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The recent documentation of HP relics (carphiolite-bearing metaconglomerates) from the Kurudere area (Selimiye-Milas, Muğla) was one of the most important discoveries in the southern Menderes Massif. The metaconglomerates form the lowest most lithologies of the so-called marble unit and lie structurally above the schists with a proposed thrust fault. The metaconglomerates occur at two distinct horizons, each of which shows opposing sense of shearing in an overturned anticlinal structure. $\mathrm{U}-\mathrm{Pb}-$ Hf zircon analyses of detrital zircons ( 450 grains) were performed by using Laser ablation induced couple mass spectrometry method (LA-ICPMS). The youngest grain is Asselian (earliest Permian) in age ( $298 \pm 5 \mathrm{Ma}$, conc. $104 \%$ ) while a Mezoarchean zircon grain ( $3020 \pm 16 \mathrm{Ma}$; conc. $101 \%$ ) forms the oldest. The youngest zircon grain is therefore consistent with previous contention that the metaconglomerate is late Triassic in age. The dominance of Ordovician to Cryogenian (Neoproterozoic) zircons and lack of Mesoproterozoic (1.1-1.7 Ga) zircons suggest Pan-African terranes (the northern Gondwana provenance) as the main source area. $\varepsilon \mathrm{Hf}$ values of 144 zircon grains indicate both reworking of an old crust and a juvenile crustal source. The detrital zircon populations and $\varepsilon H f$ values are very distinct from those reported in the southern Menderes metasediments and show pronounced similarities with that of Cycladic rocks. It is therefore concluded that the Kurudere HP metaconglomerates and possibly the overlying marbles in the southern Menderes Massif may belong to the Cycladic blueschist units. The occurrence of north-vergent overturned fold and associated kinematics suggest tectonic emplacement of the Cycladic unit above the Menderes sequence sometime after Eocene but before late Oligocene.

Key Words: southern Menderes Massif, Cyclades, metaconglomerate, detrital zircon, $\mathrm{U}-\mathrm{Pb}-\mathrm{Hf}$ isotopes, laser ablation induced couple mass spectrometry method (LAICPMS).

## ÖZ

# GÜNEY MENDERES MASİFi'NDEKİ TRİYAS YAŞLI (?) KARFOLİTLİ METAÇAKILTAŞLARININ KIRINTILI ZİRKON YAŞLARI VE KÖKENí 

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Kurudere köyü (Selimiye-Milas, Muğla) yakın civarında yüzeyleyen metasedimanlarda (karfolitli metaçakıltaşı) YB metamorfizması kalıntılarının tanımlanmış olması güney Menderes Masifi'nde son zamanlarda yapılan en önemli keşiflerden birisidir. Metaçakıltaşı, 'mermer örtüsü' olarak tanımlanan birimin en alt seviyesini oluştururken yapısal olarak, muhtemelen bindirme fayı, şist birimlerini üzerler. Bölgede metaçakıltaşı iki farklı seviye ile temsil edilirken, kuzeye devrik yatık kıvrım içinde herbir düzey zıt yönlere hareket veren yapısal elemanlarla süslenmiştir; bu durumda metaçakıltaş düzeyleri kıvrımın kanatlarını temsil ederler. Kırıntılı zirkonlardan (450 adet) U-Pb-Hf zirkon analizleri, Lazer Aşındırmalı-Endüktif Eşleşmiş Plazma Kütle Spektrometre (LA-ICPMS) yöntemi ile yapılmıştır. En genç tanenin Aseliyen (Erken Permiyen) ( $298 \pm 5 \mathrm{Ma}$, uym. 104\%), en yaşlı tanenin ise Mezoarkeen ( $3020 \pm 16 \mathrm{Ma}$; uym. 101\%) yaşta olduğu belirlenmiştir. En genç tanenin yaşı, daha önce birim için öngürülen geç Triyas yaşını desteklemektedir. OrdovisiyenOrta Neoproterozoik yaş aralığındaki zirkon tanelerinin baskınlığı ve Mezoproterozoik (1.1-1.7 Ga) zamandaki boşluk, ana kaynak olarak Pan-Afrikan kökene işaret etmektedir. Yüzkırkdört adet zirkondan ölçülen $\varepsilon H f$ değerleri, tanelerin hem ilksel hem de taşınmış kabuksal kaynağa ait olduğunu göstermektedir. Metaçakıltaşı biriminin kırıntılı zirkon popülasyonu ve $\varepsilon H f$ değerleri literatürde ifade edilen ve güney Menderes metasedimanlarına ait değerlerden farklıdır ve Kiklatlarla benzerlik göstermektedir. Buna dayanarak, güney Menderes Masifi'ndeki Kurudere YB metaçakıltaşlarının ve üzerindeki mermer serinin Kiklatlara ait olabileceği sonucuna varılmıştır. Kuzeye devrik kıvrımın varlığı ve ilgili kinematik belirteçleri, Kiklatlara ait kaya topluluklarının Eosen-Geç Oligosen zaman diliminde Menderes serisinin üzerine tektonik olarak yerleşmesi olarak yorumlanabilir.

Anahtar Kelimeler: güney Menderes Masifi, Kiklatlar, metaçakıltaşları, kırıntılı zirkon, U-Pb_Hf izotopları, Lazer Aşındırmalı-Endüktif Eşleşmiş Plazma Kütle Spektrometre (LA-ICPMS) yöntemi

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## CHAPTER 1

## INTRODUCTION

### 1.1 DEFINITION OF PROBLEM: DETRITAL ZIRCON DATING

Detrital minerals in sedimentary rocks have been the subject of quantitative methods for last century with the rising of analytical opportunities. Notedly, zircon has kept its popularity for a long time because of its resistance at the Earth's surface; it is therefore prominently preferred to interpret the provenance, age and history of a sedimentary deposits. Detrital zircon analysis uses age of the zircon to determine provenance of, and develop a geological history of, sedimentary units and their source areas. Ideally, the analyzed sample would completely represent a full story of geological history because zircons may include evidence for all possible provenances and their relationships to each other (cf. Fedo et al., 2003).

Although detrital zircon geochronology is an important tool to date the minimum age of sediments and to test their provenance, such a study, in modern terms, was not carried out the in Menderes Massif yet. Most of the existing geochronologic works in the southern Menderes Massif is concentrated on the age of metagranitic rocks and cooling history of the massif (Table 1.1). There are three attempts of detrital zircon gecohronology on the metasediments of the southern Menderes Massif: (1) Candan et al. (2011a) dated, using the ${ }^{207} \mathrm{~Pb} /{ }^{206} \mathrm{~Pb}$ single-zircon evaporation technique, eleven detrital zircon grains from muscovite schists, which yielded scattered ages between 642 Ma and 3239 Ma , with a major cluster at ca. 640-670 Ma. The age of these sediments are considered to constrain between 642 and 550 Ma (Ediacaran); (2) Later, Koralay et al. (2012) also dated eleven detrital zircon grains from garnet schists; ${ }^{207} \mathrm{~Pb} /{ }^{206} \mathrm{~Pb}$ single-zircon evaporation ages range from $2482 \pm 6$ to $610 \pm 5 \mathrm{Ma}$. They constrain the age of sedimentation between 600 Ma and 550 Ma ((Ediacaran). More recently, Zlatkin et al. (2013) date two samples, using LA-ICP-MS, from the cover sediments immediately above the core orthogneisses in Kaletepe area. The first sample is from Gökçay conglomerates; 47 concordant zircon grains yielded ages between $584 \pm 9$ and $3043 \pm 27 \mathrm{Ma}$. The other sample comes from quartzitic unit above; the age of 90 detrital zircon grains range from $533 \pm 14 \mathrm{Ma}$ to $2927 \pm 11 \mathrm{Ma}$. These authors also accepted previous contentions and suggested Ediacaran ages for the lowest representatives of the cover schists. Variable $\varepsilon \mathrm{Hf}(\mathrm{t})$ values from the two samples are
interpreted to suggest : (i) significant crustal reworking of 620-720 Ma zircon juvenile magmatic zircons, (ii) Pan-African remobilization and mixing of Neoproterozoic-aged detrital zircons.

As is seen from above two works, there are only for samples dated by using detrital zircon geochronology from the whole southern Menderes Massif. In addition to all, except the Zlatkin et al. (2013) paper, the other two employed only eleven grains from two samples each. Whereas to obtain a reasonable and statistically sound age population from a sediments several ten's of grains should be dated (around 100 zircon grains) and this is impossible by using evaporation technique because it is really very expensive technique; no one can effort to pay for it and most of the zircon grains have metamorphic rims which is given mix age with evaporation technique. LA-ICP-MS U-Pb technique is a new, relatively cheap, widely accepted and used method in dating detrital zircons from (meta)sediments.

The above-mentioned published detrital zircon ages are only from the lowest representatives of the cover schists and there are no other similar work on the whole schist unit and the overlying marble cover. The whole southern Menderes metasediments are several hundreds' of metres thick and about 150 detrital zircon grains mean nothing in describing and discussing age and provenance of the metasediments. There is an urgent need for a detrital zircon geochronology employing several tens' of samples along several measured sections. Off a particular relevance to present research, it is aimed at taking advantage of LA-ICP-MS U-Pb method in dating detrital zircons from HP metaconglomerates of the southern Menderes Massif. This is crucial because the origin of these kyanite+magnesiocarpholite-bearing metaconglomerates is highly debated (see next sections) and bears in the better understanding of evolution of the Southern Menderes Massif.

Table 1.1 Age data from the southern Menderes Massif (courtesy of Erdin Bozkurt).

| Lithology | Age (Ma) | Method | References |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| orthogneisses | $490 \pm 90-529$ | $\mathrm{Rb}-\mathrm{Sr}$ whole rock | Satır and Friedrichsen, 1986 |
|  | 2555-1740 | ${ }^{207} \mathrm{~Pb}-{ }^{206} \mathrm{~Pb}$ single zircon evaporation | Reischmann et al., 1991 |
|  | $\begin{gathered} 546.4 \pm 0.8 \text { and } \\ 546.0 \pm 1.6 \\ \text { (mean } 546 \pm 1.2 \text { ) } \end{gathered}$ |  | Hetzel and <br> Reischmann, 1996 |
|  | $\begin{gathered} 521 \pm 8.0-572 \pm \\ 7.0 \\ (\text { mean c. } 550) \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |  | Loos and <br> Reischmann, 1999 |
|  | $547.2 \pm 1.0$ |  | Gessner et al., 2001b |
|  | $530.9 \pm 5.3$ |  | Koralay et al., 2007 |
|  | $\begin{gathered} \hline 552.1 \pm 2.4- \\ 545.6 \pm 2.7 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |  | Dora et al., 2005 ${ }^{1}$ |

[^0]|  | 549 $\pm 26$ |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $541 \pm 14-566 \pm 9$ | U-Pb SIMS zircon | Gessner et al., 2004 |
|  | $43.4 \pm 1.3$ and <br> $37.9 \pm 0.4$ | Ar-Ar muscovite | Hetzel and <br> Reischmann, 1996 |
|  | $32.1 \pm 0.5$ | Ar-Ar white mica | Gessner et al., 2001a |
|  | $27.88 \pm 1.52$ and <br> $24.69 \pm 0.90$ | zircon fission track |  |
|  | $24.68 \pm 2.19-$ <br> $15.12 \pm 1.09$ <br> (concentrate <br> around $22-21)$ | apatite fission track | Ring et al., 2003 |

[^1]| garnet-mica schist | $\begin{gathered} \hline 2482 \pm 6-476 \pm 7 \\ (610 \pm 5 \text { to } 876 \pm 5) \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | ${ }^{207} \mathrm{~Pb}-{ }^{206} \mathrm{~Pb}$ single zircon evaporation |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $2455 \pm 5-601 \pm 7$ |  |  |
| muscovite-quartz schist | $1953 \pm 6-554 \pm 8$ |  |  |
|  | $2569 \pm 10-554 \pm 26$ |  |  |
|  | $1942 \pm 5-537 \pm 13$ |  |  |
|  | $2608 \pm 5-480 \pm 5$ |  |  |
| Orthogneisses | $\begin{gathered} 2480 \pm 72^{4} \text { and } \\ 539 \pm 13^{5} \end{gathered}$ | $\mathrm{U}-\mathrm{Pb}$ zircon | Iredale et al., 2013 |
|  | $\begin{gathered} 1289 \pm 107^{4} \text { and } \\ 495 \pm 30 \mathrm{Ma} 5 \end{gathered}$ |  |  |
| metaconglomerate | $45.9 \pm 2.0 \mathrm{Ma}$ | Ar-Ar white mica | Pourteau et al., 2013 |

${ }^{1}$ lower intercept

### 1.2 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The Menderes Massif is bounded by three major tectonic units, some which contains evidence for relict blueschist facies metamorphism; Lycian Nappes in the south (e.g., Collins and Robertson, 1997,1998, 1999; Rimmelé et al., 2003a; Ring and Layer, 2003; Jolivet et al., 2004; Ring et al., 2007; Whitney et al., 2008), the İzmir-AnkaraErzincan Neotethyan suture zone in the north (e.g., Şengör and Yılmaz, 1981 and several other reference thereafter) and Cycladic core complex in the west (with the contact of Eocene eclogite and blueschist metamorphic rocks) (e.g., Dürr et al., 1978; Okrusch and Bröcker, 1990; Okay, 2001; Ring and Layer, 2003; Ring et al., 2007; Whitney et al., 2008). In the southern submassif, blueschist facies relics include kyanite and carpholite presence in the metasedimentary rocks. Rimmelé et al. (2003b) was first to report HP relics in the massif and proposed that the HP-LT rocks are part of the metasedimentary sequence of the massif (part of the so-called marble cover) structurally below the HP-LT Lycian Nappes but above the high-grade gneissic core of the massif (see also Rimmelé et al., 2003b). This model proposes that the age of the carphiolite-bearing metaconglomerates are late Triassic and that they display conformable relatioships with: (i) underlying Permian-Triassic phyllite-schistquartzite alternation and marble intercalations and (ii) overlying Liassic-Maastrichtian marbles (partly dolomitic and partly Rudist-bearing) with metabauxite deposits. On the other hand, Ring et al. (1999) and Régnier et al. $(2003,2007)$ correlated the HPLT rocks with the Cycladic blueschist unit and proposed that Cycladic unit of the southern Menderes Massif is bounded by thrust faults with the underlying Menderes cover units (along the Cycladic-Menderes thrust) and the overlying Lycian Nappes. This model was latter favoured by Whitney et al. (2008) (Figure 1.1); they have suggested, based on the differences in P-T-deformation history of the so-called cover

[^2]schists and cover marbles of the southern Menderes Massif, that the HP-LT rocks are not part of the Menderes Massif cover sequence but are tectonically related to the Cycladic blueschist unit (see section 1.6 for more details on the metaconglomerates of the southern Menderes Massif).


Figure 1.1 Gneissic core and overlying schist and Lycian Nappes, dash line indicates Cyclades-Menderes Thrust, K- Kurudere Village (Whitney et al., 2008; kinematic hinge is from Iredale, 2005 in Whitney et al., 2008).

As is seen from the above discussion, the origin of the HP rocks in the southern Menderes Massif is still debated and it is not clear if they belong to Cyclades or form a part of the southern submassif's metasedimentary sequence (Figure 1.2). The answers to above questions have far more implications for the better understanding of not only the Menderes Massif but whole Aegean. The present work therefore aims to employ LA-ICP-MS U-Pb method on detrital zircons separated from the kyanitemagnesiocarpholite metaconglomerates of the Southern Menderes Massif to better understand their protolith, age, provenance, metamorphic assemblages and structural features; their relationship(s) to the rest of the Southern Menderes Massif, which does not record clear evidence for a HP-LT metamorphism, will also be discussed.

This research forms a part of a TÜBİTAK project that aims to study the metasediments of the Lycian Nappes, Menderes Massif, Afyon Zone and Tavşanlı Zone. It lasted for about two-and-half-years and involves field geological mapping, structural analysis and laboratory work of the carpholite-bearing metaconglomerates in Kurudere area (Selimiye-Milas) in the southern Menderes Massif. The U-Pb-Hf detrital zircon analyses of metaconglomerates by using LA-ICP-MS method form the centre of the research. The detrital zircons of the southern Menderes Massif, except for a number of recent papers, have not previously been considered. More importantly detrital zircon ages and population seem to be the only method to test existing controversies over the age and provenance and in turn the origin of the metaconglomerates of the Southern Menderes Massif.


Figure 1.2. Tectonic map of the Aegean and Anatolian region showing the locations of Menderes and Cycladic massifs (from Jolivet et al., 2012). Black lines- main active structures; thick violet or blue lines- main sutures zones; thin blue lines- main thrusts in the Hellenides; NCDS- North Cycladic Detachment, SD- Simav Detachment; AlW- Almyropotamos window; BD- Bey Daglari; CB- Cycladic Basement; CBBT-Cycladic Basement basal thrust; CBS- Cycladic Blueschists; CHSZ- Central Hellenic Shear Zone; CR- Corinth Rift; CRMC- Central Rhodope Metamorphic Complex; GT- Gavrovo-Tripolitza Nappe; KD- Kazdag dome; KeD- Kerdylion Detachment; KKD- Kesebir-Kardamos dome; KT- Kephalonia Transform Fault; LN- Lycian Nappes; LNBT- Lycian Nappes Basal Thrust; MCC- Metamorphic Core Complex; MG- Menderes Grabens; NAT- North Aegean Trough; NCDS- North Cycladic Detachment System; NSZ- Nestos Shear Zone; OlW- Olympos Window; OsW- Ossa Window; OSZ- Ören Shear Zone; Pel. - Peloponnese; ÖU- Ören Unit; PQN- Phyllite-Quartzite Nappe; SiD- Simav Detachment; SRCC- South Rhodope Core Complex; StD- Strymon Detachment; WCDS- West Cycladic Detachment System; ZD- Zaroukla Detachment.

### 1.3 LOCATION OF THE STUDY AREA

The study area is located within the southern Menderes Massif in western Turkey, NE of Kurudere village, SE of Bafa Lake and SW of town of Selimiye (Milas). The metaconglomerates crop out at four hills, namely Karaburun, Çileklik and Lomburt
hills. The total amount of area $32 \mathrm{~km}^{2}$, it is included on $1 / 25000$-scaled Turkish topographic map sheets of Muğla N19-a1 (Figures 1.3-1.5).


Figure 1.3 Simplified geological map of the Menderes Massif and subdivision into the submassifs (modified from Candan et al., 2000).


Figure 1.4 Geological map of the Bafa Lake-Selimiye area in the southern Menderes Massif (from Başarır 1970). Courtesy of Erdin Bozkurt.

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Figure 1.5 Location map showing topographic features of the study area.

### 1.4 METHODS OF STUDY

This research lasted for about two-and-half-years and involved both (i) field studies and (ii) laboratory studies.

The field studies include: (i) mapping of rock units and structural features such as folds, foliation and lineation at a scale of $1 / 5000$, (ii) sampling for petrographic and age determination studies, (iii) measurement of attitude for foliation and lineation, (iv) detailed kinematic analysis to determine the sense of motion during deformation. Different rock units were, based on their physical appearance and mineral content, distinguished and mapped. To analyse and determine characteristic mineral assemblages and also to perform detrital zircon age determinations, each unit was sampled. All observations, detailed descriptions and coordinates were recorded in the field notebook during the excursion.

Laboratory studies were performed in Geochronology and Radiogenic Isotope Laboratory, Institute of Geoscience, Göethe Univesity of Frankfurt. Laboratory studies include (1) sample preparation: (i) crashing with jaw and roller crashers, (ii) Wilfley
table, (iii) heavy liquid, (iv) hand magnet and magnetic separation, (v) hand-picking under binocular microscopy, (vi) enclosing in epoxy resin, (vii) polishing, (viii) taking Cathodoluminescence (CL) images (a detailed explanation will be given in Appendix); (2) measurement of $\mathrm{U}-\mathrm{Pb}$ isotope system contents of detrital zircons by using laser ablation induced couple mass spectrometry (LA-ICPMS). The analyses were performed with ThermoScientific Element 2 sector field ICP-MS coupled to a Resolution M-50 excimer laser system; (3) processing and interpreting the data by using an in-house MS Excel spreadsheet program (Gerdes and Zen, 2006, 2009; Millonig et al., 2012). The processed data was plotted on concordia diagram(s) by Isoplot 3.71 (Gerdes, 2012); (4) comparison of new age data and population with existing data from the Menderes Massif, Cyclades, North Africa, and from other relevant tectonic units; (5) attesting existing models over the age and origin of metaconglomerates and proposing a sound model.

### 1.5 GEOLOGICAL OVERVI EW OF SOUTHERN MENDERES MASSIF

Menderes Massif (Parejas, 1940) forms a regional, crustal-scale, elliptical core complex, with its long axis trending in NE-SW direction, in the heart of southwestern Turkey extensional provenance; the massif covers an area of more than $40.000 \mathrm{~km}^{2}$. The Massif is a crustal-scale Tertiary metamorphic core complex (e.g., Bozkurt and Park, 1994; Lips et al., 2001; Ring and Collins, 2005) in extensional provenance of southwest Turkey. It acquired massif character during an Alpine orogeny that accompanied the latest Palaeogene collision between the Sakarya Continent and Anatolide-Tauride platform (e.g., Şengör and Yılmaz, 1981; Şengör et al., 1984) and consequent closure of the northern Neotethyan ocean. This was associated with Tertiary nappe translation, crustal thickening and consequent burial and regional high-temperature-medium pressure metamorphism, main Menderes metamorphism (MMM) (e.g., Şengör et al., 1984; Bozkurt, 1996, 2007; Bozkurt and Park, 1999; Bozkurt and Satır, 2000; Whitney and Bozkurt, 2002; Régnier et al., 2003, 2007; Rimmelé et al., 2003b; Dora, 2011 and references therein). The massif therefore contains evidence for a complex poly-tectono-metamorphic-magmatic history that involves HP-LT metamorphism prior to MMM (e.g., Candan, 1995, 1996; Candan et al., 1997, 2001, 2011b, c; Oberhänsli et al., 1997; Rimmelé et al., 2003a, b, 2006; Jolivet et al., 2004; Régnier et al., 2007; Whitney et al., 2008; Oberhänsli et al., 2010; Dora, 2011). The arrival of the massif is attributed to progressive exhumation in the footwall of several detachment faults and/or extensional shear zones during the postorogenic Neogene $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{S}$ extensional history of the Menderes Massif (e.g., Bozkurt and Park, 1994, 1997a, b; Seyitoğlu and Scott, 1991, 1992a, b, 1994, 1996; Cohen et al., 1995; Emre and Sözbilir, 1995; Emre, 1996; Hetzel et al., 1995a, b, 1998, 2013; Hetzel and Reischmann, 1996; Rojay et al., 1998; Glodny and Hetzel, 2007; Seyitoğlu, 1997; Sarıca, 2000; Bozkurt 2001; Gessner et al., 2001a, b, c, 2004, 2013;

Gökten et al., 2001; Işık and Tekeli, 2001; Lips et al., 2001; Sözbilir, 2001, 2002; Hasözbek, 2003; Işık et al., 2003, 2004; Rimmelé et al., 2003a; Bozkurt, 2004, 2007; Bozkurt and Sözbilir, 2004, 2006; Işık, 2004; Seyitoğlu et al., 2004; Catlos and Çemen, 2005; Purvis and Robertson, 2005a, b; Purvis et al., 2005; Ring and Collins, 2005; Bacceletto and Steiner, 2005; Thomson and Ring, 2006; Çiftçi and Bozkurt, 2008, 2009a, b, 2010; Özgenç and İlbeyli, 2008; Catlos et al., 2010; Erkül, 2010; Ersoy et al., 2010a, b, 2011; Karaoğlu et al., 2010; Öner et al. 2010; van Hinsbergen, 2010; van Hinsbergen et al., 2010a, b, c; Emre et al., 2011; Hasözbek et al., 2011, 2012; Sözbilir et al., 2011; Altunkaynak et al., 2012; Catlos et al., 2012; Tatar-Erkül, 2012; Tatar-Erkül and Erkül, 2012; Çiftçi 2013; Gürboğa et al., 2013; Iredale et al., 2013; Özkaymak et al., 2013; Sümer et al., 2013).

The Massif is divided into three submassifs and E-W-trending Gediz Graben in the north and Büyük Menderes Graben in the south form the boundaries of the northern (Gördes), central (Ödemiş-Kiraz) and southern (Çine) submassifs, respectively (e.g., Dora et al. 1995; Whitney and Bozkurt, 2002; Bozkurt, 2007; Candan et al., 2011a) (Figure 1.3). It is generally accepted that the Menderes Massif is composed of a 'gneiss core' and a structurally overlying 'Palaeozoic-Cenozoic cover series' (Figures 1.3 and 1.4). The core rocks dominantly consist of augen gneisses (Şengör et al., 1984; Satır and Friedrichsen, 1986; Candan, 1995,1996; Candan et al., 1998, 2000; Oberhansli et al., 1997, 1998). The cover rocks are made up dominantly of schists and marbles. The intensity of metamorphism increases towards the core (Bozkurt and Oberhänsli, 2001). As the study area is located within the southern Menderes Massif, the other two submassifs are not discussed in the following paragraphs.

The southern submassif is considered as the part of the massif where a complete record of its stratigraphy is well exposed. The submassif is traditionally considered to comprise two distinct lithologic associations: (1) metagranites/orthogneisses; it is known as the Precambrian (?) 'core' augen gneisses; (2) and structurally overlying high- to low-grade Palaeozoic-Middle Palaeocene metasedimentary sequence (e.g., Schuiling, 1962; Şengör and Yılmaz, 1981; Şengör et al., 1984; Ashworth and Evirgen, 1985; Bozkurt, 1996; Candan et al., 2001, 2011a, b, c; Gessner et al., 2001a; Whitney and Bozkurt, 2002; Erdoğan and Güngör, 2004; Whitney et al., 2008; Dora et al., 2011; Erdoğan et al., 2011; Koralay et al., 2011, 2012); the cover rocks are further divided into two units, so-called 'schist cover' and 'marble cover'. Metamorphic grade increases from the metasedimentary rocks towards the gneissic core (Figure 1.6) (Whitney and Bozkurt, 2002).

The contact between core and cover rocks has been the subject of intense discussion over the last three decades and several controversial intepretations are made; all models now agree that this contact is a regional top-SSW ductile shear zone but no consensus are made over its nature and name. Thus, several different terms are used to
name this shear zone as top-S extensional shear zone Çine shear zone (Lips et al., 2001), top-S thrust fault, Selimiye shear zone (Ring et al., 1999, 2003; Gessner et al., 2001a, 2004; Régnier et al., 2003, 2007; Koralay et al., 2012), top-N extensional Kayabükü shear zone (Seyitoğlu et al., 2004) or top-S extensional southern Menderes shear zone (e.g., Bozkurt and Park, 1994; Hetzel and Reischmann, 1996; Bozkurt and Satır, 2000; Lips et al., 2001; Whitney and Bozkurt, 2002; Rimmelé et al., 2003b; Bozkurt, 2004, 2007; Seyitoğlu et al., 2004; Iredale et al., 2013). There are also claims that the shear zone is a inverted structure which operated first as a top-N contractional structure, then it was reactivated as a top-S extensional shear zone (Bozkurt 2004, 2007; Bozkurt et al., 2006).

The shear zone records a metamorphic break of about 2 kbar (equal to a missing metamorphic section of 7 km ) and emplaces lower-grade metamorphic rocks over higher-grade metamorphic rocks. The orthogneisses form the footwall and the schists lie in the hanging wall. Similarly, the age of the protolith of the ortogneisses is also controversial and claims are Precambrian and/or Tertiary. One of the other characteristic feature of the southern Menderes Massif is described by presence of several stock-like and/or dyke/sill like bodies of tourmaline-rich two-mica leucogranites orthogneisses and lowermost parts of the schist cover (Bozkurt et al. 2006).

The schist envelope comprises several different lithologies, they include, from structurally lowest to highest, mica+quartz $\pm$ garnet schists (widely known as paragneisses), quartz+muscovite $\pm$ biotite $\pm$ garnet schist (quartzite / meta-quartz arenite), pelitic schists (garnet+mica and mica+quartz $\pm$ garnet $\pm$ chloritoid schists) with carbonate lenses and bands, and a calcerous sequence dominated by marble with micaschist / phyllite intercalations. The literature suggests that $\mathrm{P}-\mathrm{T}$ conditions during their metamorphism reached up to ca 8 kbar and ca. $550^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ at the structurally lowermost parts and $\leq 6 \mathrm{kbar}$ and $430^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ at the structurally upper parts (Whitney and Bozkurt, 2002). The age of the schists are considered to range from Precambrian to Permian (even early-middle Triassic) (Figure 1.7).

The marble cover comprises metaconglomerates with quartz and dolomite pebbles, massive marbles with local metapelite lenses and metabasites, marble with metabauxite lenses, dolomitic marble and Late Cretaceous Rudist-bearing marbles; the sequence ends with reddish-pinkish thin bedded pelagic cherty marbles with local pelitic interlayers and a metaolistostromal unit (Çağlayan et al., 1980; Konak et al., 1987; Dora et al., 2001; Özer et al., 2001; Régnier et al., 2003).

The age of the schist and marble envelope depends on regional correlations and inferences from early studies (except for the Rudist-bearing marbles). There is no single analytic data that bears on the protolith age of the schists and marbles.

The metasedimentary sequence in the southern submassif display a well-developed, regional, penetrative south-dipping foliation invariably associated with an approximately $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{S}$-trending mineral stretching lineation; the dip of the foliation is about $30-40^{\circ}$ but steeper dips up to $80^{\circ}$ is also possible. The foliation, particularly towards the lower contact of the Lycian Nappes, is deformed by $\sim E \sim W$-trending asymmetric and overturned folds with axes paralleling the Lycian front (e.g., Çağlayan et al., 1980; Bozkurt and Park, 1999; Whitney and Bozkurt, 2002). The regional foliation in the metasediments posses everywhere top-N kinematics and are attributed to a top -N thrust faulting during early Alpine contractional deformation and coeval main Menderes metamorphism. In and around the southern Menderes shear zone regional top- N fabrics are overprinted by exhumation-related top-to-the-S sense of shear. This presence of top-N and overprinting top-S fabrics forms the most overwhelming evidence to support the inverted nature of the southern Menderes shear zone (SMSZ) (Bozkurt et al., 2006; Whitney et al., 2002; Bozkurt 2004, 2007).

Contact between the cover schists and overlying cover marbles is also controversial. One school argues for a conformable boundary where schists and marbles form part of the same sequence (Çağlayan et al., 1980; Konak et al., 1987; Dora et al., 2001; Özer et al., 2001; Rimmelé et al., 2003b; Jolivet et al., 2004) whereas others claim for a thrust fault (Cyclades-Menderes thrust) relationship (Gessner et al., 2001a; Ring et al., 1999, 2003; Régnier et al., 2003, 2007; Whitney et al., 2008). The latter model proposes that marbles belong to Cycladic Massif in the Aegean. Gessner et al. (2001c) considered that Cyclades-Menderes thrust is coeval with Selimiye shear zone and runs subparallel to each other. Detailed studies make the structure world-widely important, because juxtaposition of different metamorphic grade rocks is not related to Tertiary extensional deformation but also with nappe stacking (Régnier et al., 2003). In contrast, there is overwhelming evidence that top-to-the-S shear sense is caused by crustal extension (e.g., Bozkurt and Park, 1994; Hetzel and Reischmann, 1996; Bozkurt et al., 1997a, b, 1999; Lips et al., 2001; Whitney and Bozkurt, 2002; Bozkurt 2004, 2007; Seyitoğlu et al., 2004; Catlos and Çemen, 2005; Iredale et al., 2013).

Figure 1.6 Simplified geological map of the Southern Menderes Massif (from Bozkurt, 2007).

The southern submassif is also interpreted as overturned limb of a large recumbent synform; orthogneiss in the core and younger schists in the rims (Okay, 2001). Whitney and Bozkurt (2002) disputed this model and argued that in an overturned synform the older lithologies should occur in the limbs and younger units in the core. There is also an incompatible relationship with the kinematics as well; the details are explained in Whitney and Bozkurt (2002).

The commonly accepted model in the Menderes Massif suggests that the massif character was acquired during a HT-L/MP main Menderes metamorphism (MMM), which was the result of burial beneath the southerly moving Lycian Nappes; but this model is incompatible with the dominant top- N fabrics both in the core and cover rocks of the massif. The top-to-the-S fabrics exist and they commonly occur within the southern Menderes shear zone or in other parts of the massif where top-to-the-N thrusts were reactivated as top-to-the-S normal faults. The age of top-N fabrics in this regard are also debated and claims range from Precambrian to Eocene (e.g., Bozkurt and Park, 1994; Ring et al., 1999; Gessner et al., 2001a; Oberhänsli et al., 2001; Whitney and Bozkurt, 2002; Catlos and Çemen, 2005).

The main Menderes metamorphism (MMM) is accepted as the main phase of metamorphism. There are several attempts to date the cooling ages in the southern Menderes Massif: (1) 63-48 Ma muscovite and 50-27 Ma biotite $\mathrm{Rb}-\mathrm{Sr}$ mica ages (mean $35 \pm 5 \mathrm{Ma}$; Satır and Friedrichsen 1986); (2) $43.4 \pm 1.3,40.0 \pm 1.8 \mathrm{Ma}, 37.9 \pm 0.4$ Ma and $34.5 \pm 1.4 \mathrm{Ma}{ }^{40} \mathrm{Ar} /{ }^{39} \mathrm{Ar}$ muscovite ages (Hetzel and Reischmann, 1996); (3) $\left.{ }^{40} \mathrm{Ar}\right)^{39} \mathrm{Ar}$ muscovite age of $32 \pm 0.5 \mathrm{Ma}$ from augen gneisses (Gessner et al., 2001a); (4) 47.1 $\pm 6.3 \mathrm{Ma}$ and $42.8 \pm 3.6 \mathrm{Ma}$ (average $42 \pm 5 \mathrm{Ma}$ ) ages from monazite inclusions in garnets (Catlos and Çemen 2005). The evidence is therefore consistent with a Eocene age for the MMM (see Table 1.1 for details of geochronologic campaign in the southern Menderes Massif).

The other model about rock units of the Menderes Massif argues that the submassif consists of a stack of nappes (Menderes nappes) and there is no stratigraphic relationship between the so-called core and cover rocks (Ring et al., 1999; Gessner et al., 2001c, Régnier et al., 2003, 2007). The so-called core rocks are regarded as the structurally lower nappe (Çine nappe), the schist cover, the Selimiye nappe and the marble cover, the Dilek nappe. In this model, marbles of the Dilek nappe are correlated with Cycladic HP marbles and the contact between the underlying Selimiye and overlying Dilek nappes is interpreted as a thrust fault, namely the CycladesMenderes thrust.


Figure 1.7 Simplified stratigraphic section of the southern Menderes Massif (from Rimmelé et al., 2003a).

### 1.6 PREVIOUS STUDIES: THE KURUDERE HP-LT ROCKS

There are several other controversial issues about the southern Menderes Massif and its complex poly-tectono-metamorphic-magmatic history but most lies outside the scope of this research. That is why previous section is mainly concentrated on some of the most crucial issues that are related to the main scope of this research.

To shed lights on some of the above-mentioned controversial issues, the metaconglomerates exposed near Kurudere (Selimiye-Milas) area are investigated. These rocks formed the subject of a number of studies and below a summary from relevant papers will briefly be presented.

Besides Lycian Nappes and eastern Mediterranean area, the blueschist facies rocks in whole southern Menderes Massif are scarce and are mostly represented by relic paraganesis (magnesiocarpholite-kyanite and chloritoid assemblages) in the metaconglomerates (Oberhänsli et al., 2001; Rimmelé et al., 2003a; Jolivet et al., 2004; Whitney et al., 2008; Pourteau et al., 2013). Three localities in the southern Menderes Massif are Nebiler village (near Kavaklıdere), near Ören (Muğla, Gökova Gulf) and Kurudere village (Selimiye-Milas). Meteconglomerates in the Kurudere village (Figures 1.4 and 1.8) forms the mostly studied key unit where HP-LT metamorphic relics were first observed and reported by Rimmelé et al. (2003a).

Metaconglomerates in the Kurudere area occur at the base of the cover marbles and is characterized by quartz pebbles within micaceous matrix; the relative abundance of micas and quartz in the matrix is variable from one location to another. There are two important studies on the Kurudere metaconglomerates by Rimmelé et al. (2003a) and Whitney et al. (2008).

Rimmelé et al. (2003a) reported magnesiocarpholite-kyanite-chlorite-quartz assemblages within quartz veins. Relic hair-like fibres of magnesiocarpholite is characteristic and locally occur with kyanite which occurs as a long and rough prisms running parallel to the magnesiocarpholite micrometer-scale fibres; the authors argued that carphiolite in this particular locality is very similar to those occurences in the eastern part of Samos (cf. Okrusch et al., 1984). Pyrophyllite is reported as secondary retrograde mineral. Phengite is rarely observed in the samples from Kurudere and their crystals show close parallelism with the kyanite crystals. A regional foliation is welldeveloped and is oriented in NE-SW direction and dips to the SE. Several small-scale intrafolial folds are common structural elements and many are apparent when they deform quartz veins with HP relics.


Figure 1.8 Geological map of the southern Menderes Massif showing the location and distribution of HP
assemblages (from Rimmelé et al., 2003a).

The discovery of carphiolite in cover series of the southern submassif is interpreted to suggest that the MM underwent HP-metamorphism during Alpine history. P-T conditions are determined with phase equilibria as $10-12 \mathrm{kbar}$ and $440{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ during Eocene which can be correlated with Eocene ( $40 \pm 0.4 \mathrm{Ma}$; Oberhansli et al., 1998) blueschists described in the Mesozoic marble sequence of the Dilek Peninsula (min. $10 \mathrm{kbar} / \mathrm{max} .470{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$; Candan et al., 1997). Rimmelé et al. (2003a) speculated a responsible mechanism for this HP metamorphism as burial contemporaneous with Alpine subduction and nappe stacking. More recently, Pourteau et al. (2013) determined $45.9 \pm 2.0 \mathrm{Ma}$ phengite (white mica) $\mathrm{Ar}-\mathrm{Ar}$ age from these rocks.

Rimmelé et al. (2003a) argued for four stages for tectono-metamorphic evolution of submassif; (1) southward movement of Lycian Nappes and burial of Menderes and Cyclades massifs' sedimentary units; (2) the main Menderes Metamorphism related top-to-the-N shearing and north-verging thrusting, folding and consequent HP metamorphism. Top-to-the-N shearing triggered backthrusting of the Lycian Nappes and exhumation of the Lycian HP rocks; (3) final exhumation during Oligo-Miocene $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{S}$ extension in the footwall of km-scale low-angle detachment faults (Figure 1.9). This model was later supported by Jolivet et al. (2004). Rimmelé et al. (2003a) also argued that metasedimentary rocks in the Kurudere area form a part of Menderes 'cover' rocks but HP metamorphism was correlated with Dilek Peninsula (Cyclades) metasedimentary rocks.


Figure 1.9 View of the accretionary complex during the Eocene showing the structural position of the main HP units in Western Anatolia (from Rimmelé et al., 2003a).

Whitney et al. (2008) studied petrology of carphiolite-bearing HP-rocks, estimated $\mathrm{P}-\mathrm{T}$ conditions and discussed their tectonic signifance; they have also addressed the question if these HP rocks belong to the southern Menderes Massif or they form a part of Cyclades. They have reported structural and petrological features of the Kurudere village HP-metasedimentary sequence in detail. They prepared a geological map of the
area (Figure 1.10) and defined four different lithologies: (1) quartz metaconglomerate that contains mm - to cm -scale quartz grains and aggregates. In the matrix, mm-scale phengite was observed with kyanite and chlorite. White mica is rimmed by chlorite. Kyanite is around 7 cm long in quartz veins and mm -scale in the matrix. Aligned quartz grains and kyanite define a well-developed mineral lineation; (2) strongly foliated kyanite schist interlayered with quartz-rich; the foliation is defined by finegrained chlorite and white mica. Bigger chlorite minerals crosscut the foliation. Kyanite is up to 4 mm long; (3) concordant quartz veins within the schist; veins are commonly folded and boudinaged. Some are monomineralic but others contain kyanite crystals, up to 6 cm long, and magnesiocarpholite; (4) carbonate conglomerate in northern margin of the area; they do not contain neither HP index minerals nor quartz veins. Whitney et al. (2008) did not find chloritoid in this area and they suggest that it is conformable with $10-12 \mathrm{kbar}$ and $440{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ conditions. They are more concerned with kyanite in the schists to determine metamorphism conditions. Pseudosection calculations for kyanite schists provide evidence for the stability of garnet and chloritoid but neither has been observed in the unit. On the other hand, the conditions are also stable for carpholite which occurs in quartz veins in the schist.

The orientation of the Karaburun rigde is subparallel to strike of foliation. Foliation dips are variable. Lineation is defined by preferred parallel alignment of quartz augen. Quartz veins are general subparallel to the strike of foliation, folded and boudinaged but in places crosscutting relationships with the foliation is also evident. Quartz grains display foam-texture, curved grain boundaries and well-developed triple junctions. Kyanite and phengite grains were also deformed. Whitney et al. (2008) also documented (1) the occurrence of kyanite not only in the veins, but also in quartz-rich rocks, (2) the presence of carbonate metaconglomerate in the northern margin of the ridge, (3) absence of HP index mineral in carbonate metaconglomerates, and (4) abundance of phengite in quartz-rich rocks and schist. They have also argued that there is no textural evidence for the reaction magnesiocarpholite $=$ kyanite+chlorite+quartz $+\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$, and for the breakdown of carpholite. Additionally, top-to-the-N sense of shear in kyanite- and phengite-bearing quartz-rich unit was interpreted as syn-kinematic with respect to the HP metamorphism whereas top-to-theS sense of shear is observed in north of Kurudere village and are attributed to subsequent extensional deformation. The evidence is further used to suggest that the Kurudere HP rocks have a different P -T history than the so-called schist cover of the southern submassif. But it was difficult to evaluate the metamorphic history because the southern Menderes schists do not record any clues for the presence of a HP metamorphism. This piece of information highlights the importance of Kurudere HP rocks in the better understanding of the the evolution of the southern submassif.

Figure 1.10 Geological map of the Karaburun Ridge (from Whitney et al., 2008).

In the literature, as mentioned above, two conflicting models are proposed to discuss the origin and tectonic significance of HP metaconglomerates in the Kurudere area. One of the model argues that the HP-LT rocks are part of the metasedimentary cover to the Menderes Massif (Rimmelé et al., 2003a; Jolivet et al., 2008) while others claims that the metaconglomerates and overlying marbles are representatives of Cycladic blueschist unit (Ring et al., 1999; Gessner et al., 2001c; Whitney et al., 2008) in the southern Menderes Massif. The latter model also argues that these HP-LT rocks are lithologically very similar to those in the Cyclades; the presence of quartzite conglomerate with interlayered kyanite-chloritoid schists supports this contention (Gessner et al., 2001c). If the southern submassif HP rocks are part of the Cycladic blueschist unit, then the age of metamorphism should be middle Eocene $\left({ }^{40} \mathrm{Ar}\right)^{39} \mathrm{Ar}$ phengite ages from Cyclades $=55-45 \mathrm{Ma}$; e.g., Wijbrans et al., 1990) and must have taken before the main Menderes metamorphism. The most recent $45.9 \pm 2.0 \mathrm{Ma} \mathrm{Ar}-\mathrm{Ar}$ mica age (Pourteau et al., 2013) from Kurudere metaconglomerates casts doubts on this model. This further brings an important question about the spatial and temporal relationship between HP-LT metamorphism and main Menderes metamorphism (MMM).

The kinematic evolution of the southern Menderes Massif is controversial. Relationship between deformation and metamorphism, the age of the penetrative fabrics in the augen gneisses (Neoproterozoic vs Alpine), the boundary relationships between the so-called core and cover rocks (regional Pan-African angular unconformity, thrust fault or extensional shear zone), the age of augen gneisses and other granitic rocks (Precambrian vs Tertiary), age of metasediments, origin of marbles and associated metaconglomerates form the subject of main controversies and focus of intense research over the last two decades (e.g., Bozkurt and Park, 1994; Ring et al., 1999; Bozkurt 2004, 2007; Whitney et.al., 2008; Candan et al., 2011a, b, c, 2012; Koralay et al., 2011, 2012; Gessner et al., 2013 and several other papers). Some studies argue that the main metamorphism is Alpine and associated with top-to-N fabrics that are locally crosscut by top-to-S greenschist facies extensional shear zones (e.g., Bozkurt and Park, 1997, 1999; Bozkurt, 2007; Seyitoğlu et al., 2004), whereas others attribute the primary fabric to pre-Alpine tectonic events (Neoproterozoic PanAfrican orogeny) overprinted by Alpine top-to-S shear zones (Gessner et al., 2001a, 2004; Régnier et al., 2003). Both top-to-N and top-to-S fabrics occur in the southern Menderes Massif. Others argue that pervasive top-to-N fabrics are result of Alpine contractional deformation during Eocene which made it 'massif'. Alpine contractional deformation phase is characterized by penetrative regional foliation and N -S-trending mineral lineation (Bozkurt et al., 2001). The top-to-S fabrics might occur during retrograde metamorphic evolution at greenschist facies conditions.

The carpholite-bearing metaconglomerates seem to play an important role in understanding the tectono-metamorphic history of the southern Menderes Massif.

Despite of its importance the briefly described models are not supported by overwhelming evidence. For example, the late Triassic age is based on regional correlations but no further evidence is provided. Also, the provenance of the metaconglomerates if they belong to the southern Menderes sequence or form a part of Cycladic unit is based on the presence or absence of HP relics in these rocks. There is therefore an urgent need to shed light in some of these existing controversies over the tectonic significance of the metaconglomerates.

## CHAPTER 2

## DESCRIPTION OF UNITS

### 2.1 INTRODUCTION

Kurudere HP metamorphic rocks, mainly represented by metaconglomerates, occur at the base of the Mesozoic-Early Tertiary marble cover immediately above the Palaeozoic schists (the schist cover) in the southern Menderes Massif (Selimiye, Milas). The marble-dominated HP rocks are located structurally below the HP-LT Lycian Nappes and above the regional metamorphosed (Barrovian type) Palaeozoic schists of the southern Menderes Massif (Figures 1.3, 1.4, and 1.6-1.8). In the nappe model, they form the lowest unit of Cycladic HP unit (Dilek nappe) and lies structurally above the Selimiye nappe (Ring et al., 1999; Gessner et al., 2001c; Régnier et al., 2003, 2007).

As is summarized in Chapter 1, the metaconglomerates at the base of marbles have previously been studied by Rimmelé et al. (2003a) and Whitney et al. (2008). The previous studies have mainly concentrated on the petrology of these rocks and on estimating P-T conditions of their metamorphism. In the present study, we aimed at mapping different lithologic associations (Figure 2.1) and concentrate on the fabric elements that may bear on the regional structure of these rocks. Of course, we have also carried out detailed petrographic analyses of constituent rocks and compared our observations with already published data. Mineralogical investigations are done by using thin sections and backscattered images using scanning electron microscope.

### 2.2 ROCK UNITS

Two different rock units are mapped in the study area: (1) metaconglomerates and (2) metapelites. In addition to all, quartz veins also form important elements of the study area.

Figure 2.1 Geological map of Kurudere HP metamorphic rocks.

### 2.2.1 METACONGLOMERATES

Metaconglomerates in the southern Menderes occur at the base of the marble cover and crops out as isolated exposures at several locations in the area between Bafa Lake in the west and Nebiler (Kavaklıdere) in the east along a belt that runs four about 150 km (Rimmelé et al., 2003a). They are typical deformed and metamorposed conglomerates, containing mainly quartz pebbles of variable sizes. Metaconglomerates are the dominant lithology in the Kurudere area; light greyish white and yellow colours are characteristic. It is a grain-supported rock, characterized mainly by white quartz pebbles within a mica-rich matrix; there are also mm - to cm -scale black quartz/quartzite pebbles (Figure 2.3). The original bedding $\left(\mathrm{S}_{0}\right)$ is readily recognizable and is commonly separated by thin metapelites. The foliation $\left(S_{1}\right)$ is penetrative and is parallel and/or subparallel to the original bedding plane. Thickness of individual beds may reach up to $\sim 1.5-2$ metres. Because of its resistance to weathering, metaconglomerates stand out and form thin ridges in the study area (Figure 2.2); their physical appearance is therefore used as a criteria to recognize them from a distance. In some levels, the removal of the quartz pebbles from the matrix leaves behind cavities/holes, thus forming a characteristic appearance of the rock (Figure 2.3).


Figure 2.2 A view from thin ridges formed by metaconglomerates.
Relatively small pebbles are deformed, flattened, elongated in the plane of foliations (Figure $2.4 \mathrm{a}-\mathrm{d}$ ); in many cases the long axes of elongated pebbles are aligned parallel to the mineral stretching lineation in the rock. Whereas larger pebbles resist deformation and they commonly occur as asymmetric grains with a typical $\sigma$ geometry, giving the rock an augen structure (Figures 2.3 and $2.4 \mathrm{e}, \mathrm{f}$ ). The penetrative foliation dips to the south and is defined by the parallel alignment of micas, quartz grains and flattened quartz pebbles. The lineation is also penetrative and is mostly
defined by the parallel and preferred alignment of micas, stretched quartz grains and elongated quartz pebbles; the general trend of lineation is $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{S}$ and plunge is toward south. The deformed and elongated pebbles define a well-developed discrete object lineation and indicate the intensity of the ductile deformation that accompanied their metamorphism.


Figure 2.3 A view from the metaconglomerates. Please note abundance of holes left behinde by the weatering and removel of quarz pebbles.


Figure 2.4 Views from the metaconglomerates. (a) There is grain size variation within the same bed where pebble-rich and pebble-poor domains seem to alternate. (b) The lateral passages between pebbly and sandy levels are also common. (c, d) In almost everywhere larger quartz pebbles are deformed, flatenned and elongated in the plane of foliation. In such cases, foliation is pronounced and penetrative. (e, f) In other cases, large quartz pebbles resist deformation and appear as large porphyroclasts within a fine grained matrix foliation, thus giving the rock an augen structure. Note in (f) how relatively smaller pebbles are flatenned and elongated and define the matrix foliation. Also, matrix foliation abust against the large quartz pebble.


Figure 2.5 A view from the metaconglomerate. Note the difference in the degree and intensity of deformation between relatively larger and smaller quartz pebbles. Also note that one of the larger pebbles defines $\sigma$-geometry, which is consistent with a top-to-the-left sense of shearing. Foliation is penetrative and well developed; elongated and flattened quartz pebbles in the foliation plane are evident.

The matrix is comprised of quartz, white mica, chlorite and kyanite. Quartz grains display undulose extinction. Mica minerals are preferably parallel aligned and define the main foliation in the rock (Figure 2.6). Quartz in the matrix tends to form equant grains whereas those larger grains occur as augen and commonly show subgrain formation with characteristic patchy and/or undulose extinction. In many cases, the larger grains are actual clasts but there are also examples of disaggregated quartz veins as well. The dominal structure, defined by the concentration of quartz and mica and as well as the grain size variation in quartz, is a very characteristic feature of matrix lithologies (Figure 2.6). Smaller quartz grains commonly are elongated and define a ribbon structure; individual quartz grains are aligned parallel to each other and define the main foliation in the rock. Larger grains show characteristic undulose extinction and perfect triple junctions (Figure 2.6). Relatively thin white mica (phengite) domains are also characteristic and occur in-between quartz-rich domains (Figure 2.6). The white-mica domains are also characteristic and observable at outcrop-scale and commonly define the main foliation in the rock.

The chlorite is also common and occurs together with phengite; it forms thin rims around the white mica grains. Twinned and deformed large kyanite also occurs as main constituent of this rock (Figures 2.7 and 2.8). This observation is consistent with that of Whitney et al. (2008) and is in conflict with that of Rimmele et al. (2003), who suggested that kyanite occurs only in the quartz veins. Accessory minerals are magnetite, zircon, rutile, epidote and apatite (Figure 2.9). Rutile, replacing magnetite, is also observed in some of the thin sections.


Figure 2.6 Photomicrograph from matrix of the metaconglomerate. Note domainal structure of the rock, defined by quartz- and mica-rich domains. There are also textural differences in the quartz domains. Fine-grained equant quartz grains (to the left) define a ribbon structure where long axis of elongate quartz grains define a foliation paralleling that of white mica foliation. Larger quartz grains are characteristic with their patchy and undulose extinction and define well-developed triple junctions (TJ) among the grains; this indicates the role of recovery process. Otherwise, quartz grains tend to show regular and straight boundaries with local embayments. Mica-rich domain (Mca) defines a penetrative foliation and also forms the boundary between quartz-rich domains.


Figure 2.7 Photomicrographs from the metaconglomerate. (a-d) Microscopic (crossed polars) view of kyanite (Ky) and quartz (Qtz). Note that kyanite in (a) tends to show parallelism with the foliation in the rock. Quartz grains in both microphotograph are larger crystals and show undulatory extinction. Note also triple-grain boundary among grains in lower left corner of (d). (b, c) BSE images of kyanite and quartz.


Figure 2.8 Photomicrograph (crossed polars) of a coarse kyanite ( Ky ) together with quartz $(\mathrm{Qtz})$ and phengite $(\mathrm{Ph})$ in matrix of the metaconglomerate.

| Element | Weight\% | Atomic\% |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  |  |  |
| O K | 48.55 | 73.81 |
| Ti K | 50.85 | 25.75 |
| Fe K | 0.60 | 0.18 |
| Totals | 100.00 |  |
|  |  |  |
|  |  |  |



Figure 2.9 Rutile, as an accessory mineral, was determined by using SEM Jeol JSM6490 electron microscopy and INCA software.

Because of high-grade deformation, it is hard to say if there exist graded bedding in the metaconglomerates. The pebble size may be used as an evidence but in most cases pebbles are flattened and elongated in the plane of foliation making it almost impossible to see if there was a grain size gradation within a single bed. For this reason, we have no evidence to test if the sequence or a part of sequence is upright or not. It is clear that there is both a lateral and vertical gradation between metaconglomerates and metapelites; the presence of pebbles in the metapelites can be used as a circumstantial evidence to support this contention. In some cases when one follows a metaconglomerate unit laterally, it appears that thickness of individual beds are variable along strike, suggesting channel conglomerate occurrences within sandstones and/or metapelites. In other cases, individual metaconglomerate beds pinch out laterally (Figure 2.10).


Figure 2.10 Field view illustrating lateral passages between metaconglomerate and metapelites.

The metaconglomerates occur in two distinct horizons and the metapelites lie inbetween (Figure 2.1). The field observations confirm that they are very similar to one another but there is no stratigraphic evidence to test if these two levels are actually the same conglomerate horizon within the metasedimentary sequence or they represent two distinct horizons. This is very important because if the same metaconglomarate repeats in the succession, it may well be related with an overturned fold structure. Because lithological means are not strong enough to test this alternative, the structural elements - particularly their kinematics- are preferred; this will be presented and discussed in Chapter 4.

### 2.2.2 METAPELITIC ROCKS

In the study area, metapelitic rocks occur as grey to reddish coloured, mica-rich, fine-
grained unit that contains phengite lenses and boundinaged quartz veins. Penetrative foliation dips south and is invariably associated with mineral stretching lineation. Extensive folding at smaller scales and crenulation cleavage formation can be given as most characteristic features of the pelitic rocks. They are equivalent to kyanite schists of Whitney et al. (2008).

Quartz, white mica (phengite), chlorite, kyanite form main constituents whereas magnetite, rutile, tourmaline are accessory minerals. Preferred parallel alignment of micas defines the penetrative foliation in the rock; in most cases elongated quartz grains with their long axes accompany micas in defining the foliation. Large quartz grains show characteristic undulose extinction and in same samples show straight grain boundaries with triple junctions. Micas, both phengite and chlorite, form the most dominant components of the rock.

Chlorite occurs commonly as fine-grained crystals and defines the penetrative and strong foliation in the rock while coarser grains overgrow and/or cross-cut the main matrix foliation, defined by fine-grained phengite and chlorite; the coarser chlorite grains give the rock a spotted texture which can readily be recognizable in the field (Figure 2.11). In Çileklik Hill (Figure 2.1), cm-scale chlorite grains are characheristic in the metapelites but in the northern side of the study area (Lomburt Hill and Karaburun Hill), chlorite occur as fine-grained crystals, which can only be observed microscopically (Figure 2.11). Large chlorite occurs as late syn- to post-tectonic large megacrystals overprinting the main matrix foliation of the rock (Figure 2.12). The inclusions pass through large porphyroclasts and parallels the matrix foliation. The chlorite megacryts also have random orientation, thus confirming their relative posttectonic nature. In all examples, chlorite appears to be the product of retrogression and may well be related to the exhumation of HP rocks but this lies outside scope of present research and requires detailed fabric analyses together with detailed analytical work. Kyanite is also characteristic and occurs as larger crystals. Fibrous and/or prismatic crystals of magnesocarphiolite are also observed (Figure 2.13).


Figure 2.11 (a) Field view from coarse ( cm -scale) chlorite grains in metapelites. Note how they overgrow the main foliation in the rock and gives the rock a characteristic appearance, spotted texture. (b) The coarse chlorite occurs as high relief, strongly pleochrioc (from pale light blue to dark blue) mineral under microscope (plane light view). (c) Parallelly and lamelly extincted from light green, light blue to dark purple chlorite in crossed polars microscopic view is characteristic.


Figure 2.12 Photomicrographs (plane light) of post-tectonic chlorite (Chl) porphroblasts overprinting older matrix foliation (f). Note random orientation of large porphryoblasts in (a) with respect to the main foliation. Note also how inclusions in the porphroblasts are parallel to, and pass into, the matrix foliation.


Figure 2.13 Microscopic view of carpholite (Car) crystals in infolded metapelite.
Metapelitic rocks are not homogeneous; in some locations (e.g., in the area between Çileklik Hill and Lomburt Hill; Figure 2.1) they are finer-grained, contains small quartz pebbles (Figures 2.14a and 2.15) and are interlayered with quartzite (Figure 2.14b). Where they are interlayered with quartzite, small-scale folds are common. The quartz veins are also abundant (Figure 2.14c) and they are commonly boundinaged; in some cases the quartz veins are disrupted into smaller pieces, which appear as pebbles in the metapelites. Crenulation cleavage is best determined in this level of the metapelites. In all cases, their structural attitudes (strike and dip of foliation, trend of lineation) of the metapelites remain constant throughout the mapped. The most and common structure of the metapelitic rocks is the presence of crenulation cleavage. A detailed information will be given in Chapter 4.


Figure 2.14 Views of metapelites exposed in the area between Çileklik Hill and Lomburt Hill (see Figure 2.1 for location): (a) quartz pebbles in the metapelite; (b) boudinaged quartz veins within fine-grained metapelitic unit; (c) folded in reddish metapelitic unit.


Figure 2.15 A view from a large flattened quartz pebble in the metapelites. Note that the pebble is large enough to appear as a thin layer within pelites.

### 2.2.3 QUARTZ VEINS

Folded, boudinaged, cm- to m-scale quartz veins (magnesiocarpholite-kyanite-chlorite-quartz) are common features of the metapelites; they display sharp but concordant relationships with the main foliation of the metapelites (Figures 2.16 and 2.17). They are important because these veins are interpreted as synmetamorphic (Candan et al., 2011a) elements in the Kurudere area.


Figure 2.16 A close-up view of a quartz vein is within the metapelitic rocks. Pen is about $13-\mathrm{cm}$ long.


Figure 2.17 Views from deformed and folded quartz veins. Note S-shape geometry of the vein (a) and thickening in the hinge zone (b) of folds.


Figure 2.18. Views from the quartz veins in the Kurudere area: $(a, b)$ monominerallic milky quartz veins within the metaconglomerate unit; (c) kyanite-quartz vein; note blue kyanite blades with random orientation; (d) a quartz vein characterized by dense magnesiocarpholite fibers; (e) a deformed/folded milky quartz vein.

Some of the quartz veins are monomineralic and contains coarse quartz grains (Figure $2.18 \mathrm{a}, \mathrm{b}$ ), but some others contain large blue kyanite blades and magnesiocarpholite fibers (Figure $2.18 \mathrm{c}, \mathrm{d}$ ). One of the quartz veins at Karaburun Ridge contains cmscale kyanite within folded and occur within black metapelitic unit (Figure 2.20). The orientation of kyanite blades with respect to the general trend of the quartz veins is variable; there is no preferred orientation. The large kyanite crystals provide evidence for crystal-scale deformation where they are bent or even folded. White mica, phengite, is common around large kyanite crystals.

Magnesiocarpholite $\left[(\mathrm{Fe}, \mathrm{Mn}, \mathrm{Mg}) \mathrm{Al}_{2}\left(\mathrm{Si}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{6}\right)(\mathrm{OH})\right]$ occurs as thin fibrolites within the quartz veins and has been used as the evidence of HP metamorphism in this section of the southern Menderes Massif (cf. Rimmelé et al., 2003b; Whitney et al., 2008). They occur as green coloured elongate, fibreous or thin prismatic crystals (Figures 2.18d and 2.19); carphiolite is also observed as inclusions within quartz crystals. The chlorite is also commonly found within these rocks. Magnesiocarpholite is also used in estimating P-T conditions of HP metamorphism in Kurudere area (see Chapter 1 for details). Magnite and rutile form accessory minerals in the quartz veins.


Figure 2.19 A field view from fibrous magnesiocarpholite (Car) in a quartz vein (Qtz).


Figure 2.20 A view from kyanite-bearing quartz vein in folded black metapelitic unit. Coordinates: $35555015 \mathrm{E} / 4139481 \mathrm{~N}$. Pencil is about 13-cm long.

## CHAPTER 3

## U-Pb GEOCHRONOLOGY AND Hf ISOTOPE DATA

### 3.1 INTRODUCTION

Dating the rocks and their metamorphism/deformation forms the most important and may be the most difficult stage during a geological research. This has been achieved by using several different methods; some of these techniques have to be used collectively to acquire a full and a more sound geological history. $\mathrm{U}-\mathrm{Pb}$ and $\mathrm{Pb}-\mathrm{Pb}$ ages (on zircon, monazite, titanite, allanite and xenotime) by conventional, evaporation, SHRIMP or ICP-MS laser ablation methods are commonly used in dating the crystallization age of magmatic rocks. In some cases, similar ages are used to date metamorphism and associated deformation. Cooling and exhumation history of lowermiddle crustal rocks, both magmatic and metamorphic rocks, are dated by radiometric (Ar-Ar, Rb-Sr and K-Ar mica and amphibole ages) and/or by thermochronologic (apatite and zircon fission track ages; and apatite $\mathrm{U}-\mathrm{Th} / \mathrm{He}$ thermochronometry) methods. In this way, the tectonic versus erosional denutation mechanisms are tested and alternative exhumation models are proposed. In high pressure rocks, mica ages are commonly used to date the age of metamorphism and associated deformation as well; this basically depends on the temperature conditions of metamorphism. Stratigraphic and/or palaeontological (if fossils are present) means are used in dating the (meta)sedimentary rocks. Dating of detrital zircons are recently used as one of the most prestigious method in dating the (meta)sedimentary rocks; the zircon population is also used to test alternative provenance(s) for sedimentary influx. This, in turn, is used in palaeogeographic reconstructions.

As is described in the Introduction Chapter, the age of the HP rocks in Kurudere area is based on regional correlations and there is no analytical data to support this contention. Also, the origin of the HP rocks is highly debated: i.e., (i) if they belong to the Menderes sequence or (ii) they form a part of Cycladic HP sequence and are tectonically transported into their present configuration. To shed light to the existing questions and controversies, a U-Pb geochronology and Hf isotope analyses are carried out on samples from the HP rocks of the Kurudere area. The HP metaconglomerates were possibly sourced from different sedimentary provenance(s) and that they may contain detrital zircon peculiar to a specific provenance/source. UPb isotope system is measured to determine the age of detrital zircons and in turn the sedimentation age of metaconglomerates; the age of youngest zircon puts a lower limit
to sedimentation age. Whereas Hf isotope is measured to have idea about provenance of the metaconglomerates. Laser ablation induced couple mass spectrometry method (LA-ICPMS) is used for measuring because of its sensitive ion counter system. It is relatively a cheap and quick method and one can measure several zircon grains in a day.

In this chapter, procedure(s) for sampling, process of mineral separation and analytical methods, based on laboratory experience and available literature, are described. The reasons of why detrital zircons and laser ablation induced couple mass spectrometry method (LA-ICPMS) are also explained.

### 3.2 MATERIAL

Sampling is the first and important step in radiometric dating. After determining which mineral to date and method for deciphering the geological problem, samples are taken from freshest part of relevant lithology; the location, stratigraphic position and field characteristics of each sample are noted. The sample location is chosen according to stratigraphic/structural position/importance and lithological characteristics.

Four samples were taken from the metaconglomerates in Karaburun and Çileklik hills (Figure 2.1, Table 3.1). Fine-grained metapelites were not sampled because they hardly contain enough number of detrital zircons.

Table 3.1. List of samples from Kurudere metaconglomerates.

| sample number | lithology | Location | coordinates | measured isotope system |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 331 | metaconglomerate | Karaburun Hill | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 35554906^{\circ} \mathrm{E} \\ & 4139463^{\circ} \mathrm{N} \end{aligned}$ | $\mathrm{U}-\mathrm{Pb}$ and Hf isotope systems |
| 332 |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Karaburun } \\ & \text { Hill } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 355550376^{\circ} \mathrm{E} \\ 4139445^{\circ} \mathrm{N} \end{gathered}$ |  |
| $\begin{gathered} 333 \\ 333 B \end{gathered}$ |  | Çileklik Hill | $\begin{gathered} 35554290^{\circ} \mathrm{E} \\ 4139561^{\circ} \mathrm{N} \end{gathered}$ |  |

### 3.3 MINERAL SEPARATION

In geochronological studies, specific minerals should be separated. There are different methods. During this study, zircon grains are separated. Mineral separation and subsequent analyses were done in Geochronology and Radiogenic Isotope Laboratory,

Institute of Geoscience, Göethe University of Frankfurt. The order and variety of separation process is variable according to capacity of laboratories. In Frankfurt, there are six different steps for zircon separation from field up to mass spectrometer stage; they are:

1. crushing,
2. wilfley table,
3. heavy liquid,
4. magnetic separator,
5. hand picking,
6. epoxy, polishing and cathodoluminescence

These steps are briefly explained in Appendix A.

### 3.4 METHOD

The basic principles of absolute dating are radioactivity and halflife. Mass spectrometry (MS) is widely used to: (i) generate ions from compounds by any suitable method, (ii) separate these ions by their mass-to-charge ratio ( $\mathrm{m} / \mathrm{z}$ ) and (iii) detect them qualitatively and quantitatively by their respective $\mathrm{m} / \mathrm{z}$ and abundance. The analyses may be ionized thermally, by electric fields or by impacting energetic electrons, ions or photons. The ions can be single ionized atoms, clusters, molecules or their fragments or associates. Ion separation is effected by static or dynamic electric or magnetic fields (Gross, H.J., 2010). The above-given definition has been useful with additions since 1963.

There are many different combinations of machines and they vary according to aim of study. The mechanism of a mass spectrometer is outlined in Figure 3.1. It is possible to measure different element's ratio by using different configurations of mass spectrometers. To determine the relevant method, lithology of the samples, minerals to date, isotope system and amount of elements in the minerals must be considered.


Figure 3.1 Simplified scheme of a mass spectrometer (from Gross, H.J., 2010).

In this study, detrital zircons are analysed. Laser ablation induced couple mass spectrometry method (LA-ICPMS) is chosen as the most relevant method because the machine can measure low amount of U-Pb concentration (for younger events) with sensitive ion detector. Drilling the mineral with laser beam just takes 53 seconds per spot and the error range is less than other methods. But corrections and software are complex and data process needs long-lasting experience.

### 3.4. $\quad$ FEATURES OF ZIRCON AND ISOTOPIC SYSTEMS

Zircon $\left(\mathrm{ZrSiO}_{4}\right)$ is zirconium orthosilicate and common accessory mineral of sedimentary, igneous and metamorphic rocks. Zircon keeps substantial chemical and isotopic information in its structure which is caused to use it in a wide range of geochemical investigations, including studies on the evolution of Earth's crust and mantle and age determination (Finch and Hanchar, 2003 and references therein). The mean abundance of $\mathrm{HfO}_{2}$ in zircon is $2.0 \mathrm{wt} \%$, and it consists of trace amounts of $\mathrm{P}, \mathrm{U}$ and Th and rare-earth elements (REE) (e.g., Hoskin and Schaltegger, 2003; Zlatkin, 2011). In zircon, uranium ( U ) is more compatible than lead ( Pb ). So amount of nonradiogenic Pb is less in zircon that makes data process easier.

Not only chemical composition, but also closure temperatures are effective factors to choose mineral for measuring. Closure temperature is the temperature value when a mineral starts to be a crystal; mineral becomes a close system while mass is still an open system. Each mineral has different closure temperatures. The closure temperature of $\mathrm{U}-\mathrm{Pb}$ isotopic system in zircon is more than $850^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ (Davis et al., 2003); this means it forms at the beginning of magma process or recrystallized under high-grade metamorphism. Also thermal events may affect the zircons by overgrowing rims around inherited cores or may disturb their structure which can be seen on their zoned texture. Disturbed zonation might be a clue for resetting isotopic clock or lead loss. So, CL images are taken to examine internal structures and to determine the proper spots for measuring.

Another advantage of zircon is its durability. Zircon may be reprocessed through the rock cycle and still keeps durability. Zircon is a major mineral in the Earth's oldest known dated rocks. If the system has zircon once, it stays in there. This feature of the mineral makes detrital zircons more important and valuable for provenance analysis. A mixed sedimentary population of zircons will resist to metamorphism even the metamorphic grade is so high. During metamorphism, if suitable temperature is reached and fluids are present, zircons may have overgrowths as rims around older cores. On the other hand, durability of zircon is challenged and may be misleading because multiple sedimentary events and/or low-grade metamorphic events might be ignored and/or missed out because no overgrowths may develop.

Detrital zircons are reliable sources for $\mathrm{U}-\mathrm{Pb}$ and Hf isotopes measurements. Because of the high compatibility of Hf in zircon, the $\mathrm{Lu}-\mathrm{Hf}$ system is considered as more resistant than U-Pb system and the mineral's initial ${ }^{176} \mathrm{Hf} /{ }^{177} \mathrm{Hf}$ ratio is usually preserved even when the $\mathrm{U}-\mathrm{Pb}$ system was reset (cf. Kinny and Maas, 2003 and references therein).

### 3.4.1.1 U-Pb SYSTEMS

This method establishes the time of origin of a rock by means radioactive halflife of uranium $(\mathrm{U})$ /thorium $(\mathrm{Th})$ to lead $(\mathrm{Pb})$. Uranium $(\mathrm{U})$ is radioactive (parent) element and has two radioactive isotopes: $\mathrm{U}^{238}$ and $\mathrm{U}^{235}$. Lead $(\mathrm{Pb})$ is radiogenic (daughter) element and end product of Uranium. It has 4 isotopes: $\mathrm{Pb}^{204}, \mathrm{~Pb}^{206}, \mathrm{~Pb}^{207}$ and $\mathrm{Pb}^{208}$ (Dickin, 2005).

Common lead $\left(\mathrm{Pb}^{204}\right)$ is any lead from a rock or mineral that is contained in the mineral when it forms; it is not a product of radioactivity of uranium or thorium. Common lead is used for correction in data processing and it forms an important parameter to obtain more reliable results. U-Pb system has long halflife, and this gives a chance to date the oldest rocks.
$\mathrm{U}^{238} \longrightarrow \mathrm{~Pb}^{206}+8 \mathrm{He}^{4}+6 \beta \quad$ Half-life of $\mathrm{U}^{238}=4.47 \mathrm{Ga}$
$\mathrm{U}^{235} \longrightarrow \mathrm{~Pb}^{207}+7 \mathrm{He}^{4}+4 \beta \quad$ Half-life of $\mathrm{U}^{235}=0.704 \mathrm{Ga}$
$\mathrm{Th}^{232} \longrightarrow \mathrm{~Pb}^{208}+6 \mathrm{He}^{4}+4 \beta \quad$ Half-life of $\mathrm{Th}^{232}=14.05 \mathrm{Ga}$ (Neptune F., 2004)
$\mathrm{Pb}^{204}$ is non-radiogenic isotope.
$\mathrm{Pb}^{206}$ is daughter isotope of $\mathrm{U}^{238}$.
$\mathrm{Pb}^{207}$ is daughter isotope of $\mathrm{U}^{235}$.
$\mathrm{Pb}^{208}$ is daughter isotope of $\mathrm{Th}^{232}$ (Dickin, 2005).

Uranium (U) and thorium (Th) elements are incompatible in the mantle, but they are compatible in the crust. During crystallisation of magma, U and Th are concentrated in the liquid phase and attend to the silica-rich magma. Therefore felsic compositions are more enriched in U and Th than mafic compositions and crustal rocks have more U and Th concentration than mantle rocks (Geyh and Schleicher, 1990; Dickin, 2005). It signs that granitic rocks have perfect materials for $\mathrm{U}-\mathrm{Pb}$ dating.

### 3.4.1.2 Hf ISOTOPE

Lutetium is the heaviest rare earth element (REE) and has two isotopes; $\mathrm{Lu}^{175}$ and radioactive $\mathrm{Lu}^{176}$. The latter decays to $\mathrm{Hf}^{176}$ with $\beta$-emission or $\mathrm{Y}^{176}$ with electron capture which is so rare (Dickin, 2005).

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\mathrm{Lu}^{176} \longrightarrow \mathrm{Hf}^{176}+\beta \quad \text { Half-life of } \mathrm{Lu}^{176}=37.8 \mathrm{Ga} \text { (Dickin, 2005) }
$$

Lutetium-hafnium (Lu-Hf) isotopic system is used as a clue for the crustal events (e.g., Patchett et al., 1981; Kinny and Maas, 2003; Zlatkin, 2011). Mother isotope Lu ${ }^{176}$ radioactively decays to daugther isotope $\mathrm{Hf}^{176}$ with $\beta$-decay. The half-life of the reaction is 37.8 Ga .
$\mathrm{Lu} / \mathrm{Hf}$ model age is used for determining formation age of mineral (Geyh and Schleicher, 1990). The $\mathrm{Lu} / \mathrm{Hf}$ ratios may provide to date metamorphic events. Not only garnet but also zircon, monazite, apatite contain Hf isotope in their lattice which is very resistant to Hf mobility and contamination (Dickin, 2005).
$\mathrm{Hf}^{176} / \mathrm{Hf}^{177}$ ratio, standartized to CHUR and multiplied by 10000 and called as $\varepsilon \mathrm{Hf}$ value and is measured to determine the source of grain. Hf enters the residual magma faster than Lu during magma process. Differentiation during formation of the Earth's crust led to lower $\mathrm{Lu} / \mathrm{Hf}$ ratio in crust while higher ratio in the mantle. During the time, as a result of radioactivity of Lu , amount of Hf increases in the mantle whereas low initial Hf isotope ratio in crustal rocks (Dickin, 2005). So pozitive $\varepsilon H f$ value remarks juvenile crustal source, negative $\varepsilon \mathrm{Hf}$ value indicates reworked crustal source (e.g., Patchett et al., 1981; Dickin, 2005; Zlatkin, 2011).

If zircon crystallizes from juvenile crustal source, $\mathrm{U}-\mathrm{Pb}$ and $\mathrm{Lu}-\mathrm{Hf}$ ages will be close to each other. But if there is a reworking process, isotopic clock will reset for $\mathrm{U}-\mathrm{Pb}$ but Hf isotope system will be resistant. Both ages will be discordant to each other. That's why $\mathrm{U}-\mathrm{Pb}$ age is needed for interpretation of $\varepsilon H f$ value for provenance analysis (e.g., Dickin, 2005; Zlatkin, 2011 and reference therein).

### 3.4.1.3 U-Pb-Hf COMBINATION FOR ZIRCON

The combination of U-Pb-Hf isotopic systems provides more reliable provenance data for detrital zircons. For each zircon U-Pb age is calculated and different aged grains are analysed for Hf isotope at the almost same spot place with $\mathrm{U}-\mathrm{Pb}$ data. Isotopic study of single-grain of detrital zircon is commonly used in determining different detrital populations derived from various sources. U-Pb system allows calculation of crystallization ages; $\varepsilon \mathrm{Hf}$ value is an indicator of crustal provenance. Plotting the two datum in the same graph means recognition of crustal forming events and reworking events as well as the provenance of the grains. It is also possible to comment if a magma mixed or not (cf. Zlatkin, 2011).

### 3.4.2 INTERPRETATION OF CL IMAGES

Zircons from the same sample may have various types of zonations and crystal shapes. Idiomorphic and xenomorphic grains with oscillatory, sectored and convolute zoning are possible (Figure 3.2).


Figure 3.2 CL images showing different zone structure of zircons which may occur in the same sample (Sample 331): (1) disrupted zoned texture, convolute zonation in an idiomorphic crystal; $(2,3)$ relatively U-less core and U-rich rim with oscillatory zoning; $(4,5)$ sector zoned inherited core with U-rich oscillatory zoned rim; (6) sector zonation of a grain; (7) perfect, bright oscillatory zoning; (8) xenomorphic grain with metamorphic rim; (9) disturbed oscillatory zoning in idiomorphic crystal; (10) idiomorphic crystal with oscillatory zonation; (11) U-poor core and U-rich rim in xenomorphic crystal; (12) composite zircon -inherited core and magmatic growth; $(13,14)$ partly preserved zonation and recrystallization; $(15)$ xenomorphic grain with inherited core and rim without zonation (featureless) (from samples 331, 332, 333, 333B).

### 3.4.3 ANALYTICAL PROCESS

$\mathrm{U}-\mathrm{Pb}$ isotope ratio to determine the age of the rock units for detrital zircons was measured with laser ablation induced couple mass spectrometer (LA-ICPMS) in Geochronology and Radiogenic Isotope Laboratory, Institute of Geoscience, Göethe University of Frankfurt. The analyses were performed with ThermoScientific Element 2 ICP-MS coupled to a Resolution M-50 excimer laser system. The laser is transported onto the grains from the laser beam with a flow of the noble gas (argon or/and helium) and mass spectrometer is calibrated to measuring of appropriate isotope masses. Laser spot-sizes were between 33-50 micrometer, depending on the $U$ content and size of the zircon grains (Gerdes and Zen, 2006; Zen et al., 2007). After per 30 spots, standarts GJ-1 ( 606 Ma ), Felix ( 500 Ma ), Plesovice ( 350 Ma ) and 91500 ( 1050 Ma ) were measured to check the calibration of the machine and determine constant values for data processing (Slama et al., 2007). The spots should be decided before starting analyses. If there exist, cores and rims of the zircons should be analysed separately; perfectly zoned and crack-free parts of the zoned structure to be selected for analysis (Figure 3.3).


Figure 3.3 CL images and ablated spots for measuring $\mathrm{U}-\mathrm{Pb}$ and Hf isotope ratio. Red circles shows location of spots.
$\mathrm{Hf}^{176} / \mathrm{Hf}^{177}$ and $\mathrm{Lu}^{176} / \mathrm{Hf}^{177}$ ratios were measurement in ThermoScientific Neptune multi-collector ICP-MS, coupled to RESOlution laser system with 50 micrometer spot-size, following the method described by Gerdes and Zeh (2006) and Zeh et al. (2007). Hf isotope should be measured almost at the same spot location with $\mathrm{U}-\mathrm{Pb}$ measurement. GJ-1 was measured as standard for Hf isotope.

The raw data is processed by using an in-house MS Excel spreadsheet program (Gerdes and Zen, 2006, 2009; Millonig et al., 2012). The processed data is plotted on concordia diagrams by Isoplot 3.71 (Ludwig, 1990).

### 3.5 RESULTS

CL images of detrital zircons from picked samples and U-Pb detrital zircon ages from HP metaconglomerates are given in Figures 3.6, 3.9, 3.12, 3.15 and Table B. 1 in Appendix A. The results are plotted on concordia diagrams (Figures 3.4, 3.7, 3.10 and 3.13) and probability/density diagrams (Figures 3.5, 3.8, 3.11, 3.14 and 3.16) using Isoplot (Ludwig, 2003). All data are processed with 2 sigma uncertainties. Only $90-110 \%$ concordant data points are plotted. The percentage of Neoproterozoic, Paleoproterozoic and Mezoproterozoic ages are shown with piecharts on probability/density diagrams based on the geologic time scale 2012.

The youngest concordant grain's age is $298 \pm 5 \mathrm{Ma}$, (conc. 104\%), Asselian, lowest Permian age (Figures 3.13; Table B. 1 in Appendix A). Zircon grain is idiomorphic, oscillatory zoned. U-rich (dark colored) and U-less (light colored) light beams are clearly seen (Figure 3.13, Table B.1).

The oldest grain is Mezoarchean in age ( $3020 \pm 16 \mathrm{Ma}$; conc. 101\%) (Figure 3.13; Table B.1). The grain is composite zircon and inherited core was measured. Relatively core has more U concentration than rim but both of them are in light color (Figure 3.13).

The large number of grains belongs to Cambrian ( $541.0 \pm 1.0$ to $485.4 \pm 1.9$ million years), Ordovician ( $485.4 \pm 1.9$ to $443.4 \pm 1.5$ million years) and Cryogenian (850-635 million years; Neoproterozoic) ages. There is no or a few zircon grains in $1.1-1.7 \mathrm{Ga}$ time interval and it is remarkable in almost all dated samples (Figure 3.16; Table B.1). Less number or absence of 1.1-1.7 Ga (Mezoproterozoic) old grains marks northern Gondwana provenance (cf. Gebauer, 1993) and is common signature of detrital zircons from the Menderes and the Cycladic massifs.

In probability/density plots peaks occur in Late Cambrian and Early Ordovician time interval (Figures 3.5, 3.8, 3.11, 3.14 and 3.16). There are sharp decrease in number of detrital zircons in Early Cambrian ( $541 \pm 0.3$ to $509 \pm 1.7$ mya), Tonian (1000 to 850
mya; early Neoproterozoic) and beginning of Mezoproterozoic (1,600 to 1,000 mya); this is also used as typical profile for Northern Gondwana Terranes (cf. Gebauer, 1993). The density of grains in Paleoproterozoic ( 2,500 to 1,600 mya) and Archean (before 2,500 mya) is not as much as pre-Mezoproterozoic ages but amount of Statherian ( 1,800 to 1,600 mya) and Orosirian ( 2,050 to 1,800 mya) age grains are observed. Late Plaeoproterozoic ages are rare but the population of NeoArchean ( 2,800 to 2,500 mya) ages increases. All samples belong to the same lithology, so all data is combined and plotted in single probability/density diagram (Figure 3.16).


Figure 3.4 U-Pb concordia diagram of detrital zircon ages from sample 331.


Figure 3.5 Probability/density plot of detrital zircons from sample 331.


Figure 3.6 CL images of analyzed detrital zircons in sample 331.


Figure 3.7 U-Pb concordia diagram of detrital zircon ages from sample 332.


Figure 3.8 Probability/density plot of detrital zircons from sample 332.


Figure 3.9 CL images of detrital zircons picked from sample 332.


Figure 3.10 U-Pb concordia diagram of detrital zircon ages from sample 333.


Figure 3.11 Probability/density plots of detrital zircons from sample 333.


Figure 3.12 CL images of analysed detrital zircons belong to sample 333.


Figure 3.13 U-Pb concordia diagram of detrital zircon ages from sample 333B and the youngest zircon grain with U-rich core and U-poor rim.


Figure 3.14 Probability/density plot of detrital zircons from sample 333B.


Figure 3.15 CL images of analysed detrital zircons picked from sample 333B.


Figure 3.16 Probability/density plot of all processed detrital zircon grains.
For measuring $\varepsilon H f$ value, zircon grains with concordant ages were chosen. Younger (<1000 Ma) and older (>1000 Ma) grains and all grains were plotted in the diagram together with their U-Pb ages (Figures 3.17, 3.18 and 3.19; Table B.2) (DM= Depleted Mantle, $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{DM}}=$ model age $)$.


Figure 3.17 U-Pb-Hf plot of detrital zircons younger than 1000 Ma .


Figure 3.18 U-Pb-Hf plot of concordant detrital zircon grains older than 1000 Ma .


Figure 3.19 U-Pb-Hf plot of all concordant zircon grains.

Hundred and fourtyfour grains, which are younger than Mezoproterozoic, were measured for $\varepsilon \mathrm{Hf}$ values. $77 \%$ of relatively younger grains (< 1000 Ma ) have negative (-) \&Hf values; this indicates a reworked crustal source. $23 \%$ of younger grains belong to juvenile crustal sources. Most of the reworked sourced-grains' $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{DM}}$ age is around 1.0 Ga . There is almost no depleted mantle sourced grains in younger sequence (Figure 3.19). There are three Cambrian grains with $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{DM}}$ ages older than 2.7 Ga and have the highest $\varepsilon H f$ negative values.
$\varepsilon \mathrm{Hf}$ values of forty older grains ( $>1000 \mathrm{Ma}$ ) were measured. $62.5 \%$ of these grains have negative $\varepsilon \mathrm{Hf}$ values and less number of the grains belong to juvenile crustal source. $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{DM}}$ ages are between 1.0 and 2.7 Ga and there are two Siderian grains with $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{DM}}$ ages older than 2.7 Ga ; they belong to a reworked crustal source.

The importance of $\varepsilon H f$ values and $\mathrm{U}-\mathrm{Pb}$ ages will be discussed briefly in Chapter 5 .

## CHAPTER 4

## STRUCTURAL GEOLOGY

### 4.1 INTRODUCTION

In this chapter, detailed information about macro- and micro-scale geological structures observed and investigated during both field and laboratory studies will be given. The kinematics of fabric elements will also be presented and their tectonic significance discussed.

### 4.2 STRUCTURAL FEATURES

The most common structures in Kurudere area are foliation, lineation, crenulation cleavage and mesofolds. In the following sections these structures will be described briefly.

### 4.2.1 FOLIATION AND LINEATION

'Foliation' is used here as a general term to define penetrative planar structures which formed as a result of homogeneous deformation in a body of rock. In the study area, the metasedimentary units are characterized by a well-developed, penetrative, southdipping foliation; it is the most obvious structure both at macroscopic scale in the field and at microscopic scale (Figures 4.1, 4.2 and 4.3a).


Figure 4.1. (a, b) Field appearances of foliation in the metaconglomerates. Note that it is pronounced and penetrative in the fine-grained parts and is defined by the preferred parallel alignment of micas and quartz grains. Larger quartz pebbles are either flattened in the plane of foliation or stand out as resistant porphyroclasts, giving the rock an augen structure ( $\mathrm{f}-$ foliation). (c) Where deformation is intense, many quartz pebbles are flattened and elongated; together with micas and fine quartz grains; flattened grains define the main foliation in the rock. (d) Field view of the foliation in the metapelitic rocks. Pencil is about $13-\mathrm{cm}$ long.


Figure 4.2 S-dipping foliation at microscopic scale where it is defined by the preferred parallel alignment of mica minerals and long axis of quartz ribbons. Note the dominal structure defined by alternating quartz- and mica-rich domains. Note also texture and size of quartz grains in quartz-domains as well.

Foliation is defined by parallel alignment of micas, long axis of quartz ribbons and long axis of flattened and elongated quartz pebbles. Microscopically, 001 surfaces of mica flakes show preferred parallel alignment that defines the main foliation in the rock. The dominal structure defined by mica- and quartz-rich domains give the rock a gneiso-structure and indicates both the intensity of deformation and high-degree of metamorphism. Foliation in the metapelites is relatively more pronounced and defined mostly by parallel allignment of micas together with quartz; if quartz pebbles are present, they also show parallelism with its axes (Figure 4.3a). Deformation of the foliation by small-scale wrinkles are common (Figure 4.3b). Foliation parallel quartz veins are mostly deformed and boundinaged within the plane of foliation (Figure 4.3)

The general strike of the foliation is constant throughout the study area; northwest-southeast (Figures 2.1 and 4.4a) striking foliation dips to the south. The amounts vary between $32^{\circ}$ and $78^{\circ}$.

The other penetrative structure is the mineral stretching lineation; it is well-defined by the preferably aligned mica and quartz grains and the long axes of flattened and
elongated quartz pebbles in the metaconglomerate. The general trend of moderately $\left(40^{\circ}\right)$ south-plunging lineation is approximately $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{S}$ (Figure 4.4b).


Figure 4.3 Views from metapelites in the area between Çileklik Hill and Lomburt Hill (see Figure 2.1 for location): (a) quartz pebbles (indicated by blue circles) in metapelites, (b) small-scale fold in a reddish metapelitic unit, (c) boudinaged quartz veins in fine-grained metapelitic unit. Note how quartz veins are disrupted and isolated within the metapelites in (c). Pencil is about $13-\mathrm{cm}$ long.

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Figure 4.4 Stereonet pole plots of (a) south-dipping foliation and (b) almost $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{S}$ trending mineral stretching lineation in the Kurudere area (Rockworks16).

### 4.2.2 CRENULATION CLEAVAGE

Crenulation cleavage (tectonic secondary cleavage) is the another common structure in the study area (Figure 4.4a). It is more pronounced and penetrative in the metapelitic rocks than metaconglomerates. It commonly occurs a discrete asymmetric crenulation cleavage.

Crenulation cleavage appears as harmonic wrinkles deforming a pre-existing foliation. The new foliation cuts across the old foliation and is defined either by both limbs of symmetric crenulations or by long limb of asymmetric crenulations. Old foliation is preserved in microlithons as the hinge of symmetric crenulations and/or as the short limbs of asymmetric crenulations. Width of microlithons depends on wavelength of the crenulations. Crenulation cleavage is observed both in macroscopic and microscopic scales (Figure 4.5) as asymmetric discrete crenulation cleavage with rounded hinges. These structures indicate localization of shearing whereas the development of shear bands that cut across a pre-existing foliation and define new cleavage domains. Because there are observable displacements along crenulation cleavages, some are termed as shear cleavage as well (Figure 4.6). The general trend of the hinge lines of crenulation cleavages is $140-190$ and average plunge is $35^{\circ}$ southeastward (Figure 4.7a).

The crenulation cleavages suggest either a change in the direction of principle stress or an axial surface fabric formation related to the development of a larger scale fold(s) (cf. Dupee, 2005; Twiss and Moores, 2007). Symmetric zonal crenulation may form as a response to shortening parallel to a pre-existing foliation. The old foliation is rotated toward low angles to the axial surfaces of the new crenulations, which form the new foliation. Solution of new material from the limbs may create the new foliation. Such symmetric crenulations, which may have rounded or sharp hinges commonly occur in the core of a lower-order fold, where the crenulation foliation is subparallel to the axial surface of the fold. In this model, the direction of maximum shortening is normal to the crenulation foliation (Figure 4.8).

Asymmetric crenulation can form by shortening at a low angle to the initial foliation. The axial surface of kink develop at a high angle to the original foliation and are parallel to a new crenulation foliation defined by the short limbs of the crenulations in which the old foliation rotates into subparallel with the new foliation. There is no net shearing of the body parallel to the new foliation, and the axis of maximum shortening is normal to the new foliation. An asymmetric crenulation can develop from a symmetric one by preferential solution of components from one set of limbs (Figure 4.9).


Figure 4.5 (a) Field view and (b) photomicrograph of crenulation cleavage in metapelites. $S_{1}$ - older foliation, $S_{2}-$ crenulation cleavage.


Figure 4.6 A view from shear cleavage developed in the metapelites. Note milimetricscale displacement along discrete cleavages.

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Figure 4.7 Stereonet pole plots of (a) hinge line of crenulation in metapelites, and (b) hinge line of folds (fold axis) in the metaconglomerates (Rockworks16).


Figure 4.8 Mechanism of a symmetrical crenulation foliation $S_{2}$ by buckling $S_{1}$. (a) Initial foliation $S_{1}$ parallel to the direction of maximum shortening. (b) Shortening generates symmetrical crenulation by buckling or (c) chevron style of crenulation (from Twiss and Moores, 2007).


Figure 4.9 Production of asymmetrical crenulation foliation $S_{2}$ by buckling of $S_{1}$. a) Initial foliation $S_{1}$ is at a low angle to the direction of maximum shortening. b) Asymmetric crenulation is occured by buckling of $S_{1} . S_{1}$ has rotated to a low angle
with the crenulation axial surface and defines the short limb of the crenulation. Hinges may be sharp or rounded (Twiss and Moores, 2007).

### 4.2.3 FOLDS

Folds form the most prominent structural elements of the HP rocks in the Kurudere area. They deform the main foliation and occur as asymmetric and/or overturned mesoscale structures. Their geometry and kinematics vary between northern and southern parts of the study area; typical S- and Z-geometries are possible. The structure is more pronounced where there is a contrasting rheology: quartz veins and flattened/elongated quartz pebbles or thin sandstone horizons in the coarse metaconglomerates make the folds to appear more clearly. For this reason these structures are commonly observed in metaconglomerates (Figures 4.10 and 4.11).

Folds are also obvious where dark, black-greyish fine-grained (sandstone or sandy mudstone) intercalations are present within the metaconglomerates. The thinly bedded mica-rich layers are commonly strongly folded. Unfortunately many of the observed examples of such folds are not in their position; most are obvious on loose blocks of the metaconglomerates and this makes it almost impossible to measure the attitudes of these structures. Where developed, the folds occur as small-scale undulations with well developed hinge lines (Figure 4.11a, b). The asymmetry and shape of mesofolds are used to determine sense of shearing during their formation (see next section). The general trend of the hinge lines is in NW-SE direction where average plunge is about $26^{\circ}$ southeastward (Figure 4.7b).


Figure 4.10 Folded thin, fine-grained dark metapelitic unit within the metaconglonerates, Karaburun Ridge.


Figure 4.11 General views from mesoscales folds in the metaconglomerates. (a, b) Folds are obvious where metaconglomerates contain think dark layers of more sandy levels; in such cases the geometry of the wrinkles and the hinge lines of the folds are obvious for inspection; (c) an overturned intrafolial fold with its axes almost parallel to the folaition; (d) where quartz veins are present, folds become more pronounced; (e, f) Z- and S-geometries are common; in these photographs they indicate top-to-thenorth and top-to-the-south sense of shear respectively; (g, h) flattened quartz pebbles in folded structures.

### 4.3 KINEMATIC INDICATORS

The kinematics of deformation of the metaconglomerates formed one of the most important stage of this research. It was not considered as one of the aims of the thesis study at the begining of the research. Field observations, particularly occurrence of metaconglomerates at two distinct horizons and the possibility that they may represent the same stratigraphic level in the metasedimentary sequence, made it crucial to explore further if the two horizons display same sense of shear or not. If the two metaconglomerate horizons represent the same stratigraphic level, and if each horizon show opposite kinematics; this may indicate an overturned fold. Otherwise they either represent different metaconglomerate levels or there is a fault somewhere in-between. These differences made it crucial to explore futher about the sense of shear in each metaconglomerate horizon. Below, a brief summary is given.

The main foliation in the metasedimentary rocks show kinematic indicators that bears on the sense of motion during their metamorphism and associated deformation. Characteristic kinematic indicators include stair-stepping geometry of quartz pebbles and coarse mineral grains/porphyroclasts, orientation of hinge line of folds and fractures in megacrystals, the assymetry and shape of mesofolds and C-S fabrics. The resistant quartz grains and pebbles isolated within the matrix foliation forms the most overwhelming evidence about the movement direction in the field. Oriented thin sections are investigated to confirm field observations and to realize the movement of direction at microscopic scale.

Kinematic indicators in Karaburun and Lomburt hills (see Figure 2.1 for location) are consistent with a top-to-the-south direction of movement at both macroscopic and microscopic scale (Figure 4.12) while those in the south, top-to-the-north shearing (Figure 4.13). The opposite sense of shearing in two distinct horizons of the metaconglomerate is an important observation. In the following lines and figures, evidence that supports sense of shearing will briefly be presented.

The geometry and shape of folds are also used as a kinematic indicator, and in all cases they are in-line with other kinematic indicators. Z- and S-geomeries are common
(Figure 4.11e, f). The folds in the northern metaconglomerate horizon are consistent with top-to-the-south sense of movement, whereas those in the north, top-to-the-south shearing, thus confirming other kinematic indicators.


Figure 4.12 Views of kinematic indicators from northern side of study area: (a, e) Mesofolds in the metaconglomerates; the folds are obvious where metapelites intercalations occur. (b) Microscopic view of quartz grain oriented oblique to the main foliation in the rock. The long axis of quartz grain defines the $S$-foliation whereas the matrix foliation, C surfaces; (c) Mesoscale en-échelon folds in the metaconglomerate; (d) Poorly-developed $\sigma$-geometry defined by a large quartz porphyroclasts and dynamically recrystallized mantle around it. Note that the quartz is dynamically recrystallized into smaller subgrains. The undulose extinction of new grains is evident. Note also thin blade of white mica defining the S-foliation in the rock. The stairstepping geometry defined by larger grain and deformed mantle is evident. The C-S fabric development in (b) and (d) forms overhelming evidence for movement sense. The asymmetry and shape of the folds are considered to suggest sense of shear. All of these meso- and micro-structures are consistent in indicating a top-to-the-south sense of shear. Thin sections are cut parallel to the mineral strecthing lineation and perpendicular to the main foliation in the sample.


Figure 4.13 Top-to-the-north kinematic indicators in Çileklik hill in the south of the study area. (a-d) o-type quartz porphyroclasts and pebbles embedded within a finegrained matrix of quartz, white mica and chlorite. Note how matrix foliation wraps around porphyroclasts and deformed pebbles. In all, the stair-stepping geometry of recrystallized and/or elongated tails is pronounced. (e) Microscopic view of a quartz pebble. The quartz grain is dynamically recrystallized into subgrains, each of which show characteristic undulose extinction. The boundaries of subgrains are irregular/serrated and indicates that grain-boundary migration is an important deformation mechanism subsequent to subgrain formation. Deformation band formation and kinking are also characteristic. The long axis of the porphyroclast defines the S-foliation whereas matrix foliation of white mica and fine-grained quartz represent the C -foliation.

## CHAPTER 5

## DISCUSSION

Measurements of $\mathrm{U}-\mathrm{Pb}$ and Hf systems in detrital zircons of the metaconglomerates in Kurudere HP quartz-metaconglomerate are first reliable geochonological data from the southern Menderes Massif. The existing questions relates to (i) the age of the unit and (ii) the origin of the metaconglemarates; that is if they belong to the Cyclades or form part of the marble cover succession in the Menderes Massif, will all be addressed below.

### 5.1 AGE OF THE METACONGLOMERATES

The youngest concordant detrital zircon age(s) will form a lower limit to the sedimentation age of the rock samples; that is the protolith age must be younger than the youngest zircon. The ca. 298 Ma (Asselian, earliest Permian) is the youngest zircon in the metaconglomerates. This indicates that the age of sedimentation could be any age younger than earliest Permian, thus supporting the proposed late Triassic age. At this stage because there is no further evidence, a late Triassic age by Rimmele et al. (2003b) is accepted.

### 5.2 ORIGIN OF THE METACONGLOMERATE

The origin of metaconglomerates is more difficult to interpret. Because there are two schools suggesting differing terranes for the origin of the metaconglomerates, the Cycladic and Menderes massifs must be considered equally. Here the source/provenance of sediments to the metaconglomerates needs to be tested. To do that the available literature will briefly be summarized to see if detrital zircon populations in the Cycladic and Menderes metasediments have clear and pronounced differences.

### 5.2.1 CYCLADIC MASSIF

Crustal deformation in Aegean backarc has occured progressively during slab retreat. Extension started with exhumation of Rhodope Massif in the Eocene and migrated
southwards through Cyclades and Menderes Massif in the Oligocene and early Miocene.

Cyclades was described as an extensional core complex (Lister et al., 1984) because it shows very similar structures, both in time and space, as cordilleran-type core complexes: (i) a ductile shear zone with mylonitic rocks, (ii) elongated domes with long axes parallel to the stretching lineation, (iii) syn-tectonic granitic magmatism, (iv) progressive deformation during decreasing temperature conditions through first by mylonitization then progressively by more brittle deformation to cataclasis in the immediate footwall of low-angle faults and (v) structurally overlying unmetamorphosed rocks.

The Cyclades is located in the back-arc of the southward retreating Aegean subduction zone in the central Aegean Sea (cf. Bolhar et al., 2010 and references therein). Stratigraphically, Cycladic blueschist unit contains (i) Variscan orthogneissic basement with Hercynian ages (e.g., Keay, 1998; Engel and Reischmann, 1998; Ring et al., 1999; Tomaschek and Ballhaus, 1999; Tomaschek et al., 2001, 2008; Philippon et al., 2012 and references therein), (ii) the sedimentary cover with depositional age between Early Carboniferous to Eocene (e.g., Dürr et al., 1978; Dubois and Bignot, 1979; Pohl, 1999; Philippon et al., 2012), (iii) an ophiolitic mélange ( e.g., Ring et al., 1999). The Variscan basement and sedimentary cover series were intruded by Triassic granitoids (e.g., Reischmann, 1997; Ring et al., 1998, 1999; Philippon et al., 2012).

In Eocene time, this sequence experienced a high pressure-low temperature (HP-LT) metamorphism during the closure of Neotethys; later overprinting high temperaturelow pressure (HT-LP) Barrovian-type metamorphism during Oligo-Miocene time was related to exhumation (e.g., Ring et al., 1999; Keay and Lister, 2002; Jolivet et al., 2012). Dilek/Selçuk nappes in Dilek Peninsula have the same metamorphic evolution with Cyclades and are considered as the continuation of the Cycladic HP rocks in the Menderes Massif (Ring et al., 1999 other references).

Keay et al. $(2001,2002)$ reported results of an extensive geochronological work in the pre-Carboniferous metasediments of the Cyclades. Several peaks were identified during Precambrian time: 2900-2850, 2500-2450, 2050-2000, 1900-1800 and 1700 1650 Ma . Less amount of Mezoproterozoic age is noteworthy. Peaks are also distinguishable for 1000-950 Ma (Tonian) and 900-800 Ma (Cryogenian-snowball Earth) intervals. For Paleozoic time, bimodal distribution in 650-550 Ma and 400-450 Ma intervals are significant for the Cyclades (Figure 5.1).


Figure 5.1 Published detrital zircon ages from the Cyclades Massif (Keay et al., 2001; Keay and Lister, 2002).

### 5.2.2 SOUTHERN MENDERES MASSIF

The geology of the Menderes Massif is described in Chapter 1. Here a brief summary will be presented. The southern Menderes has a typical tri-partitate lithologic associations: (i) a metagranitic rocks that forms the so-called 'core' of the massif; it is mainly represented by orthogneisses (traditionally known as augen gneisses) of largely Precambrian age and subordinate metasediments and gabbroic rocks; (ii) so-called 'cover schists': they are composed of variable mica-quartz schists with or without garnet, psammitic rocks and intercalated marbles. The age of the sequence is largely considered as early Paleozoic-Ediacaran; and (iii) so-called marble cover of dominantly marbles with metabauxite occurrence at several different levels. Dolomites and rudist-bearing exposures are also described (see section 1.5 for further details).

The boundaries between core and cover schists and cover schist-marble formed the subject of controversies over the last three decades and several different intepretations are made (see also section 1.1-1.5).

The massif posses a regional foliation with mostly top-to-the-north motion; it is attributed to so-called main Menderes metamorphism. It is a prograde metamorphism that reached amphibolite facies conditions at the structurally lowest levels and gradually decreases upward to low greenschist facies conditions. It occurred in the Eocene time (Bozkurt 1996; Hetzel et al., 1998; Bozkurt and Park, 1999; Whitney and Bozkurt 2002; Régnier et al., 2003, 2007 and the references therein). The age of the main Menderes Massif is considered as Eocene ( $\left.\sim 35 \mathrm{Ma} ;{ }^{40} \mathrm{Ar}\right)^{39} \mathrm{Ar}$ mica cooling ages; see Table 1.1 for details and references).

There is also evidence for a top-to-the-south low-greenschist facies overprint associated with the deformation along, and exhumation in footwall of, the southern Menderes shear zone. Similar top-to-the-south fabrics are observed at different structural levels within the southern Menderes and they are attributed to reactivation of top-north thrust faults (e.g., Bozkurt and Park, 1997, 1999; Rimmelé et al., 2003; Bozkurt, 2004, 2007; Bozkurt et al., 2006; Whitney et al., 2008). The age of shear zone deformation and top-to-the-south fabrics are not dated geochronologically; an inferrence of Oligocene-early Miocene is based on regional correlations. The southern Menderes Massif was therefore interpreted as an incipient core complex of extensional type (Bozkurt and Park 1994 and several papers thereafter).

To summarize, there is no reported evidence of HP metamorphism from the schists of the southern Menderes Massif but the marble cover does. The metaconglomerates in the Kurudere area form the lowest part of the marble cover; the age of metamorphism is recently reported as $45.2 \pm 2.0 \mathrm{Ma}\left({ }^{40} \mathrm{Ar}\right)^{39} \mathrm{Ar}$ phengite age; Pourteau et al., 2013). This age correlates well with the age data from Cycladic blueschists. The absence of evidence for HP metamorphism in cover schists and core augen gneisses further suggests that marble cover of the southern Menderes Massif have different tectonometamorphic history compared to the rest of massif and that the core and schist cover of the massif have occupied tectonic setting different than that of marble cover or the two essamblages occurred and experienced different histories at different structural levels.

The most recent data about the detrital zircon geochronology from the Menderes Massif has already been given in section 1.1 and it will not be repeated here. These ages are from the lowestmost lithologies of the schist cover and are represented by four samples and about 150 zircon grains; it is therefore not clear to us if the available detrital zircon ages are statistically useful for comparison or not. There is also no data from the so-called marble cover rocks.

### 5.2.3 COMPARISON OF CYCLADES AND SOUTHERN MENDERES MASSIF

Similarities and differences between Cyclades and Menderes Massif are important parameters to understand the geological evolution of Western Anatolia. Both massifs are considered to be linked each other and form a part of Median Crystalline Belt (Dürr et al., 1978) which is one of the world's typical blueschist belts (Candan et al., 1997). On the other hand, Ring et al. (1999) argued that both massifs do not correlate: Cyclades and Menderes Massif have entirely different age of basement, architecture, pre-Alpine and Alpine deformation history. Cyclades has Variscan basement that close to the Eurasian margin in the Triassic whereas Menderes Massif has Pan-African basement and was not affected by the Variscan orogeny. Two massifs were
amalgamated before the deposition of Mesozoic cover (Jolivet et al., 2012). Puzzling the other data and the occurence of Triassic intrusions in both massifs indicates that they have mostly same Precambrian evolution, different Paleozoic history and similar Mesozoic cover processes (cf. Keay and Lister, 2002; Jolivet et al., 2012). Because the Menderes Massif have thicker crust it provides to preserve pre-extensional structures better than Cyclades; the total amount of extension in the Menderes is therefore less than in Cyclades (Jolivet and Brunn, 2008; Jolivet et al., 2012).

When examined closely, there are several differences and similarities to be accounted. The first one relates to the basement/core of the both massifs. While Cyclades are characterized by Variscan orthogneissic basement with Hercynian ages, the core of the southern Menderes is widely made up of Precambrian orthogneisses with subordinate schists and gabbros (they show relict HP metamorphism). The absence of Variscan granites and Hercynian ages in the southern Menderes is characteristic and this is used as a key point to distinguish between the two.

It is obvious that the core and cover schists of the southern Menderes Massif and marble cover have different metamorphic histories. If the two rock associations have formed a part of the Menderes succession, Palaeozoic schists and Precambrian orthogneisses must have experienced Eocene HP metamorphism or there should not be evidence of HP metamorphism in the marbles and metaconglomerates. This piece of evidence has been the main criteria of those suggesting a Cycladic origin for the marbles of the southern Menderes Massif (Ring et al., 1999; Gessner et al. 2004; Whitney et al. 2008). The new ca. 45 Ma phengite age (Pourteau et al., 2013) confirms this ascertain.

### 5.3 PROVENANCE OF KURUDERE METACONGLOMERATES

Discovery of Fe -Mg-carpholite in the marble cover sequence of the Menderes Massif indicates a HP metamorphism (Rimmelé et al., 2003b; Whitney et al., 2008). Absence of HP relics in the core and cover schists of the Menderes Massif made the researchers to explore more about the origin and provenance of the HP rocks in the southern Menderes Massif. The HP assemblages suggest that these rocks were buried to, at least, 35 km in a cold gradient (up to $12 \mathrm{kbar}, 450-500^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ ) (cf. Whitney et al., 2008; Jolivet et al., 2012). On the other hand, core and cover schists were subjected to temperatures in excess of about $500^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ at relatively low pressures ( $6-8 \mathrm{kbar}$; Whitney and Bozkurt, 2002) during the Eocene. This further means that the two rock associations behaved as two distinct terranes during the Eocene and do not belong to each other. The Ar-Ar phengite age of $45.2 \pm 2.0 \mathrm{Ma}$ (Pourteau et al., 2013) from the Kurudere metaconglomerates further suggests that Kurudere HP rocks share synchronous metamorphism and evolution with the Cycladic blueschist unit. It is off course necessary to question the fact that single age data may not be enough to make a
firm conclusion but the meaning of the available data needs to be stated and discussed in any case.

The number and type of metamorphic events in both massifs are also different. As mentioned above Cyclades has two metamorphic events: HP in the Eocene and overprinting Barrovian-type greenschist facies metamorphism during the OligoMiocene time (e.g., Oberhansli et al., 1998; Jolivet et al., 2012; Keay and Lister, 2002; Pourteau et al., 2013 and several other references therein). Except the Kurudere HP metamorphic unit, there are no HP relics in southern Menderes Massif schists. The main Menderes metamorphism is a regional Barrovian-type event and occurred during the Eocene. The available age data therefore suggest that HP metamorphism in the Cyclades and regional Barrovian metamorphism in the Menderes Massif must have occurred almost at the same time and that both massifs occupied different tectonic settings and/or occurred at differing structural levels during the Eocene. This further indicates that the presence and/or absence of Eocene HP metamorphism can be used as an evidence to distinguish between the Cyclades and Menderes Massif.

The similarities between the Kurudere HP metaconglomerates and the Cycladic blueschist unit are not arise from the age of metamorphism but also from the newly documented U-Pb ages and probability-density plots of detrital zircons.

The comparison between basements of two massifs has been complex before Palaeozoic time. Both massifs and Kurudere HP units have almost the same profile in Mezoproterozoic ages (e.g., Keay et al., 2001; Keay and Lister, 2002; Zlatkin et al., 2013); lack and/or less amount of ages between 1200-1700 Ma interval indicates northern margin of Gondwana as a provenance (cf. Gebauer, 1993; Keay and Lister, 2002).

In Cryogenian ( 850 to 635 Ma ; Neoproterozoic) is cited as the beginning of sedimentation of protolith of the 'gneiss core' in the southern Menderes Massif (Şengör and Satır, 1984); the sediments therefore lack of 900-700 Ma zircons (Kröner and Șengör, 1990). Recently published data from the Southern Menderes Massif clearly displayed decreasing trend between 900-700 Ma (Zlatkin et al., 2013) and support this idea. While Menderes Massif was derived from north Africa, primitive magmatic rocks produced in Cyclades during the development of an active continental margin (Reischmann et al., 1991; Keay and Lister, 2002), this range of detrital zircon ages $(900-700 \mathrm{Ma})$ are common in the Kurudere metaconglomerates (Figures 3.16 and 5.2).

There is also bimodal distribution of zircon ages in 650-550 Ma interval from both the Cyclades and the Menderes Massif. Thus statistically wave-like (bimodal) distribution
of 550-650 Ma detrital zircons from the Kurudere HP rocks are very similar to that of Cyclades and the Menderes and symbolize Pan-African orogeny (Figures 5.1-5.3).


Figure 5.2 Published probability-density plots of detrital zircon from Southern Menderes Massif schists (from Zlatkin et al., 2013).


Figure 5.3 Bimodal distribution of detrital zircon ages between 550 and 650 Ma that symbolize two distinct stages of during Pan-African Orogeny.

Şengör et al. (1984) argued that late Ordovician-early Devonian (453.0 00.7 to $393.3 \pm 2.5 \mathrm{Ma}$, Gradstein and Ogg, 2004) in the Menderes Massif corresponds to a tectonically quite period with limited number of magmatic activity. Thus, there is a very low probability for the sediments derived from the Menderes to contain 450-400 Ma zircons in contrast to Cyclades (Keay and Lister, 2002). The presence of many Ordovician and Silurian detrital zircon ages (Figure 3.16) from the Kurudere HP metaconglomerates supports a more Cycladic origin.

The youngest zircon grain ( $298 \pm 5 \mathrm{Ma}$ ) in Kurudere HP units, as mentioned above, is Asselian ( $299.0 \pm 0.8$ to $294.6 \pm 0.8$ mya) and has oscillatory zoning typical for magmatic activity. It is proposed that this grain may belong to a 280-330 Ma, magmatic activity as recorded by Meinhold et al. (2008).
$\varepsilon H f$ values are noteworthy to determine differences between the Menderes Massif and the Kurudere HP metaconglomerates. In the southern Menderes Massif, generally, grains younger than 1000 Ma have $(+) \varepsilon \mathrm{Hf}$ values, sourced from a juvenile crust, and $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{DM}}$ ages are around 1.0 Ga . For older grains ( $\left.>1000 \mathrm{Ma}\right) \varepsilon \mathrm{Hf}$ values are scattered (Zlatkin et al., 2013; Figure 5.4). But younger grains (<1000 Ma) for the Kurudere rocks have $(-) \varepsilon H f$ values, suggesting reworked crustal source; $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{DM}}$ range extends
from 0.71 up to 3.57 Ga . For older grains ( $>1000 \mathrm{Ma}$ ) the values are scattered as expected (Figures 3.19-3.21). The $\varepsilon \mathrm{Hf}$ values of the Kurudere metaconglomerates are therefore not consistent with southern Menderes data. The discrepancy between $\varepsilon \mathrm{Hf}$ values from the southern Menderes schists and Kurudere metaconglomerates is pronounced and is therefore used to favour a Cycladic origin for the metaconglomerates. During Neotethyan magmatic activity, Early-Middle Ordovician age zircons were reworked in the Cyclades. In Kurudere HP units, high population of $(-) \varepsilon H f$ values may indicate this process (cf. Meinhold et al., 2008).


Figure 5.4. $\varepsilon H f$ values southern Menderes Massif (Zlatkin et al., 2013).

### 5.4 INTERPRETATION OF STRUCTURAL DATA

The metaconglomerates form the most important lithologic association in the Kurudere area and occur at two distinct horizons. Their lithologic chracteristics suggest that they may represent the same conglomerate horizon but repeat owing to large-scale structure(s) in the region. The senses of kinematics in two horizons are opposite to each other. The meso- and micro-scale structures, as illustrated in the previous section, are consistent with top-to-the-south shearing in the north and top-to-
the-north shearing in the south. When plotted in a schematic cross-section (Figure 4.14), the distribution of metaconglomerates and kinematic indicators suggest a northvergent recumbent anticline just below the marbles. Similar structures are mapped, using distribution and repetation of metabauxites in the marbles, within the structurally overlying marble sequence (Çağlayan et al., 1980; Bozkurt and Park, 1999).

It must be remembered that any viable structural model should demonstrate the facing direction of metaconglomerate beds in the Kurudere area. Because of intense deformation there is no primary structures preserved in the metaconglomerates. It is therefore not possible to determine and comment on which way the beds are facing. The overturned anticline model is based on the assumption that flexure-slip was the mechanism of folding.

Figure 5.5 Schematic cross-section across the study are and intepretation of kinematic data.

## CHAPTER 6

## CONCLUSIONS

The main results and conclusions reached during this research can be summarized as follows:

1. Of the $\sim 450$ concordant detrital zircon ages from four samples of the Kurudere HP quartz metaconglomerates, the youngest grain is Asselian (earliest Permian) in age ( $298 \pm 5 \mathrm{Ma}$, conc. $104 \%$ ) and the oldest grain is Mezoarchean in age ( $3020 \pm 16 \mathrm{Ma}$; conc. $101 \%$ ). The youngest grain supports previous contentions that the metaconglomerate is late Triassic in age. But care must be taken, because it may be slightly older or may well be early Jurassic as well.
2. The metaconglomerates occur as two distinct horizons in the Kurudere area and they show opposing sense of shearing. Considering that the flexural slip was the mechanism of folding, the kinematics indicates the presence of an overturned anticline. But care must also be taken here because any viable model should be supported by the facing direction, which was not possible to determine.
3. The pattern in probability/density plots of detrital zircon ages, particularly (i) the dominance of Ordovician to Cryogenian (Neoproterozoic) zircons and (ii) lack of zircons in Mesoproterozoic ages (1.1-1.7 Ga), are consistent with a northern Gondwana provenance for the source of protolith to the metaconglomerates.
4. Majority of detrital zircon grains (out of 144 grains) have negative (-) $\varepsilon \mathrm{Hf}$ values and indicates a reworked crustal source; the rest are possibly from a juvenile crustal sources.
5. Presence of many Ordovician and Silurian detrital zircon grains, as well as $\varepsilon H f$ values -very distinct from those reported in the southern Menderes metasediments- are similar to those reported from the Cycladic rocks.
6. The Kurudere HP rocks and possibly the overlying marble series in the southern Menderes Massif may therefore belong to the Cycladic blueschist units, thus supporting previous contentions (Ring et al., 1999; Gessner et al., 2001c, 2004; Régnier et al., 2003, 2007; Whitney et al., 2008). The occurrence of north-vergent overturned fold and associated kinematics are consistent with a top-north emplacement of the Cycladic unit above the Menderes sequence and this might have taken place sometime after Eocene but before late Oligocene.

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## APPENDICES

## APPENDIX A

## PROCESS OF MINERAL SEPARATION

Separating zircon grains in whole massive rock is based on physical separation tecniques. Steps of tecniques may get differ in different laboratories. In Frankfurt, six steps were applied for zircon separation from field up to mass spectrometer stage; they are:

1 crushing,
2 wilfley table,
3 heavy liquid,
4 magnetic separator,
5 hand picking,
6 epoxy, polishing and cathodoluminescence imaging.

## CRUSHING

Crushing was done in Sample Preparation Laboratory, Department of Geological Engineering, Dokuz Eylül University (Figure A.1). Firstly, weathered parts are removed by help of a hammer and the rest massive parts are broken into smaller pieces in a jaw crusher. Gap between jaws should be adjusted for each sample according to its hardness. The ideal size of the grains is around 2-3 cm in diameter. The jaw crushed must be cleaned carefully after each sample because contamination is not tolerated. Then, the processed samples are put into a roller crusher gets to get finer grains. To measure U-Pb system in zircons with LA-ICP-MS, sample must be crushed down to $0.25 \mu \mathrm{~m}$.

Some of the laboratories use sieve during roller crushing. Different range sieves are used to separate finer grains. Coarser grains are processed in roller crusher to get finer pieces. But in Dokuz Eylül University and Göethe University sieving is not used because it is considered as a time consuming process.


Figure A. 1 A view of a roller crushed in the crushing laboratory of the Department of Geological Engineering in Dokuz Eylül University.

## WILFLEY TABLE

Wilfley table stage was also performed in Sample Preparation Laboratory, Department of Geological Enginnering, Dokuz Eylül University. The table is also known as shaking table, concentrating table and gravity shaker.

About $0.25 \mu \mathrm{~m}$-size fragments are put into a wilfley table to separate light minerals (like mica and quartz) from heavy minerals. Powder of a sample is put on the sample container, the grains are separated as the table shakes according to their density. For a better separation, velocity of sample flow, intensity of water flow, frequency of shaking and slope of table must be well adjusted manually according to the of the sample (Figure A.2). Heavy and light minerals accumulate in different decks (decks 1 and 2 and decks 3 and 4, respectively; see Figure A.2).


Figure A. 1 Wilfley table with water and manually adjusted. Light and heavy minerals separation is seen.

When separation of grains is complete for a sample, heavy concentrates in two of the decks (decks 1 and 2) are transferred to different containers and put into an oven to get dry. Light parts are generally thrown but we kept them in case we may need them for other purposes. After complete drying of samples, two containers are taken out. One of them is packed and saved for future use; the second is used in the next step, heavy liquid. Generally, after wilfley table, magnetic separator is performed. But in Göethe University/Frankfurt, heavy liquid is performed to save time because the duration of magnetic separator depends on the amount of sample.

## HEAVY LIQUID

In the third stage, a heavy liguid -bromoform $\left(\mathrm{CHBr}_{3}, \mathrm{~d}=2.88 \mathrm{~g} / \mathrm{cm}^{3}\right)-$ is used (Figure A.3). During this step, perfect separation between relatively heavier and heaviest minerals is performed.


Figure A. 2 The heavy liquid bromoform and sample are mixed in a glass; then wait for sometime until the heavier and heaviest minerals are separated according to their relative density with respect to the density of the liquid. Then the mixture is run through separating funnel.

The heavier part is packed and heaviest part is put in a fume hood and waited for sometime until it loses bromoform. Then, the heaviest portion is dried and prepared for magnetic separation.

## MAGNETIC SEPARATION

Magnetic separator is used to separate minerals based on their magnetic properties; trademark Frantz Isodynamic Magnetic Separator is used in this process (Figure A.4). The magnetic separator contains two large electromagnets and the mineral separates pass on a metal way in-between electromagnets. The intensity of the magnetic field and/or slope of the metal way are specifically adjusted for target mineral. Zircon is non-magnetic under 1.6 A. For zircon separation $0.4 \mathrm{~A}, 0.8 \mathrm{~A}, 1.2 \mathrm{~A}, 1.6 \mathrm{~A}$ intensities are used and after magnetic separation, the powder above 1.6 A is taken for hand picking.


Figure A. 3 View of a magnetic separator in Geochronology and Radiogenic Isotope Laboratory, Institute of Geoscience, Göethe University of Frankfurt.

## HAND PICKING

The non-magnetic part (>1.6 A) of the mineral separate from magnetic separator is studied under binocular microscope (Figure A.5) and zircons are hand picked. Zircon is high relief, prismatic, bright and generally transparent mineral. It is not so difficult to distinguish it from other minerals, except apatite and experience is needed for a easy pick up of zircons.


Figure A. 4 View of a binocular microscope.

## EPOXY, POLISHING AND CATHODOLUMINESCENCE IMAGES

After picking enough number of zircon grains (this about 100-110 grains for sediments and 55 grains for magmatic rocks), they are mounted in a epoxy tablet and then polished to expose their inner zonation with Ar gas (Figure A.6).


Figure A. 5 View of mounted and polished zircon grains ready for cathodoluminescence imaging.

Cathodoluminescence (CL) images of zircons are taken to see zoned structure clearly (Figure A.7); spot locations are selected on CL images. The CL images are obtained in a JEOL-JSM-6490 scanning electron microscope in Geochronology and Radiogenic Isotope Laboratory, Institute of Geoscience, Göethe University of Frankfurt.


Figure A. 6 Cathodoluminescence images of detrital zircons from Kurudere metaconglomerates (sample 331).

After taking CL images and determining spot locations, zircons are ready $\mathrm{U}-\mathrm{Pb}$ for analyses. In this study, laser ablation induced couple mass spectrometry method (LAICPMS) is performed.

## APPENDIX B

## LIST OF U-Pb AND Hf DATA

In the tables below, processed, concordant and discordant $\mathrm{U}-\mathrm{Pb}$ and $\varepsilon \mathrm{Hf}$ data are presented with sample numbers, spot numbers, ratio of measured isotopes and concordant and discordant data. For U-Pb systems, basically Pb isotopes, U isotopes and $\mathrm{Th}^{232}$ were measured. Additionally, $\mathrm{Hg}^{204}$ were measured because of having the same atomic number with common lead $\left(\mathrm{Pb}^{204}\right)$ and to determine the precise age of the minerals.

To calculate $\varepsilon \mathrm{Hf}$ value, $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{DM}}$ ages, $\mathrm{Lu} / \mathrm{Hf}$ ration and $\mathrm{Hf} / \mathrm{Hf}$ ratio were measured.
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| A110 | 20133 | 99 | 38 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1640 | 35 | 1695 | 22 | 1763 | 18 | 93 |
| A111 | 5597 | 212 | 15 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 402 | 10 | 408 | 12 | 440 | 53 | 91 |
| A112 | 11885 | 105 | 15 | 1 | 13 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 13 | 0 | 12 | 0 | 605 | 16 | 625 | 61 | 699 | 263 | 87 |
| A113 | 93852 | 173 | 108 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 12 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2589 | 49 | 2605 | 23 | 2617 | 10 | 99 |
| A114 | 12873 | 297 | 24 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 440 | 10 | 443 | 13 | 459 | 60 | 96 |
| A115 | 10279 | 392 | 26 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 434 | 10 | 438 | 9 | 460 | 27 | 94 |
| A116 | 9519 | 332 | 27 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 455 | 10 | 461 | 11 | 488 | 40 | 93 |
| A117 | 5288 | 186 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 407 | 9 | 408 | 11 | 414 | 52 | 98 |
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| A119 | 3122 | 102 | 8 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 467 | 11 | 464 | 14 | 450 | 64 | 104 |
| A120 | 3222 | 102 | 7 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 418 | 10 | 415 | 14 | 398 | 73 | 105 |
| A121 | 2800 | 105 | 8 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 439 | 10 | 441 | 12 | 456 | 55 | 96 |
| A122 | 21653 | 163 | 26 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 5 | 1 | 10 | 0 | 9 | 0 | 579 | 29 | 644 | 51 | 875 | 187 | 66 |
| A123 | 44671 | 185 | 62 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 5 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1678 | 52 | 1761 | 31 | 1861 | 19 | 90 |
| A124 | 6248 | 85 | 14 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 895 | 20 | 895 | 17 | 896 | 31 | 100 |
| A125 | 19687 | 241 | 45 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 993 | 23 | 980 | 17 | 950 | 24 | 104 |

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| grain | $\begin{gathered} { }^{207} \mathrm{~Pb}^{\mathrm{a}} \\ (\mathrm{cps}) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \mathrm{U}^{\mathrm{b}} \\ (\mathrm{ppm}) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \mathrm{Pb}^{\mathrm{b}} \\ (\mathrm{ppm}) \end{gathered}$ | $\frac{\mathrm{Th}^{\mathrm{b}}}{\mathrm{U}}$ | ${ }^{206} \mathrm{Pbc}^{\mathrm{c}}$ <br> (\%) | $\frac{{ }^{206} \mathrm{~Pb}}{{ }^{238} \mathrm{U}}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \pm 2 \sigma \\ & (\%) \end{aligned}$ | $\frac{{ }^{207} \mathrm{~Pb}^{\mathrm{d}}}{{ }^{235} \mathrm{U}}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \pm 2 \sigma \\ & (\%) \end{aligned}$ | $\frac{{ }^{207} \mathrm{~Pb}^{\mathrm{d}}}{{ }^{206} \mathrm{~Pb}}$ |  | $\mathrm{rho}^{\mathrm{e}}$ | $\frac{{ }^{206} \mathrm{~Pb}}{{ }^{238} \mathrm{U}}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \pm 2 \sigma \\ & (\mathrm{Ma}) \end{aligned}$ | $\frac{{ }^{207} \mathrm{~Pb}}{{ }^{235} \mathrm{U}}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \pm 2 \sigma \\ & (\mathrm{Ma}) \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\frac{{ }^{207} \mathrm{~Pb}}{{ }^{206} \mathrm{~Pb}}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \pm 2 \sigma \\ & (\mathrm{Ma}) \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | conc. (\%) |
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| A150 | 7711 | 125 | 9 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 9 | 0 | 9 | 0 | 0460 | 11 | 460 | 35 | 458 | 198 | 100 |
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| A153 | 14054 | 30 | 7 | 1 | 10 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 10 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 0 1035 | 26 | 1056 | 67 | 1099 | 191 | 94 |
| A154 | 3700 | 42 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1586 | 13 | 589 | 14 | 600 | 46 | 98 |
| A155 | 19090 | 102 | 17 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1979 | 21 | 992 | 16 | 1022 | 21 | 96 |
| A156 | 11591 | 45 | 5 | 1 | 12 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 10 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 0444 | 12 | 502 | 42 | 773 | 212 | 57 |
| A157 | 659 | 6 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 6 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0636 | 15 | 656 | 30 | 723 | 117 | 88 |
| A158 | 2376 | 43 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1408 | 9 | 407 | 11 | 401 | 54 | 102 |
| A159 | 32752 | 26 | 14 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 10 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 12174 | 57 | 2443 | 31 | 2675 | 20 | 81 |
| A160 | 5010 | 80 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1453 | 11 | 447 | 11 | 418 | 43 | 108 |
| A161 | 9660 | 145 | 11 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1457 | 10 | 453 | 11 | 433 | 42 | 106 |
| A162 | 10783 | 138 | 13 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 1 |  | 1582 | 13 | 578 | 11 | 563 | 25 | 103 |
| A163 | 6246 | 101 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 2 |  | 1442 | 10 | 445 | 10 | 457 | 34 | 97 |
| A164 | 15831 | 166 | 18 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 1 |  | 1643 | 14 | 642 | 13 | 638 | 30 | 101 |
| A165 | 40515 | 275 | 33 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 3 |  | 1615 | 15 | 614 | 19 | 612 | 71 | 101 |
| A166 | 9841 | 108 | 10 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 5 | 0 | 4 |  | 1470 | 12 | 464 | 17 | 434 | 79 | 108 |
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| grain | $\begin{array}{r} { }^{207} \mathrm{~Pb}^{\mathrm{a}} \\ (\mathrm{cps}) \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} \mathrm{U}^{\mathrm{b}} \\ (\mathrm{ppm}) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \mathrm{Pb}^{\mathrm{b}} \\ (\mathrm{ppm}) \end{array}$ | $\frac{T h^{\mathrm{b}}}{\mathrm{U}}$ | ${ }^{206} \mathrm{Pbc}^{\mathrm{c}}$ <br> (\%) | $\frac{{ }^{206} \mathrm{~Pb}^{\mathrm{d}}}{{ }^{238} \mathrm{U}}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \pm 2 \sigma \\ & (\%) \end{aligned}$ | $\frac{{ }^{207} \mathrm{~Pb}^{\mathrm{d}}}{{ }^{235} \mathrm{U}}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \pm 2 \sigma \\ & (\%) \end{aligned}$ | $\frac{{ }^{207} \mathrm{~Pb}^{\mathrm{d}}}{{ }^{206} \mathrm{~Pb}}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \pm 2 \sigma \\ & (\%) \end{aligned}$ |  | $\frac{{ }^{206} \mathrm{~Pb}}{{ }^{238} \mathrm{U}}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \pm 2 \sigma \\ & (\mathrm{Ma}) \end{aligned}$ | $\frac{{ }^{207} \mathrm{~Pb}}{{ }^{235} \mathrm{U}}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \pm 2 \sigma \\ & (\mathrm{Ma}) \end{aligned}$ | $\frac{{ }^{207} \mathrm{~Pb}}{{ }^{206} \mathrm{~Pb}}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \pm 2 \sigma \\ & (\mathrm{Ma}) \end{aligned}$ | conc. (\%) |
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| Sample 333B |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| A412 | 3752 | 134 | 11 | 1 | 9 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 14 | 0 | 14 | 0 | 455 | 9 | 467 | 54 | 527 | 304 | 86 |
| A413 | 3977 | 256 | 18 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 449 | 7 | 445 | 10 | 425 | 52 | 106 |
| A414 | 4366 | 205 | 20 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 499 | 9 | 545 | 12 | 742 | 47 | 67 |
| A415 | 2899 | 164 | 13 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 7 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 441 | 7 | 440 | 27 | 435 | 162 | 101 |
| A416 | 3285 | 197 | 15 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 459 | 7 | 463 | 12 | 487 | 64 | 94 |
| A417 | 7386 | 309 | 32 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 632 | 9 | 627 | 11 | 610 | 38 | 103 |
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| A420 | 3908 | 246 | 16 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 391 | 6 | 405 | 21 | 488 | 135 | 80 |
| A421 | 2772 | 105 | 14 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 6 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 594 | 10 | 597 | 28 | 607 | 128 | 98 |
| A422 | 2830 | 161 | 14 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 525 | 8 | 524 | 15 | 515 | 74 | 102 |
| A423 | 30204 | 280 | 97 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 5 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1629 | 23 | 1734 | 16 | 1863 | 18 | 87 |
| A424 | 86325 | 214 | 147 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 17 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2873 | 36 | 2960 | 18 | 3020 | 16 | 95 |
| A425 | 9193 | 225 | 41 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1016 | 19 | 1011 | 19 | 1002 | 41 | 101 |
| A426 | 8796 | 395 | 53 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 564 | 9 | 606 | 20 | 768 | 82 | 73 |
| A427 | 3688 | 145 | 19 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 742 | 19 | 783 | 24 | 899 | 68 | 83 |
| A428 | 3193 | 207 | 15 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 469 | 7 | 462 | 12 | 426 | 64 | 110 |
| A429 | 2933 | 161 | 13 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 495 | 7 | 530 | 17 | 684 | 80 | 72 |
| A430 | 4747 | 225 | 22 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 517 | 8 | 546 | 14 | 668 | 63 | 77 |
| A431 | 2438 | 126 | 10 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 6 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 509 | 7 | 506 | 24 | 495 | 127 | 103 |
| A432 | 4804 | 324 | 23 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 445 | 6 | 444 | 10 | 441 | 52 | 101 |
| A433 | 3068 | 159 | 13 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 6 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 484 | 11 | 485 | 25 | 490 | 131 | 99 |

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| grain | $\begin{gathered} { }^{207} \mathrm{~Pb}^{\mathrm{a}} \\ (\mathrm{cps}) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \mathrm{U}^{\mathrm{b}} \\ (\mathrm{ppm}) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \mathrm{Pb}^{\mathrm{b}} \\ (\mathrm{ppm}) \end{array}$ | $\frac{T h^{b}}{u}$ | ${ }^{206} \mathrm{Pbc}^{\mathrm{c}}$ <br> (\%) | $\frac{{ }^{206} \mathrm{~Pb}^{\mathrm{d}}}{238 \mathrm{U}}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \pm 2 \sigma \\ & (\%) \end{aligned}$ | ${ }^{207}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & \pm 2 \sigma \\ & (\%) \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  | ${ }^{206} \mathrm{~Pb}$ | $\begin{gathered} \pm 2 \sigma \\ (\mathrm{Ma}) \end{gathered}$ | $\frac{{ }^{207} \mathrm{~Pb}}{{ }^{235} \mathrm{U}}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \pm 2 \sigma \\ & (\mathrm{Ma}) \end{aligned}$ | ${ }^{207 \mathrm{~Pb}}$ | $\begin{gathered} \pm 2 \sigma \\ \text { (Ma) } \end{gathered}$ | conc. <br> (\%) |
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| A434 | 4889 | 226 | 23 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | , |  | 3 |  |  | 2 | 1 | 613 | 9 | 611 | 13 | 604 | 50 | 101 |
| A435 | 3916 | 255 | 19 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  | 1 |  | 3 |  |  | 2 | 1 | 452 | 6 | 467 | 10 | 541 | 46 | 84 |
| A436 | 3046 | 189 | 14 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 |  | 4 |  |  | 3 | 0 | 470 | 7 | 484 | 15 | 549 | 76 | 86 |
| A437 | 4308 | 251 | 22 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 |  | 3 |  |  | 2 | 1 | 537 | 8 | 530 | 11 | 500 | 51 | 107 |
| A438 | 4790 | 274 | 19 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 |  | 4 |  |  | 3 | 0 | 442 | 6 | 448 | 14 | 482 | 75 | 92 |
| A444 | 4333 | 232 | 19 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 |  | 3 |  |  | 3 | 1 | 514 | 8 | 509 | 12 | 485 | 56 | 106 |
| A445 | 6953 | 297 | 26 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 |  | 3 |  |  | 2 | 1 | 504 | 8 | 557 | 12 | 780 | 46 | 65 |
| A446 | 6555 | 217 | 31 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 |  | 2 |  |  | 2 | 1 | 755 | 11 | 756 | 13 | 756 | 41 | 100 |
| A447 | 3575 | 213 | 16 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 |  | 3 |  |  | 3 | 0 | 461 | 7 | 496 | 13 | 661 | 64 | 70 |
| A448 | 21074 | 127 | 51 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 6 |  | 2 |  |  | 1 | 1 | 1926 | 27 | 1988 | 18 | 2052 | 21 | 94 |
| A449 | 3027 | 176 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 3 |  | 0 | 2 |  | 1 | 447 | 7 | 457 | 11 | 506 | 55 | 88 |
| A450 | 6110 | 208 | 26 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 |  | 0 | 2 |  | 1 | 742 | 10 | 761 | 12 | 817 | 38 | 91 |
| A451 | 4302 | 278 | 22 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 3 |  | 0 | 2 |  | 1 | 486 | 8 | 484 | 11 | 479 | 54 | 101 |
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| A453 | 10453 | 362 | 49 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 2 |  | 0 | 2 |  | 1 | 760 | 12 | 750 | 12 | 722 | 34 | 105 |
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| A457 | 3099 | 196 | 14 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 3 |  | 0 | 3 |  | 0 | 453 | 7 | 470 | 12 | 552 | 61 | 82 |
| A458 | 2838 | 89 | 9 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 4 |  | 0 | 3 |  | 1 | 515 | 12 | 562 | 17 | 756 | 63 | 68 |
| A459 | 3059 | 163 | 13 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 5 |  | 0 | 4 |  | 0 | 464 | 8 | 494 | 18 | 631 | 91 | 74 |
| A460 | 5845 | 377 | 26 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 3 |  | 0 | 3 |  | 0 | 428 | 7 | 430 | 12 | 439 | 68 | 97 |

Table B. 1 (continued)

| grain | $\begin{gathered} { }^{207} \mathrm{~Pb}^{\mathrm{a}} \\ (\mathrm{cps}) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} U^{b} \\ (\mathrm{ppm}) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \mathrm{Pb}^{\mathrm{b}} \\ (\mathrm{ppm}) \end{array}$ | $\frac{\mathrm{Th}^{\mathrm{b}}}{\mathrm{u}}$ | ${ }^{206} \mathrm{Pbc}^{\text {c }}$ <br> (\%) | $\frac{{ }^{206} \mathrm{~Pb}^{\mathrm{d}}}{238 \mathrm{U}}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \pm 2 \sigma \\ & (\%) \end{aligned}$ | $\frac{{ }^{207} \mathrm{~Pb}^{\mathrm{d}}}{235 \mathrm{U}}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \pm 2 \sigma \\ & (\%) \end{aligned}$ | $\frac{{ }^{207} \mathrm{~Pb}^{\mathrm{d}}}{{ }^{206} \mathrm{~Pb}}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \pm 2 \sigma \\ & (\%) \end{aligned}$ | rho ${ }^{e}$ | $\frac{{ }^{206} \mathrm{~Pb}}{{ }^{238} \mathrm{U}}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \pm 2 \sigma \\ & (\mathrm{Ma}) \end{aligned}$ | ${ }^{{ }^{207} \mathrm{~Pb}}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \pm 2 \sigma \\ & (\mathrm{Ma}) \end{aligned}$ | ${ }^{207 \mathrm{~Pb}}$ | $\begin{gathered} \pm 2 \sigma \\ (\mathrm{Ma}) \end{gathered}$ | conc. <br> (\%) |
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| Sample 333B |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| A461 | 3749 | 225 | 18 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 510 | 8 | 528 | 11 | 609 | 47 | 84 |
| A462 | 6565 | 363 | 31 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 534 | 7 | 540 | 13 | 562 | 57 | 95 |
| A463 | 3466 | 176 | 14 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 8 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 446 | 7 | 453 | 29 | 486 | 171 | 92 |
| A464 | 3682 | 225 | 15 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 438 | 6 | 442 | 13 | 463 | 74 | 95 |
| A465 | 4042 | 213 | 19 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 508 | 7 | 520 | 14 | 573 | 65 | 89 |
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| A473 | 2417 | 137 | 11 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 8 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 485 | 9 | 509 | 31 | 616 | 157 | 79 |
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| A475 | 6610 | 654 | 33 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 308 | 5 | 307 | 7 | 298 | 53 | 103 |
| A476 | 4622 | 259 | 20 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 466 | 7 | 481 | 10 | 554 | 48 | 84 |
| A477 | 3545 | 229 | 17 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 471 | 7 | 471 | 9 | 472 | 41 | 100 |
| A478 | 5309 | 365 | 27 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 475 | 7 | 469 | 9 | 439 | 45 | 108 |
| A480 | 3999 | 260 | 18 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 8 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 434 | 6 | 434 | 27 | 433 | 166 | 100 |
| A481 | 16455 | 678 | 58 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 529 | 8 | 517 | 11 | 466 | 45 | 114 |
| A482 | 4503 | 210 | 24 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 5 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 571 | 9 | 574 | 23 | 586 | 107 | 97 |
| A483 | 11995 | 428 | 201 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 10 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2316 | 31 | 2436 | 16 | 2539 | 11 | 91 |



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Table B. 2 List of $\varepsilon \mathrm{Hf}$ values of different zircon grains.

| Sample/spot number | ${ }^{176} \mathrm{Yb} /{ }^{177} \mathrm{Hf}$ | $\pm 2 \sigma$ | ${ }^{176} \mathrm{Lu}_{\mathrm{a}}^{177} \mathrm{Hf}$ |  |  | ${ }^{3} \mathrm{Hf} /{ }^{177} \mathrm{Hf} \quad{ }^{18}$ | ${ }^{180} \mathrm{Hf} /{ }^{177} \mathrm{Hf}$ | Sig $_{\text {Hf }}$ <br> (V) | ${ }^{176} \mathrm{Hf} /{ }^{177} \mathrm{Hf} \pm 2$ |  | ${ }^{176} \mathrm{Hf} /{ }^{177} \mathrm{Hf}\left({ }_{(t)}{ }^{\text {d }}\right.$ | $\varepsilon \mathrm{Hf}_{\mathrm{d}}(\mathrm{t})$ | $\pm 2 \sigma^{c}$ | $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{e} M}$ $(\mathrm{Ga})$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { age }^{\mathrm{f}} \\ & (\mathrm{Ma}) \end{aligned}$ | $\pm 2 \sigma$ |
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| 331_72 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.00044 |  | 0 | 0.00154 | 0.00324 | 15 | 0.281174 | 0 | 0.281157 | -11.6 | 0.7 | 3.01 | 2035 | 9 |
| 331_73 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.00033 |  | 0 | 0.00139 | 0.00341 | 12 | 0.281223 | 0 | 0.281211 | -12.9 | 0.7 | 2.96 | 1897 | 9 |
| 331_75 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.00093 |  | 0 | 0.00136 | 0.00364 | 12 | 0.282243 | 0 | 0.282233 | -6.2 | 0.7 | 1.53 | 598 | 9 |
| 331_76 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.00136 |  | 0 | 0.00112 | 0.00337 | 15 | 0.282339 | 0 | 0.282326 | -5.3 | 0.9 | 1.39 | 489 | 9 |
| 331_77 | 0.1 | 0 | 0.00182 |  | 0 | 0.00185 | 0.00409 | 9 | 0.282600 | 0 | 0.282576 | 7.9 | 0.9 | 0.82 | 685 | 9 |
| 331_78 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.00121 |  | 0 | 0.00125 | 0.00255 | 14 | 0.281871 | 0 | 0.281851 | -13.2 | 0.7 | 2.15 | 886 | 9 |
| 331_80 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.00033 |  | 0 | 0.00153 | 0.00397 | 10 | 0.281582 | 0 | 0.281571 | -1.0 | 1.0 | 2.28 | 1858 | 9 |
| 331_81 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.00089 |  | 0 | 0.00123 | 0.00275 | 11 | 0.281927 | 0 | 0.281910 | -8.1 | 0.8 | 1.98 | 1021 | 9 |
| 331_82 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.00054 |  | 0 | 0.00128 | 0.00405 | 11 | 0.281035 | 0 | 0.281009 | -5.5 | 0.9 | 3.07 | 2524 | 9 |
| 331_83 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.00117 |  | 0 | 0.00137 | 0.00317 | 12 | 0.282442 | 0 | 0.282422 | 7.5 | 0.8 | 1.03 | 908 | 9 |
| 331_85 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.00015 |  | 0 | 0.00116 | 0.00279 | 15 | 0.280884 | 0 | 0.280877 | -11.6 | 0.8 | 3.36 | 2463 | 9 |
| 331_85 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.00015 |  | 0 | 0.00116 | 0.00279 | 15 | 0.280884 | 0 | 0.280883 | -57.1 | 0.8 | 4.14 | 457 | 9 |
| 331_88 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.00098 |  | 0 | 0.00144 | 0.00362 | 13 | 0.282152 | 0 | 0.282135 | -2.7 | 0.7 | 1.59 | 909 | 9 |
| 331_90 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.00041 |  | 0 | 0.00146 | 0.00337 | 14 | 0.282496 | 0 | 0.282490 | 5.8 | 0.9 | 0.98 | 724 | 9 |
| 331_91 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.00048 |  | 0 | 0.00139 | 0.00340 | 12 | 0.281218 | 0 | 0.281201 | -14.2 | 0.8 | 3.00 | 1853 | 9 |
| 331_93 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.00083 |  | 0 | 0.00117 | 0.00390 | 12 | 0.282612 | 0 | 0.282600 | 10.8 | 0.8 | 0.74 | 776 | 9 |
| 331_94 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.00092 |  | 0 | 0.00131 | 0.00348 | 13 | 0.282393 | 0 | 0.282388 | -7.3 | 0.7 | 1.35 | 302 | 9 |
| 331_95 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.00120 |  | 0 | 0.00145 | 0.00335 | 13 | 0.282622 | 0 | 0.282614 | 2.3 | 1.0 | 0.88 | 374 | 9 |
| 331_96 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.00061 |  | 0 | 0.00157 | 0.00366 | 12 | 0.282287 | 0 | 0.282275 | 4.4 | 1.0 | 1.28 | 1001 | 9 |
| 331_97 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.00148 |  | 0 | 0.00148 | 0.00393 | 11 | 0.282369 | 0 | 0.282357 | -5.4 | 0.7 | 1.35 | 439 | 9 |
| 331_98 | 0.1 | 0 | 0.00201 |  | 0 | 0.00168 | 0.00320 | 11 | 0.282592 | 0 | 0.282562 | 9.7 | 0.9 | 0.81 | 788 | 9 |

Table B. 2 (continued)

| Sample/spot number | ${ }^{176} \mathrm{Yb}{ }_{a}^{177} \mathrm{Hf}$ |  | ${ }_{a}^{176} \mathrm{Lu} 1^{177} \mathrm{H}$ | $\pm 2 \sigma$ | ${ }^{178} \mathrm{Hf} /{ }^{177} \mathrm{Hf}$ | ${ }^{180} \mathrm{Hf}{ }^{177} \mathrm{Hf}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { yrir } \\ & \text { v) } \end{aligned}{ }^{176} \mathrm{Hf},$ | $\pm 2 \sigma^{\circ}$ | ${ }^{176} \mathrm{Hf}{ }^{177} \mathrm{Hf}_{(t)}{ }^{\text {d }}$ | ${ }_{\text {¢ }}^{\text {df }}$ (t) | $\pm 2 \sigma^{\circ}$ | ${ }^{\text {Tom }}$ <br> (Ga) | $\begin{aligned} & \text { age }^{\dagger} \\ & (\mathrm{Ma}) \end{aligned}$ | $\pm 2 \sigma$ |
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| 331_99 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.00068 | 0 | 0.00125 | 0.00337 | 13 | 0.281031 | 0 | 0.280999 | -6.1 | 1.0 | 3.09 | 2516 | 9 |
| 331_111 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.00073 | 0 | 0.00145 | 0.00337 | 12 | 0.281221 | 0 | 0.281184 | 3.9 | 0.8 | 2.66 | 2659 | 9 |
| 331_114 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.00035 | 0 | 0.00155 | 0.00453 | 12 | 0.281977 | 0 | 0.281973 | -14.2 | 0.6 | 2.01 | 650 | 9 |
| 331_115 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.00097 | 0 | 0.00100 | 0.00290 | 15 | 0.281146 | 0 | 0.281098 | -0.9 | 0.7 | 2.87 | 2585 | 9 |
| 331_118 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.00018 | 0 | 0.00146 | 0.00322 | 18 | 0.281219 | 0 | 0.281212 | -10.0 | 0.8 | 2.91 | 2020 | 9 |
| 331_120 | 0.1 | 0 | 0.00167 | 0 | 0.00099 | 0.00362 | 16 | 0.282368 | 0 | 0.282354 | -5.2 | 0.8 | 1.36 | 449 | 9 |
| 331_old122 | 20.1 | 0 | 0.00191 | 0 | 0.00143 | 0.00377 | 13 | 0.281842 | 0 | 0.281822 | -21.9 | 0.8 | 2.34 | 547 | 9 |
| 331_old124 | 40.0 | 0 | 0.00106 | 0 | 0.00164 | 0.00327 | 11 | 0.282353 | 0 | 0.282346 | -7.0 | 0.8 | 1.40 | 384 | 9 |
| 331_old126 | 60.0 | 0 | 0.00094 | 0 | 0.00112 | 0.00252 | 13 | 0.282413 | 0 | 0.282406 | -4.5 | 0.7 | 1.27 | 402 | 9 |
| 331_old140 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.00099 | 0 | 0.00150 | 0.00260 | 12 | 0.282411 | 0 | 0.282403 | -4.9 | 0.6 | 1.29 | 386 | 9 |
| 331_old142 | 20.1 | 0 | 0.00163 | 0 | 0.00144 | 0.00430 | 14 | 0.282434 | 0 | 0.282422 | -3.6 | 0.8 | 1.24 | 415 | 9 |
| 331_old148 | 80.0 | 0 | 0.00156 | 0 | 0.00126 | 0.00355 | 13 | 0.282424 | 0 | 0.282413 | -4.4 | 0.9 | 1.26 | 394 | 9 |
| 331_old149 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.00039 | 0 | 0.00167 | 0.00441 | 13 | 0.282245 | 0 | 0.282241 | -6.3 | 0.7 | 1.52 | 580 | 9 |
| 331_old153 | 30.0 | 0 | 0.00086 | 0 | 0.00153 | 0.00405 | 16 | 0.281746 | 0 | 0.281737 | -23.6 | 1.0 | 2.48 | 604 | 9 |
| 331_old156 | $6 \quad 0.1$ | 0 | 0.00215 | 0 | 0.00147 | 0.00355 | 13 | 0.282436 | 0 | 0.282419 | -3.8 | 0.8 | 1.24 | 412 | 9 |
| 331_old158 | 80.0 | 0 | 0.00127 | 0 | 0.00153 | 0.00349 | 14 | 0.282395 | 0 | 0.282384 | -3.8 | 0.8 | 1.29 | 467 | 9 |
| 331_old160 | 0.1 | 0 | 0.00196 | 0 | 0.00154 | 0.00414 | 12 | 0.282391 | 0 | 0.282374 | -4.2 | 0.9 | 1.31 | 466 | 9 |
| 331_old161 | 10.0 | 0 | 0.00095 | 0 | 0.00156 | 0.00385 | 12 | 0.282374 | 0 | 0.282367 | -5.3 | 1.0 | 1.34 | 427 | 9 |
| 331_old162 | 20.0 | 0 | 0.00068 | 0 | 0.00167 | 0.00321 | 9 | 0.282265 | 0 | 0.282255 | -1.7 | 0.8 | 1.42 | 763 | 9 |
| 331_old163 | 30.0 | 0 | 0.00138 | 0 | 0.00191 | 0.00389 | 14 | 0.282397 | 0 | 0.282348 | 27.2 | 0.9 | 0.72 | 1885 | 9 |
| 331_old165 | 50.1 | 0 | 0.00220 | 0 | 0.00170 | 0.00360 | 11 | 0.282275 | 0 | 0.282239 | - | , | , | 850 | 9 |

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| Sample/spot number | ${ }^{176} \mathrm{Yb} \mathrm{a}^{177} \mathrm{Hf}$ |  | ${ }^{176} \mathrm{Lu} /{ }^{177} \mathrm{Hf}$ |  | ${ }^{178} \mathrm{Hf} /{ }^{177} \mathrm{Hf}$ |  | ${ }^{180} \mathrm{Hf} /{ }^{177} \mathrm{H}$ |  | ${ }^{176} \mathrm{Hf} /{ }^{177} \mathrm{Hf} \pm 2 \sigma^{\circ}{ }^{176}$ |  | ${ }^{176} \mathrm{Hf} /^{177} \mathrm{Hf}_{(t)}{ }^{d}$ | $\varepsilon H_{d}(t)$ | $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{DM}}$ <br> (Ga) | $\begin{aligned} & \text { age }^{\mathrm{f}} \\ & \text { (Ma) } \end{aligned}$ |  |
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| 333B_old167 | 0.1 | 0 | 0.00238 | 0 | 0.00184 | 0.00411 | 14 | 0.282407 | 0 | 0.282333 | 21.0 | 1.1 | 0.87 | 1639 |  |
| 333B_old168 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.00080 | 0 | 0.00131 | 0.00431 | 13 | 0.282186 | 0 | 0.282174 | -3.7 | 0.8 | 1.56 | 803 |  |
| 333B_old170 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.00042 | 0 | 0.00159 | 0.00341 | 11 | 0.282557 | 0 | 0.282553 | 4.3 | 0.8 | 0.92 | 56 |  |
| 333B_old172 | 0.1 | 0 | 0.00209 | 0 | 0.00205 | 0.00505 | 13 | 0.282370 | 0 | 0.282354 | -6.0 | 1.0 | 1.37 | 413 |  |
| 333B_old174 | 0.1 | 0 | 0.00200 | 0 | 0.00155 | 0.00402 | 12 | 0.282047 | 0 | 0.282028 | -15.5 | 1.1 | 1.96 | 506 |  |
| 333B_old174 | 0.1 | 0 | 0.00210 | 0 | 0.00252 | 0.00915 | 14 | 0.282420 | 0 | 0.282396 | -0.4 | 1.0 | 1.21 | 600 |  |
| 333B_old178 | 0.1 | 0 | 0.00172 | 0 | 0.00186 | 0.00375 | 14 | 0.282367 | 0 | 0.282355 | -6.9 | 0.6 | 1.39 | 374 |  |
| 333B_old178 | 0.1 | 0 | 0.00168 | 0 | 0.00139 | 0.00327 | 13 | 0.282391 | 0 | 0.282372 | -1.2 | 0.8 | 1.26 | 600 |  |
| 333B_old180 | 0.1 | 0 | 0.00178 | 0 | 0.00118 | 0.00318 | 12 | 0.282223 | 0 | 0.282145 | 29.9 | 0.9 | 0.91 | 2312 |  |
| 333B_old182 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.00104 | 0 | 0.00140 | 0.00246 | 12 | 0.282222 | 0 | 0.282215 | -12.1 | 0.6 | 1.66 | 362 |  |
| 333B_old183 | 0.1 | 0 | 0.00214 | 0 | 0.00129 | 0.00380 | 13 | 0.282383 | 0 | 0.282370 | -7.3 | 0.8 | 1.37 | 330 |  |
| 333B_old184 | 0.1 | 0 | 0.00185 | 0 | 0.00149 | 0.00310 | 13 | 0.282389 | 0 | 0.282378 | -7. | 0.8 | 1.36 | 313 |  |
| 333B_old 185 | 0.1 | 0 | 0.00195 | 0 | 0.00151 | 0.00440 | 11 | 0.282394 | 0 | 0.282374 | -2.4 | 0.9 | 1.28 | 543 |  |
| 333B_old1856 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.00090 | 0 | 0.00161 | 0.00452 | 12 | 0.281768 | 0 | 0.281751 | -13.9 | 0.9 | 2.29 | 1015 |  |
| 333B_old188 | 0.1 | 0 | 0.00204 | 0 | 0.00197 | 0.00481 | 14 | 0.282478 | 0 | 0.282450 | 4.3 | 1.0 | 1.05 | 723 |  |
| 333B_old189 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.00143 | 0 | 0.00146 | 0.00243 | 13 | 0.282384 | 0 | 0.282369 | -2.7 | 0.8 | 1.29 | 536 |  |
| 333B_old190 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.00132 | 0 | 0.00152 | 0.00296 | 13 | 0.282346 | 0 | 0.282338 | -8.9 | 0.9 | 1.44 | 312 |  |
| 333B_old197 | 0.1 | 0 | 0.00247 | 0 | 0.00141 | 0.00287 | 13 | 0.282426 | 0 | 0.282413 | -6.8 | 0.9 | 1.31 | 287 | 9 |
| 333B_old198 | 0.0 |  | 0.00114 | 0 | 0.00145 | 0.00373 | 12 | 0.282433 | 0 | 0.282420 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 1.17 | 578 | 9 |
| 333B_old200 | 0.1 | 0 | 0.00167 | 0 | 0.00122 | 0.00372 | 14 | 0.282370 | 0 | 0.282348 | 0.4 | 0.9 | 1.26 | 712 | 9 |

Table B. 2 (continued)



[^0]:    ${ }^{1}$ from Koralay et al., 2012

[^1]:    ${ }^{2}$ ages from inclusions in garnet
    ${ }^{3}$ ages from matrix foliation

[^2]:    ${ }^{4}$ upper intercept

