 1), suggesting that the Utopia Granite is a composite pluton composed of an older less evolved component (ave. $\text{SiO}_2 = 73.6$ wt.%, $n = 6$), and a younger more evolved component (ave. $\text{SiO}_2 = 76.8$ wt.%, $n = 4$). A conspicuous magnetic lineament, located about 1 km north of Lily Lake, trends eastward to Lake Utopia and may represent the boundary between these two components in the western part of the Utopia pluton.

Differences between spider diagrams of the three plutons are highlighted by the contrasting REE patterns of each pluton (Fig. 23a). The REE profiles of the Utopia and Wellington Lake samples are relatively flat with gentle negative slopes. The highly evolved Utopia Granite from east of New River (sample 15-87) has the largest negative Eu anomaly ($\text{Eu}/\text{Eu}^* = 0.02$), the lowest normalized light (LREE) to heavy (HREE) rare earth ratio $[(\text{La}/\text{Yb})_N = 2.3]$, and most pronounced negative Ba, Sr, and Ti anomalies (Fig. 23b). Sample 15-87 also has lower overall REE abundances reflecting possible fractionation of zircon/xenotime, and monazite/apatite, which have high partition coefficients for HREE and LREE, respectively, and are abundant in this sample. The relatively high negative slope of sample 85MM-154B $[(\text{La}/\text{Yb})_N = 6.5]$ from the John Lee Brook Granite (Fig. 23a) is possibly the result of the presence of refractory garnet in the source area or of late-stage fractionation of garnet, which has a high partition coefficient for HREE and is abundant as inclusions mostly hosted by plagioclase in this sample. The prominent negative Nb and Ti anomalies

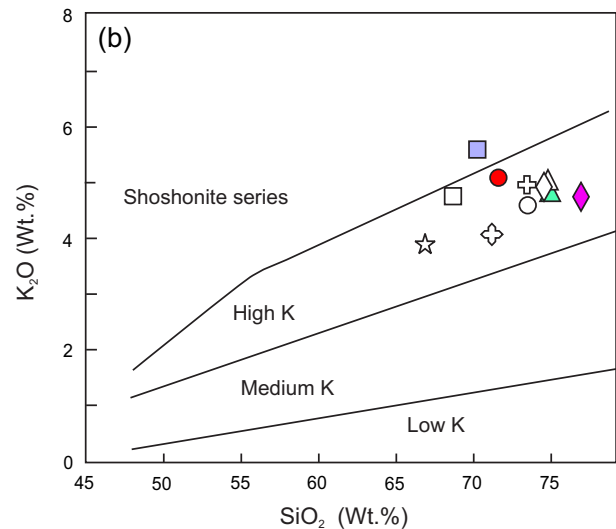
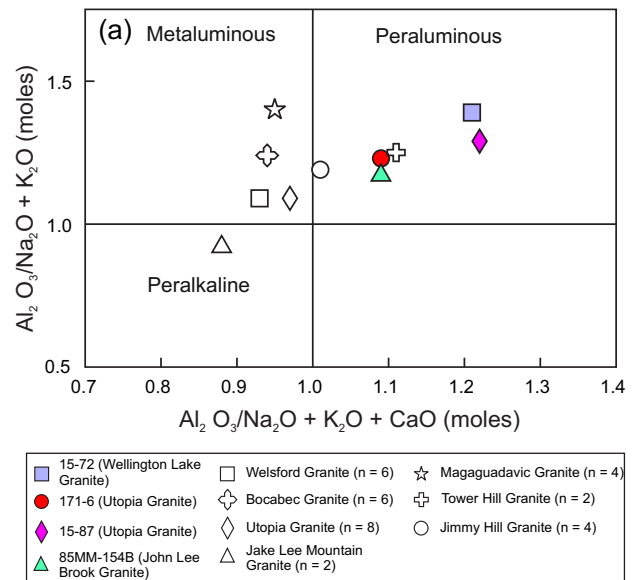


Figure 22. Major element characteristics of granite samples from the Saint George Batholith and satellite Tower Hill pluton. (a) Alumina saturation diagram, fields after Shand (1943); (b) SiO_2 vs. K_2O diagram; fields after Le Maitre *et al.* (1989). Black non-filled symbols are averaged analyses of plutons from Whalen (1993). Green-filled triangle symbol is analysis of dated John Lee Brook sample from McLeod (1990), and green non-filled circle is averaged analyses of Jimmy Hill pluton from McLeod (1990).

exhibited by the John Lee Granite on the HFSE/primitive mantle spider diagram (Fig. 23b) are likely an inherited signature derived from melting of old granitic basement or arc-derived clastic sedimentary rocks in the source region at 413 Ma.

Sample 15-72 from the Wellington Lake Granite contains the highest overall REE abundances, exhibits the highest normalized LREE enriched pattern $[(\text{La}/\text{Yb})_N = 7.73]$ that is accompanied by a relatively small negative Eu anomalies

($\text{Eu}/\text{Eu}^* = 0.06$), likely reflecting fractionation in a more oxidized magmatic system where more of the Eu is present as Eu^{3+} and hence would not be incorporated into the crystallizing plagioclase (e.g., Sisson and Grove 1993).

On 'Rb vs Y + Nb', 'Rb vs Yb + Ta', 'Nb vs Y', and 'Ta vs Yb' tectonomagmatic discrimination diagrams (Fig. 24), the dated samples from the Utopia and Wellington Lake granites plot in the within-plate, 'A-type' field whereas the John Lee Brook Granite falls mainly within the syn-

collisional, 'S-type' field. On the FeO^* vs $\text{Zr} + \text{Nb} + \text{Ce} + \text{Y}$ discrimination diagram, the Utopia and Wellington Lake samples again fall in the 'A-type' field (Fig. 25a), whereas the John Lee Brook sample plots in the fractionated granite field (FG). On the ternary Y-Nb-Ce discrimination diagram (Fig. 25b), the dated samples all fall in the crustal 'A-type' field, although the strongly fractionated Utopia Granite sample from east of New River plots toward a 'mantle-type' granite.

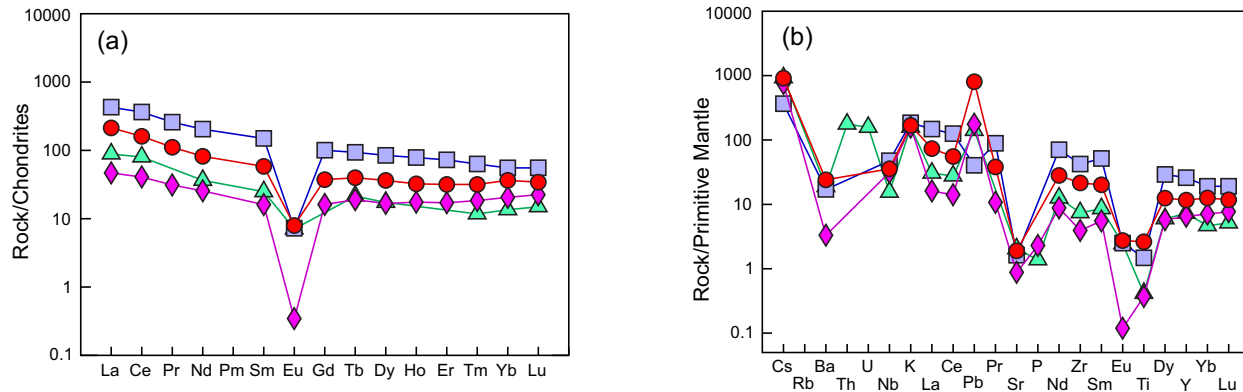


Figure 23. Trace- and rare-earth element characteristics of dated granite samples from the Saint George Batholith: (a) Chondrite-normalized REE profiles; normalizing values for C1 chondrite from Sun and McDonough (1989). (b) Primitive mantle-normalized spider diagram; primitive mantle values from Sun and McDonough (1989). See Figure 22 for symbols.

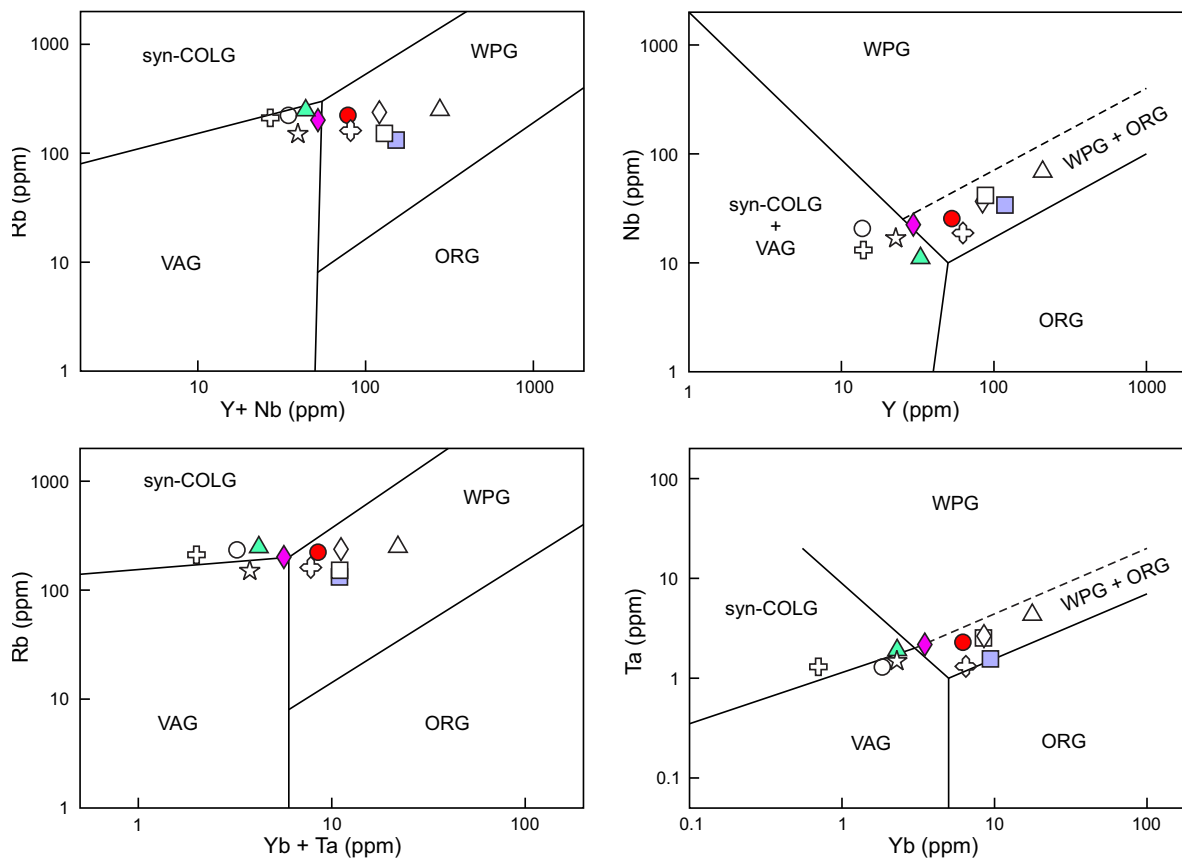


Figure 24. Tectonomagmatic discrimination diagrams for plutons of the Saint George Batholith and for the satellite Tower Hill pluton. Volcanic arc granite (VAG), syn-collisional granite (syn-COLG), within-plate granite (WPG), and ocean-ridge granite (ORG) fields after Pearce et al. (1984). Christiansen and Keith (1996) equated the VAG, syn-COLG, and WPG fields with I-, S-, and A-type granites, respectively. See Figure 22 for symbols.

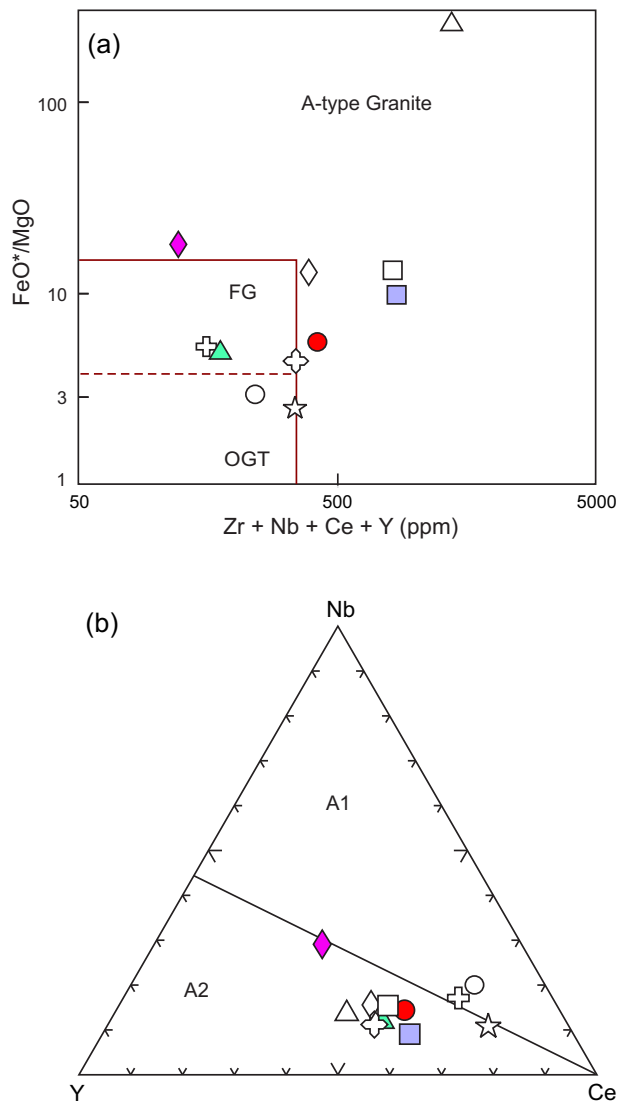


Figure 25. Tectonomagmatic discrimination diagrams for plutons of the Saint George Batholith and for the satellite Tower Hill pluton (a) Zr + Nb + Ce + Y vs. FeO*/MgO; fields after Whalen *et al.* (1987); FG = fractionated felsic granites; OGT = unfractionated M-, I-, and S-type granites. (b) Ternary Y–Nb–Ce diagram; fields after Eby (1992); A1 granites are characterized by element ratios similar to the mantle, whereas A2 granites originated from continental crust or arcs. See Figure 22 for symbols.

TECTONIC EVOLUTION OF THE MASCARENE BACKARC BASIN

The current plate tectonic model developed for the post-Penobscottian evolution of southern New Brunswick relates Acadian (late Silurian to early Devonian) tectonism in the region to closure of a remnant oceanic tract, referred to as the Acadian Seaway (van Staal *et al.* 1996; Fyffe *et al.* 1999; Barr *et al.* 2002; White *et al.* 2006; van Staal *et al.* 2009). This seaway separated the peri-Gondwanan microcontinent of Avalonia (see inset on Fig. 1) from the amalgamated terranes already accreted to the Laurentian continental

margin during Early Paleozoic closure of the Iapetus Ocean. The peri-Gondwanan microcontinent of Ganderia, the most outboard of these Iapetan terranes, was accreted to the Laurentian margin during Salinic (late Ordovician to late Silurian) orogenesis. Precambrian rocks of the New River and Brookville belts are considered to underlie the sparsely preserved platform of Ganderia, whereas the Cambrian-Ordovician sedimentary rocks of the St. Croix belt are interpreted to represent its Paleozoic passive margin (van Staal *et al.* 1996; Fyffe *et al.* 2011). Subsequent Acadian tectonism and magmatism in southwestern New Brunswick is attributable to accretionary events associated with closure of the Acadian Seaway by northwest-directed subduction beneath the Kingston arc-Mascarene backarc system and its St. Croix-New River substrate (Fig. 1). The arc-backarc system was subsequently extensively dismembered by strike-slip displacement along the Sawyer Brook, St. George, Wheaton Brook, Belleisle, and Kennebecasis faults (Stewart *et al.* 1995; Fyffe *et al.* 1999, Fyffe *et al.* 2011). The Sawyer Brook, St. George, and Wheaton Brook faults were inactive by the Late Devonian as they are cross-cut by the Mount Douglas Granite, emplaced between 367 ± 1 and 366 ± 1 Ma (Bevier 1989; McLeod 1990).

The Mascarene backarc basin is situated along the transitional zone between the Ganderian platform comprised of Neoproterozoic basement rocks and its thin cover of Cambrian quartzite (New River belt) in the south and the Ganderian passive margin comprised of a thick succession of Cambrian-Ordovician sedimentary rocks (St. Croix belt) in the north (Fyffe *et al.* 2011). The Silurian sequences in the dismembered backarc basin, which are all included in the Mascarene Group, have been divided into several formations (i.e., Oak Bay, Waweig, Letete, Long Reach, Jones Creek, and Eastport), described briefly below. The contact between the steeply dipping conglomerate of the Silurian Oak Bay Formation at the base of the Mascarene Group and Cambrian-Ordovician sedimentary rocks of the Cookson Group is generally marked by the Sawyer Brook Fault, along which considerable transcurrent movement has occurred (Park *et al.* 2008).

Volcanic rocks become abundant up-section in the Oak Bay Formation and the contact with the overlying Waweig Formation, a sequence of moderately dipping, light pink, fossiliferous, fine-grained sandstone and siltstone interbedded with felsic and lesser mafic tuffs, is gradational (Fyffe *et al.* 1999). A felsic tuff in the Waweig Formation yielded an early Silurian (Llandoveryan) U-Pb zircon date of 438 ± 4 Ma (Miller and Fyffe 2002). The Letete Formation, a complexly deformed, steeply dipping sequence of felsic and mafic tuffs interbedded with dark grey shale, lies along the southern margin of the Mascarene backarc basin between the St. George and Wheaton Brook faults (Fig. 1). Felsic tuff from the Letete Formation yielded an early Silurian (Llandoveryan) U-Pb zircon date of 437 ± 7 Ma (Miller and Fyffe 2002). Mascarene strata to the east of the Saint George Batholith (Fig. 1) include mafic flows and tuffs of the Long

Reach Formation and conformably overlying, fine-grained, feldspathic sandstone, siltstone, dacitic flows, and minor mafic tuffs of the Jones Creek Formation. Brachiopods indicate a late Llandoveryan to early Wenlockian age for the Long Reach Formation (McCutcheon and Ruitenberg 1987), and associated dacitic volcanic rocks have yielded an early Silurian (early Wenlockian) U-Pb zircon date of 432 ± 2 Ma (N. Van Wagoner, written communication to M. McLeod, 2001). An equivalent sequence of volcanic rocks lying beneath the late Silurian Eastport Formation in adjacent Maine has suprasubduction-zone geochemical signatures (Llamas and Hepburn 2013).

The early Silurian volcanic sequences of the Oak Bay, Waweig, Long Reach, Jones Creek, and Letete formations, which are at least partially coeval with the volcanic arc rocks in the Kingston Group, are considered here to have been generated in a continental backarc basin in an extensional suprasubduction-zone environment (Fyffe *et al.* 1999; Barr *et al.* 2002; White *et al.* 2006; van Staal *et al.* 2009). Fossil and geochronological data are consistent with a period of uplift and erosion or non-deposition of Silurian strata in the Mascarene backarc basin in the mid- to Wenlockian. This hiatus, delineated radiometrically by the age of the youngest suprasubduction-zone related volcanism (432 ± 2 Ma) and oldest non-arc plutonism (428 ± 1 Ma) constrains the timing of the closure of the Acadian Seaway and collision of Avalonia with the Ganderian margin of composite Laurentia to the mid-Silurian.

The mid-Silurian hiatus in the Mascarene backarc basin was followed by deposition of the shallow-marine to subaerial succession correlated with the Eastport Formation in Maine (Fyffe *et al.* 1999). The Eastport Formation in New Brunswick, which occurs along the southern margin of the Saint George Batholith to the north of the St. George Fault (Fig. 1), comprises a gently southerly dipping succession of mafic and felsic flows and tuffs interbedded with peritidal to subaerial, red sandstone and siltstone. Felsic flows in the middle section of the Eastport Formation are enriched in Zr (Van Wagoner *et al.* 2002), suggesting that they may be the extrusive equivalents of the peralkaline Welsford, Jake Lee Mountain, and Parks Brook granites. The Eastport volcanic rocks have within-plate geochemical signatures and have been reported to have a late Ludlovian to early Pridolian age based on the poorly documented, preliminary U-Pb zircon date of 423 ± 1 Ma (Van Wagoner *et al.* 2002). The location of the dated felsic flow is not known with certainty but it was likely collected about 1 km above the base of the Eastport Formation.

LATE SILURIAN – EARLY DEVONIAN PLUTONISM

The bulk composition, spatial distribution, and timing of emplacement of the various Silurian (late Wenlockian to Pridolian) to Early Devonian (Lochkovian to Emsian) plutonic rocks in southwestern New Brunswick are discussed below in relationship to the tectonomagmatic

evolution of the Kingston arc-Mascarene backarc system (Kingston and Mascarene belts on Fig. 1). As emphasized by Hyndman *et al.* (2005), convective heat flow in backarc regions can continue for some tens of millions of years after subduction stops; these hot and weak former backarcs can then become the focus of high temperature metamorphism, ductile deformation, and plutonism. Based on previously published geochronological data, the composite Saint George Batholith was emplaced into the Mascarene backarc basin during three separate intervals (428 to 422 Ma; 403 to 390 Ma; and 367 to 366 Ma), covering a time span of approximately 60 million years (Bevier 1989, 1990; McLeod 1990; Whalen *et al.* 1996; Thorne *et al.* 2002, 2008; Davis *et al.* 2004; Barr *et al.* 2010). The new results reported above indicate magmatic activity also occurred in the backarc between 418 and 413 Ma (Table 1) and indicate that the tectonomagmatic history of the Saint George Batholith was more protracted than previously envisioned. All these intrusive episodes took place after the eruption of suprasubduction – zone related volcanism in the Mascarene backarc basin had ceased at 432 ± 2 Ma.

Silurian (late Wenlockian to Pridolian) magmatism

The Silurian (late Wenlockian to Pridolian) ‘A-type’ granite plutons that were emplaced along the southern margin of the Mascarene backarc basin (Welsford, Jake Lee Mountain, Parks Brook, Utopia granites, and felsic components of the Bocabec Gabbro) generally show little evidence of deformation compared to the minor intrusions described below along the northern margin of the basin. Emplacement of the southern Silurian plutons overlapped with the eruption of bimodal flows and tuffs of the Eastport Formation dated at 423 ± 1 Ma (Van Wagoner *et al.* 2002). The Welsford and Utopia granites have been previously dated by U-Pb on zircon at 422 ± 1 and 428.3 ± 1.0 Ma, respectively (Bevier 1990; Barr *et al.* 2010). The new results reported here include a U-Pb date on monazite of 425.5 ± 2.1 Ma for the less evolved phase of the Utopia Granite, U-Pb dates on zircon of 420.4 ± 2.4 and 420.0 ± 3.5 Ma for the more evolved phase of the Utopia Granite, and a U-Pb on zircon of 418.0 ± 2.3 Ma for the Jake Lee Mountain Granite, which straddles the Pridolian-Lochkovian boundary (Fig. 11; Table 1). The undated Parks Brook peralkaline granite must be older than 420 Ma as it is veined by the Utopia Granite.

The elongated shapes of these high-level ‘A-type’ plutons suggest that their emplacement was at least partly controlled by high heat flow along pre-existing, extensional fault-structures in the basement rocks defining the ‘active’ southeastern boundary of the Mascarene backarc basin (Fig. 1). Only the Jake Lee Mountain pluton displays evidence of significant shearing, likely attributable to late-stage movement on the St. George Fault (Figs. 1 and 2). More significant fault displacement along the southern margin of the backarc basin appears to have been taken up largely

within the highly strained strata of the Letete Formation, located farther to the south between the St. George and Wheaton Brook faults (Fyffe *et al.* 1999).

The peralkaline, amphibole-bearing Welsford and Jake Lee Mountain granites, and biotite-bearing, Utopia Granite are classified as 'A-type' granites (Whalen 1986; Whalen *et al.* 1987). The generation of the peralkaline plutons may have involved partial melting of subcontinental lithospheric mantle (Whalen *et al.* 2006), whereas the generation of the contemporaneous 'aluminous A-type' Utopia Granite likely involved partial melting of dehydrated, granulite-facies, lower continental crust (King *et al.* 1997). Underplating of the lithosphere with mantle-derived mafic magma is required to produce the high temperatures required to melt the relatively anhydrous protoliths of 'A-type' granites. Neodymium epsilon values [ϵ_{Nd} (430 Ma)] of + 2.7 for granite from the Bocabec Gabbro, + 2.3 from the Utopia biotite granite, and + 3.4 from the Welsford peralkaline granite indicate some mixing of mantle-derived mafic magma with the partial melts (Whalen *et al.* 1994; Whalen *et al.* 2006).

The Sawyer Brook Fault acted as a brittle, normal fault along the northern margin of the Mascarene backarc basin during deposition of the early Silurian Oak Bay conglomerate (Stringer and Burke 1985; Fyffe *et al.* 1999). Subsequently, a series of mafic dykes were emplaced into this margin of the backarc basin, along a probable splay off the Sawyer Brook Fault. The dykes, each about 30 m in width, occupy a 300 m-wide, northeast-trending dextral shear zone along the northwestern margin of the Magaguadavic pluton. As seen in gold exploration trenches in the Clarence Stream area (CS on Fig. 1), the dykes contain penetrative schistosity of aligned biotite and actinolite that is parallel to the trend of the dykes and cross-cuts an earlier phyllitic cleavage in the Silurian volcanic and sedimentary host rocks of the Waweig Formation; locally the dykes are highly boudinaged. The late schistosity in the sedimentary rocks, defined by muscovite and biotite, wraps around cordierite porphyroblasts, which contain relicts of the earlier phyllitic cleavage (Thorne and Lentz 2001; Park *et al.* 2008; Thorne *et al.* 2008). The mafic dykes in the Clarence Stream shear zone are petrochemically similar to, and may represent offshoots from, the Bocabec Gabbro. If this correlation is correct, the dykes were emplaced in the later part of the Silurian (Ludlovian to Pridolian) at about 422.1 ± 1.3 Ma (Clarke *et al.* 2017).

High-strain shear zones have also been mapped in the St. Croix and Fredericton belts to the northwest of the Sawyer Brook Fault. The Mohannes Granite, located about 10 km to the west of the area shown in Fig. 1, is light grey, granodiorite to monzogranite that was emplaced into Cambrian-Ordovician sedimentary rocks along the northern margin of the St. Croix belt (Fyffe *et al.* 1991). This oblong, relatively small, 'I-type' pluton, which yielded a preliminary U-Pb emplacement age on zircon of 420 ± 5 Ma (Fyffe and Bevier 1992), contains a penetrative,

northeast-trending, cataclastic fabric defined by aligned augen of plagioclase and potassium feldspar set in a granulated quartz matrix. Like in the contact aureole of the mafic dykes in the Clarence Stream area, cordierite porphyroblasts in the host rocks of the Mohannes Granite show evidence of growth during deformation.

Early Devonian (Lochkovian to Emsian) magmatism

The John Lee Brook, Jimmy Hill, and Magaguadavic granites, which form the northwestern part of the Saint George Batholith (Fig. 1), are all Early Devonian in age. Both the John Lee Brook and Jimmy Hill plutons appear to be entirely confined to the St. Croix and Fredericton belts on the north side of the Sawyer Brook Fault. The new LA ICP-MS in situ U-Pb age of 413.3 ± 2.1 Ma indicates that the John Lee Brook Granite was emplaced during the Lochkovian stage (Ogg *et al.* 2016). Also, the U-Pb zircon crystallization ages of 415.5 ± 2.1 Ma obtained from the newly recognized Wellington Lake Granite indicates that some high-field-strength-element-enriched magmatic activity was taking place within the Mascarene backarc basin along the southern margin of the Saint George Batholith in early Lochkovian time.

The John Lee Brook pluton has an elongated shape but does not display a fabric, suggesting that its emplacement took place during the waning stages of transpressional tectonic activity. In marked contrast, the Magaguadavic pluton is roughly circular in outline indicating that its emplacement post-dated major fault movement. Like the Tower Hill Granite, which lies entirely in the St. Croix belt, the two-mica John Lee Brook Granite is peraluminous with a high Aluminum Saturation Index (ave. ASI of 1.08) and low ϵ_{Nd} (400 Ma) value of + 0.3 compared to the other plutons comprising the Saint George Batholith (Whalen *et al.* 1996). It thus has properties transitional to 'S-type' granites and was likely derived in part by melting or assimilation of supracrustal metasedimentary rocks (Chappell and White 1974). In contrast, the metaluminous megacrystic Magaguadavic Granite, with an ASI of 0.9 and ϵ_{Nd} (400 Ma) of + 2.0, has 'I-type' characteristics and its generation can be attributed to partial melting of meta-igneous rocks in the lower crust (Chappell and White 1974; Whalen *et al.* 1994, 1996; Yang *et al.* 2008); the presence of large potassium feldspar phenocrysts indicates that the magma may have been sequestered in the deep crust for some time before rising and solidifying nearer to the surface (McLeod 1990).

The Magaguadavic Granite was emplaced during the Emsian Stage of the Early Devonian as indicated by previously published U-Pb dates on zircon of 396 ± 1 Ma (Bevier 1989; Davis *et al.* 2004). The John Lee Brook and Magaguadavic granites differ markedly in texture, mineralogy, and chemistry, as well as in age. The John Lee Brook Granite generally contains biotite, muscovite, and garnet; and is high in silica (ave. $\text{SiO}_2 = 74.0\%$). The

Magaguadavic Granite contains megacrysts of potassium feldspar, and biotite and hornblende, and is low in silica (ave. $\text{SiO}_2 = 68.5$ wt.%).

A m-wide granitic dyke in the Clarence Stream shear zone (CS on Fig. 1) has yielded a U-Pb (monazite age) of 395.5 ± 0.5 Ma (Davis *et al.* 2004). Its age and the presence of potassium-feldspar phenocrysts (1 to 2 cm in length) suggest that the granitic dyke is an offshoot of the nearby Magaguadavic pluton. However, unlike the main pluton, the dyke exhibits a weak tectonic fabric. It could be concluded from this that dextral shearing associated with the Sawyer Brook Fault may have taken place episodically over a period of at least 25 million years, i.e., between 421 Ma, the presumed age of intrusion of the sheared mafic dykes in the Clarence stream area, and 396 Ma, the age of the associated foliated granitic dyke (Thorne and Lentz 2001; Park *et al.* 2008; Thorne *et al.* 2008). Alternatively, the shearing in the granitic dyke may reflect local re-activation of the Sawyer Brook splay within the contact aureole of the Magaguadavic Granite.

The Tower Hill Granite, which transects the core of a late antiform in the St. Croix belt (Fig. 1), is undeformed, except where it is intersected by the northwest-trending Oak Bay Fault (Fyffe *et al.* 1991, 1999; Castonguay *et al.* 2003). It contains both biotite and muscovite, is highly peraluminous (ASI of 1.14), and has a negative ϵ_{Nd} (400 Ma) value of -0.4 (Whalen *et al.* 1996). A high temperature-low pressure metamorphic assemblage of biotite, andalusite, staurolite, garnet, muscovite, and quartz is developed in the sedimentary rocks up to 500 m from the granite (Ruitenberg 1967; Fyffe *et al.* 1991). A minimum age of emplacement for the Tower Hill Granite is given by an Rb-Sr muscovite isochron date of 401 ± 4 Ma (Whalen *et al.* 1996). An undeformed microgranite dyke, located approximately 2 km east of Tower Hill, yielded a U-Pb zircon age of 409 ± 2 Ma (Davis *et al.* 2004).

DISCUSSION AND CONCLUSIONS

Average bulk chemical compositions of plutons comprising the Saint George Batholith and satellite Tower Hill pluton have been calculated using published analyses from McLeod (1990) and Whalen (1993) to supplement the data reported herein for the newly dated samples. These averaged values confirm that the spatial and temporal variations observed from southeast to northwest across the batholith are reflected systematically in the trace-element, REE, and isotopic Nd geochemistry of the clustered plutons (Figs. 23 and 24). On the Pearce *et al.* (1984) discrimination diagrams, granitic samples from the Bocabec, Utopia, Welsford, Jake Lee Mountain, and Wellington Lake plutons all fall in the 'within-plate' field whereas the John Lee Brook, Jimmy Hill, Magaguadavic, and Tower Hill plutons fall mainly on the boundary between the 'syn-collisional' and 'volcanic-arc' fields (Fig. 24).

The geochemical variation across the Saint George

Batholith can be explained in terms of the transition of the Kinston arc-Mascarene backarc system from an extensional arc to transpressional tectonic environment during the Acadian orogeny, which was caused by closure of the Acadian Seaway and collision of the Avalonian microcontinent with the composite Laurentian margin (van Staal *et al.* 2009). The initial extensional nature of the Kingston arc is indicated by the early Silurian emplacement of a high-level bimodal intrusive complex into the host volcanic-arc rocks of the Kingston Group. Mafic and granitic dykes in this complex have active-continental-margin and within-plate signatures, respectively (Eby and Currie 1993). A subsequent change to a compressive environment is indicated by the presence of a zone of low temperature-high pressure metamorphism along the southeastern margin of the Kingston arc, which occurred after emplacement the late Llandoveryan intrusive complex at 436 ± 2 Ma (Doig *et al.* 1990) and prior to 420 ± 2 Ma, the oldest $^{40}\text{Ar} / ^{39}\text{Ar}$ cooling age of metamorphic amphibole defining the foliation in the mafic dykes (Nance and Dallmeyer 1993; Barr *et al.* 2002; White *et al.* 2006).

A much later, high temperature-intermediate pressure 'regional contact' metamorphic event associated with emplacement of the Tower Hill Granite at about 401 Ma is evident in the St. Croix belt to the northwest of the Mascarene backarc basin (Fyffe *et al.* 1991; Whalen *et al.* 1996). Staurolite and garnet are present in pelitic rocks of both the low-pressure metamorphic assemblage in the St. Croix belt and high-pressure assemblage in the Kingston belt but the garnets in the St. Croix assemblage are significantly lower in magnesium and higher in manganese content (Fyffe *et al.* 1991; White *et al.* 2006). The contrast between the penetrative deformation apparent in the Pridolian Mohammed Granite in the St. Croix belt, and the relatively undeformed nature of the late Wenlockian to Pridolian plutons of the Saint George Batholith on opposite sides of the Sawyer Brook Fault (Fig. 1), is likely a reflection of the depth of emplacement and subsequent uplift of the hotter, deeply buried, complexly deformed, Cambrian-Ordovician sedimentary sequence in the northwest, compared to the cooler, near-surface, gently dipping volcanic sequence (Eastport Formation) exposed along the southeastern margin of the Mascarene backarc basin. This strain gradient is evident from the strong ductile fabrics present in the more deeply buried, lower part of the Silurian volcanic sequence (Waweig Formation) and contained mafic dykes now exposed along the northwestern margin of the Mascarene backarc basin in Clarence Stream area (CS on Fig. 1).

Emplacement of late Wenlockian to Pridolian Bocabec, Utopia, Jake Lee Mountain, Parks Brook, and Welsford plutons into the host volcanic rocks of the Mascarene backarc basin coincided with the change from early Silurian suprasubduction-zone influenced volcanism to late Silurian bimodal volcanism in the backarc area. This change in tectonomagmatic environment is attributed to

the arrival of the leading edge of Avalonia at the trailing edge of Ganderia of composite Laurentia. The attempted subduction of the buoyant Avalonia microcontinent plate caused a decrease in the angle of subducting slab beneath the Kingston arc leading to increased coupling between the upper Ganderian and lower Avalonian plates, resulting in the cessation of arc-related volcanic activity. Further plate convergence led to partitioning of strain into orthogonal shortening and margin-parallel, strike-slip components focused in the thin, hot and weakened backarc lithosphere (e.g., Hyndman *et al.* 2005). As the downgoing Avalonian plate reached higher temperatures at greater depths, the dense, dehydrated, subducting oceanic slab ruptured and broke away from the more buoyant continental part of the lower plate, and compressive forces between the Ganderian and Avalonian plates diminished due to the loss of slab pull (Davies and von Blanckenburg, 1995; Ellis *et al.* 1998; Barnes *et al.* 1998). Thermomechanical modelling by Gerya *et al.* (2004) indicates that slab break-off occurs from 5 to 30 million years after collision and that ensuing magmatism can last between 10 to 20 million years. In the Kingston arc-backarc system, slab break-off and the termination of continental subduction is interpreted to have occurred in the mid-Silurian between 432 ± 2 Ma, the youngest age of arc volcanism, and 428 ± 1 Ma, the oldest age of post-collision plutonism in the Saint George Batholith. Partial melting of the thin, hot lithosphere inherited from the opening of the Mascarene backarc basin would have been promoted by upwelling and decompressional melting of the asthenospheric mantle following slab-break-off. Such a mechanism accounts for the generation of voluminous bimodal (gabbroic and granitic) magmatism represented by the Bocabec, Utopia, Welsford, Jake Lee Mountain, Parks Brook, and Wellington Lake plutons lasting over a period of about 13 million years (Fig. 11; Tables 1 and 3).

Table 3. La/Yb and epsilon Nd (T) values for the Saint George Batholith and Tower Hill Pluton.

Granitic Pluton	La/Yb	ϵ_{Nd} (T)	Age (Ma)
Bocabec	5.8 – 10.3	2.7	$422.1 \pm 1.3^*$
Utopia	3.2 – 10.2	2.2	428.3 ± 1.0 to 420.4 ± 2.4
Welsford	7.0 – 10.0	3.3	422 ± 1
Jake Lee Mountain	6.3 – 7.3	–	418.0 ± 2.3
Wellington Lake	10.7	–	415.5 ± 2.1
John Lee Brook	5.5 – 18.0	0.2	413.3 ± 2.1
Jimmy Hill	20.8 – 25.3	–	403 ± 2
Magaguadavic	24.3 – 29.3	1.5	396 ± 1
Tower Hill	37.8 – 40.5	-0.4	401 ± 4

* The granite is assumed to be coeval with the U-Pb dated Bocabec Gabbro (Clarke *et al.* 2017).

Systematic variation in La/Yb values is evident across the Saint George Batholith: the more southerly group of plutons (Bocabec, Utopia, Welsford, Jake Lee Mountain, and Wellington Lake) typically have (a) a range of La/Yb values of less than 11, (b) a relatively high isotopically positive epsilon Nd values, and (c) ages ranging from late Wenlockian to early Lochkovian; those to the north (John Lee Brook; Jimmy Hill, Magaguadavic, and satellite Tower Hill pluton) have (a) considerably higher La/Yb values; (b) low positive to slightly negative epsilon Nd values; and (c) ages ranging from late Lochkovian to Emsian (Table 3). Whalen *et al.* (2006) documented a similar increase in La/Yb and decrease in epsilon Nd in Silurian plutons at increasing distances to west of the Dog Bay Line in central Newfoundland. They interpreted the Dog Bay Line to represent the suture zone between Laurentia and Ganderia that resulted from closure of the intervening Exploits basin by west-directed subduction of backarc oceanic crust. The variation La/Yb and epsilon Nd in these plutons was attributed to slab break-off resulting in a change from shallow-level, garnet-absent melting of juvenile crust proximal to the suture zone and deeper level melting of old granitic basement in the garnet stability field farther to the west.

Hildebrand and Whalen (2014) defined separate 'arc' and 'slab failure' plutonic fields on Nb/Y versus Sr/Y, and La/Yb versus Sr/Y diagrams based the trace-element geochemistry of plutons in the Cretaceous Peninsula Ranges Batholith in coastal California and Mexico. However, they noted that their proposed discrimination fields should not be considered universally applicable because of the inherent tectonic complexities involved in the evolution of orogenic belts; instead the division of the Cretaceous plutons into 'arc' (low La/Yb) and 'slab failure' (high La/Yb) types was determined primarily by the timing of their emplacement with respect to collision and uplift rather than by geochemistry alone. With this in mind, the two fields on Hildebrand and Whalen's discrimination diagrams are used herein to empirically determine which plutons in the Saint George Batholith were likely to have had residual garnet present in their source regions.

The plutons of the Saint George Batholith and satellite Tower Hill pluton fall into the same two groupings on the Hildebrand and Whalen (2014) diagram (Fig. 26) that they do on the Pearce *et al.* (1984) discrimination diagram (Fig. 24). The Magaguadavic, Jimmy Hill, John Lee Brook, and Tower Hill granites plot in or near the boundary of the 'garnet present' field. The four samples from the John Lee Brook Granite from McLeod (1990), which show wide variation in element ratios (Table 3), have been plotted as individual points rather than as an average; the two samples from the southeastern part of the pluton (ave. La/Yb of 7.4) appear to be more evolved with higher silica and Rb/Sr values compared to the two samples from the northeast (ave. La/Yb of 14.4). Samples from the younger Jimmy Hill and Magaguadavic plutons (Table 3) plot well

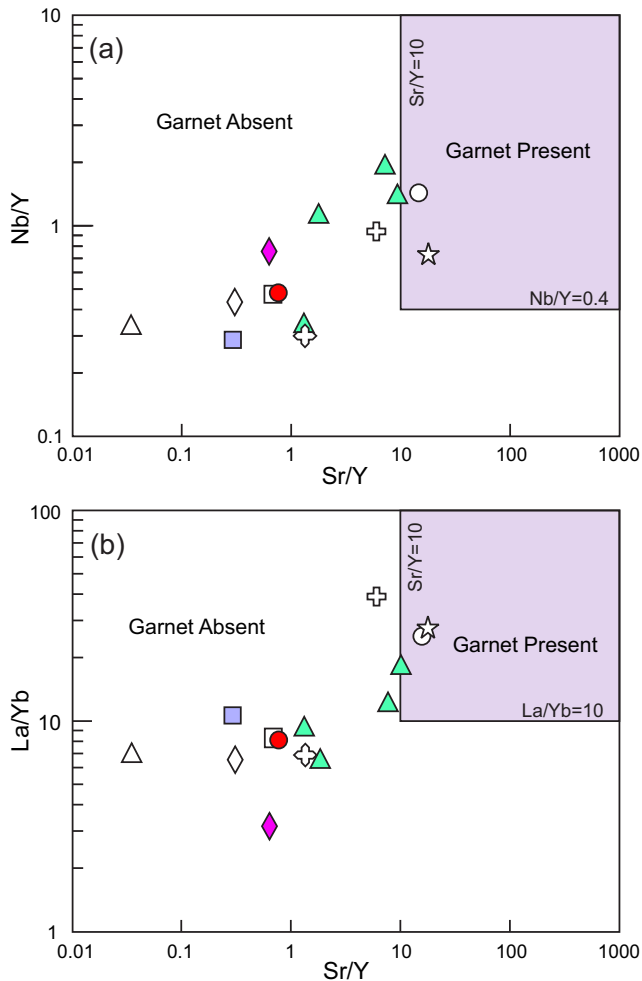


Figure 26. Tectonomagmatic discrimination diagrams from Hildebrand and Whalen (2014) for plutons of the Saint George Batholith and satellite Tower Hill pluton. (a) Nb/Y vs. Sr/Y; (b) La/Yb vs. Sr/Y. See Figure 22 for symbols.

into the 'garnet present field' (Fig. 26). The transition to deeper level partial melting apparently occurred during the Lochkovian Stage of the Early Devonian based on the emplacement age of 415.5 ± 2.1 Ma for the Wellington Lake Granite, the youngest 'A-type' pluton, and the emplacement age of 413.3 ± 2.1 Ma, for the John Lee Brook Granite, the oldest 'S-type' pluton in the backarc region; the former was likely generated at least in part by partial melting of Neoproterozoic volcanic and plutonic rocks underlying the Mascarene belt, and the latter at least in part by granulite-facies dehydration melting of pelitic rocks of the St. Croix belt.

Convective heating and partial melting of the adjacent, thick crust of the St. Croix belt, which marks the northwestern 'passive' boundary of the Mascarene

backarc basin, may be responsible for the generation of Early Devonian magmatism at greater depths compared to the Silurian magmatic activity to the southeast. Prograde metamorphism of the bounding thick crust may have led to formation of a dense, eclogitic lower crustal root that had detached from the more buoyant overlying granulitic crust and sank, together with its attached underlying lithospheric mantle, into the convecting asthenosphere of the backarc region (see Krystowicz and Currie 2013). Subsequent upwelling of the asthenospheric mantle then induced widespread partial melting of the lower crust under 'garnet-present' conditions to generate the 'I-type' Jimmy Hill, Magaguadavic, and 'S-type' Tower Hill plutons (Fig. 24). These plutons then rose to higher levels in the crust, where they solidified during the Emsian between 403 ± 2 and 396 ± 1 Ma (Table 3). Isostatic rebound within the St. Croix belt is marked by the domal area of high temperature-low pressure contact metamorphic zone surrounding the Tower Hill pluton. Deformation of pegmatitic and aplitic dykes and associated auriferous quartz veins located along the northwestern margin of the undeformed, circular, Magaguadavic Granite is focused along reactivated shear fault splays of the Sawyer Brook Fault (Thorne *et al.* 2008).

The eastern part of the Saint George Batholith was formed 30 million years later with the emplacement of the 600 km², tin-enriched, post-orogenic, Late Devonian Mount Douglas Granite (Fig. 1). The recent mapping and geochronology has shown that the Mount Douglas and other plutons of Silurian to Late Devonian age that comprise the Saint George Batholith actually occur as a cluster of individual intrusions separated by screens of sedimentary and volcanic country rocks, rather than as the continuous mass of amalgamated plutons depicted on earlier maps.

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APPENDIX

Table A1. Results for in-situ LA-ICP-MS U-Pb monazite geochronology of Sample 171-6 (Utopia Granite).

spot	C*	Approx. conc. (ppm)				Final isotope ratios						Age (Ma)					
		U (ppm)	Th (ppm)	U/Th	²⁰⁴ Pb (cps)	²⁰⁶ Pb/ ²⁰⁴ Pb	%Pb* ^a	²⁰⁷ Pb/ ²³⁵ U	2σ	²⁰⁶ Pb/ ²³⁸ U	2σ	err. corr.	²⁰⁷ Pb/ ²³⁵ U	2σ	²⁰⁶ Pb/ ²³⁸ U	2σ	% conc. ^b
171-6-C9 - 4	1	1990	56150	0.04	99	44	56.70	2.150	0.140	0.040	0.002	0.465	1168	47	252	11	21.5
171-6-C17 - 3	1	1116	67000	0.02	90	45	60.50	4.940	0.210	0.102	0.003	0.651	1807	36	626	19	34.6
171-6-C9 - 5	3	2330	68700	0.03	223	36	46.30	0.690	0.840	0.029	0.013	0.821	490	240	186	77	38.0
171-6-C5 - 1	1	266	39800	0.01	19	69	79.70	1.670	0.830	0.062	0.007	0.035	997	140	385	40	38.6
171-6-C9 - 3	1	704	64100	0.01	36	106	82.40	1.650	1.200	0.068	0.013	0.090	974	160	424	74	43.5
171-6-C6 - 2	1	825	68700	0.01	34	140	86.20	1.880	0.210	0.084	0.002	0.646	1021	75	519	14	50.8
171-6-C4 - 9	3	1058	60100	0.02	261	35	50.70	0.340	0.480	0.062	0.004	0.861	700	200	389	26	55.6
171-6-C15 - 4	1	2726	52100	0.05	63	201	91.24	0.968	0.110	0.061	0.003	0.112	688	42	384	18	55.8
171-6-C9 - 2	1	524	65500	0.01	3	883	92.00	1.050	1.200	0.071	0.012	0.170	779	130	444	67	57.0
171-6-C1 - 3	1	2181	125500	0.02	41	274	91.21	1.125	0.100	0.072	0.001	0.285	764	39	448	8	58.6
171-6-C7 - 5	1	2431	161300	0.02	21	547	92.00	1.010	1.200	0.067	0.011	0.104	704	160	416	60	59.1
171-6-C7 - 1	1	854	67000	0.01	24	136	92.47	1.105	0.058	0.076	0.002	0.089	753	28	473	13	62.8
171-6-C18 - 2	1	779	58500	0.01	31	135	92.40	1.131	0.100	0.078	0.002	0.424	769	46	486	13	63.2
171-6-C10 - 12	1	480	57100	0.01	7	369	93.30	0.947	0.230	0.070	0.002	0.091	667	83	435	13	65.2
171-6-C14 - 7	1	773	61220	0.01	18	219	92.96	1.014	0.048	0.075	0.002	0.145	714	24	467	9	65.4
171-6-C10 - 9	1	1123	44700	0.03	2	2805	94.43	0.861	0.049	0.069	0.001	0.158	630	26	430	8	68.2
171-6-C7 - 6	3	2380	68600	0.03	293	34	54.80	0.300	0.220	0.042	0.003	0.776	380	150	262	15	68.9
171-6-C10 - 10	1	1067	58130	0.02	14	378	94.98	0.798	0.062	0.068	0.002	0.169	595	35	424	9	71.2
171-6-C10 - 2	1	1880	65400	0.03	21	500	95.16	0.837	0.071	0.073	0.001	0.360	615	31	452	9	73.5
171-6-C18 - 3	1	1797	108400	0.02	19	452	96.63	0.744	0.024	0.072	0.001	0.115	566	14	449	8	79.4
171-6-C4 - 1	1	2103	127300	0.02	19	465	97.25	0.657	0.034	0.068	0.001	0.074	509	20	424	7	83.3
171-6-C15 - 2	1	2373	69300	0.03	13	982	97.44	0.643	0.047	0.068	0.001	0.096	503	25	426	7	84.6
171-6-C17 - 2	1	2706	122200	0.02	15	852	97.62	0.633	0.039	0.069	0.001	0.179	498	23	432	7	86.6
171-6-C14 - 6	1	815	63000	0.01	-4	-1072	97.80	0.628	0.037	0.070	0.001	0.212	489	23	438	9	89.7
171-6-C14 - 2	1	1662	106900	0.02	2	3530	98.13	0.625	0.035	0.071	0.001	0.022	494	21	444	7	89.8
171-6-C1 - 1	1	2613	122500	0.02	-2	-7380	98.15	0.602	0.045	0.070	0.001	0.003	479	24	436	8	91.0
171-6-C9 - 1	1	528	58400	0.01	-10	-292	97.90	0.562	0.490	0.067	0.005	0.072	459	110	418	29	91.1
171-6-C4 - 4	3	2302	46700	0.05	185	85	77.40	0.520	0.960	0.072	0.025	0.798	490	220	447	130	91.2
171-6-C18 - 4	1	1624	84600	0.02	9	894	98.47	0.559	0.350	0.067	0.006	0.346	448	110	420	32	93.8
171-6-C10 - 4	1	2245	67100	0.03	-10	-1220	98.65	0.555	0.110	0.068	0.002	0.048	446	51	424	9	95.1
171-6-C18 - 5	1	1884	86300	0.02	-6	-1498	98.55	0.556	0.032	0.068	0.001	0.062	445	20	424	6	95.3
171-6-C10 - 8	1	1230	55250	0.02	-17	-374	99.23	0.518	0.033	0.066	0.001	0.129	428	21	413	8	96.6
171-6-C7 - 3	1	8810	7260	1.21	10	4635	99.44	0.535	0.012	0.069	0.001	0.319	435	8	431	5	99.1
171-6-C10 - 5	1	8480	7220	1.17	-7	-6338	99.62	0.521	0.010	0.068	0.001	0.282	426	7	423	4	99.4
171-6-C4 - 7	1	513.3	52660	0.01	-7	-390	99.26	0.502	0.037	0.067	0.002	0.074	421	25	420	10	99.8
171-6-C10 - 1	1	2193	85600	0.03	-3	-3803	99.42	0.517	0.020	0.068	0.001	0.015	421	13	421	6	100.0
171-6-C5 - 3	1	370.6	44700	0.01	2	1069	98.68	0.516	0.059	0.067	0.002	0.199	419	38	420	13	100.2
171-6-C15 - 1	1	2285	53200	0.04	2	6075	99.19	0.522	0.120	0.069	0.002	0.005	427	50	428	9	100.3
171-6-C10 - 7	1	8740	7340	1.19	-13	-3582	99.78	0.525	0.010	0.069	0.001	0.402	428	7	430	5	100.6
171-6-C5 - 4	1	397.1	44970	0.01	-4	-569	99.37	0.522	0.280	0.068	0.004	0.138	418	85	421	22	100.7
171-6-C6 - 1	1	710	62600	0.01	-7	-581	99.49	0.506	0.350	0.067	0.004	0.149	417	120	421	21	101.0
171-6-C6 - 3	1	897	57180	0.02	-8	-598	99.36	0.510	0.031	0.068	0.001	0.094	418	21	423	9	101.1
171-6-C5 - 2	1	379.5	43110	0.01	4	521	99.53	0.503	0.045	0.067	0.002	0.084	411	30	417	10	101.5
171-6-C4 - 8	1	565.8	58300	0.01	5	659	99.44	0.509	0.370	0.068	0.004	0.059	419	120	426	24	101.7
171-6-C10 - 3	1	2346	41100	0.06	1	12570	99.52	0.501	0.019	0.068	0.001	0.141	414	13	422	6	102.0
171-6-C10 - 6	1	8440	6970	1.21	-9	-4889	99.81	0.526	0.011	0.070	0.001	0.237	428	8	437	4	102.1

Table A1. Continued.

spot	C*	Approx. conc. (ppm)				Final isotope ratios						Age (Ma)					
		U (ppm)	Th (ppm)	U/Th	²⁰⁴ Pb (cps)	²⁰⁶ Pb/ ²⁰⁴ Pb	%Pb* ^a	²⁰⁷ Pb/ ²³⁵ U	2σ	²⁰⁶ Pb/ ²³⁸ U	2σ	err. corr.	²⁰⁷ Pb/ ²³⁵ U	2σ	²⁰⁶ Pb/ ²³⁸ U	2σ	% conc. ^b
171-6-C10 - 11	1	552	61300	0.01	0	–	99.17	0.525	0.360	0.071	0.003	0.190	429	120	440	18	102.6
171-6-C17 - 1	1	2037	61650	0.03	-8	-1286	99.50	0.496	0.017	0.068	0.001	0.003	411	12	422	7	102.7
171-6-C7 - 4	1	12770	11030	1.16	19	3511	99.93	0.500	0.009	0.068	0.001	0.412	411	6	423	5	102.9
171-6-C14 - 1	1	1031	71800	0.01	-2	-3331	99.36	0.508	0.036	0.069	0.001	0.098	416	23	429	8	103.1
171-6-C1 - 2	3	2172	128300	0.02	135	85	78.08	0.490	0.210	0.065	0.002	0.823	390	150	403	12	103.3
171-6-C7 - 2	1	1308	63900	0.02	15	474	99.66	0.505	0.024	0.069	0.001	0.167	414	16	428	7	103.4
171-6-C18 - 1	1	2161	137400	0.02	2	5671	99.48	0.506	0.020	0.069	0.001	0.044	414	13	429	5	103.7
171-6-C4 - 3	1	1709	121400	0.01	-2	-4745	99.57	0.490	0.018	0.068	0.001	0.063	408	13	424	6	103.8
171-6-C4 - 12	1	517	53090	0.01	10	287	99.42	0.511	0.040	0.069	0.002	0.146	411	27	428	11	104.1
171-6-C4 - 2	1	1594	110200	0.01	-3	-2977	99.63	0.506	0.021	0.069	0.001	0.055	413	14	430	7	104.2
171-6-C5 - 5	1	1325	103400	0.01	-4	-1618	99.41	0.527	0.022	0.072	0.001	0.097	431	15	450	7	104.5
171-6-C15 - 3	1	2317	83700	0.03	2	7072	99.76	0.501	0.190	0.070	0.003	0.082	411	71	436	18	106.0
171-6-C4 - 13	1	802	67800	0.01	-4	-1151	99.46	0.484	0.028	0.068	0.002	0.112	399	20	424	10	106.3

Notes: C* = Common Pb correction (1-uncorrected for common-Pb; 2-common-Pb corrected using Andersen (2002) method; 3-common-Pb corrected using the measured ²⁰⁴Pb). ^acalculated from Andersen (2002) method; ^bcalculated as 100 × (²⁰⁶Pb/²³⁸U age/²⁰⁷Pb/²³⁵U age). Samples numbers in bold and italic are used in final age calculations.

Table A2. Results for in-situ LA-ICP-MS U-Pb zircon geochronology of Sample 15-87 (Utopia Granite).

spot	C*	Approx. conc. (ppm)				Final isotope ratios						Age (Ma)					
		U (ppm)	Th (ppm)	U/Th	²⁰⁴ Pb (cps)	²⁰⁶ Pb/ ²⁰⁴ Pb	%Pb* ^a	²⁰⁷ Pb/ ²³⁵ U	2σ	²⁰⁶ Pb/ ²³⁸ U	2σ	err. corr.	²⁰⁷ Pb/ ²³⁵ U	2σ	²⁰⁶ Pb/ ²³⁸ U	2σ	% conc. ^b
15-87-03-28	3	3305	2090	1.58	5500	49	77.20	2.370	0.140	0.0816	0.0017	0.871	1226	40	506	10	41.3
15-87-03-28	3	3305	2090	1.58	5500	49	77.20	2.370	0.140	0.0816	0.0017	0.871	1226	40	506	10	41.3
15-87-5-C4 - 2-204	3	42200	881000	0.05	235	1047	98.37	1.459	0.052	0.0702	0.0012	0.330	912	21	437	7	47.9
15-87-5-C4 - 2-204	3	42200	881000	0.05	235	1047	98.37	1.459	0.052	0.0702	0.0012	0.330	912	21	437	7	47.9
15-87-03-30	2	1463	1980	0.74	7	5514	99.45	1.270	0.069	0.0684	0.0014	0.485	830	30	427	8	51.4
15-87-03-30	2	1463	1980	0.74	7	5514	99.45	1.270	0.069	0.0684	0.0014	0.485	830	30	427	8	51.4
87-3 - 11-204	3	2626	20900	0.13	54	1462	98.89	1.324	0.061	0.0737	0.0015	0.474	854	27	458	9	53.7
87-3 - 11-204	3	2626	20900	0.13	54	1462	98.89	1.324	0.061	0.0737	0.0015	0.474	854	27	458	9	53.7
15-87-3 - 7-204	2	2441	1556	1.57	129	855	97.50	1.107	0.032	0.0687	0.0010	0.018	756	15	429	6	56.7
15-87-3 - 7-204	2	2441	1556	1.57	129	855	97.50	1.107	0.032	0.0687	0.0010	0.018	756	15	429	6	56.7
15-87-03-23	1	3260	1200	2.72	38	5026	99.42	1.085	0.040	0.0680	0.0011	0.575	744	20	424	7	57.0
15-87-03-16	3	545.5	1550	0.35	25	1324	98.72	1.154	0.050	0.0713	0.0014	0.389	777	24	444	8	57.2
15-87-5-C2 - 2-204	3	1005	169.7	5.92	127	1632	98.79	0.949	0.036	0.0623	0.0011	0.227	676	19	390	7	57.6
15-87-4-D - 9-204	1	935	479	1.95	156	1592	99.10	1.080	0.041	0.0705	0.0012	0.265	746	22	439	7	58.9
15-87-3 - 3-204	1	945	1200	0.79	12	1593	99.26	0.633	0.023	0.0506	0.0008	0.506	499	14	318	5	63.7
15-87-4-D - 7-204	1	14880	671	22.18	56	4623	99.51	0.498	0.016	0.0467	0.0008	0.585	410	11	295	5	71.9
15-87-4-D - 11-204	2	4540	2126	2.14	29	3814	99.39	0.830	0.023	0.0724	0.0012	0.438	614	13	451	7	73.4
15-87-5-C1 - 2-204	2	2360	792	2.98	40	1084	98.14	0.689	0.024	0.0638	0.0010	0.396	532	14	398	6	74.9
15-87-3 - 13-204	3	2499	2277	1.10	100	792	97.87	0.704	0.019	0.0684	0.0009	0.707	541	11	427	6	78.9
15-87-03-22	2	4961	1511	3.28	361	229	92.36	0.705	0.018	0.0694	0.0011	0.504	542	11	433	7	79.9
15-87-3 - 9-204	1	2110	2059	1.02	74	997	98.02	0.663	0.021	0.0664	0.0011	0.476	516	13	415	7	80.3
15-87-3 - 14-204	3	2036	1080	1.89	46	5443	99.66	0.656	0.026	0.0666	0.0014	0.320	512	16	416	8	81.2
15-87-3 - 10-204	1	2672	7080	0.38	368	206	90.83	0.638	0.020	0.0655	0.0010	0.420	502	13	409	6	81.5
15-87-4-D - 14-204	1	5933	2060	2.88	29	2521	99.14	0.619	0.018	0.0654	0.0010	0.644	489	11	408	6	83.5

Table A2. Continued.

spot	Approx. conc. (ppm)					Final isotope ratios						Age (Ma)					
	C*	U (ppm)	Th (ppm)	U/Th	²⁰⁴ Pb (cps)	²⁰⁶ Pb/ ²⁰⁴ Pb	%Pb ^a	²⁰⁷ Pb/ ²³⁵ U	2σ	²⁰⁶ Pb/ ²³⁸ U	2σ	err. corr.	²⁰⁷ Pb/ ²³⁵ U	2σ	²⁰⁶ Pb/ ²³⁸ U	2σ	% conc. ^b
15-87-5-C4 - 1	1	1386	22210	0.06	767	150	88.31	0.655	0.024	0.0689	0.0012	0.159	511	15	429	7	84.0
15-87-5 - 1-204	3	7190	4240	1.70	-4	-20400	99.64	0.614	0.016	0.0653	0.0009	0.227	486	10	408	5	84.0
15-87-5 - 9-204	2	4210	2259	1.86	-27	-1716	99.86	0.598	0.016	0.0645	0.0009	0.544	476	10	403	6	84.7
15-87-03-17	2	890	530	1.68	60	2778	99.43	0.613	0.023	0.0677	0.0010	0.321	486	15	422	6	86.9
15-87-5-C2 - 4	3	2498	573	4.36	70	2280	99.37	0.550	0.017	0.0624	0.0009	0.075	445	11	390	5	87.7
15-87-03-12	2	1954	3030	0.64	115	836	97.58	0.586	0.019	0.0662	0.0010	0.357	468	12	413	6	88.3
15-87-5-C2 - 3-204	3	5960	423	14.09	48	1915	98.76	0.548	0.016	0.0628	0.0013	0.836	444	10	393	8	88.5
15-87-03-06	2	1467	1573	0.93	320	231	92.21	0.609	0.020	0.0689	0.0010	0.247	482	12	429	6	89.0
15-87-03-25	3	12980	1219	10.65	51	2396	99.14	0.440	0.013	0.0525	0.0009	0.591	370	9	330	6	89.2
15-87-4-D - 10-204	1	6637	1272	5.22	327	505	96.42	0.562	0.015	0.0654	0.0008	0.344	453	10	408	5	90.2
15-87-03-20	2	6100	700	8.71	-2	-6425	99.78	0.519	0.014	0.0614	0.0012	0.786	424	10	384	7	90.4
15-87-5-C1 - 1	1	1963	1326	1.48	144	620	96.95	0.549	0.016	0.0644	0.0008	0.341	444	10	402	5	90.5
15-87-05-06	3	3953	1269	3.12	17	11835	99.77	0.571	0.016	0.0667	0.0010	0.680	458	10	416	6	90.7
15-87-03-05	1	612.2	779	0.79	31	1926	98.84	0.571	0.021	0.0674	0.0010	0.004	458	13	421	6	91.8
15-87-03-26	3	3317	633	5.24	5	3662	99.27	0.539	0.015	0.0644	0.0010	0.115	438	10	402	6	91.9
15-87-03-27	2	495	527.1	0.94	1404	97	81.00	0.529	0.019	0.0639	0.0009	0.316	431	13	399	6	92.5
15-87-3 - 1-204	1	4121	2301	1.79	203	1255	98.43	0.563	0.015	0.0679	0.0011	0.718	454	10	423	6	93.3
15-87-05-05	3	1193	756	1.58	59	2366	99.19	0.571	0.017	0.0685	0.0010	0.521	458	11	427	6	93.3
15-87-4-D - 12	1	2964	652	4.55	-11	-1789	99.64	0.530	0.014	0.0644	0.0007	0.203	431	9	403	4	93.4
15-87-3 - 18-204	3	5490	4930	1.11	44	4193	99.45	0.544	0.014	0.0662	0.0008	0.406	441	9	413	5	93.7
15-87-03-04	2	666	634	1.05	24	963	99.08	0.581	0.021	0.0698	0.0011	0.260	464	14	435	7	93.7
15-87-03-19	3	5210	8260	0.63	103	2034	99.12	0.540	0.014	0.0660	0.0008	0.442	438	9	412	5	94.0
15-87-03-24	3	5400	1090	4.95	138	2714	99.06	0.496	0.014	0.0613	0.0013	0.578	409	10	385	7	94.1
15-87-4-D - 6	3	1664	425	3.92	833	522	96.84	0.533	0.017	0.0658	0.0010	0.345	433	11	411	6	94.7
15-87-4-D - 8	1	6810	2032	3.35	162	246	92.92	0.509	0.014	0.0633	0.0010	0.514	418	9	396	6	94.8
15-87-05-02	1	2724	1396	1.95	-1	-52270	99.77	0.525	0.015	0.0659	0.0012	0.536	428	10	411	7	96.1
15-87-03-15	3	6895	723	9.54	1	20460	99.70	0.510	0.013	0.0644	0.0007	0.586	419	9	403	5	96.2
15-87-2-C1-1	1	4442	572	7.77	-2	-78700	99.76	0.512	0.015	0.0666	0.0014	0.289	420	10	416	9	99.0
15-87-4-D - 13	1	510.3	75.9	6.72	177	1200	98.31	0.525	0.020	0.0681	0.0014	0.079	428	13	425	8	99.2
15-87-05-03	2	1292	118.4	10.91	-8	-6911	99.85	0.513	0.015	0.0671	0.0009	0.059	420	10	419	5	99.7
15-87-2-C2-3	1	3914	453	8.64	7	6114	99.60	0.512	0.015	0.0671	0.0014	0.174	419	10	419	9	99.8
15-87-2-C2-2	1	3721	319.3	11.65	34	3053	99.80	0.507	0.014	0.0670	0.0014	0.396	417	10	418	8	100.1
15-87-05-04	3	1370	110.9	12.35	21	2295	99.35	0.513	0.015	0.0679	0.0009	0.340	420	10	423	5	100.7
15-87-5-C2 - 1	3	1105	216.9	5.09	131	279	93.08	0.520	0.018	0.0694	0.0011	0.470	425	12	432	7	101.8
15-87-03-21	1	333.8	607.9	0.55	204	809	97.76	0.502	0.021	0.0675	0.0010	0.340	412	14	421	6	102.2

Notes: C* = Common Pb correction (1-uncorrected for common-Pb; 2-common-Pb corrected using Andersen (2002) method; 3-common-Pb corrected using the measured ²⁰⁴Pb). ^a calculated from Andersen (2002) method; ^b calculated as $100 \times (^{206}\text{Pb}/^{238}\text{U} \text{ age}/^{207}\text{Pb}/^{235}\text{U} \text{ age})$. Samples numbers in bold and italic are used in final age calculations.

Table A3. Results for in-situ LA-ICP-MS U-Pb zircon geochronology of sample 15-104 (Utopia Granite).

spot	C*	Approx. conc. (ppm)					Final isotope ratios					Age (Ma)					
		U (ppm)	Th (ppm)	U/Th	²⁰⁴ Pb (cps)	²⁰⁶ Pb/ ²⁰⁴ Pb	%Pb* ^a	²⁰⁷ Pb/ ²³⁵ U	2σ	²⁰⁶ Pb/ ²³⁸ U	2σ	err. corr.	²⁰⁷ Pb/ ²³⁵ U	2σ	²⁰⁶ Pb/ ²³⁸ U	2σ	% conc. ^b
104-3-C7 - 1	1	751	767	0.98	89	199	92.24	1.824	0.071	0.1058	0.0029	0.753	1049	25	650	18	62.0
104-1-C1 - 2	1	1071	591.1	1.81	84	319	94.13	0.891	0.063	0.0637	0.0015	0.439	636	33	398	9	62.6
104-3-C7 - 3	1	1268	928	1.37	86	377	95.60	1.054	0.075	0.0827	0.0030	0.142	730	31	512	18	70.2
104-3-C4 - 2	3	2641	2954	0.89	1417	45	64.70	1.550	0.340	0.1057	0.0070	0.776	880	120	645	40	73.3
104-1-C11 - 2	1	1127	1033	1.09	72	528	96.81	0.722	0.021	0.0657	0.0014	0.113	553	13	410	9	74.2
104-1-C6 - 1	3	3340	2780	1.20	3110	31	58.49	1.580	0.320	0.1096	0.0044	0.760	880	130	669	25	76.0
104-1-C1 - 6	3	4390	1428	3.07	1124	40	52.66	0.400	0.130	0.0360	0.0019	0.694	298	93	228	12	76.5
104-2-C8 - 1	3	4707	2592	1.82	4090	33	58.20	1.350	0.220	0.1111	0.0036	0.700	812	100	679	21	83.6
104-2-C5 - 4	1	1726	991	1.74	40	1460	98.14	0.665	0.033	0.0695	0.0016	0.701	517	20	433	10	83.7
104-1-C1 - 5	1	5100	2549	2.00	96	1178	98.37	0.584	0.054	0.0630	0.0020	0.812	466	32	393	12	84.3
104-1-C5 - 4	1	2893	1432	2.02	84	993	98.39	0.621	0.017	0.0665	0.0014	0.201	490	11	415	9	84.7
104-1-C1 - 4	3	2249	859	2.62	631	86	76.60	0.449	0.070	0.0505	0.0024	0.391	370	52	318	15	85.9
104-1-C6 - 3	3	4880	3400	1.44	309	263	92.04	0.543	0.042	0.0614	0.0013	0.583	444	29	384	8	86.5
104-1-C1 - 1	1	2770	1544	1.79	55	1287	98.66	0.592	0.062	0.0654	0.0015	0.456	472	32	409	9	86.6
104-2-C2 - 3	1	1090	527	2.07	22	1405	98.79	0.569	0.019	0.0644	0.0014	0.031	457	12	402	8	88.1
104-1-C4 - 3	3	4016	3860	1.04	556	137	85.39	0.345	0.050	0.0420	0.0015	0.377	297	36	265	9	89.3
104-2-C5 - 3	3	1113	715	1.56	1302	45	62.60	1.050	0.270	0.1060	0.0070	0.710	720	130	647	40	89.9
104-3-C7 - 2	1	1065	867	1.23	18	1248	98.94	0.628	0.026	0.0714	0.0018	0.193	494	16	445	11	90.0
104-1-C4 - 1	1	1402	1090	1.29	14	3238	98.99	0.577	0.017	0.0666	0.0016	0.467	462	11	415	10	90.0
104-1-C3 - 6	3	7680	9620	0.80	2501	74	74.96	0.623	0.087	0.0691	0.0015	0.447	476	52	431	9	90.5
104-1-C3 - 8	3	1595	1187	1.34	240	227	91.31	0.586	0.100	0.0672	0.0016	0.588	458	64	419	10	91.5
104-3-C2 - 3	3	2268	1334	1.70	1760	59	69.60	0.633	0.089	0.0719	0.0016	0.470	486	56	448	9	92.1
104-2-C4 - 2	1	2430	317	7.67	30	2530	99.30	0.561	0.016	0.0671	0.0015	0.686	453	11	419	9	92.4
104-1-C3 - 2	1	7330	1424	5.15	63	3254	99.41	0.509	0.015	0.0622	0.0016	0.831	417	10	389	10	93.3
104-3-C5 - 2	1	3823	1387	2.76	44	2984	99.41	0.572	0.019	0.0691	0.0019	0.701	459	12	431	12	93.9
104-1-C3 - 4	2	1772	3200	0.55	154	381	94.50	0.652	0.081	0.0751	0.0013	0.592	496	50	467	8	94.1
104-2-C4 - 1	1	2409	1248	1.93	22	3761	99.40	0.578	0.015	0.0701	0.0019	0.574	463	10	437	11	94.3
104-3-C2 - 1	1	876	604	1.45	5	6020	99.36	0.533	0.016	0.0656	0.0014	0.022	433	11	410	9	94.5
104-1-C1 - 7	3	3634	1464	2.48	211	433	95.28	0.557	0.041	0.0683	0.0020	0.379	445	27	426	12	95.7
104-3-C2 - 2	3	627	439	1.43	124	155	86.20	0.530	0.170	0.0628	0.0018	0.811	410	110	393	11	95.8
104-3-C2 - 4	3	1937	1710	1.13	142	320	93.84	0.465	0.064	0.0570	0.0025	0.506	371	45	357	15	96.2
104-1-C3 - 1	1	7240	673	10.76	25	10120	99.78	0.531	0.022	0.0680	0.0018	0.639	432	14	424	11	98.1
104-1-C4 - 2	3	1781	856	2.08	1001	72	75.40	0.562	0.082	0.0693	0.0017	0.612	440	57	432	10	98.1
104-1-C5 - 3	3	8380	5850	1.43	1383	137	86.51	0.526	0.130	0.0665	0.0024	0.494	422	84	415	14	98.4
104-1-C2 - 2	1	1702	921	1.85	19	3451	99.73	0.525	0.015	0.0679	0.0015	0.269	428	10	424	9	98.9
104-1-C11 - 1	1	2481	1128	2.20	12	7792	99.80	0.503	0.019	0.0662	0.0024	0.237	414	14	413	14	99.8
104-2-C5 - 2	3	2575	1345	1.91	756	84	77.00	0.590	0.110	0.0722	0.0020	0.505	450	73	449	12	99.8
104-1-C5 - 1	3	5580	4250	1.31	170	982	98.15	0.520	0.042	0.0678	0.0020	0.570	423	28	423	12	100.0
104-1-C1 - 3	1	1283	641	2.00	5	9420	99.77	0.507	0.015	0.0667	0.0014	0.304	416	10	416	9	100.1
104-1-C5 - 2	3	10170	5310	1.92	142	2238	99.19	0.414	0.013	0.0561	0.0014	0.265	351	9	352	8	100.2
104-3-C3 - 1	3	2174	1120	1.94	467	130	86.38	0.538	0.091	0.0690	0.0019	0.650	428	58	430	12	100.5
104-2-C4 - 3	3	4460	621	7.18	282	353	95.23	0.540	0.046	0.0698	0.0018	0.369	432	31	435	11	100.7
104-3-C5 - 1	1	1039	547.5	1.90	-1	-39520	99.80	0.508	0.014	0.0677	0.0015	0.100	417	10	422	9	101.2
104-1-C3 - 7	3	1454	1159	1.25	478	123	85.11	0.604	0.093	0.0732	0.0021	0.613	448	64	455	13	101.6
104-1-C3 - 5	3	7660	5960	1.29	1176	222	91.95	0.487	0.030	0.0652	0.0014	0.600	400	20	407	8	101.8
104-1-C4 - 4	3	2859	1179	2.42	179	415	95.68	0.494	0.049	0.0652	0.0019	0.595	400	34	407	11	101.8
104-2-C8 - 2	3	3919	1532	2.56	273	438	96.03	0.500	0.051	0.0662	0.0017	0.503	406	35	414	10	101.8

Table A3. Continued.

spot	C*	Approx. conc. (ppm)				Final isotope ratios						Age (Ma)					
		U (ppm)	Th (ppm)	U/Th	²⁰⁴ Pb (cps)	²⁰⁶ Pb/ ²⁰⁴ Pb	%Pb* ^a	²⁰⁷ Pb/ ²³⁵ U	2σ	²⁰⁶ Pb/ ²³⁸ U	2σ	err. corr.	²⁰⁷ Pb/ ²³⁵ U	2σ	²⁰⁶ Pb/ ²³⁸ U	2σ	% conc. ^b
104-2-C2 - 1	3	667.4	371.9	1.79	189	151	88.00	0.594	0.098	0.0744	0.0019	0.549	449	64	463	12	103.0
104-1-C7 - 1	3	3043	759	4.01	309	255	92.86	0.481	0.053	0.0641	0.0018	0.676	388	38	401	11	103.3
104-2-C5 - 5	2	1260	702	1.79	123	352	94.60	0.526	0.058	0.0694	0.0018	0.617	419	41	433	11	103.3
104-1-C2 - 1	3	1515	1022	1.48	478	124	85.30	0.544	0.084	0.0706	0.0016	0.687	421	54	440	9	104.5
104-1-C3 - 9	3	1897	1883	1.01	702	89	79.81	0.632	0.097	0.0788	0.0021	0.405	461	64	489	12	106.1
104-1-C3 - 3	3	2503	12300	0.20	378	199	91.33	0.599	0.066	0.0811	0.0030	0.403	460	41	502	18	109.1
104-3-C4 - 1	3	1444	1308	1.10	526	103	83.71	0.710	0.110	0.0896	0.0025	0.632	501	70	553	15	110.4
104-2-C2 - 2	3	1316	672	1.96	175	262	93.86	0.444	0.060	0.0670	0.0018	0.735	366	42	418	11	114.2
104-3-C7 - 4	3	777	1077	0.72	119	209	92.30	0.650	0.130	0.0847	0.0027	0.598	456	84	524	16	114.9
104-1-C7 - 2	3	2861	598	4.78	495	79	77.91	0.460	0.860	0.0677	0.0100	0.667	350	210	422	62	120.6
104-1-C6 - 2	3	2952	1530	1.93	1007	54	68.00	0.590	0.150	0.0793	0.0023	0.716	407	100	492	14	120.9
104-2-C5 - 1	3	3061	1478	2.07	1241	50	66.14	0.530	0.190	0.0834	0.0026	0.556	360	140	516	15	143.3

Notes: C* = Common Pb correction (1-uncorrected for common-Pb; 2-common-Pb corrected using Andersen (2002) method; 3-common-Pb corrected using the measured ²⁰⁴Pb). ^acalculated from Andersen (2002) method; ^bcalculated as 100 × (²⁰⁶Pb/²³⁸U age/²⁰⁷Pb/²³⁵U age). Samples numbers in bold and italic are used in final age calculations.

Table A4. Results for in-situ LA-ICP-MS U-Pb zircon geochronology of Sample JL16-01 (Jake Lee Mountain Granite)

spot	C*	Approx. conc. (ppm)				Final isotope ratios						Age (Ma)					
		U (ppm)	Th (ppm)	U/Th	²⁰⁴ Pb (cps)	²⁰⁶ Pb/ ²⁰⁴ Pb	%Pb* ^a	²⁰⁷ Pb/ ²³⁵ U	2σ	²⁰⁶ Pb/ ²³⁸ U	2σ	err. corr.	²⁰⁷ Pb/ ²³⁵ U	2σ	²⁰⁶ Pb/ ²³⁸ U	2σ	% conc. ^b
JL-16-01-3-C8 - 2	1	228.9	159.4	1.44	59	121	81.60	2.490	0.170	0.0872	0.0027	0.542	1260	59	539	16	42.8
JL-16-01-2-C1 - 3	1	295.2	277.4	1.06	57	186	89.75	1.367	0.056	0.0724	0.0017	0.205	870	24	450	10	51.8
JL-16-01-2-C6 - 3	1	196.3	125.8	1.56	61	130	90.30	1.327	1.100	0.0726	0.0081	0.005	852	170	452	51	53.0
JL-16-01-1-C6 - 2	1	335.1	355.9	0.94	37	312	93.55	0.977	0.044	0.0669	0.0015	0.095	688	22	417	9	60.6
JL-16-01-2-C6 - 2	1	262.3	249.0	1.05	53	187	94.16	1.050	0.080	0.0738	0.0018	0.362	715	39	459	11	64.2
JL-16-01-2-C6 - 1	1	689.9	721.0	0.96	81	330	94.90	0.923	0.160	0.0695	0.0028	0.740	660	61	433	17	65.6
JL-16-01-1-C5 - 3	1	291.4	224.3	1.30	25	388	95.02	0.908	0.210	0.0695	0.0025	0.133	648	75	433	15	66.9
JL-16-01-1-C15 - 1	1	272.1	233.9	1.16	3	2790	95.66	0.788	0.034	0.0646	0.0015	0.275	590	20	404	9	68.4
JL-16-01-2-C9 - 3	1	237.6	151.8	1.57	29	288	95.82	0.878	0.052	0.0717	0.0018	0.321	632	28	446	11	70.6
JL-16-01-3-C5 - 2	1	1183.0	1025.0	1.15	54	725	97.99	0.647	0.023	0.0662	0.0016	0.176	506	14	413	10	81.6
JL-16-01-1-C2 - 3	3	218.1	187.3	1.16	145	63	72.40	0.420	0.380	0.0656	0.0041	0.890	490	230	409	25	83.5
JL-16-01-1-C1 - 2	1	1012.0	1458.0	0.69	21	1719	98.31	0.633	0.019	0.0676	0.0016	0.060	497	12	421	10	84.7
JL-16-01-2-C2 - 2	3	311.6	529.0	0.59	109	100	81.07	0.510	0.280	0.0596	0.0033	0.879	440	180	373	20	84.8
JL-16-01-1-C15 - 2	1	341.3	317.7	1.07	10	1076	98.38	0.649	0.028	0.0693	0.0017	0.131	505	18	432	10	85.6
JL-16-01-3-C1 - 1	3	314.3	219.1	1.43	217	53	66.00	0.650	0.370	0.0692	0.0041	0.917	500	210	431	25	86.2
JL-16-01-2-C1 - 4	1	205.0	146.3	1.40	17	402	98.55	0.628	0.080	0.0686	0.0018	0.122	491	42	428	11	87.1
JL-16-01-3-C7 - 2	1	404.0	467.0	0.87	9	1428	98.79	0.562	0.026	0.0641	0.0015	0.221	450	17	401	9	89.0
JL-16-01-3-C8 - 3	1	290.0	204.7	1.42	-3	-3417	98.79	0.587	0.031	0.0666	0.0015	0.196	467	20	416	9	89.0
JL-16-01-2-C5 - 1	3	224.6	182.6	1.23	186	52	65.70	0.480	0.380	0.0645	0.0038	0.891	450	190	403	23	89.6
JL-16-01-3-C7 - 3	1	258.3	181.4	1.42	-9	-966	98.79	0.586	0.032	0.0670	0.0016	0.247	464	21	418	10	90.0
JL-16-01-2-C5 - 3	1	359.5	374.0	0.96	4	3073	99.03	0.561	0.027	0.0660	0.0016	0.136	450	18	412	10	91.6
JL-16-01-1-C2 - 2	1	251.7	184.5	1.36	5	1792	99.08	0.585	0.031	0.0686	0.0016	0.201	464	20	427	10	92.1
JL-16-01-1-C15 - 4	1	285.3	199.1	1.43	0	-	99.28	0.521	0.026	0.0634	0.0015	0.051	423	17	396	9	93.6
JL-16-01-1-C6 - 3	1	1523.0	1201.0	1.27	33	1738	99.39	0.565	0.057	0.0686	0.0017	0.382	454	31	427	10	94.1

Table A4. Continued.

spot	C*	Approx. conc. (ppm)				Final isotope ratios						Age (Ma)					
		U (ppm)	Th (ppm)	U/Th	²⁰⁴ Pb (cps)	²⁰⁶ Pb/ ²⁰⁴ Pb	%Pb ^a	²⁰⁷ Pb/ ²³⁵ U	2σ	²⁰⁶ Pb/ ²³⁸ U	2σ	err. corr.	²⁰⁷ Pb/ ²³⁵ U	2σ	²⁰⁶ Pb/ ²³⁸ U	2σ	% conc. ^b
JL-16-01-1-C6 - 4	1	346.0	230.0	1.50	-1	-12240	99.29	0.567	0.024	0.0689	0.0016	0.178	454	16	429	10	94.6
JL-16-01-3-C2 - 2	1	235.6	157.4	1.50	-16	-509	99.51	0.548	0.023	0.0687	0.0017	0.315	442	15	428	10	96.9
JL-16-01-1-C3 - 3	1	223.7	136.1	1.64	9	803	99.60	0.518	0.039	0.0661	0.0016	0.109	421	25	412	10	98.0
JL-16-01-2-C5 - 2	1	178.4	139.0	1.28	0	-	99.67	0.546	0.029	0.0697	0.0017	0.005	439	19	434	10	98.9
JL-16-01-1-C3 - 1	1	527.7	776.0	0.68	10	1835	99.66	0.486	0.093	0.0636	0.0015	0.081	401	23	398	9	99.0
JL-16-01-1-C2 - 1	1	243.3	158.2	1.54	4	2115	99.71	0.516	0.023	0.0671	0.0017	0.133	423	15	419	10	99.0
JL-16-01-3-C5 - 1	1	656.0	519.0	1.26	16	1493	99.64	0.529	0.022	0.0689	0.0019	0.228	433	14	430	11	99.2
JL-16-01-2-C1 - 2	1	265.3	190.6	1.39	-3	-2887	99.74	0.513	0.025	0.0664	0.0016	0.010	417	17	415	10	99.4
JL-16-01-3-C7 - 1	1	278.1	225.1	1.24	-6	-1625	99.74	0.519	0.026	0.0676	0.0016	0.197	424	17	421	10	99.4
JL-16-01-2-C1 - 1	1	231.2	149.0	1.55	-3	-2680	99.72	0.522	0.031	0.0676	0.0016	0.005	424	20	422	10	99.4
JL-16-01-1-C15 - 3	1	322.1	272.6	1.18	14	844	99.69	0.509	0.072	0.0663	0.0016	0.059	416	41	414	10	99.5
JL-16-01-1-C2 - 4	1	346.3	292.8	1.18	3	4187	99.82	0.516	0.021	0.0672	0.0015	0.282	421	14	419	9	99.6
JL-16-01-3-C1 - 2	1	257.6	186.3	1.38	-4	-2198	99.75	0.513	0.025	0.0668	0.0015	0.065	418	17	417	9	99.8
JL-16-01-1-C6 - 1	1	214.1	127.8	1.68	-11	-698	99.67	0.518	0.027	0.0672	0.0016	0.152	420	18	419	10	99.8
JL-16-01-1-C3 - 2	1	416.5	347.6	1.20	2	7250	99.72	0.537	0.024	0.0695	0.0016	0.304	434	15	433	10	99.8
JL-16-01-3-C2 - 1	1	387.0	314.0	1.23	-1	-13200	99.84	0.504	0.023	0.0664	0.0015	0.302	414	16	415	9	100.1
JL-16-01-1-C5 - 2	1	335.0	254.8	1.31	19	607	99.83	0.507	0.023	0.0668	0.0016	0.073	414	16	417	9	100.6
JL-16-01-3-C8 - 1	1	416.8	314.3	1.33	-5	-2982	99.85	0.563	0.024	0.0735	0.0019	0.359	451	16	457	12	101.4
JL-16-01-2-C5 - 5	1	258.6	168.9	1.53	-2	-4455	99.85	0.510	0.026	0.0675	0.0016	0.132	415	17	421	10	101.5
JL-16-01-2-C9 - 1	1	212.7	137.0	1.55	-6	-1212	99.93	0.506	0.027	0.0673	0.0017	0.097	413	18	421	10	101.9
JL-16-01-2-C11 - 2	3	3790.0	4360.0	0.87	344	203	90.97	0.282	0.053	0.0394	0.0013	0.517	244	41	249	8	102.0
JL-16-01-2-C11 - 2	3	3790.0	4360.0	0.87	344	203	90.97	0.282	0.053	0.0394	0.0013	0.517	244	41	249	8	102.0
JL-16-01-2-C2 - 1	1	151.2	82.8	1.83	6	927	99.88	0.520	0.034	0.0690	0.0020	0.007	421	23	430	12	102.2
JL-16-01-1-C1 - 4	2	3182.0	4550.0	0.70	106	1112	98.48	0.496	0.082	0.0667	0.0012	0.088	407	49	416	7	102.3
JL-16-01-1-C1 - 3	1	7160.0	11790.0	0.61	117	1140	98.61	0.496	0.026	0.0672	0.0021	0.335	407	18	419	13	103.0
JL-16-01-3-C1 - 3	3	411.2	454.0	0.91	161	80	77.15	0.560	0.260	0.0673	0.0033	0.856	380	170	420	20	110.5
JL-16-01-3-C1 - 3	3	411.2	454.0	0.91	161	80	77.15	0.560	0.260	0.0673	0.0033	0.856	380	170	420	20	110.5
JL-16-01-1-C3 - 4	3	307.7	245.0	1.26	171	78	77.17	0.480	0.300	0.0655	0.0036	0.891	360	180	409	22	113.6
JL-16-01-1-C3 - 4	3	307.7	245.0	1.26	171	78	77.17	0.480	0.300	0.0655	0.0036	0.891	360	180	409	22	113.6
JL-16-01-2-C6 - 4	3	735.0	1078.0	0.68	133	191	90.52	0.450	0.130	0.0618	0.0018	0.548	330	87	387	11	117.1
JL-16-01-2-C6 - 4	3	735.0	1078.0	0.68	133	191	90.52	0.450	0.130	0.0618	0.0018	0.548	330	87	387	11	117.1
JL-16-01-2-C11 - 1	3	2823.0	2474.0	1.14	1101	61	70.69	0.500	0.100	0.0678	0.0019	0.732	360	66	422	12	117.2
JL-16-01-2-C11 - 1	3	2823.0	2474.0	1.14	1101	61	70.69	0.500	0.100	0.0678	0.0019	0.732	360	66	422	12	117.2
JL-16-01-2-C9	2	305.1	380.3	0.80	134	93	81.10	0.440	0.260	0.0624	0.0024	0.895	80	180	390	15	487.5
JL-16-01-2-C9 - 2	2	305.1	380.3	0.80	134	93	81.10	0.440	0.260	0.0624	0.0024	0.895	80	180	390	15	487.5

Notes: C* = Common Pb correction (1-uncorrected for common-Pb; 2-common-Pb corrected using Andersen (2002) method; 3-common-Pb corrected using the measured ²⁰⁴Pb). ^acalculated from Andersen (2002) method; ^bcalculated as 100 × (²⁰⁶Pb/²³⁸U age/²⁰⁷Pb/²³⁵U age). Samples numbers in bold and italic are used in final age calculations.

Table A5. Results for in-situ LA-ICP-MS U-Pb zircon geochronology of Sample 15-72 (Wellington Lake Granite).

spot	C*	Approx. conc. (ppm)					Final isotope ratios						Age (Ma)				
		U (ppm)	Th (ppm)	U/Th	²⁰⁴ Pb (cps)	²⁰⁶ Pb/ ²⁰⁴ Pb	%Pb* ^a	²⁰⁷ Pb/ ²³⁵ U	2σ	²⁰⁶ Pb/ ²³⁸ U	2σ	err. corr.	²⁰⁷ Pb/ ²³⁵ U	2σ	²⁰⁶ Pb/ ²³⁸ U	2σ	% conc. ^b
15-72-03-12	2	355.1	997.0	0.36	-3	-2147	99.66	1.579	0.062	0.0714	0.0014	0.265	960	24	444	8	46.3
15-72-03-12	2	355.1	997.0	0.36	-3	-2147	99.66	1.579	0.062	0.0714	0.0014	0.265	960	24	444	8	46.3
15-72-03-06	2	822.0	3350.0	0.25	131	294	94.30	1.036	0.041	0.0664	0.0011	0.065	722	21	415	7	57.4
15-72-03-06	2	822.0	3350.0	0.25	131	294	94.30	1.036	0.041	0.0664	0.0011	0.065	722	21	415	7	57.4
15-72-03-11	2	338.9	251.0	1.35	78	164	86.72	1.094	0.040	0.0707	0.0013	0.199	753	18	440	8	58.5
15-72-03-11	2	338.9	251.0	1.35	78	164	86.72	1.094	0.040	0.0707	0.0013	0.199	753	18	440	8	58.5
15-72-03-10	1	326.5	265.0	1.23	48	232	92.84	1.095	0.091	0.0714	0.0014	0.623	740	44	445	8	60.1
15-72-03-10	1	326.5	265.0	1.23	48	232	92.84	1.095	0.091	0.0714	0.0014	0.623	740	44	445	8	60.1
15-72-03-07	1	1127.0	3720.0	0.30	12	2093	99.20	0.936	0.077	0.0672	0.0010	0.560	668	41	419	6	62.8
15-72-03-07	1	1127.0	3720.0	0.30	12	2093	99.20	0.936	0.077	0.0672	0.0010	0.560	668	41	419	6	62.8
15-72-03-19	3	494.5	428.0	1.16	28	470	97.09	0.883	0.036	0.0689	0.0010	0.248	643	19	429	6	66.8
15-72-03-19	3	494.5	428.0	1.16	28	470	97.09	0.883	0.036	0.0689	0.0010	0.248	643	19	429	6	66.8
15-72-03-04	1	713.0	1580.0	0.45	150	126	84.80	0.725	0.025	0.0664	0.0010	0.250	553	14	415	6	75.1
15-72-03-04	1	713.0	1580.0	0.45	150	126	84.80	0.725	0.025	0.0664	0.0010	0.250	553	14	415	6	75.1
15-72-S2-C1 - 4	1	517.0	520.0	0.99	6	3518	99.67	0.722	0.042	0.0670	0.0017	0.057	551	23	418	10	75.9
15-72-03-20	1	353.8	3031.0	0.12	11	2174	99.70	0.727	0.031	0.0677	0.0012	0.110	555	19	422	7	76.1
15-72-03-15	2	411.1	560.0	0.73	-6	-4902	99.69	0.718	0.029	0.0677	0.0012	0.309	550	17	423	7	76.8
15-72-03-03	1	819.0	621.0	1.32	42	622	96.97	0.705	0.028	0.0672	0.0010	0.027	544	17	419	6	77.1
15-72-S1-C1-core - 1	1	1732.0	4580.0	0.38	5	4684	98.58	0.633	0.024	0.0650	0.0020	0.467	499	15	405	9	81.2
15-72-S2-C1 - 3	1	307.9	205.4	1.50	27	430	97.21	0.652	0.044	0.0680	0.0020	0.044	508	26	426	11	83.8
15-72-03-25	1	248.0	308.0	0.81	5	5756	99.80	0.622	0.028	0.0655	0.0011	0.248	488	17	409	7	83.9
15-72-S2-C2 - 3	1	508.0	621.0	0.82	14	1321	99.82	0.597	0.035	0.0639	0.0019	0.522	473	22	399	12	84.4
15-72-S1-C3 - 2	1	422.0	1311.0	0.32	-3	-4443	99.71	0.553	0.023	0.0614	0.0016	0.164	445	15	384	9	86.3
15-72-S2-C2 - 1	1	1096.0	4031.0	0.27	27	1011	98.64	0.604	0.019	0.0670	0.0020	0.168	479	12	418	9	87.1
15-72-S1-C2 - 9	1	1348.0	650.0	2.07	6	1578	99.57	0.573	0.020	0.0642	0.0019	0.039	460	14	401	11	87.2
15-72-03-14	1	604.0	1810.0	0.33	23	679	97.37	0.576	0.021	0.0645	0.0011	0.061	461	13	403	7	87.4
15-72-S2-C1 - 6	1	2380.0	1803.0	1.32	-5	-3678	99.44	0.564	0.034	0.0646	0.0015	0.008	454	20	404	9	88.9
15-72-S2-C1 - 2	1	923.0	769.0	1.20	9	944	98.00	0.574	0.026	0.0670	0.0020	0.173	462	16	422	9	91.3
15-72-S1-C2 - 5	1	426.8	140.0	3.05	4	5705	99.60	0.564	0.035	0.0663	0.0016	0.003	452	23	414	10	91.5
15-72-03-08	1	655.0	156.6	4.18	3	11220	99.55	0.579	0.020	0.0687	0.0009	0.120	463	13	428	6	92.4
15-72-03-24	1	755.0	2485.0	0.30	18	499	98.20	0.583	0.021	0.0690	0.0011	0.390	466	13	430	7	92.4
15-72-S1-C2 - 7	2	458.0	121.0	3.79	5	6354	99.76	0.516	0.022	0.0647	0.0016	0.004	423	15	404	10	95.6
15-72-03-09	1	926.0	1358.0	0.68	29	425	93.26	0.504	0.015	0.0634	0.0008	0.193	414	10	396	5	95.7
15-72-03-17	1	1054.0	1858.0	0.57	-11	-2623	99.63	0.530	0.016	0.0670	0.0009	0.118	432	11	418	5	96.8
15-72-S2-C1 - 7	1	735.1	245.0	3.00	14	2013	98.72	0.534	0.021	0.0680	0.0020	0.224	433	14	422	9	97.4
15-72-03-22	2	396.6	438.3	0.90	13	2244	99.73	0.546	0.020	0.0693	0.0010	0.256	441	13	432	6	97.9
15-72-S2-C1 - 1	1	712.3	102.7	6.94	4	6870	99.22	0.508	0.019	0.0664	0.0014	0.172	421	13	415	9	98.5
15-72-03-18	1	749.2	1890.0	0.40	48	407	95.30	0.532	0.016	0.0685	0.0009	0.082	433	11	427	5	98.6
15-72-S1-C2 - 6	1	875.0	476.0	1.84	-10	-1155	99.44	0.511	0.017	0.0664	0.0014	0.329	420	12	414	9	98.7
15-72-S2-C1 - 5	1	883.6	187.8	4.71	33	1382	98.96	0.504	0.017	0.0660	0.0020	0.206	416	12	411	9	98.7
15-72-S1-C1 - 3	1	1499.0	242.5	6.18	22	1810	97.99	0.499	0.022	0.0650	0.0020	0.236	411	14	406	9	98.7
15-72-03-23	1	776.9	1283.0	0.61	6	5082	99.21	0.517	0.017	0.0669	0.0010	0.339	423	11	418	6	98.8
15-72-S2-C2 - 4	1	866.0	221.0	3.92	29	916	99.64	0.508	0.019	0.0660	0.0016	0.213	416	13	412	9	98.9
15-72-S1-C3 - 1	1	574.0	123.0	4.67	-5	-3398	99.65	0.495	0.020	0.0650	0.0015	0.033	409	14	406	9	99.2
15-72-S1-C2 - 1	1	473.0	307.0	1.54	41	272	99.99	0.505	0.024	0.0660	0.0016	0.015	415	16	412	10	99.2
15-72-S1-C2 - 4	1	358.2	105.7	3.39	-16	-773	99.04	0.499	0.022	0.0652	0.0015	0.010	410	15	407	9	99.3
15-72-S2-C4 - 1	1	971.0	405.0	2.40	4	4295	99.69	0.510	0.023	0.0667	0.0017	0.116	418	15	416	11	99.5

Table A5. Continued.

spot	Approx. conc. (ppm)					Final isotope ratios						Age (Ma)					
	C*	U (ppm)	Th (ppm)	U/Th	²⁰⁴ Pb (cps)	²⁰⁶ Pb/ ²⁰⁴ Pb	%Pb* ^a	²⁰⁷ Pb/ ²³⁵ U	2σ	²⁰⁶ Pb/ ²³⁸ U	2σ	err. corr.	²⁰⁷ Pb/ ²³⁵ U	2σ	²⁰⁶ Pb/ ²³⁸ U	2σ	% conc. ^b
15-72-S1-C2 - 3	1	539.0	88.8	6.07	-2	-4645	99.83	0.502	0.024	0.0656	0.0016	0.011	412	17	410	10	99.5
15-72-03-16	1	761.4	192.5	3.96	7	5619	99.58	0.525	0.017	0.0684	0.0009	0.174	429	11	427	5	99.5
15-72-03-01	1	385.2	400.0	0.96	6	3912	99.75	0.512	0.019	0.0671	0.0011	0.140	420	13	418	7	99.6
15-72-S1-C3 - 1	1	327.5	81.8	4.00	12	838	98.55	0.531	0.030	0.0690	0.0020	0.014	434	20	432	11	99.6
15-72-S1-C2 - 8	2	1205.0	266.0	4.53	9	3650	98.74	0.522	0.016	0.0680	0.0010	0.205	428	11	427	9	99.7
15-72-03-21	2	581.0	664.0	0.88	10	1544	99.51	0.540	0.018	0.0701	0.0011	0.045	438	12	437	7	99.7
15-72-S2-C4 - 2	1	681.4	208.2	3.27	-5	-24540	99.83	0.508	0.017	0.0666	0.0014	0.117	416	12	416	9	99.9
15-72-03-02	1	597.0	270.0	2.21	48	651	97.30	0.518	0.018	0.0678	0.0010	0.236	423	12	423	6	99.9
15-72-03-13	1	158.5	76.6	2.07	4	5533	98.67	0.538	0.031	0.0699	0.0014	0.014	433	21	436	8	100.6
15-72-03-13	3	158.5	76.6	2.07	4	5533	98.67	0.538	0.031	0.0699	0.0014	0.014	433	21	436	8	100.6
15-72-S1-C2 - 2	1	389.8	236.5	1.65	-24	-902	99.73	0.486	0.036	0.0660	0.0020	0.060	401	26	413	11	102.9

Notes: C* = Common Pb correction (1-uncorrected for common-Pb; 2-common-Pb corrected using Andersen (2002) method; 3-common-Pb corrected using the measured ²⁰⁴Pb). ^acalculated from Andersen (2002) method; ^bcalculated as $100 \times (^{206}\text{Pb}/^{238}\text{U} \text{ age}/^{207}\text{Pb}/^{235}\text{U} \text{ age})$. Samples numbers in bold and italic are used in final age calculations.

Table A6. Results for in-situ LA-ICP-MS U-Pb monazite geochronology of a Sample 85MM-154B (John Lee Brook Granite).

spot	Approx. conc. (ppm)					Final isotope ratios						Age (Ma)					
	C*	U (ppm)	Th (ppm)	U/Th	²⁰⁴ Pb (cps)	²⁰⁶ Pb/ ²⁰⁴ Pb	%Pb* ^a	²⁰⁷ Pb/ ²³⁵ U	2σ	²⁰⁶ Pb/ ²³⁸ U	2σ	err. corr.	²⁰⁷ Pb/ ²³⁵ U	2σ	²⁰⁶ Pb/ ²³⁸ U	2σ	% conc. ^b
85-MM-154B-C2 - 1	3	814	29500	0.03	139	30	41.80	1.570	0.860	0.0479	0.0064	0.87	1120	250	304	39	27.1
85-MM-154B-C6 - 2	1	692	40440	0.02	44	172	87.28	1.444	0.061	0.0718	0.0013	0.137	905	27	447	8	49.4
85-MM-154B-C4 - 2	1	1313	51700	0.03	47	154	87.57	1.510	0.110	0.0757	0.0021	0.189	935	38	470	12	50.3
85-MM-154B-C4 - 3	1	907	49480	0.02	27	341	91.60	1.062	0.039	0.0691	0.0013	0.155	732	20	430	8	58.8
85-MM-154B-C4 - 1	1	916	44620	0.02	45	205	91.61	1.156	0.048	0.0744	0.0017	0.458	775	23	463	10	59.7
85-MM-154B-C10 - 2	1	954	43990	0.02	37	263	92.04	1.058	0.041	0.0714	0.0014	0.367	729	20	444	9	60.9
85MM154B-mz6 - 3	1	760	48300	0.02	45	288	93.70	0.929	0.026	0.0706	0.0014	0.146	668	14	440	9	65.8
85MM154B-mz3 - 3	3	490	22100	0.02	1100	36	57.60	1.240	2.500	0.0923	0.0220	0.816	840	280	569	140	67.7
85-MM-154B-C4 - 4	1	1596	40240	0.04	29	499	95.38	0.740	0.026	0.0653	0.0010	0.234	562	15	408	6	72.6
85-MM-154B-C12 - 2	1	489	43210	0.01	18	294	96.50	0.730	0.059	0.0697	0.0016	0.232	550	34	434	10	78.9
85MM154B-mz5 - 3	1	818	55320	0.01	15	995	97.10	0.671	0.033	0.0663	0.0012	0.228	521	21	414	7	79.5
85-MM-154B-C6 - 1	1	658	49720	0.01	2	4260	97.23	0.626	0.029	0.0662	0.0013	0.042	494	18	413	8	83.6
85-MM-154B-C3 - 4	1	386.2	45590	0.01	1	2576	97.41	0.636	0.037	0.0673	0.0017	0.132	498	23	419	10	84.1
85MM154B-mz4 - 1	1	1714	71500	0.02	23	1061	97.82	0.601	0.017	0.0664	0.0010	0.009	477	11	414	6	86.9
85-MM-154B-C3 - 3	1	686	48450	0.01	13	500	98.20	0.587	0.029	0.0651	0.0012	0.091	467	18	407	7	87
85-MM-154B-C1 - 2	1	974	45900	0.02	-4	-1963	98.15	0.549	0.025	0.0644	0.0013	0.362	445	16	402	8	90.4
85-MM-154B-C5 - 1	1	1164	48690	0.02	6	1727	98.32	0.549	0.021	0.0646	0.0011	0.108	444	14	403	7	90.9
85MM154B-mz1 - 1	1	4140	45100	0.09	39	2000	98.67	0.503	0.089	0.0626	0.0063	0.469	413	47	392	38	94.8
85MM154B-mz5 - 2	1	848	49580	0.02	6	2645	98.92	0.511	0.023	0.0639	0.0009	0.154	418	15	399	5	95.5
85-MM-154B-C10 - 3	1	1071	47280	0.02	-4	-2554	98.98	0.528	0.022	0.0665	0.0012	0.055	430	15	415	7	96.5
85MM154B-mz7 - 2	1	410	41500	0.01	-8	-1061	99.16	0.520	0.019	0.0667	0.0012	0.095	427	13	416	8	97.5
85MM154B-mz6 - 1	1	358	40600	0.01	2	3565	99.08	0.544	0.023	0.0700	0.0015	0.031	444	15	437	9	98.4
85-MM-154B-C7 - 1	1	1072	48840	0.02	-7	-1463	99.20	0.506	0.023	0.0658	0.0011	0.153	416	15	412	7	99
85-MM-154B-C9 - 1	1	1915	51600	0.04	-2	-8061	99.19	0.496	0.016	0.0650	0.0010	0.369	410	11	406	6	99.1
85MM154B-mz7 - 1	1	738	73400	0.01	12	724	99.19	0.501	0.130	0.0651	0.0029	0.007	410	52	406	17	99.1

Table A6. Continued.

spot	C*	Approx. conc. (ppm)				Final isotope ratios						Age (Ma)					
		U (ppm)	Th (ppm)	U/Th	²⁰⁴ Pb (cps)	²⁰⁶ Pb/ ²⁰⁴ Pb	%Pb ^a	²⁰⁷ Pb/ ²³⁵ U	2σ	²⁰⁶ Pb/ ²³⁸ U	2σ	err. corr.	²⁰⁷ Pb/ ²³⁵ U	2σ	²⁰⁶ Pb/ ²³⁸ U	2σ	% conc. ^b
85-MM-154B-C1 - 1	1	607.7	46870	0.01	-4	-1378	99.13	0.502	0.022	0.0657	0.0014	0.023	413	15	410	8	99.2
85MM154B-mz2 - 2	1	600	24700	0.02	-2	-11250	99.28	0.524	0.048	0.0680	0.0029	0.124	427	24	424	17	99.3
85-MM-154B-C4 - 5	1	1219	48490	0.03	6	1907	99.29	0.504	0.019	0.0660	0.0011	0.162	414	13	412	7	99.6
85MM154B-mz5 - 6	1	1339	65410	0.02	8	2681	99.40	0.489	0.013	0.0646	0.0008	0.141	405	9	403	5	99.6
85-MM-154B-C3 - 2	1	553	45030	0.01	11	469	99.14	0.507	0.025	0.0661	0.0015	0.114	413	17	413	9	100
85-MM-154B-C10 - 4	1	982	49010	0.02	4	2475	99.29	0.497	0.019	0.0653	0.0011	0.295	408	13	408	7	100
85-MM-154B-C10 - 1	1	980	49170	0.02	5	2006	99.45	0.505	0.024	0.0661	0.0011	0.044	412	16	413	7	100.2
85MM154B-mz6 - 4	1	425	46900	0.01	-7	-1003	99.44	0.517	0.023	0.0682	0.0014	0.22	424	15	425	8	100.3
85-MM-154B-C9 - 3	1	798	46420	0.02	10	817	99.28	0.504	0.021	0.0669	0.0013	0.156	415	14	418	8	100.6
85MM154B-mz2 - 1	1	980	25200	0.04	3	9833	99.57	0.506	0.045	0.0669	0.0038	0.49	415	26	418	23	100.6
85MM154B-mz3 - 1	3	470	20900	0.02	171	135	84.40	0.450	0.110	0.0682	0.0029	0.464	420	79	424	18	101
85-MM-154B-C9 - 2	1	1111	50980	0.02	-1	-10500	99.42	0.493	0.018	0.0659	0.0013	0.091	407	12	411	8	101.1
85MM154B-mz6 - 2	1	360	43500	0.01	6	1137	99.13	0.509	0.024	0.0679	0.0012	0.125	415	16	424	7	102.1
85-MM-154B-C12 - 3	1	891	51680	0.02	11	812	99.52	0.491	0.020	0.0665	0.0013	0.045	406	14	415	8	102.2
85-MM-154B-C12 - 1	1	1202	46850	0.03	1	10809	99.45	0.491	0.017	0.0665	0.0012	0.103	404	12	415	7	102.6
85MM154B-mz5 - 4	3	946	58810	0.02	329	66	70.30	0.480	0.160	0.0689	0.0016	0.706	400	120	429	10	107.3
85MM154B-mz4 - 2	2	11290	116900	0.10	99	1448	98.29	0.409	0.015	0.0625	0.0019	0.752	348	10	391	12	112.2
85-MM-154B-C3 - 1	2	964	50200	0.02	109	84	80.10	0.392	0.010	0.0610	0.0014	0.949	336	7	381	9	113.4
85MM154B-mz5 - 1	3	882	51600	0.02	182	112	81.83	0.460	0.130	0.0650	0.0013	0.695	290	110	406	8	140.1
85MM154B-mz3 - 2	3	802	44020	0.02	92	175	90.81	0.300	0.380	0.0652	0.0042	0.605	240	120	407	26	169.6

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