DUAL MULTICOLLECTOR LASER ABLATION SPLIT STREAM MASS SPECTROMETRY: APPLICATION TO THE BRUNEAU-JARBIDGE VOLCANIC CENTER, CENTRAL SNAKE RIVER PLAIN, IDAHO

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ABSTRACT

The laser ablation split stream technique allows for concurrent measurement of Lu-Hf and U-Pb isotopes in zircon by consuming one sample volume, ensuring a direct relationship between crystallization age and Hf-isotope ratios. This is an improvement over common *in situ* techniques that utilize two sample volumes. In this study, we describe a new method for measuring Lu-Hf and U-Pb isotopes on zircons termed Dual Multicollector Laser Ablation Split Stream ICMPS (DM-LASS-ICPMS). The method is thus far unique because it uses two ThermoFinnigan Neptune Plus multicollector mass spectrometers, which allows high precision measurements of U-Pb as well as Hf. The robust nature of this technique is demonstrated through analyses of 5 natural zircons (91500, Plešovice, Mudtank, Temora-2, R33) and 3 synthetic zircons (MUNZirc 1, 3, and 4) with a 53 μ m laser spot. Furthermore, the usefulness of this technique is confirmed by 190 measurements on zircons in rhyolites of the Bruneau-Jarbidge volcanic center. The Bruneau-Jarbidge center, located in the central Snake River Plain of Idaho, is an expression of the Yellowstone hotspot (YHS), and was active from 12.7-8 Ma. The EHf values of zircons from the Bruneau-Jarbidge volcanic center range from -15 to -1.5, indicating a period of increased basaltic input and suppression of a crustal signature that is associated with increased melt production.

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CHAPTER I

HIGH RESOLUTION U-Pb AND Hf MEASUREMENTS ON ZIRCON USING LASER ABLATION SPLIT STREAM

TECHNIQUE

Introduction

The isotope geochemistry of zircon has been applied to a wide variety of chronological and petrological problems ranging from the age distribution of detrital grains in sedimentary basins, the interaction of rocks with hydrothermal fluids, to the origins of magmas. Zircon can incorporate lighter rare earth elements (REE), uranium, and thorium. The Hf⁴⁺ ion, in particular, substitutes for Zr⁴⁺ to such a degree that HfO₂ composes 0.5-2 weight percent of magmatic zircon (Hoskin & Schaltegger, 2003), thus making it possible to measure Hf isotopes with high precision in zircon. The ¹⁷⁶Hf isotope in zircon results from β - decay of ¹⁷⁶Lu and thus fractionation in the Lu-Hf system is measured by the deviation of the ¹⁷⁶Hf/¹⁷⁷Hf isotope ratio (ɛHf) from that of chondrites (ɛHf = 0). Positive ɛHf values indicate mantle signatures and negative ɛHf values indicate crystallization early in geologic time. For a detailed description of the Lu-Hf system and its applications, see Kinney & Maas (2003) and the references therein.

Zircons are often characterized by zoning in cathodoluminescence (CL) images or multiple domains distinct in CL. This heterogeneity in CL images often reflects heterogeneity in U-Pb isotopes (age), oxygen isotopes, or trace elements as indicated by grain-sized spot analyses. Several microbeam analytical methodologies are employed on a single grain to document this heterogeneity. These include: secondary ion mass spectrometry (SIMS) or sensitive high resolution ion microprobe (SHRIMP) ion beams for oxygen isotopes, trace element geochemistry or U-Th-Pb dating, or laser ablation with quadrupole, or single- or multicollector mass spectrometers, again for trace element chemistry or isotopic ratios of U-Th-Pb or Hf. Multiple analyses on the same zircon grain mean that different regions of single grains are sampled, whereas it would be advantageous to measure as many elements and isotopes as possible within a single analytical volume, because zircons are rarely homogeneous in all respects. In this application we describe simultaneous measurement of the isotopes of Hf, Th, U, and Pb using laser ablation and two multicollector mass spectrometers, thus providing a direct date for the time of acquisition of the ¹⁷⁶Hf/¹⁷⁷Hf ratio.

Measuring finite volumes using *in situ* analysis allows investigation of complex chemical and chronological zonation within mineral grains. Common *in situ* procedures use two volumes of material by first analyzing U-Pb for dating the sample with either 1) secondary ion mass spectrometry (SIMS) or 2) laser ablation inductively-coupled plasma mass spectrometry (LA-ICPMS), and then analyzing Hf isotopes using LA-ICPMS with a multicollector mass spectrometer. The former places a larger laser spot over a small ion microprobe pit; the latter selects two adjacent sites for laser ablation within an ideally homogenous portion of single crystal as indicated by cathodoluminescence imagery. In both cases, variance in depth of the ablation pit and zone growth may result in the sampling of different chronological and chemical domains. Additionally, correction to initial ɛHf using CHUR (chondritic uniform reservoir) is age-dependent. Therefore, reported ɛHf values may be inaccurate if the age is not determined on the same volume, which results in erroneous interpretation of zircon growth. In contrast, simultaneous acquisition uses only one common volume of material.

The first description of simultaneous acquisition of ²⁰⁷Pb and ²⁰⁶Pb measured congruently with Hf used a Thermo Neptune zoom quadrupole lens (Woodhead *et al.*, 2004). Kemp *et al.* (2009) later applied the technique to inherited detrital zircons, inherited igneous zircons, and metamorphosed zircons. However, thermal events postdating zircon crystallization, such as in an evolving magma chamber, may induce intragrain variation in 207 Pb/ 206 Pb ages (Kemp *et al.*, 2009). Identifying discordant grains requires measuring 206 Pb/ 238 U and 207 Pb/ 235 U. In addition, precision of both Hf and U-Pb measurements is reduced because counting time is divided among Hf measurement, U-Pb measurement, and magnet settling (Woodhead *et al.*, 2004). In 2008, Yuan et al. successfully measured Hf and U-Pb simultaneously on zircons using a laser and two mass spectrometers – a multicollector for Hf isotopes and a single collector for U-Pb. Their laser ablation split stream inductively-coupled mass spectometer (LASS-ICPMS) method has since been developed and employed with great success (Tollstrup *et al.*, 2012; Fisher *et al.*, 2014). In this paper we describe a new technique that utilizes two multicollector instruments in order to provide improved precision in the simultaneous measurement of U-Th-Pb and Hf isotopes.

Methods

Our method consists of connecting two Thermo Finnigan Neptune Plus multicollector mass spectrometers to a single laser ablation system. Following Fisher *et al.* (2014), we use a simplified plastic T connection to split the sample gas evacuated from a 193nm excimer laser sample chamber between the two ThermoFinnigan Neptune Plus multicollector mass spectrometers (Figure 1). The volume of analyte sent to each mass spectrometer is controlled by changing the rate of He carrier gas flow. Precision with this method is equal to or better than previous more complicated configurations (Fisher *et al.*, 2014) that control aerosol volume between mass spectrometers with clamps (Tollstrup *et al.*, 2012), gas homogenizers (Yuan *et al.*, 2008; Tollstrup *et al.*, 2012),



Figure 1. Schematic diagram of the DM-SS-ICPMS setup. See text for more details.

mass flow controllers (Yuan et al., 2008), and baffles (Tollstrup et al., 2012).

The use of two ThermoFinnigan Neptunes is unique to this study. Previous split stream studies have measured Lu-Hf isotopes with a multicollector ICPMS, but U-Pb has been measured with either a quadrupole-ICPMS or a single collector-ICPMS (Tollstrup et al., 2012; Fisher et al., 2014). Both quadrupole and single collector mass spectrometers rely on a single ion counter where only one mass can be measured at any given moment, and large jumps between ion masses require long magnet settling times. In addition, variable fractionation of U-Pb during analysis requires correction between each sweep. One approach to minimizing the effect of variable fractionation on ²⁰⁷Pb and ²⁰⁶Pb is to take the mean of ²⁰⁶Pb/²⁰⁷Pb ratios for an entire spot analysis (Fisher *et al.*, 2014). However, if a single ablation spot overlaps into an adjacent zone of different age, information on the average within the zone is lost. With multiple Faraday collectors and ion counters available on the Neptune, ²³²Th, ²³⁸U, ²⁰⁷Pb, ²⁰⁶Pb, ²⁰²Hg, ²⁰⁴Pb, and ²⁰⁸Pb can be measured simultaneously. A change in either the ²⁰⁶Pb/²³⁸Pb ratio or ²⁰⁶Pb/²⁰⁷Pb ratio is seen when laser ablation drills to a new mineral zone and indicates complex growth history in zircons that would have otherwise been averaged with a single-collector mass spectrometer.

The following describes the details of a two-Neptune instrument setup, hereto referred to as Dual Multicollector Laser Ablation Split Stream Inductively-Coupled Plasma Mass Spectrometry (DM-LASS-ICPMS). Characterization of subtle zircon heterogeneity requires minimizing acquisition times while maximizing accuracy and precision of both Hf and U-Pb analysis. To minimize required acquisition times, we optimize parameters including integration times, laser frequency, and laser fluence. We analyze a variety of commonly used zircon standards for both U-Pb and Hf, including three synthetic zircons (Fisher *et al.*, 2011). These standards and synthetic grains represent a large range in concentrations of both U and Yb. U-Pb Ages and ¹⁷⁶Hf/¹⁷⁷Hf ratios are within error of accepted solution values, indicating the technique remains robust even where large interference corrections are necessary.

Analytical Setup

Samples are ablated with a 193 nm ArF excimer laser using a 53 μ m spot with a laser frequency of 10 Hz and a laser fluence of 6.11 J/cm². A 0.625 L/min flow of He carrier gas in the arm and 0.417 L/min flow of He carrier gas in the cell carry ablated material out of the sample chamber through 4mm inner diameter (ID) teflon tubing. To reduce oxides (Payne *et al.*, 2013) carried to the mass spectrometers and stabilize signal intensities, a plastic "T" connection adds 0.005 L/min of N₂ (Iizuka & Hirata, 2005) approximately 150 cm from the laser. Another plastic "T" connection 55 cm from the N₂ addition splits the sample gas into two 4mm ID teflon tubes that lead to each Neptune (Figure 1).

U-Pb Neptune

To increase the pressure gradient to the U-Pb Neptune without the need for excessively long teflon tubes, approximately 5 cm of 4 mm ID teflon tubing is connected with a Swagelok stepdown connector to ~1.25 m of 0.8 mm ID tubing after the "T" split. Another Swagelok stepdown connects this tubing to a 4 mm ID teflon tubing ~4.4 m in length. Ar sample gas is added to sample gas 11 cm from the torch. The U-Pb Neptune is equipped with standard nickel sample and skimmer cones. Analyzed isotopes are listed in Table 1.

Hf Neptune

After the sample gas is split, ~17.8 m of 4 mm ID teflon tubing carries sample gas to the Hf Neptune located in an adjacent room. Ar sample gas is added 11 cm from the torch, and ablated material passes through a nickel Jet sample cone and an X-skimmer which have been shown to increase Hf signal intensities by a factor of 1.4 (Hu *et al.*, 2012). The Hf Neptune has 9 Faraday cups available with the option of using an ion counter in place of the central Faraday cup. Two cup configurations were employed (Table 2): 1) measures all known Yb isotopes to determine the best Yb correction for our Hf configuration; 2) follows Fisher *et al.* (2014). Comparison of measurements made in both configurations may be found in Results.

Laser Parameters

Laser parameters were chosen to minimize counting times required for ablation while maintaining high precision (~3% error for U-Pb (Kylander-Clark *et al.*, 2013)) and <2 ϵ Hf units standard error for ¹⁷⁶/Hf/¹⁷⁷Hf (Fisher *et al.*, 2014)).

Frequency and Laser Fluence

High laser energies required to ionize Hf resulted in irregular U-Pb fractionation between standards. Inadequate correction of U-Pb fractionation results in spurious ages of standards and therefore calculated ages of analytical unknowns. Laser frequencies were

Table 1. Instrument operating parts	arameters	
	Lu-Hf	U-Pb
Model	ThermoFinnigan Neptune	ThermoFinnigan Neptune
Forward Power	1215	1180
Mass Resolution	Low	Low
Gas flows-laser ablation		
Cool/plasma (Ar)	16 L/min	15 L/min
Auxiliary (Ar)	1.00 L/min	0.90 L/min
Sample/nebulizer (Ar)	1.09 L/min	1.34 L/min
Carrier gas (He)	1.1 L/min	1.1 L/min
Nitrogen	5 mL/min	5 mL/min
Laser ablation		
Type	193nm ArF	Measured Masses
Repetition rate	10 Hz	²⁰² Hg, ²⁰⁴ Pb, ²⁰⁶ Pb, ²⁰⁷ Pb, ²⁰⁸ Pb, ²³² Th, ²³⁸ U
Laser fluence	6.11 J/cm^2	
Spot size	53 µm	
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Cup Configuration 2 ¹	171Yb	173Yb	175Lu	176Hf	177Hf	178Hf	179Hf	180Hf	182W
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chosen to produce a minimum intensity of 2.5 V of ¹⁷⁹Hf on the Pleisovice zircon standard which enables a precision of <2 ϵ Hf units. We tested frequencies and laser fluence combinations of 6 Hz (7.19 J/cm²), 8 Hz (6.11 J/cm², 6.47 J/cm², 6.83 J/cm²), and 10 Hz (5.03 J/cm², 5.39 J/cm², 5.75 J/cm², 6.11 J/cm², 6.47 J/cm² energy). A frequency of 10 Hz produced the most stable ²⁰⁶Pb/²⁰⁷Pb and ²⁰⁶Pb/²³⁸U ratios. Between laser fluences of 5.75 J/cm² and 6.11 J/cm² at 10 Hz, ϵ Hf uncertainties were consistently lowest for 6.11 J/cm² across standards and unknowns.

Spot Size and Shape

We chose a 53 μ m diameter spot over 41 μ m or 30 μ m, thus sacrificing some spatial resolution, in order to obtain more precise ϵ Hf values. Moreover, a larger diameter pit ensures that the aspect ratio of pit depth to diameter is greater than 2:1. Woodhead *et al.* found a ratio less than 2:1 causes contamination of lower ablated material from material above it (2004). Ablation pits from this study were imaged with an FEI Quanta 600 FEG SEM at the University of Utah's Nanofab laboratory (Figure 2). A pit depth of 24 μ m is averaged from 10 ablation sites measured via Zygo NewView profilometer also located at the Nanofab laboratory.

Data Reduction

U-Pb Data Reduction

Prior to zircon ablation, intensities of U-Pb are tuned to ~40-60 mV of 238 U on the NIST 610 glass standard using a 41 µm spot and laser settings of 6 Hz at a fluence of 3.20 J/cm² along a straight line path. Chosen ablation spots are first pre-ablated with 2



Figure 2. Back-scattered electron image (BSE) of a 53 μ m laser ablation pit on the Plešovice zircon standard. Pit is ~20 μ m deep.

cleaning shots using the same laser settings as for analysis (Table 1), followed by 35 s of gas blank. Acquisition time totals 40 s. A 6 s waiting period separates acquisition and cleaning shot. Zircon 91500 was chosen as the primary U-Pb standard, with Pleisoviche zircon as the secondary standard. Data are collected in a single file with a 0.131 s integration time.

Data are reduced primarily using Iolite's (version 2.4) U-Pb Data Reduction Scheme (Paton *et al.*, 2010). First, baseline is selected during the period of 35 s gas blank measurement 8-15 s prior to the start of acquisition measurements. Using Iolite's "automatic" spline type, baseline is subtracted from all integrations. As data are in a single file, ²⁰⁶Pb/²³⁸U ratios can be selected from beam intensity for ²³⁸U. Age integrations are only considered where both ²⁰⁶Pb/²³⁸U and ²⁰⁶Pb/²⁰⁷Pb ratios are stable. The entire integration time is chosen for the primary standard to ensure proper correction for downhole fractionation. However, only 10-15 s of integration time is required to produce accurate ages, so only the first 20 s of acquisition was considered for other standards. Mean ages and concordia plots are generated with Isoplot (version 3.76.12.02.24).

Lu-Hf Data Reduction

Intensities are tuned to a minimum of 140 mV 175 Lu on the NIST 610 glass standard using a 41 µm spot, frequency of 6 Hz, and a fluence of 3.20 J/cm² along a straight line path. When properly tuned, intensities are 2-3 V of 179 Hf and 7-9 V of 180 Hf on the Mudtank standard for cup configurations 1 and 2 (Table 1), respectively. Like others, we find a minimum of ~3-4 V of 180 Hf is necessary for high precision 176 Hf/ 177 Hf ratios (Hu et al., 2012; Tollstrup et al., 2012; Fisher et al., 2014).

To minimize surface contamination, two cleaning shots are fired followed by 35 s of gas blank before ablation. An ablation time of 40 s is used, as it increases the precision of 176 Hf/ 177 Hf values compared to 30 s of ablation. A gas blank of 6 s precedes the next cleaning shot. Data are collected as a single file with an integration time of 0.131 s. While longer integration times have been used in other ICP-MS studies (Tollstrup *et al.*, 2012; Kylander-Clark *et al.*, 2013; Fisher *et al.*, 2014) and in TIMS work (Nowell *et al.*, 1998), the 0.131 s integration time consistently increases precision across standards compared to 0.262 s, 0.524 s, and 1.049 s integration times (Figure 3).

Data are reduced in Iolite (version 2.4) and normalized to the Plešovice zircon standard. For a detailed description of corrections used in this study, see Fisher *et al.* (2011; 2013) and the references therein. Mass bias of Hf is corrected with the exponential law from a ¹⁷⁹Hf/¹⁷⁷Hf value of 0.7325 (Patchett & Tatsumoto, 1980) and the measured ¹⁷⁹Hf/¹⁷⁷Hf. Following Fisher *et al.* (2014), Yb mass bias is corrected using a ¹⁷¹Yb/¹⁷³Yb ratio of 1.13268. We measure only ¹⁷⁵Lu, and so the mass bias correction for Yb is used for Lu. There are three critical isotopes with mass 176 – Yb, Lu, and Hf. The correction for ¹⁷⁶Yb is made using the ¹⁷⁶Yb/¹⁷³Yb ratio measured on synthetic zircons MUNZirc 1, 3, and 4 (Fisher *et al.*, 2011). The ¹⁷⁶Yb/¹⁷³Yb ratios in this study are 0.79654 for cup configuration 1 and 0.79675 for cup configuration 2. The correction for ¹⁷⁶Lu/¹⁷⁵Lu value of 0.2656 (Chu *et al.*, 2002).

The 5 L/min of N₂ added to analyte leaving the cell (Figure 1) reduces the formation of 160 Gd 16 O (Payne *et al.*, 2013), so no correction is made for 160 Gd 16 O interference. Baselines are corrected with Iolite's "automatic" spline type by selecting a



Figure 3. Effects of integration time on 176 Hf/ 177 Hf ratio precision of zircon standards in this study. Data points are staggered for visibility.

stable 10-15 s of gas blank preceding all ablations and 20-30 s of gas blank at the end of a run. Index channels are 179 Hf for cup configuration 1 and 178Hf for cup configuration 2. The unstable ~3 s of ablation signal at beginning and end are trimmed, and integrations are made over the remaining ~34 s of ablation time.

Results

91500

The 91500 standard is a zircon from a syenite pegmatite in Ontario, Canada, that is well characterized for both U-Pb and Lu-Hf composition (Wiedenbeck *et al.*, 1995; Wiedenbeck *et al.*, 2004). We chose 91500 as the primary standard for U-Pb because few to no discordant analyses are reported in other studies (Wiedenbeck *et al.*, 1995; Schoene *et al.*, 2005; Yuan *et al.*, 2008; Fisher *et al.*, 2014). As it is used to normalize all other U-Pb standards, it is not possible to assess the accuracy of U-Pb using DM-LASS-ICPMS method on this zircon.

The mean of ¹⁷⁶Hf/¹⁷⁷Hf isotope ratios for cup configuration 1 (Table 1) over a period of one month is 0.282300 ± 68 (2σ , n = 91) (Figure 4) with an average internal reproducibility of ~ 1.4 ɛHf units. One data point was excluded. This is in good agreement with the laser ablation ICPMS value of 0.282307 ± 31 from Wu *et al.* (2006) and the pooled value of 0.282308 ± 6 from Blichert-Toft (2008). The measured ¹⁷⁶Hf/¹⁷⁷Hf isotope ratio for a single run using cup configuration 2 is 0.282328 ± 23 (2σ , n = 8) with an average internal reproducibility of 1.7 ɛHf units. This is higher than the value from Blichert-Toft (2008) by 0.7 ɛHf units, although still within error.



Figure 4. Results of ¹⁷⁶Hf/¹⁷⁷Hf ratios in 91500 for this study. Error bars are given as 2 s.e. The grey bar and green shaded region indicate the accepted literature value and 2 standard deviations (2σ), respectively (Wu *et al.*, 2006). The dashed, black bar represents the reported mean for Cup Configuration 1 with errors given as 2σ .

Mudtank

The Mud Tank standard from the Mud Tank carbonatite in Australia is in abundant supply (Woodhead & Hergt, 2005). Unfortunately for dating purposes, its concentration of U is low (~6.1-36.5 ppm). Large errors associated with low signal intensities can be seen in Run 1 of 3 runs made over one a one-month period (Figure 5A). The resulting weighted mean 206 Pb/ 238 U age, excluding a single analysis and calculated from the remaining 12, is 727.4 ± 5.7 Ma with a mean standard weighted deviation (MSWD) of 0.88. This is 0.6% lower than the published age of 732 Ma (Black & Gulson, 1978).

The Mud Tank zircons have low REE values making them well suited to monitor raw ¹⁷⁶Hf/¹⁷⁷Hf ratios. Analyses were made on colorless to faintly colored crystals of the Mud Tank standard as Woodhead & Hergt (2005) report heterogeneity in colored grains. Over a period of one month, the mean of ¹⁷⁶Hf/¹⁷⁷Hf isotope ratios for Cup Configuration 1 (Table 1) is 0.282507 ± 60 (2σ , n = 38) with an average internal reproducibility of 1.0 ɛHf unit (Figure 5B). This is in excellent agreement with the literature LA-ICPMS value of 0.282504 ± 44 (Woodhead & Hergt, 2005). The mean of a single run for cup configuration 2 is 0.282529 ± 36 (2σ , n = 7) with an average internal reproducibility of 1.8 ɛHf units. This is higher than the value from Woodhead & Hergt (2005) by 0.9 ɛHf units, although still within error.

MUNZirc 1, 3, 4

MUNZircs 1, 3, and 4 are synthetic zircons developed at the Memorial University of Newfoundland, Canada, to monitor isobaric interference corrections for Hf isosope



Figure 5. Results of 206 Pb/ 238 U ages and 176 Hf/ 177 Hf ratios in this study for the Mudtank zircon. A) Comparison of 206 Pb/ 238 U ages in Mudtank over multiple runs for this study. Runs were made over a one-month period. Error ellipses are given as 2 standard deviations (2 σ). B) Results of 176 Hf/ 177 Hf ratios in Mudtank for this study. Error bars are given as 2 s.e. The grey bar and green shaded region indicate the accepted literature value and 2 standard deviations (2 σ), respectively (Woodhead & Hergt, 2005). The dashed, black bar represents the reported mean for cup configuration 1 with errors given as 2 σ .

measurements (Fisher *et al.*, 2011). MUNZirc zircons do not contain U or Pb, and therefore yield no age information. All zircons of the MUNZirc series have homogeneous ¹⁷⁶Hf/¹⁷⁷Hf isotope ratios, but distinctly different REE concentrations. Their value lies in monitoring the accuracy of correcting for ¹⁷⁶Yb over a wide range of ¹⁷⁶Yb/¹⁷⁷Hf concentrations (Fisher *et al.*, 2011; Fisher *et al.*, 2014). In particular, MUNZirc 4, with the highest REE content, has a ¹⁷⁶Yb/¹⁷⁷Hf isotope ratio of 0.44, double that of MUNZirc 3 and greatly exceeding that of natural zircons. Though corrections as high of those in MUNZirc 4 are unnecessary for natural zircons, reproducing accurate values for MUNZirc 4 indicates the robustness of correcting for ¹⁷⁶Yb even in the most extreme cases.

For Cup Configuration 1, the mean ¹⁷⁶Hf/¹⁷⁷Hf isotope ratio measured over a period of 10 days for MUNZirc 1 and 3 is 0.282133 ± 71 (2σ , n = 30) (Figure 6). One outlier was excluded from analysis of MUNZirc 3. This is in excellent agreement with the literature solution value of 0.282135 ± 31 (Fisher *et al.*, 2011). Including MUNZirc 4 increases the mean ¹⁷⁶Hf/¹⁷⁷Hf isotope ratio in this study to 0.282141 ± 124 (2σ , n = 56). While this number is still in good agreement, the 2σ represents a correction of >4 ϵ Hf units. Average internal reproducibility is 0.8 ϵ Hf, 1.0 ϵ Hf, and 1.8 ϵ Hf units for MUNZirc 1, 3, and 4, respectively. For Cup Configuration 2, the mean ¹⁷⁶Hf/¹⁷⁷Hf isotope ratio of a single run is 0.282146 ± 33 (2σ , n = 14) for MUNZirc 1 and 3 and 0.282142 ± 53 (2σ , n = 21) for MUNZirc 1, 3, and 4. These numbers are both in good agreement with Fisher *et al.* (2011) and the 2σ represents a correction of <2 ϵ Hf units. Average internal reproducibility is 1.3 ϵ Hf, 1.8 ϵ Hf, and 3.9 ϵ Hf units for MUNZirc 1, 3 and 4, respectively.



Figure 6. Results of ¹⁷⁶Hf/¹⁷⁷Hf ratios in MUNZirc 1, 3, and 4 for this study. Error bars are given as 2 s.e. The grey bar and green shaded region indicates the accepted literature value and 2 standard deviations (2σ) respectively (Fisher *et al.*, 2011). The dashed, black bar represents the reported mean for cup configuration 1 (C1) with errors given as 2σ . See text for more detail.

Plešovice

The Plešovice zircon is from a potassic granulite in the Czech Republic. With high U concentrations (465-3080 ppm) and concordant 206 Pb/ 238 U ages, the Plešovice zircon is a good secondary standard for U-Pb analysis (Sláma *et al.*, 2008; Cottle *et al.*, 2012; Tollstrup *et al.*, 2012). The weighted mean 206 Pb/ 238 U age from 72 analyses over a one-month period is 336.3 ± 0.94 Ma (MSWD = 1.3) (Figure 7). Seven analyses proximal to fractures were discarded. When included, the weighted mean 206 Pb/ 238 U age from 79 analyses is 336.9 ± 1.7 Ma (MSWD = 0.89). Both ages are in excellent agreement with the published ID-TIMS age of 337.13 ± 0.37 Ma (Sláma *et al.*, 2008).

Plešovice was chosen as our primary standard for Hf because of reported homogenous ¹⁷⁶Hf/¹⁷⁷Hf isotope ratios from analyses across multiple laboratories (Sláma *et al.*, 2008). All other Lu-Hf standards are normalized to this standard, thus, we are unable to assess the accuracy of measuring ¹⁷⁶Hf/¹⁷⁷Hf using DM-LASS-ICPMS on this zircon.

R33

The R33 zircon standard is from a biotite-hornblende monzodiorite in Vermont, United States with a U concentration of ~148 ppm. However, some grains contain older inherited regions, or are younger due to Pb loss (Black *et al.*, 2004). In addition, SEM images taken postablation show fracturing through several ablation pits and throughout grains of R33. Therefore, we excluded 5 concordant analyses and 2 discordant analyses that lie at ~450 Ma. The remaining 19, taken over a one-month period, give a weighted mean 206 Pb/ 238 U age of 419.7 ± 4.1 Ma (MSWD = 1.18) (Figure 8A). This is in good



Figure 7. Comparison of ${}^{206}\text{PB}/{}^{238}\text{U}$ ages over multiple runs on the Plešovice standard. Runs were made over a one-month period. Error ellipses are given as 2 standard deviations (2σ).



Figure 8. Results of ${}^{206}\text{Pb}/{}^{238}\text{U}$ ages and ${}^{176}\text{Hf}/{}^{177}\text{Hf}$ ratios in this study for the R33 zircon. A) Comparison of ${}^{206}\text{Pb}/{}^{238}\text{U}$ ages in R33 over multiple runs for this study. Runs were made over a one-month period. Error ellipses are given as 2 standard deviations (2 σ). B) Results of 176Hf/177Hf ratios in R33 for this study. Error bars are given as 2 s.e. The grey bar and green shaded region indicate the accepted literature value and 2 standard deviations (2 σ), respectively (Fisher *et al.*, 2014). The dashed, black bar represents the reported mean for cup configuration 1 with errors given as 2 σ .

agreement with the reported ID-TIMS age of 419.26 ± 0.39 Ma (Black *et al.*, 2004).

Of all the natural zircon standards, R33 has the highest ¹⁷⁶Yb/¹⁷⁷Hf and ¹⁷⁶Lu/¹⁷⁷Hf isotope ratios and is thus invaluable for monitoring the application of interference corrections on mass 176 in high REE zircons. The mean of ¹⁷⁶Hf/¹⁷⁷Hf isotopes for one-month of measurements for cup configuration 1 is 0.282763 ± 69 (2 σ , n = 34) with an average internal reproducibility of 1.4 ɛHf units. This is in excellent agreement with the literature value 0.282764 ± 14 (Fisher *et al.*, 2014). A single analysis with erroneously high internal error (>2 ɛHf units) was discarded. For Cup Configuration 2, the mean is 0.282751 ± 85 (2 σ , n = 7) with an internal reproducibility of 2.1 ɛHf units. The mean is lower than the accepted value by 0.5 ɛHf units, but still in good agreement.

Temora-2

Temora-1 and Temora-2 are from a gabbroic diorite in Eastern Australia, though Temora-2 shows more deuteric alteration (Black *et al.*, 2004). The weighted mean 206 Pb/ 238 U age from 19 analyses taken over a one-month period is 431 ± 12 (MSWD = 1.17) (Figure 9A). This is 3.4% higher than the literature ID-TIMS value 416.8 ± 0.33 Ma (Black *et al.*, 2004).

Published ¹⁷⁶Hf/¹⁷⁷Hf ratios for Temora-2 vary between 0.282672 and 0.28706 (Woodhead *et al.*, 2005; Wu *et al.*, 2006; Yuan *et al.*, 2008; Kemp *et al.*, 2009). In addition, possible heterogeneity has been reported in Temora-1 (Fisher *et al.*, 2014) and due to similar formation histories, may also be present in Temora-2. The mean ¹⁷⁶Hf/¹⁷⁷Hf isotope ratio for Temora-2 using Cup Configuration 1 is 0.282710 ± 81 (2 σ , n = 40). The mean for Cup Configuration 2 is 0.282687 ± 35 (2 σ , n = 7) with an average



Figure 9. Results of ${}^{206}\text{Pb}/{}^{238}\text{U}$ ages and ${}^{176}\text{Hf}/{}^{177}\text{Hf}$ ratios in this study for the Temora-2 zircon. A) Comparison of ${}^{206}\text{Pb}/{}^{238}\text{U}$ ages in Temora2 over multiple runs for this study. Runs were made over a one-month period. Error ellipses are given as 2 standard deviations (2 σ). B) Results of ${}^{176}\text{Hf}/{}^{177}\text{Hf}$ ratios in Temora2 for this study. Error bars are given as 2 s.e. The grey bar and green shaded region indicate the accepted literature value and 2 standard deviations (2 σ), respectively (Wu *et al.*, 2006). The dashed, black bar represents the reported mean for cup configuration 1 with errors given as 2σ .

internal reproducibility of 2.4 ϵ Hf units (Figure 9B). These are both in good agreement with literature values for Temora-2, and the value from Cup Configuration 2 is nearly identical to the literature value 0.282686 ± 8 of Woodhead *et al.* (2005).

Discussion

Analysis of standards using the DC-LASS-ICMPS method yields ²⁰⁶Pb/²³⁸U ages and ¹⁷⁶Hf/¹⁷⁷Hf ratios within error for all standards except Temora-2 and MUNZirc 4. Postablation examination of the Temora-2 standard shows no exceptionally fractioned regions or anomalous pit shapes. The 431 Ma age in this study is therefore either 1) analytically induced error or 2) real grain-to-grain heterogeneity within Temora-2. Age heterogeneity is not reported for Temora-1 or Temora-2 (Black et al., 2004; Yuan et al., 2008; Tollstrup *et al.*, 2012; Fisher *et al.*, 2014), so analytical error is the more probable cause. While offset towards lower ages have been reported for laser ablation measurements of Temora-2 on an Agilent 7500 (Black et al., 2004), we see an offset towards higher values. A possible source of analytical error lies in the high frequency and laser fluence needed to ionize Hf in zircons. Other split-stream studies have analyzed Temora-1 with similar parameters (Yuan et al., 2008; Tollstrup et al., 2012; Fisher et al., 2014), but none have used Temora-2 and a ThermoFinnigan Neptune Plus for U-Pb analysis. In this study, we found the baseline and downhole-fractionation-corrected 238 U/ 206 Pb ratio of Temora-2 was erratic compared to other standards. Therefore, the zircon standard 91500 is an unreasonable model for downhole fractionation of Temora-2 at the laser energies and fluences in this study and may be responsible for elevated ages.

External error of Lu-Hf analysis for Temora-2 using Cup Configuration 1 is the

greatest (~2.9 ϵ Hf units) of the natural zircon standards measured in this study. As the ¹⁷⁶Yb/¹⁷⁷Hf ratio in Temora-2 is much lower than that of the accurately measured R33, this discrepancy is not a result of improper interference corrections. Like Fisher *et al.*, we suggest the error is due to heterogeneity in Temora-2 (2014). Analyses in this study show two populations (Figure 10). The first and largest population has a ¹⁷⁶Hf/¹⁷⁷Hf ratio of ~0.282690, which is in close agreement with the value of Woodhead *et al.* (2005). The second population is much smaller and has a ¹⁷⁶Hf/¹⁷⁷Hf ratio of ~0.28770. If only scantly analyzed, this population of Temora-2 might produce the large errors seen without largely affecting the accuracy of the calculated mean ¹⁷⁶Hf/¹⁷⁷Hf ratio.

Of the three synthetic standards, MUNZirc 4 shows the greatest range of error and poorest external reproducibility. We attribute this to improper correction for 176 Yb. The synthetic zircons have increasing 176 Yb/ 177 Hf concentrations of 0.06, 0.22, and 0.44 for MUNZirc 1, 3, and 4, respectively (Fisher *et al.*, 2011). The correction for 176 Yb in MUNZirc 4 represents 10,000 ɛHf units (Fisher *et al.*, 2014), so even small variations in intensities of 176 Yb may cause erroneous internal and external errors. The ~20 m distance from laser ablation to the Lu-Hf Neptune (Figure 1) may exacerbate irregularity in analyte flow from laser pulses. As the Lu-Hf Neptune cannot be moved closer, a gas mixing bulb could be employed ~20 cm from the addition of Ar sample gas to homogenize gas flows before analysis.

Conclusions

The DC-LASS-ICPMS method can accurately measure U-Th-Pb and Lu-Hf isotopes for zircon samples as long as 1) the U-Pb standards properly correct for



Temora2

Figure 10. Histogram of 176 Hf/ 177 Hf ratios for the Temora2 standard showing grain heterogeneity.

downhole fractionation in the unknowns, and 2) the ¹⁷⁶Yb/¹⁷⁷Hf ratios are less than or equal to those of the natural zircon standard R33. A case study testing the DM-LASS-ICPMS method on the zircons of the Yellowstone Snake River Plain can be found in Chapter 2. Further work needs to be done to improve the analytical setup to fully correct for ¹⁷⁶Yb/¹⁷⁷Hf at very high REE concentrations.
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CHAPTER II

APPLICATION OF THE DUAL MULTICOLLECTOR LASER ABLATION SPLIT STREAM ICPMS METHOD TO MEASURE Hf, U, Th, AND Pb ISOTOPES IN RHYOLITES OF THE YELLOWSTONE HOTSPOT

Introduction

The Bruneau-Jarbidge volcanic center, located in the Yellowstone Snake River Plain, is well suited for application of the dual multicollector laser ablation split stream ICPMS (DM-LASS-ICPMS) method. Two recent studies by Cathey et al. (2011) and Seligman (2012) use *in situ* analysis to measure oxygen isotope ratios and U-Th-Pb ages in zircons separated from rhyolite tuffs and lavas. Cathey *et al.* found δ^{18} O of tuffs ranged -3.0 to 6.4 ‰ (2011) and averaged ~1.0 ‰, while Seligman found the δ^{18} O of lavas ranged -3.4 to 8.1 ‰ and averaged 1.5 ‰ (2012). To date, the Bruneau-Jarbidge volcanic center is the largest recorded low δ^{18} O volcanic province (Boroughs et al., 2005; Cathey et al., 2007; Seligman, 2012), indicating magma origination from a hydrothermally altered crustal protolith. However, there is still discrepancy in the literature between eruption ages of Bruneau-Jarbidge tuffs and lavas. For example, the Triguero Homestead rhyolite was first estimated stratigraphically to be between 9.5-10 Ma (Bonnichsen, 2008) and later found to be 10.52 Ma using ²⁰⁶Pb/²³⁸U (Seligman, 2012). In this study, we use DM-LASS-ICMPS to measure temporal variation of Hf within zircon on the same collection of zircons analyzed by Seligman (2012). As some ablation sites in this study are congruent to U-Pb ablation sites from the oxygen studies, we can compare the precision of U-Th-Pb ages obtained with ICPMS techniques in this study to ion microprobe techniques. We choose to analyze hafnium geochemistry as a compliment to oxygen geochemistry because mantle and crustal rocks have distinctive Hf isotope signatures (Kinney & Maas, 2003). Therefore, the temporal variation in contribution of crustal and mantle components to magmas of the Yellowstone Volcanic Province can be discerned from the variation of hafnium isotopes in zircons.

Geologic Setting

The production of voluminous rhyolite magmatism associated with the Yellowstone hotspot began contemporaneously with the eruption of the Columbia River Flood Basalts (CRB) ~16 Ma ago in Eastern Oregon (Camp & Ross, 2004). The track of the hotspot is marked by a series of eruptive centers with the most recent being located on the Yellowstone volcanic plateau. Each center was active for 2-4 m.y. with explosive events recurring every 200-300 ka. Of an estimated 142 explosive events, eruption volumes range from 250 to 600 km³ and larger volume eruptions are characterized by higher magma temperatures (Perkins & Nash, 2002; Nash et al., 2006; Bonnichsen et al., 2008). The unusually high rhyolite temperatures and eruption volumes lead to a new classification of volcanics, termed "Snake River (SR)-type" volcanism by Branney et al. (2008). Both plume and nonplume mechanisms have been proposed to explain the high heat flow and space required to form these large igneous provinces. A summary of each mechanism can be found in the review of the central Snake River Plain (CSRP) by Ellis et al. (2013) and the references therein. We conclude, however, that the thermal source of Yellowstone Snake River Plain (YSRP) volcanism is consistent with a hotspot plume model. Rhyolite formation in the YSRP originates from both crustal melting and integration of mantle-derived basalts, however the contributions of each are poorly constrained. Previous ENd isotopic studies by Nash et al. (2006) estimate a minimum mantle contribution between 20-40%, although the crustal contribution varies spatially. Magmas west and east of the 0.704 and 0.706 Sr isopleths respond to differences in the lithospheric basement of Mesozoic plutonic rocks and Precambrian crust, respectively (Leeman, 1992) (Figure 11).



Figure 11. Map showing the track of the Yellowstone Snake River Plain. Initials stand for High Rock caldera complex (HR), McDermitt volcanic field (MD), Owyhee-Humboldt volcanic field (OP), and Magic Reservoir (MR). The 0.704 Sr isopleth is shown in blue. Transitional lithosphere is located between the dashed blue lines in the southern part of the map. ⁸⁷Sr/⁸⁶Sr ratios ≤ 0.704 attributed to Mesozoic plutonic rocks lie west of the transition and ⁸⁷Sr/⁸⁶Sr ratios ≥ 0.706 attributed to Archean basement lie east of the transition (Leeman *et al.*, 1992). Map from Eric Christiansen (personal communication). Strontium isopleth locations compiled from Leeman & Manton (1971), Leeman *et al.* (1992), Manduca *et al.* (1992), and Shoemaker & Hart (2002).

Bruneau-Jarbidge

The Bruneau-Jarbidge Volcanic Province (BJVP) encompasses a heightened period of silicic magmatism (13.0-8Ma) in the Yellowstone - Snake River Plain system with a mean recurrence interval of 250ka (Perkins & Nash, 2002; Cathey & Nash, 2004) and an estimated total eruptive volume of 7,000–10,000 km³ (Perkins & Nash, 2002; Bonnichsen et al., 2008) with lavas composing 15% of the estimated volume. BJVP volcanic activity can be divided into two phases: 1) the production of ash-flow tuffs during explosive volcanism between 12.7 and 10.5 Ma followed by 2) the eruption of rhyolite lavas during effusive volcanism between ~ 10 and 8.1 Ma (Cathey & Nash, 2004; 2009). Pre-eruptive temperatures of the BJVP are in the 900-1000°C range, and they commonly exceed 950°C in both tuffs and lavas (Cathey & Nash, 2004; Cathey & Nash, 2009). High pressure and temperature melting experiments indicate that magmas from the BJVP formed at pressures of 300-400 MPa and with low water contents of < 1.5 % by weight (Almeev *et al.*, 2012). The BJVP constitutes the largest known low δ^{18} O volcanic center known as shown in feldspars (Boroughs et al., 2005), quartz (Cathey et al., 2007), and zircon (Seligman, 2012).

Units of the BJVP were first described by Citron (1976) and later by Bonnichsen and Citron (1982). Currently, there are 8 described tuffs and at least 13 rhyolite lavas. Tuffs are designated by roman numerals III, V, VII, IX, X, XI, XIII, and XV from oldest to youngest and collectively are assigned to the Cougar Point Tuff (CPT). Previous work by Bonnichsen *et al.* provides ⁴⁰Ar/³⁹Ar eruption ages for most of the tuffs and lavas. Additional constraints are provided by ion microprobe measurements of ²⁰⁶Pb/²³⁸U ages in zircons for both CPT units (Cathey *et al.*, 2011) and lavas (Seligman, 2012). In this study, we analyze zircons from CPT X and 4 lava flows (Table 3) for Lu-Hf and U-Th-Pb isotopes.

Lu-Hf System

The usefulness of the Lu-Hf system lies in the β -decay of ¹⁷⁶Lu to ¹⁷⁶Hf. The evolution of the Lu-Hf system is evaluated by taking the ratio of the daughter ¹⁷⁶Hf isotope and the stable ¹⁷⁷Hf isotope. This ratio is then normalized to the chondritic uniform reservoir (CHUR) (Bouvier et al., 2008). Deviation from the ¹⁷⁶Hf/¹⁷⁷Hf of chondrites, assumed to be the initial 176 Hf/ 177 Hf ratio of Earth, is given as ϵ Hf, where the bulk Earth value = 0. As the heaviest REE, Lu is more incompatible in melts than Hf. During a melting event in the mantle, Lu is relatively depleted in the melt and enriched in the mantle. Positive EHf indicates Lu enrichment (mantle-derived melts) and negative EHf indicates depletion of Lu (crust-derived melts) (Figure 12). Zircon contains between 0.5-2 weight % HfO₂, making it ideal for analysis of ¹⁷⁶Hf/¹⁷⁷Hf isotope ratios (Hoskin & Schaltegger, 2003). In addition, zircons are highly resistant to resorption and melting, and multiple magmatic events may result in new zircon growth around earlier formed zircons. In this way, zircons not only preserve the initial ¹⁷⁶Hf/¹⁷⁷Hf isotope ratios during formation, but also may have several zones of growth, each with its own EHf signature that provides a record of magmatic processes. This temporal variation in ¹⁷⁶Hf/¹⁷⁷Hf is accessible using *in situ* methods such as laser ablation or ion-microprobe. As indicated by complex geochemistry (Nash et al., 2002) and oxygen isotopes (Cathey, 2011; Seligman, 2012), volcanic rocks erupted from the Yellowstone Snake River Plain offer an opportunity to piece together coupled interactions between mantle and crust. Though the

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Unit	Sample	Type	Eruption Age (Ma)	Range ð Low	¹⁸ O ‰ High
Cougar Point Tuff Unit X	95-CPT-CP-39	Tuff	11.45^1 , 10.9 ± 0.27^2	-1.0	1.0
Lower lava flow	11-ULF/BR-02	Lava	10.93 ± 0.23^{3}	0.0	2.0
Upper lava flow	10-ULF/BR-02	Lava	10.89 ± 0.25^3	-3.1	1.5
Triguero Homestead rhyolite	08-THR/THT-02	Lava	$9.5 - 10^4$, 10.52 ± 0.13^3	-1.0	1.6
Marys Creek rhyolite	01-MCR-02	Lava	$\sim 11^4, 10.29 \pm 0.2^3$	-1.1	3.1
Values of δ^{18} O for tuffs and lavas ar	e from Cathey (2011) and Se	əligman (2012) r	espectively.		
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Table 3. Summary of analyzed samples

²⁰⁶Pb/²³⁸U Age (Cathey, 2011)
²⁰⁶Pb/²³⁸U Age (Seligman, 2012)
Estimated from stratigraphy (Bonnichsen, 2008)



Figure 12. Schematic diagram of the evolution of the ¹⁷⁶Hf/¹⁷⁷Hf ratio in the earth over time. The black arrow indicates increase in the bulk earth ratio of ¹⁷⁶Hf/¹⁷⁷Hf due to the decay of 176Lu. The red and blue arrows represent trends of the ¹⁷⁶Hf/1⁷⁷Hf ratio post mantle-melting in the mantle and crust, respectively. See text for more details. Modified after Kinney & Maas (2003).

thermal source for the YSRP is constrained to the mantle, the Bruneau-Jarbidge volcanic center lies within transitional lithosphere (Figure 11). Potential crustal sources include Mesozoic plutonic rocks, Archean basement, Proterozoic and Mesozoic mid-upper crust, previously emplaced YSRP magmas, and coeval basalts (Figure 13).

Methods

Zircons in this study were mounted in two epoxy plugs previous to this study. For the detailed procedure, see Cathey et al. (2007) for CPT zircons and Seligman (2012) for BJ lava zircons. Zircon standards Mudtank and Plešovice were added to the mounts by drilling a continuous pit parallel to samples, remaining within 5 mm of the mount center. Standards were covered by a thin film of epoxy before the both mounts were reground and polished until flat. Before analysis, zircons with well-defined domains were located in cathodoluminescence (CL) images taken in previous studies (Cathey 2011; Seligman, 2012). To assess zircon heterogeneity, ablation sites were chosen on cores, rims, and mantles (defined as any site between core and rim). Where possible, multiple ablations were made in a single CL zone to assess reproducibility of ¹⁷⁶Hf/¹⁷⁷Hf ratios and ²⁰⁶Pb/²³⁸U ages. Additional ablation sites were chosen between prior oxygen and U-Pb analysis pits to compare U-Pb ages with previous studies (Cathey 2011; Seligman, 2012) (Figure 14). U-Pb and Lu-Hf isotopic ratios in zircons were simultaneously measured using the Dual Multicollector Laser Ablation Split Stream ICPMS (DM-LASS-ICPMS) method developed at the University of Utah. The U-Pb standard 91500 and the Lu-Hf standard Plešovice were measured every 6 unknowns. Mudtank zircon was analyzed every 12 unknowns in order to monitor instrument drift and sensitivity. Synthetic zircons



Potential EHf and ENd Isotope Reservoirs

Figure 13. Potential sources of ε Hf signatures in Bruneau-Jarbidge (BJ) volcanics plotted versus ε Nd. Where both ε Hf and ε Nd are available, data are plotted as solid, colored symbols. Where only ε Nd data is available, the ε Hf is estimated using the mean terrestrial array of Vervoort *et al.* (1999) and plotted as a box representing the potential range of both ε Hf and ε Nd. Whole rock values of rhyolites from the Picabo caldera from Drew *et al.* (2013), glasses from fallout tuffs of the Yellowstone Snake River Plain (YSRP) from Nash *et al.* (2006), whole rock values from rhyolites of the J-P Desert from Colón *et al.* (2015), Columbia River Basalts (CRB) from Hanan *et al.* (2008), Snake River Plain Basalts (SRP) from Leeman *et al.* (1992), and Proterozoic to Mesozoic (Pz-Mz) mid-upper crust and Mesozoic (Mz) granitoids from DePaolo and Farmer (1984) and Fleck *et al.* (1990). The Archean crust from Leeman has a range of -23 to -52 ε Nd units (1985), but is only partially shown here.



Figure 14. Bruneau-Jarbidge (BJ) zircons from tuffs and lavas showing A) heterogeneity in ε Hf and U-Pb ages B) homogenous ε Hf and U-Pb ages and C) agreement between U-Pb ages in this study and those of Seligman (2012). Red numbers are ε Hf values with 2 s.e. in parenthesis. Yellow numbers are U-Pb ages from this study with 2 s.e. in parenthesis. Yellow numbers with asterisks and blue numbers are U-Pb ages and δ^{18} O weight values, respectively, from Seligman (2012).

MUNZirc 1, 3, and 4 (Fisher *et al.*, 2011) were analyzed at the beginning, middle, and end of each analysis run to monitor corrections for a range of Yb concentrations. Both Lu-Hf and U-Pb data were reduced using Iolite (version 2.4). See Chapter I for a detailed description of the instrumentation, method, and data reduction protocols. Additionally, U-Pb data indicates ternary mixing between multiple radiogenic Pb populations and an initial Pb that was incorporated either during growth or with common Pb during ablation. The composition of the initial or common Pb was determined by linear fit of the most collinear array of data and was compared to Stacey-Kramer common-Pb composition for the sample age (Ludwig, 1998). The uncertainty in the initial or common-Pb composition is propogated into the error reported on each ²⁰⁷Pb-corrected single-spot date. Zircon samples showed partial-Pb isochrons, so single-spot ages were determined following the method found in Stearns *et al.* (2015).

Results

Range of EHf and Age

Results of Lu-Hf and U-Pb analyses of zircons for one tuff and four lavas are provided in tables in Appendix A and on CL images in Appendix B. Average ε Hf is -6.2 units for all analyzed zircons of the BJ. Zircons show a range of -15.1 to -1.5 ε Hf units (Figure 15) with one value of -31.9. Nine ablation sites with ε Hf values >0 were excluded due to high uncertainties of the ¹⁷⁶Yb/¹⁷⁷Hf correction.

The average ²⁰⁶Pb/²³⁸U age is 11.8 Ma for all tuffs and lavas. Ages range from 8.7 Ma at the youngest to 15.3 Ma for the oldest. For consistency, values excluded from Lu-Hf calculations were also excluded from U-Pb. Of the eight analyses taken in



Figure 15. Ages and ϵ Hf of tuffs and rhyolites of the Bruneau-Jarbidge volcanic center. Errors bars are given as 2 s.e.

proximity to SHRIMP sites on the same zircon, four ²⁰⁶Pb/²³⁸U ages are within error of those of Seligman (2012), 2 are nearly within error, and 2 represent nominally different ages (Figure 16).

Zircons of the Cougar Point Tuff Unit X (CPT X) average -6.1 ϵ Hf units and range -12.7 to -1.5 ϵ Hf units. The average ²⁰⁶Pb/²³⁸U age for CPT X zircons is 12.2 Ma. Ages range from 10.4 \pm 0.5 Ma to 14.3 \pm 0.6 Ma. The youngest age is in good agreement with the most recently published eruption age of 10.9 \pm 0.27 Ma for CPT X (Cathey, 2011).

Lower Lava flow (LLF) zircons average -5.3 ϵ Hf units and range from -9.2 to -1.7 ϵ Hf units. The average 206 Pb/ 238 U age for LLF zircons is 12.7 Ma. Ages range from 10.2 \pm 0.6 Ma to 15.6 \pm 0.4 Ma. The youngest age is 6% lower than the most recent published eruption age of 10.93 \pm 0.23 Ma for LLF (Seligman, 2012). However, the zircons with the youngest three ages have high ϵ Hf values compared to other LLF zircons of similar ages. This discrepancy may indicate ablation sites that sampled multiple zones of zircon growth. If these three are excluded, the youngest age is 10.9 \pm 0.3 Ma, which is in excellent agreement with the published eruption age.

Upper Lava flow (ULF) zircons average -5.5 ϵ Hf units and range from -11.1 to -1.7 ϵ Hf units. The average ²⁰⁶Pb/²³⁸U age for ULF zircons is 13.1 Ma. Ages range from 12.2 \pm 0.5 Ma to 14.8 \pm 0.7 Ma. The youngest age is 12% higher than the published eruption of 10.89 \pm 0.25 Ma for ULF (Seligman, 2012). As only 5 grains of ULF were analyzed in this study, these grains are likely to be antecrysts and therefore provide poor estimates of eruption age.

Zircons of the Triguero Homestead rhyolite (THR) average -6.0 EHf units and



Comparison of Multicollector and ion microprobe Ages

Figure 16. Comparison of ²⁰⁶Pb/²³⁸U ages in this study to SHRIMP ²⁰⁶Pb/²³⁸U ages of Seligman (2012) from adjacent spots on single zircon grains.

range from -10.3 to -1.7 ϵ Hf units. The average ²⁰⁶Pb/²³⁸U age for THR zircons is 11.2 Ma. Ages range from 8.7 ± 0.3 Ma to 14.9 ± 0.6 Ma. The youngest age is 17% lower than the most recently published eruption age of 10.51 ± 0.13 Ma for THR (Seligman, 2012).

Marys Creek rhyolite (MCR) zircons average -7.4 ϵ Hf units and range from -15.1 to -1.9 ϵ Hf units. A single zircon site measures -39.1 ϵ Hf units. The average ²⁰⁶Pb/²³⁸U age for MCR zircons is 11.9 Ma. Ages range from 10.7 \pm 0.4 Ma to 13.1 \pm 0.3 Ma. The youngest age is in good agreement to the most recently published eruption age of 10.29 \pm 0.20 Ma for MCR (Seligman, 2012).

Zoning

Small grain sizes (<100 μ m) limited multiple analyses on single zircon grains to five grains of CPT X, three grains of LLF, fifteen grains of THR, and fourteen grains of MCR (Figures 17 and 18). ULF zircons are too small to separately measure cores, rims, or mantles, so no determination of zoning can be made. Two grains of CTP X, one grain of LLF, six grains of THR, and five grains of MCR are homogeneous in ϵ Hf (within error) between cores and rims or cores and mantles.

Zircons of CPT X exhibit negative zoning in one grain between core and rim and two grains between core and mantle. Two LLF zircons are zoned between core and mantle. One grain exhibits negative zoning (higher ɛHf values in older growth zones) and one grain exhibits positive zoning (higher ɛHf values in younger growth zones). THR zircons exhibit negative zoning in three grains between core and rim, negative zoning in two grains between core and mantle, positive zoning in one grain between core and rim,



Figure 17. Comparison of cores and rims on singles grains of Cougar Point Tuff Unit X (CPT X), Lower lava flow (LLF), Triguero Homestead rhyolite (THR), and Marys Creek rhyolite (MCR). Error bars are given as 2 s.e.



Figure 18. Comparison of cores and mantles on singles grains of Cougar Point Tuff Unit X (CPT X), Triguero Homestead rhyolite (THR), and Marys Creek rhyolite (MCR). Error bars are given as 2 s.e.

and positive zoning in three grains between core and mantle. All heterogeneous MCR zircons exhibit positive zoning. Seven grains are positively zoned between core and rim and two grains between core and mantle.

Cores and Rims

Individual grains show both heterogeneity and homogeneity in Pb and Hf isotopic ratios (Figure 14), but there is no distinctive trend between cores and rims shared by tuffs and lavas. In zircons of CPT X, the overall trend is toward higher ϵ Hf in cores versus rims (Figure 19). On average, ϵ Hf in LLF and ULF zircons does not differ between cores and rims or cores and mantles, although rims of LLF zircons are younger than the majority of cores (Figure 20 and 21). The ϵ Hf values of THR zircons generally increase with decreasing age (Figure 22), although there is no systematic difference in eHf between cores and rims. MCR zircons show lower ϵ Hf units in the core versus rims (Figure 23).

Discussion

Hafnium Isotopes and the Yellowstone Hotspot

Hafnium isotope ratios in volcanic rocks erupted from the YHS span the entire terrestrial array and reflect the relative roles of the mantle and crust in the formation of these silicic magmas (Figure 24). Magmatism began at 16.7 Ma with production of Columbia River Basalts west of the 0.706 Sr isopleth (Figure 11). A single whole rock value of +3 ϵ Hf units is known for the CRB (Prytulak *et al.*, 2006). We believe this represents a lower ϵ Hf value for the CRB as ϵ Nd for CRB basalts ranges from -1 to 9



Figure 19. Plot of 206 Pb/ 238 U ages and ϵ Hf values for core, rim, and mantle on zircons of the Cougar Point Tuff Unit X (CPT X). Error bars for both ages and ϵ Hf are given as 2 s.e. The grey bar shows the most recently published eruption age of 10.9 ± 0.27 Ma (Cathey, 2011).



Figure 20. Plot of 206 Pb/ 238 U ages and ϵ Hf values for core, rim, and mantle on zircons of the Lower lava flow (LLF). Error bars for both ages and ϵ Hf are given as 2 s.e. The grey bar shows the most recently published eruption age of 10.9 ± 0.3 Ma (Seligman, 2012).



Figure 21. Plot of 206 Pb/ 238 U ages and ϵ Hf values for core, rim, and mantle on zircons of the Upper lava flow (ULF). Error bars for both ages and ϵ Hf are given as 2 s.e. The grey bar shows the most recently published eruption age of 10.89 \pm 0.25 Ma (Seligman, 2012).



Figure 22. Plot of 206 Pb/ 238 U ages and ϵ Hf values for core, rim, and mantle on zircons of the Triguero Homestead rhyolite (THR). Error bars for both ages and ϵ Hf are given as 2 s.e. The grey bar shows the range of reported eruption ages from 9.5-10 Ma (Bonnichsen *et al.*, 2008; Seligman, 2012).



Marys Creek Rhyolite

Figure 23. Plot of 206 Pb/ 238 U ages and ϵ Hf values for core, rim, and mantle on zircons of the Marys Creek rhyolite (MCR). Error bars for both ages and ϵ Hf are given as 2 s.e. The grey bar shows the most recently published eruption age of 10.29 ± 0.20 Ma (Seligman, 2012).



Temporal εHf of YSRP Magmas

Figure 24. Ages and ε Hf for rhyolites of the Snake River Plain and associated Columbia River basalts. We excluded 2 xenocrysts with age values >16Ma. Open circles denote zircon values, squares denote whole rock values, and diamonds denote glass values. A single value of +3 ε Hf for the CRB from Prytulak *et al.* is shown spanning CRB activity from 16.7 to 16 Ma (2006). Values for J-P Desert are from Colón *et al.* (2015), Bruneau-Jarbidge from this study, Picabo from Drew *et al.* (2013), and YSRP fallout tuffs from Nash *et al.* (2006).

(Hanan *et al.*, 2008) and ε Hf is ~1.36 times greater than ε Nd along the terrestrial array (Vervoort *et al.*, 1999). That +3 ε Hf represents an underestimate of ε Hf for the CRB is supported by the +10 ε Hf value at 15.9 Ma for glass from YSRP fallout tuffs (Nash *et al.*, 2006). Positive ε Hf values imply basaltic input dominates in production of early-stage YSRP rhyolites.

Beginning at ~15 Ma, rapidly decreasing ε Hf values (from -0.8 to -8.7 ε Hf between 15.0 and 14.77 Ma) reflect increased fraction of continental crustal input as mantle-derived basalts began interacting with crust east of the transitional lithosphere. Strong crustal signatures are present at the same age for both whole rock and zircon data for the J-P desert volcanic center (Colón *et al.*, 2015), supporting crustal input from a highly negative ε Hf Archean basement (Figure 13).

From ~ 14 to 8 Ma, average ϵ Hf values of YSRP rhyolites show a slight increase to -6.5 for silicic glass at the Bruneau-Jarbidge volcanic center (Nash *et al.*, 2006) and rhyolite at the Picabo volcanic center (Drew *et al.*, 2013), indicating either a greater contribution of mantle-derived basalt or melting of a younger crustal protolith. This is contemporaneous with the increased volumetric rate of volcanism in the YSRP from 13.0 to 8.0 Ma (Perkins & Nash, 2002). Another stage of increased crustal input occurs from ~ 8.0 to 6.0 Ma when average ϵ Hf values fall to about -10. Only two data points lie between 6 Ma and the present day, so additional information is needed before any conclusions can be made concerning source inputs for the more recent time interval.

DM-LASS-ICPMS versus SHRIMP ²⁰⁶Pb/²³⁸U ages

Caution should be taken when comparing DM-LASS-ICPMS and SHRIMP ²⁰⁶Pb/²³⁸U ages as they consume different sample volumes. Laser-ablation spots are 53 μ m in diameter and ~24 μ m deep, while ion-microprobe sites are shallower and only 25 µm diameter (Seligman 2012). Thus, the analyte from DM-LASS-ICPMS is more likely to represent an average of different growth ages compared to the ion-microprobe. In addition, samples were repolished between ion-microprobe and laser ablation analysis, possibly exposing new zones within the zircons. Even so, 6 of the 8 laser ablation sites in close proximity to ion-microprobe pits show ages either within or very close to within analytical error of one another (Figure 16). Of these, the rim age determined by ion microprobe for 1 grain (01-MCR-02 87, Appendix B) is older than ion-microprobe sites located in the interior. The DM-LASS-ICPMS analysis of the other grain (08-THR/THT-02 23, Figure 14C) crosses multiple zones in the CL image and its age likely represents an average of the two zones dated by ion-microprobe. Therefore, 7 out of 8 laser ablation ages are in good agreement with those of ion-microprobe and give credence to the accuracy of ages obtained with DM-LASS-ICPMS method.

Eruption Age of the Triguero Homestead Rhyolite

The eruption age of the Triguero Homestead rhyolite was estimated to be 9.5-10 Ma based on its stratigraphic position (Bonnichsen *et al.*, 2008). Seligman (2012) reported an older 206 Pb/ 238 U age of 10.52 ± 0.13 Ma based on the weighted mean of 12 ages. However, three of the ages are <10 Ma. While most of the zircons analyzed in this study had ages ≥ 10.5 Ma, we observe another cluster in the range $\sim 8.5 - 10$ Ma (Figure

22). The weighted mean of this cluster is 9.48 ± 0.25 Ma (n = 14, MSWD = 6.7). If the three lowest ages (0.5 Ma younger than all others) are discarded on assumption of analytical error, the weighted mean becomes 9.71 ± 0.10 Ma (n = 11, MSWD = 0.83). These ages are within error of one another and consistent with the stratigraphic position of the Triguero Homestead rhyolite. Therefore, we believe the previously reported U-Pb age from Seligman (2012) is an artifact of a small sample population and recommend 9.71 ± 0.10 Ma as the new eruption age of the Triguero Homestead rhyolite.

Antecrysts

Out of the 190 sites on zircon that yielded data for both Lu-Hf and U-Pb isotopes, 148 (78%) are antecrysts (Figure 25). We define an antecryst age as > 4% of a unit's reported eruption age. This range is chosen based on the average error of age analyses in this study (~ 0.5 my). In addition, there are 25 antecrysts (13% of all zircons) with ages exceeding the first eruption at the Bruneau-Jarbidge volcanic center (Cougar Point Tuff III at 12.7 Ma). They range between -10.6 and -2.4 ϵ Hf units and average -6 ϵ Hf units. These earlier antecrysts (>13.2 Ma) are present in every unit with the exception of the youngest, MCR, and record the initiation of zircon crystallization at Bruneau-Jarbidge. However, the absence of antecryst-age tuffs and lavas indicates the first partial melts were of low volume and therefore failed to erupt.

In later-forming antecrysts (<13.2 Ma), the average for all antecrysts has a slightly higher crustal signature at -6.4 ϵ Hf units. However, the range spans -15.1 to -1.5 ϵ Hf units, which is near the upper and lower limits of the inferred ϵ Hf values of Pz-Mz crustal rocks and SRP basalts, respectively.



Antecrysts in Bruneau Jarbidge Tuffs & Lavas

Figure 25. Ages and ϵ Hf of zircons of tuffs and lavas of the Bruneau Jarbige volcanic center, separated by eruption age zircons and antecrysts. See text for more details.

Tuffs and rhyolites of the Central Snake River Plain appear to follow three main stages (Figure 26):

1) At the J-P volcanic center from 16.5 to 15 Ma, there are both hybrid and dominantly crustal melts. Hafnium isotopes document a bimodal melt source with little apparent mixing (5 grains) between the two. The population dominated by basaltic input ranges from \sim -2 to -12 ϵ Hf units and the population dominated by crustal input ranges from \sim -27 to -40 ϵ Hf units (Colón *et al.*, 2015).

2) At the Bruneau-Jarbidge volcanic between 14 and 8 Ma, magmas have a significant basaltic input. With the exception of a single value of -31.9 ϵ Hf units, the Archaen crustal signature present in the J-P volcanic center is overwhelmed by the strong mantle contribution in BJ rhyolites. The peak basaltic input occurs at the end of explosive volcanism at ~ 10.5 Ma, where ϵ Hf values are the highest (~ -2) and the range of ϵ Hf is the most narrow of all the CRP volcanics.

3) At the Picabo volcanic center between 10.4 and 8 Ma, the Archean crustal signature reappears with the eruption of the Tuff of Arbon Valley. However, like the BJ volcanics, the majority of Picabo magmas continue to show a significant basaltic input.

The average of ɛHf value of Picabo rhyolites excluding AV is -6.4 compared to -4.7 for BJ during approximately the same period. After 8 Ma, ɛHf values decline, indicating a smaller basaltic component in magmas. Declining basaltic input may be responsible for the lower temperatures and more highly evolved nature of the magmas in the eastern Snake River Plain (ESRP) and the Yellowstone Plateau (YP).



Figure 26. Ages and ϵ Hf of tuffs and rhyolites of the Bruneau-Jarbidge volcanic center from this study, Picabo caldera from Drew *et al.* (2013), and J-P Desert from Colón *et al.* (2015). We excluded 2 xenocrysts with age values >16Ma. Errors bars are given as 2 s.e.

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APPENDIX A

Lu-Hf AND U-Pb RESULTS OF BRUNEAU-JARBIDGE ZIRCONS

The following table (Table 4) includes ϵ Hf, ϵ Hf_i, and ²⁰⁶Pb/²³⁸U age results from this study. The δ^{18} O ‰ for tuffs (Cathey, 2011) and lavas (Seligman, 2012) are provided where analyses between studies were taken on the same grain. Additional ²⁰⁶Pb/²³⁸U ages on lava grains from Seligman (2012) are also given. Initial epsilon Hf values were calculated using the CHUR values of Bouvier *et al.* (2008) and the ¹⁷⁶Lu decay constant of Söderlund *et al.* (2004).

Table 4. Results of Lt	I-Hf and U-Pb analysis of B	J zircons							
Unit	Sample #	εHf	εHfi	2 s.e.	²⁰⁶ Pb/ ²³⁸ U Age (Ma)	2 s.e.	Location	Age^{2}	$\delta^{18}O~\%^{0,1,2}_{00}$
Cougar Point Tuff									
Unit X	95-CPT-CP-39_02	-1.5	-1.9	1.3	12.5	0.4	core		
Unit X	95-CPT-CP-39_03b	-5.6	-6.0	1.0	12.5	0.5	rim		
Unit X	95-CPT-CP-39_04a	-5.1	-5.5	1.0	11.8	0.4	core		
Unit X	95-CPT-CP-39_04b	-5.2	-5.6	1.0	11.9	0.4	core		
Unit X	95-CPT-CP-39_07	-5.1	-5.5	1.0	13.0	0.6	rim		
Unit X	95-CPT-CP-39_10	-5.6	-6.0	1.4	13.4	0.4	core		1.31
Unit X	95-CPT-CP-39_10						rim		1.98
Unit X	95-CPT-CP-39_11a	-6.3	-6.7	1.1	10.7	0.5	mantle		
Unit X	95-CPT-CP-39_11b	-6.9	-7.3	1.0	11.9	0.7	rim		
Unit X	95-CPT-CP-39_13a	7.6	7.1	1.5	10.2	0.3	core		
Unit X	95-CPT-CP-39_13b	5.2	4.7	1.9	11.7	0.3	core		
Unit X	95-CPT-CP-39_13c	6.7	6.2	1.8	11.7	0.3	mantle		
Unit X	95-CPT-CP-39_14a	-6.9	-7.3	0.9	10.9	0.5	mantle		
Unit X	95-CPT-CP-39_14b	-8.3	-8.7	1.0	10.4	0.5	mantle		
Unit X	95-CPT-CP-39_14c	-10.6		1.3			mantle		
Unit X	95-CPT-CP-39_14d	-9.4		1.2			mantle		
Unit X	95-CPT-CP-39_16a	3.1	2.7	1.5	10.6	0.2	core		
Unit X	95-CPT-CP-39_16b	-3.4	-3.8	1.1	13.2	0.4	core		
Unit X	95-CPT-CP-39_16c	-7.5	-7.9	1.5	10.8	0.4	rim		
Unit X	95-CPT-CP-39_17a				10.7	0.4	core		
Unit X	95-CPT-CP-39_17b	-2.8	-3.2	1.8	10.6	0.4	core		
Unit X	95-CPT-CP-39_17c	-7.3	-7.7	2.2	11.3	0.4	mantle		
Unit X	95-CPT-CP-39_17d	-7.1	-7.4	1.3	13.2	0.9	mantle		
Unit X	95-CPT-CP-39_19a	-5.3	-5.7	1.5	12.6	0.5	core		

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Table 4 continued									
Unit	Sample #	£Нf	${}^{\mathrm{eHf}_{\mathrm{i}}}$	2 s.e.	²⁰⁶ Pb/ ²³⁸ U Age (Ma)	2 s.e.	Location	Age^{2}	$\delta^{18}O \ \%^{0,1,2}_{0}$
Unit X	95-CPT-CP-39_19				12.8	0.5	core		1.55
Unit X	95-CPT-CP-39_19						rim		1.7
Unit X	95-CPT-CP-39_21	-2.5	-2.9	1.8	12.3	0.5	mantle		
Unit X	95-CPT-CP-39_25a	-6.8	-7.2	1.5	13.6	0.6	core		
Unit X	95-CPT-CP-39_25b	-5.2	-5.6	1.7	13.0	1.0	mantle		
Unit X	95-CPT-CP-39_25c	-5.7		2.1			mantle		
Unit X	95-CPT-CP-39_38a	2.6	2.3	1.8	11.9	0.4	mantle		
Unit X	95-CPT-CP-39_38b	-6.0	-6.4	1.2	10.7	0.7	rim		
Unit X	95-CPT-CP-39_47a				11.4	0.8	core		
Unit X	95-CPT-CP-39_47b	-5.3	-5.7	1.2	12.2	0.4	mantle		
Unit X	95-CPT-CP-39_47c	-10.4	-10.7	2.0	12.4	0.8	mantle		
Unit X	95-CPT-CP-39_49a	-5.7	-6.0	2.6	13.2	0.5	core		
Unit X	95-CPT-CP-39_49b				11.6	0.4	mantle		
Unit X	95-CPT-CP-39_49c	-4.7	-5.0	1.8	14.3	0.6	core		
Unit X	95-CPT-CP-39_50	-6.4	-6.7	1.3	13.2	0.7	rim		
Unit X	95-CPT-CP-39_51	-4.5	-4.8	2.6	13.6	0.6	mantle		
Unit X	95-CPT-CP-39_52	-5.0	-5.4	1.8	13.2	0.5	core		
Unit X	95-CPT-CP-39_54	-6.0	-6.3	2.3	14.2	0.6	core		
Unit X	95-CPT-CP-39_60a	-5.8	-6.2	1.4	12.2	0.5	core		
Unit X	95-CPT-CP-39_60b	-5.1	-5.4	1.1	11.2	0.7	core		
Unit X	95-CPT-CP-39_63	-5.6		1.7			mantle		
Unit X	95-CPT-CP-39_67	-12.7		2.6			rim		
Unit X	95-CPT-CP-39_70	-4.7	-5.1	1	10.9	0.3	core		
Unit X	95-CPT-CP-39_71a	-6.8	-7.2	0.8	11.7	0.4	mantle		
Unit X	95-CPT-CP-39_71b	-4.4	-4.8	0.9	12.3	0.6	core		

Table 4 continued									
Unit	Sample #	εHf	$\epsilon Hf_{\rm i}$	2 s.e.	²⁰⁶ Pb/ ²³⁸ U Age (Ma)	2 s.e.	Location	Age^{2}	$\delta^{18}O~\%^{1,2}_{00}$
Unit X	95-CPT-CP-39_71c	-6.8	-7.2	0.9	11.6	0.4	mantle		
Unit X	95-CPT-CP-39_83a	-5.9	-6.3	1.0	11.0	0.3	core		
Unit X	95-CPT-CP-39_83b	2.4	2.0	2.5	11.1	0.3	core		
Rhyolite Lavas									
Lower lava flow	11-ULF/BR-02_02a	-4.0	-4.4	0.9	13.8	0.6	core		
Lower lava flow	11-ULF/BR-02_02b	-3.1	-3.5	1.0	10.3	0.3	rim		
Lower lava flow	11-ULF/BR-02_03	-7.5	-7.9	1.0	11.3	0.8	core		
Lower lava flow	11-ULF/BR-02_05	-6.2	-6.5	1.0	14.2	0.5	core		
Lower lava flow	11-ULF/BR-02_06	-4.4	-4.7	1.2	14.2	0.5	core		
Lower lava flow	11-ULF/BR-02_20	-7.7	-8.1	1.0	11.3	0.4	core		
Lower lava flow	11-ULF/BR-02_09	-6.5	-6.9	0.8	13.3	0.5	mantle		
Lower lava flow	11-ULF/BR-02_10	-2.1	-2.4	1.7	12.9	0.3	core		
Lower lava flow	11-ULF/BR-02_12	-3.9	-4.3	1.4	13.1	0.6	core		
Lower lava flow	11-ULF/BR-02_33a	-9.2	-9.5	1.1	13.5	0.6	core		
Lower lava flow	$11-ULF/BR-02_33b$	-7.6	-8.0	0.9	11.8	0.4	rim		
Lower lava flow	11-ULF/BR-02_35	-7.3	-7.6	1.0	15.0	0.7	core		1.3
Lower lava flow	11-ULF/BR-02_35						rim		1.3
Lower lava flow	11-ULF/BR-02_36	-6.3	-6.6	1.1	11.6	0.7	mantle		
Lower lava flow	11-ULF/BR-02_51	-5.5	-5.9	1.1	11.9	0.5	rim		
Lower lava flow	11-ULF/BR-02_52	3.1	2.7	1.8	12.8	0.9	core		
Lower lava flow	11-ULF/BR-02_53	-7.0	-7.4	1.0	10.9	0.3	mantle		
Lower lava flow	11-ULF/BR-02_39a	-3.7	-4.0	1.3	15.3	0.4	core		
Lower lava flow	11-ULF/BR-02_39b	-7.8	-8.2	1.2	11.0	0.3	rim		
Lower lava flow	11-ULF/BR-02_42	-3.5	-3.9	1.1	13.1	0.6	core		

Table 4 continued									
Unit	Sample #	εHf	$\epsilon Hf_{\rm i}$	2 s.e.	²⁰⁶ Pb/ ²³⁸ U Age (Ma)	2 s.e.	Location	Age^{2}	$\delta^{18}O~\%^{0,1,2}$
Lower lava flow	11-ULF/BR-02_56a	-3.3	-3.7	1.7	10.2	0.6	rim		
Lower lava flow	11-ULF/BR-02_56b	-1.7	-2.1	1.1	11.9	0.4	mantle		
Lower lava flow	11-ULF/BR-02_56c	-4.6	-5.0	1.0	12.7	0.4	mantle		
Lower lava flow	11-ULF/BR-02_58	-2.4	-2.7	1.2	14.9	0.4	core		
Lower lava flow	11-ULF/BR-02_60	-5.8	-6.1	1.5	13.3	0.6	core		
Lower lava flow	11-ULF/BR-02_61a	-5.0	-5.4	1.1	12.5	0.7	mantle		
Lower lava flow	11-ULF/BR-02_61b	-2.0	-2.5	1.3	10.5	0.4	rim		
Lower lava flow	11-ULF/BR-02_64a	-6.8	-7.2	1.1	12.2	0.4	core		
Lower lava flow	11-ULF/BR-02_64b	-6.6	-7.0	1.1	12.8	0.6	core		
Lower lava flow	11-ULF/BR-02_67	-6.4	-6.8	1.0	13.4	0.5	core		
Lower lava flow	11-ULF/BR-02_69	-5.3	-5.6	1.3	12.3	0.5	core		
Lower lava flow	11-ULF/BR-02_74	-5.3	-5.7	1.1	14.8	0.6	core		
Upper lava flow	10-ULF/BR-02_21	-11.1	-11.5	2.0	12.9	0.5	core		
Upper lava flow	10-ULF/BR-02_15				14.8	0.7	core		
Upper lava flow	10-ULF/BR-02_01	-1.7	-2.0	1.2	12.7	0.4	core		
Upper lava flow	10-ULF/BR-02_57a	-4.5	-4.8	1.1	12.2	0.5	core		
Upper lava flow	10-ULF/BR-02_57b	-3.7	-4.0	1.2	12.9	0.5	core		
Upper lava flow	10-ULF/BR-02_55	-6.5	-6.8	1.1	13.3	0.9	mantle		
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_02a	-5.5	-5.9	1.1	9.7	0.4	mantle		
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_02b	-4.8	-5.3	1.0	9.9	0.3	rim		
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_02c	-3.3	-3.6	1.1	13.5	0.5	core		

Table 4 continued									
Unit	Sample #	εHf	$\epsilon Hf_{\rm i}$	2 s.e.	²⁰⁶ Pb/ ²³⁸ U Age (Ma)	2 s.e.	Location	Age^{2}	$\delta^{18}O~\%^{1,2}_{00}$
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_03a	-1.7	-2.1	1.1	10.6	0.4	rim		
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_03b	-4.9	-5.3	1.1			core		
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_04a	-2.1	-2.5	1.2	9.8	0.3	rim		
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_04b	-3.6	-4.0	1.1	10.5	0.3	mantle		
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_04c	-5.9	-6.2	1.1	10.3	0.5	core		
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_05	-5.3	-5.7	1.0	9.4	0.3	core		
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_11a	-6.4		1.4			core		
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_11b	-7.4	-7.8	0.9	9.6	0.6	rim		
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_11c	-6.5	-6.9	1.0	11.1	0.4	core		
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_11d	-7.5	-7.9	1.0	11.6	0.4	core		
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_11e	-7.2	-7.6	0.9	12.0	0.5	mantle		
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_11f	-6.8	-7.2	0.9	11.4	0.4	core		
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_13a	-7.9	-8.3	1.0	11.5	0.5	mantle		
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_13b	-6.3		1.1			rim		
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_16	-7.5	-7.9	1.1	11.0	0.2	core		
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_20						core	11.65	-1
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_20a	-6.2	-6.6	0.9	12.4	0.6	mantle		
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_20b	-8.1	-8.5	1.2	13.2	0.9	mantle		
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_20c	-8.0	-8.3	0.9	12.6	0.9	mantle		
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_20						mantle	11.78	0.9
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_20						rim	10.62	1
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_22	-6.2	-6.7	0.9	10.4	0.4	rim		
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_22						core	10.99	1.3
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_23	-4.9	-5.4	1.0	9.9	0.4	mantle		
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_23						rim	8.86	1.3

Table 4 continued									
Unit	Sample #	εHf	$\epsilon H f_{\rm i}$	2 s.e.	²⁰⁶ Pb/ ²³⁸ U Age (Ma)	2 s.e.	Location	Age^{2}	$\delta^{18}O~\%o^{1,2}$
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_24a	-2.9	-3.3	1.1	9.7	0.5	core		
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_24b	-5.5	-5.9	1.0	10.2	0.6	mantle		
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_26	-5.3	-5.7	0.9	10.6	0.6	rim		
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_27	-5.8	-6.3	1.0			core		
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_28	-7.3	-7.7	0.9	10.8	0.4	core		
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_34	-4.7	-5.1	0.9	11.8	0.8	core		
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_37a	-4.8	-5.2	1.1			core		
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_37b	-5.1	-5.5	1.0	10.5	0.4	rim		
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_38	-8.8	-9.2	1.1	11.4	0.4	core		
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_39	-6.3	-6.7	1.0	11.7	0.3	mantle		
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_40a	-5.7	-6.1	1.1	11.9	0.5	core		
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_40b	-6.6	-7.0	1.1			mantle		
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_40c	-3.9	-4.3	1.0	10.8	0.4	mantle		
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_40d	-5.2	-5.7	1.0	9.7	0.7	rim		
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_41a	-4.6	-5.0	1.2	10.8	0.3	core		
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_41b	-5.6	-6.0	1.1	8.9	0.6	mantle		
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_42	-8.2	-8.6	1.0	11.4	0.7	mantle		
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_71	-6.3	-6.6	1.2	11.5	0.6	core		
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_72	-2.9	-3.2	1.1	13.6	0.9	core		
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_73	-6.0	-6.4	1.0	10.3	0.8	rim		
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_44a	-5.2	-5.5	1.2	14.2	0.3	mantle		
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_44b	-5.3	-5.7	1.1	9.8	0.2	mantle		
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_46				10.0	0.5	mantle		
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_47	-5.7	-6.1	1.0	11.7	0.7	rim		
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_74	-6.6	-7.1	1.0	10.4	0.3	core		

$\lambda ge^{2} = \delta^{18} O \%^{0.1,2}_{00}$																			2.76 -0.4		0.65 1.3				
Location A	core	rim	core	mantle	rim	core	rim	core	core	rim	mantle	core	core	rim	mantle	core	core	core	core 1	mantle	rim 1	core	core	mantle	
2 s.e.	0.2	0.9	0.3	0.6		0.7	0.2	0.3	0.6	0.7			0.4		0.5	0.6	0.4	0.3		0.5		0.6	0.9	0.6	
²⁰⁶ Pb/ ²³⁸ U Age (Ma)	10.3	10.8	8.7	14.9		12.6	8.8	9.6	13.0	13.5			10.2		11.1	12.3	13.1	13.3		12.2		12.8	12.3	9.5	
2 s.e.	1.1	1.0	1.0	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.0	2.0	1.2	1.0	1.1	0.9	1.6	1.0	1.0	0.9	1.0		1.0		1.0	1.1	1.0	- -
εHfi	-5.0	-6.4	-6.3	-8.7	-8.6	-5.2	-6.1	-6.8	-8.8	-7.2	-7.8	-6.8	-6.1	-5.1	-6.1	-7.5	-6.8	-10.6		-7.4		-6.4	-7.6	-6.4	
£Нf	-4.6	-6.0	-5.9	-8.3	-8.2	-4.9	-5.6	-6.4	-8.5	-6.9	-7.3	-6.4	-5.7	-4.7	-5.7	-7.1	-6.4	-10.3		-7.0		-6.0	-7.3	-6.0	C L
Sample #	08-THR/THT-02 76a	08-THR/THT-02_76b	08-THR/THT-02_77	08-THR/THT-02_49a	08-THR/THT-02_49b	08-THR/THT-02_51a	08-THR/THT-02_51b	08-THR/THT-02_79a	08-THR/THT-02_53	08-THR/THT-02_55	08-THR/THT-02_81	08-THR/THT-02_82	08-THR/THT-02_83a	08-THR/THT-02_83b	08-THR/THT-02_84	08-THR/THT-02_57	08-THR/THT-02_58	08-THR/THT-02_59	08-THR/THT-02_85	08-THR/THT-02_85	08-THR/THT-02_85	08-THR/THT-02_87	08-THR/THT-02_88	08-THR/THT-02_61	
Unit	Triguero Homestead	- - -																							

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Unit	Sample #	εHf	$\epsilon H f_i$	2 s.e.	²⁰⁶ Pb/ ²³⁸ U Age (Ma)	2 s.e.	Location	Age^{2}	$\delta^{18}O~\%^{1,2}$
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_92	-5.8	-6.1	1.0			core		
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_64	-5.8	-6.2	0.8	10.5	0.6	rim		
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_65	-6.1	-6.4	1.0			mantle		
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_66a	-6.8	-7.2	1.0	10.5	0.5	rim		
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_66b	-7.9	-8.3	1.0	12.5	0.4	core		
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_66c	-6.7	-7.1	0.9	12.6	0.6	mantle		
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_67	-5.4	-5.8	1.0	10.2	0.2	core	10.80	1.2
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_67						mantle	10.63	1
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_67						mantle	10.29	1.1
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_67						rim	9.82	1.2
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_93	-6.2	-6.6	1.0	12.8	0.7	core		
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_95	-5.9	-6.3	0.9			core		
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_96	-5.8	-6.2	1.0			core		
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_69	-3.4	-3.8	1.1			core		
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_70a	-7.0	-7.4	1.1			rim		
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_70b	-8.4	-8.8	1.1	11.4	0.2	mantle		
Triguero Homestead	08-THR/THT-02_70c	-7.3	-7.6	1.1	13.6	0.5	core		
Marys Creek	01-MCR-02_01a	-6.0	-6.4	1.1	12.7	0.3	core		
Marys Creek	01-MCR-02_01b	-4.6	-4.9	2.1			rim		
Marys Creek	01-MCR-02_29a	-10.1	-10.5	1.2	12.3	0.4	core		
Marys Creek	01-MCR-02_29b	-3.6	-4.0	1.0	12.5	0.2	rim		
Marys Creek	01-MCR-02_28	-39.1	-39.5	2.3	11.1	0.2	mantle		
Marys Creek	01-MCR-02_05	-7.8	-8.1	1.5	11.8	0.3	rim		

Table 4 continued									
Unit	Sample #	εHf	$\epsilon Hf_{\rm i}$	2 s.e.	²⁰⁶ Pb/ ²³⁸ U Age (Ma)	2 s.e.	Location	Age^{2}	$\delta^{18}O~\%_{00}{}^{1,2}$
Marys Creek	01-MCR-02_06a	-15.1	-15.5	1.2	11.4	0.2	core		
Marys Creek	01-MCR-02_06b	-1.9	-2.4	1.1	10.7	0.7	rim		
Marys Creek	01-MCR-02_10a	-6.3	-6.7	1.3	11.1	0.3	core		
Marys Creek	$01-MCR-02_10b$	-5.4	-5.7	1.2	11.0	0.2	rim		
Marys Creek	01-MCR-02_12	-4.7	-5.1	1.2	12.5	0.3	mantle		
Marys Creek	01-MCR-02_38a	-4.7	-5.1	1.3	11.9	0.2	rim		
Marys Creek	01-MCR-02_38b	-3.8	-4.2	1.4	12.0	0.5	rim		
Marys Creek	01-MCR-02_40a	-9.9	-10.3	1.2	13.1	0.3	core		
Marys Creek	$01-MCR-02_40b$	-3.9	-4.3	1.0	12.1	0.4	mantle		
Marys Creek	$01-MCR-02_40c$	-7.3	-7.7	1.1	11.8	0.2	rim		
Marys Creek	01-MCR-02_44a	-5.5	-5.8	1.4	11.7	0.3	core		
Marys Creek	01-MCR-02_44b	-6.2	-6.6	1.8	11.5	0.4	mantle		
Marys Creek	01-MCR-02_19a	-9.0	-9.4	1.1	11.1	0.3	core		
Marys Creek	01-MCR-02_19b	-9.4	-9.8	1.0	11.3	0.2	mantle		
Marys Creek	01-MCR-02_21a	-9.8	-10.2	1.1	11.3	0.3	core		
Marys Creek	01-MCR-02_21b	-7.2	-7.6	0.9	11.8	0.2	rim		
Marys Creek	01-MCR-02_50	-9.8	-10.1	1.0	11.8	0.3	core		
Marys Creek	01-MCR-02_58a	-9.7	-10.0	1.4	13.0	0.3	mantle		
Marys Creek	01-MCR-02_58b	-8.9	-9.2	1.2	12.6	0.8	rim		
Marys Creek	01-MCR-02_62	-8.7	-9.1	1.5	11.8	0.4	core		
Marys Creek	01-MCR-02_69	1.3	0.96	1.6	11.7	0.7	mantle		
Marys Creek	01-MCR-02_70a	-11.3	-11.7	1.2	11.5	0.2	core		
Marys Creek	01-MCR-02_70b	-9.4	-9.8	1.0	10.7	0.2	rim		
Marys Creek	01-MCR-02_71a	-4.9	-5.3	1.4	11.3	0.2	mantle		
Marys Creek	01-MCR-02_71						mantle	10.78	0.9

Table 4 continued									
Unit	Sample #	εHf	ϵHf_i	2 s.e.	²⁰⁶ Pb/ ²³⁸ U Age (Ma)	2 s.e.	Location	Age^{2}	$\delta^{18}O \ ^{00} \%^{1,2}$
Marys Creek	01-MCR-02_71						core	10.87	1.5
Marys Creek	01-MCR-02_71						mantle	10.47	1.3
Marys Creek	01-MCR-02_71b	-7.9	-8.3	1.2	10.8	0.2	rim		
Marys Creek	01-MCR-02_72				10.7	0.4	core		
Marys Creek	01-MCR-02_73a	-6.0	-6.4	1.0	11.8	0.4	core		
Marys Creek	01-MCR-02_73b	-5.9	-6.3	1.3	12.3	0.4	rim		
Marys Creek	01-MCR-02_75a	-9.7	-10.0	1.3	11.3	0.2	core		
Marys Creek	01-MCR-02_75b	-6.1	-6.4	1.2	11.2	0.7	rim		
Marys Creek	01-MCR-02_76a	-7.6	-8.0	1.3	11.3	0.3	core		
Marys Creek	01-MCR-02_76b	-6.5	-6.8	1.0	11.8	0.3	rim		
Marys Creek	01-MCR-02_82a	-7.9	-8.3	1.2	11.5	0.2	mantle		
Marys Creek	01-MCR-02_82b	-7.7	-8.1	1.2	10.9	0.3	rim		
Marys Creek	01-MCR-02_85	-12.8	-13.2	1.6	12.1	0.2	core		
Marys Creek	01-MCR-02_87a	-8.6	-9.00	1.2	12.4	0.5	core		
Marys Creek	01-MCR-02_87						core	9.68	1.1
Marys Creek	01-MCR-02_87						mantle	10.90	1.5
Marys Creek	01-MCR-02_87b	-5.6	-6.05	1.2	11.3	0.2	mantle		
Marys Creek	01-MCR-02_87						mantle	9.55	1.7
Marys Creek	01-MCR-02_87c	-5.3	-5.73	1.1	11.5	0.3	rim		
Marys Creek	01-MCR-02_87						rim	9.82	-0.3
Marys Creek	01-MCR-02_87						rim	11.40	-0.7
Marys Creek	01-MCR-02_91	-6.5	-6.85	1.1	12.0	0.4	core		
Epsilon Hf values were ca	Iculated using CHUR values	of Bouvie	r <i>et al.</i> (20	08) and th	ie ¹⁷⁶ Lu decay c	constant o	of Söderlund	<i>et al.</i> (20	04).
1. CPT δ^{18} O values (Cathe	sy, 2011)								
2. Lava ages and δ^{18} O valu	ues (Seligman, 2012)								

APPENDIX B

CATHODOLUMINESCENCE IMAGES OF BRUNEAU-JARBIDGE ZIRCONS

The following figures (Figures 27-79) are cathodoluminescence (CL) and backscattered electron (BSE) images of zircons analyzed by laser ablation in this study. Laser ablation sites are marked as red circles scaling to 53 μ m in diameter. Red numbers are used for ϵ Hf values and yellow numbers for ²⁰⁶Pb/²³⁸U ages. Measurements taken in previous studies are marked as yellow circles or ovals. Blue values indicate δ^{18} O values from Cathey for CTPX (2011) and Seligman for lavas (2012). Yellow numbers with asterisks are ²⁰⁶Pb/²³⁸U values from Seligman (2012). Zircons were imaged prior to this study by Henrietta Cathey (CPT X) and Barbara Nash (Lavas).









Figure 29. Cougar Point Tuff X zircons







Figure 32. Cougar Point Tuff X zircons



Figure 33. Cougar Point Tuff X zircons











Figure 36. Lower lava flow zircons



Figure 37. Lower lava flow zircons





Figure 39. Lower lava flow zircons









Figure 42. Lower lava flow zircons





















Figure 48. Triguero Homestead rhyolite zircons


























Figure 55. Triguero Homestead rhyolite zircons





















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Figure 61. Triguero Homestead rhyolite zircons



Figure 62. Triguero Homestead rhyolite zircons



Figure 63. Triguero Homestead rhyolite zircons









Figure 66. Marys Creek rhyolite zircons





Figure 68. Marys Creek rhyolite zircons



Figure 69. Marys Creek rhyolite zircons



Figure 70. Marys Creek rhyolite zircons



Figure 71. Marys Creek rhyolite zircons











Figure 75. Marys Creek rhyolite







Figure 77. Marys Creek rhyolite





