



# Zirconium-bearing accessory minerals in UK Paleogene granites: textural, compositional, and paragenetic relationships

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**Abstract.** The mineral occurrences, parageneses, textures, and compositions of Zr-bearing accessory minerals in a suite of UK Paleogene granites from Scotland and Northern Ireland are described. Baddeleyite, zirconolite, and zircon, in that sequence, formed in hornblende + biotite granites (type 1) and hedenbergite–fayalite granites (type 2). The peralkaline microgranite (type 3) of Ailsa Craig contains zircon, dalyite, a eudialyte-group mineral, a fibrous phase which is possibly lemoynite, and Zr-bearing aegirine. Hydrothermal zircon is also present in all three granite types and documents the transition from a silicate-melt environment to an incompatible element-rich aqueous-dominated fluid. No textures indicative of inherited zircon were observed. The minerals crystallized in stages from magmatic through late-magmatic to hydrothermal. The zirconolite and eudialyte-group mineral are notably Y+REE-rich (REE signifies rare earth element). The crystallization sequence of the minerals may have been related to the activities of Si and Ca, to melt peralkalinity, and to local disequilibrium.

## 1 Introduction

Zr-bearing accessory minerals form over a very large  $P$ – $T$  (pressure and temperature) range and in a wide variety of lithologies. The stability of these minerals relative to their host rock compositions and to other Zr-bearing phases is complex and variable (e.g., Marks et al., 2011; Andersen et al., 2013). Relatively little is known of the factors controlling the distribution of the phases, and the textural relationships between them are often poorly documented. Critical parameters in determining which phase will form include whole-rock composition and the Si and Ca activities. The Zr silicates are also prone to being altered by hydrothermal processes, commonly being replaced by other Zr silicates (e.g., Wu et al., 2015).

Attempting to understand the controls over mineral stability is particularly valuable in studies of specific igneous complexes, which can be taken as quasi-closed systems. Several studies have traced the textural and compositional variations in Zr-bearing minerals during the evolution of specific

silica-oversaturated alkaline complexes, including Birkett et al. (1992), Kynicky et al. (2011), Estrade et al. (2014, 2018), and Sarangua et al. (2019). In this paper, we report on the occurrence of Zr-bearing accessory minerals in some UK Paleogene granites.

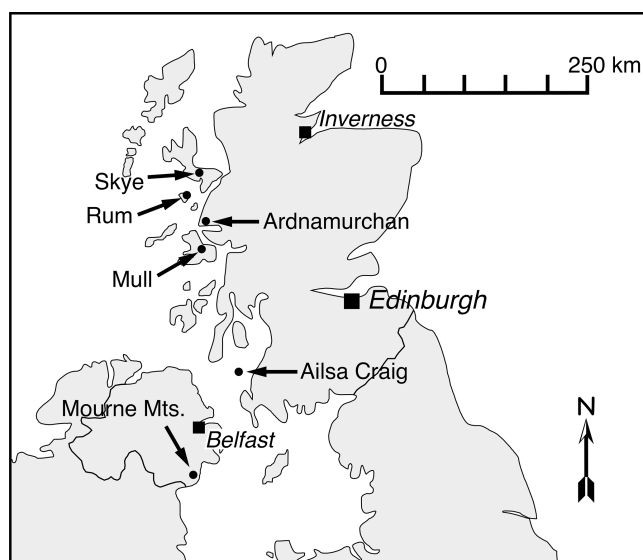
In previous studies of UK Paleogene granites, zircon ( $\text{ZrSiO}_4$ ) has been recorded optically in several of the granites, e.g., the Beinn Dearg Mhor Epigranite, the Marsco Epigranite, the Glas Bhein Mhor Epigranite (Bell, 1966), and the Glamaig Epigranite (Thompson, 1969). Zirconolite ( $\text{CaZrTi}_2\text{O}_7$ ; referred to as zirkelite) has been reported only in a pegmatitic pod from the island of St. Kilda (Harding et al., 1982; Fowler and Williams, 1986). The type locality of bazirite ( $\text{BaZrSi}_3\text{O}_8$ ) is Rockall Island, where it occurs in an aegirine–riebeckite granite (Young et al., 1978). Elpidite ( $\text{Na}_2\text{ZrSi}_6\text{O}_{15} \cdot 3\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ) and a eudialyte-group mineral ( $\text{Na}_{15}\text{Ca}_6(\text{Fe}^{2+}, \text{Mn}^{2+})_3\text{Zr}_3(\text{Si}, \text{Nb})(\text{Si}_{25}\text{O}_{73})(\text{O}, \text{OH}, \text{H}_2\text{O})_3(\text{Cl}, \text{OH})_2$ ) have been recorded from Rockall Island (Young et al., 1978), and eudialyte is also known from the Carlingford Complex, Northern Ireland (Nockolds, 1950).

No attempt has yet been made, however, to examine the compositional ranges of the minerals or to see them as a paragenetic sequence. The specific aims of the present study are (1) to document more fully the occurrence of Zr-bearing minerals in a representative suite of the Paleogene granites; (2) to relate the occurrences and chemical compositions to the compositions of the host rocks, although this goal is limited by the lack of modern geochemical data for many of the granites; (3) to determine the crystallization sequence of the Zr-bearing phases in the granites and to attempt to define the controlling factors; and (4) to report on the occurrence of datlyite (the first record in the UK), a eudialyte-group mineral and possible lemoynite in the Ailsa Craig microgranite.

## 2 Geological setting of the UK Paleogene granites

During the Paleogene Epoch, the so-called Iceland plume caused thermal uplift over an area some 2000 km across, stretching from northern Norway in the north to Scotland in the south. The resultant igneous rocks constitute the North Atlantic Igneous Superprovince and have a volume of  $6\text{--}10 \times 10^6 \text{ km}^3$ . The British section of the superprovince, the Paleogene Hebridean Igneous Province (Emeleus and Bell, 2005), consists of igneous centers exposed along the west coast of Scotland and in Northern Ireland and as several submerged bodies. The centers consist of lava piles, intrusive central complexes, and sets of linear and radial dike swarms. The central complexes contain a wide range of rock types, including peridotite, olivine gabbro, granites, and minor volumes of rocks with intermediate compositions. This report concerns granitic rocks from six complexes (Fig. 1). The ages of the granites are in the range  $58 \pm 1 \text{ Ma}$  (Emeleus and Bell, 2005). The samples used here are a subset of those used in studies of minerals of the chevkinite group (Macdonald et al., 2013a) and apatite supergroup (Macdonald et al., 2013b) (Table 1).

The granites can be broadly grouped into three types on the basis of their ferromagnesian mineral assemblages (Bell, 1982): type 1, biotite  $\pm$  amphibole; type 2, hedenbergite-fayalitic olivine; and type 3, alkali amphibole. The allocation of the granites into the three lithological types is given in Table 1. Although the intrusions are invariably referred to as granites in the literature, the usage followed here, they vary petrographically from alkali-feldspar granites to potassic adamellites (e.g., the Glamaig Granite; Table 1) (Thompson, 1983). The granites range from metaluminous to peralkaline, the mineralogical differences being reflected in the geochemical characteristics; the average peralkalinity indices (PIs; mol.  $(\text{Na}_2\text{O} + \text{K}_2\text{O})/\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$ ) in types 1, 2, and 3 are 0.88, 0.95, and 1.05, respectively (Bell, 1982). It may be noted that the most peralkaline of the Paleogene granites is Rockall Island, with a PI  $> 1.7$  (Hawkes et al., 1975); the granite almost certainly crystallized from a pantelleritic magma.



**Figure 1.** Location of Paleogene granitic bodies studied here. Detailed geological maps of the bodies may be found in Emeléus and Bell (2005). The samples used here are a subset of those used in studies of minerals of the chevkinite group (Macdonald et al., 2013a) and apatite supergroup (Macdonald et al., 2013b) (Table 1).

## 3 Conditions of formation of the granites

There are several difficulties in estimating the  $P$ ,  $T$ , and  $f\text{O}_2$  conditions under which the granites crystallized. For example, the feldspars are commonly exsolved, albitized, or hydrothermally altered, and FeTi oxides are exsolved and/or oxidized. Macdonald et al. (2013b) used the apatite saturation temperature models of Harrison and Watson (1984) and Piccoli and Candela (2002) for the metaluminous granites (types 1 and 2) to suggest that they crystallized in the range 772–900 °C. These temperatures are broadly in line with liquidus temperatures determined experimentally by Thompson (1983) for two Skye granites: 910–930 °C for the Glamaig Granite and 752 °C for the Southern Porphyritic Felsite. On the basis of oxygen isotope data, Ferry (1985) estimated that the initial stages of crystallization of the Beinn an Dubhaich Granite (type 1) occurred at 740–800 °C, with late-stage crystallization at 660–700 °C. Thompson (1983) suggested that the Skye granites crystallized at  $p\text{H}_2\text{O} < 1 \text{ kb}$ , in keeping with geological evidence that they were shallow intrusions (Thompson, 1969; Emeléus and Bell, 2005).

## 4 Samples and analytical methods

New whole-rock analyses of five granites were made at Activation Laboratories, Ltd., Ancaster, Ontario, Canada (Table 2). All samples were crushed and powdered with mild steel before analysis. Inductively coupled plasma mass spectrometry (ICP-MS) and inductively coupled plasma optical

**Table 1.** Location and lithology of the Paleogene granites used in this study and occurrences of Zr minerals.

Intrusion	Sample number	Lithology and granite type	M	LSM	Zircon		Bdy	Zrc	EGM	Dly	FZr
					HT1	HT2					
<i>Skye</i>											
<i>Skye: Eastern Red Hills Centre</i>											
Creag Strollamus Granite	H1226	Porph. bi±amp granite (1)	✓		✓	✓					
Beinn na Cro Granite	H1200	Bi±amp granite (1)	✓	✓							
Glas Bheinn Mhor Granite	GBME	Porph. bi±amp granophyre (1)	✓								
<i>Skye: Western Red Hills Centre</i>											
(Northern) Porphyritic Felsite	NPF(sheared)#1	Porph. microgranite (2)	✓			✓					
Loch Ainort Granite	H1554	Porph. fa-fh granophyre (2)	✓	✓	✓	✓					
Maol na Gainmich Granite	14709	Riebeckite granite (3)	✓			✓					
Glamaig Granite	GLE2	Porph. bi±amp granite (1)	✓	✓		✓		✓			
<i>Skye: Strath na Creitheach Centre</i>											
Meall Dearg Granite	MD	Porph. fa-fh microgranite (2)	✓	✓							
Ruadh Stac Granite	RS1	Riebeckite granophyre (3)			✓						
<i>Rum</i>											
Western Granite	RUM	Bi±amp granophyre (1)	✓		✓		✓				
<i>Ardnamurchan</i>											
Granophyre, Centre 2	14724	Fa-fh granite (2)	✓				✓	✓			
Grigadale Granophyre	13138	Pyroxene granophyre (2)	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓			
<i>Mull</i>											
Beinn a'Ghraig Granophyre	13274	Fa-fh granite (2)	✓								
Toll Doire Granophyre	44858	Fa-fh granophyre (2)	✓	✓							
<i>Ailsa Craig</i>											
Ailsa Craig granite	DV24828	Riebeckite microgranite (3)			✓	✓			✓	✓	✓
<i>Mourne Mountains</i>											
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✓, present; bi, biotite; amp, amphibole; fa, fayalite; fh, ferrohedenbergite; porph., porphyritic; M, magmatic; LSM, late-stage magmatic; HT1, hydrothermal type 1; HT2, hydrothermal type 2. Bdy, baddeleyite; Zrc, zirconolite; EGM, eudialyte-group mineral; Dly, dalyite; FZr, Zr-bearing fibrous phase. For (1), (2), and (3) see text for explanation. Accessory minerals identified in these samples are given in the Supplement.

emission spectrometry (ICP-OES) were done using a lithium metaborate–tetraborate fusion procedure before sample dissolution or a multi-acid dissolution. Analytical methods employed were ICP-OES for the major elements and Be, Cu, Ni, Zn, Ba, Sr, V, and Zr, instrumental neutron activation analysis for Cr, Sc, and As, and ICP-MS for all other trace elements. Loss of ignition (LOI) was determined at 1000 °C. Estimated relative uncertainties ( $1\sigma$ ) were  $\leq \pm 5\%$  at 10 times the detection limit and  $\pm 20\%$  at the detection limit. Although, many of the analytical techniques used for the Ailsa Craig element analyses (Table 2) are outdated, we include this analysis for discussion of the Zr-bearing phases in the Ailsa Craig granite and also note that no detailed petrographic description is given for the sample (Govindaraju, 1987).

Thin sections were examined by a Hitachi SU5000 Schottky field emission scanning electron microscope (FE-SEM) using back-scattered electron (BSE) and secondary electron (SE) imaging to define points for analysis and for photomicrographs. The FE-SEM was equipped with an EDAX Octane 30 mm<sup>2</sup> silicon drift detector (SDD). Operating conditions for mineral identification and data collection by energy-dispersive X-ray spectroscopy (EDS) using the SDD were 15 or 20 keV, 50 spot position ( $\sim 4$  nA probe current), and 200 s live counting time. EDS qualitative and semi-quantitative

spectra were acquired and used to plan electron microprobe microanalysis (EPMA) procedures. Concentrations were calculated from the EDS count data using the EDAX factory standardization and either the eZAF or PeBaZAF quantification scheme. Cathodoluminescence (CL) imaging was obtained using a Hitachi ultra variable-pressure detector (UVD) operated at zero bias at high vacuum on the Hitachi FE-SEM. CL collection conditions were 10 or 15 keV, 50 spot position ( $\sim 4$  nA probe current), and 18 mm working distance. Quantitative electron microprobe analyses of major and minor elements were obtained with a JEOL JXA-8900 five spectrometer, a fully automated electron microprobe using wavelength-dispersive X-ray spectroscopy (WDS) at Reston, VA. Electron probe microanalysis experiments were made at 15 keV accelerating voltage, 30 nA probe current (Faraday cup), and counting times of 20–120 s, using a 1  $\mu$ m or defocused probe spot. X-ray lines used for analyses were as follows:  $K\alpha$  = Si, Ti, Al, Fe, Mg, Ca, Mn, K, Na, Cl, F, P;  $L\alpha$  = Ba, Ce, Sr, Er, La, Y, Yb, Nb, Hf, Ta, Zr;  $L\beta$  = Pr, Nd, Sm, Gd, Dy, Eu;  $M\alpha$  = Th; and  $M\beta$  = U, Pb. Detection limits ( $3\sigma$ ) (as wt %) were as follows: K, Na = 0.01; Si, Al, Fe, Mg, Ca, Mn = 0.02; Ti = 0.03; Sr, P, Cl = 0.04; Ba = 0.05; Pb, Zr, Th, U, Ta = 0.06; Hf, Nb, Y, F = 0.08; La, Ce, Pr, Nd, Er, Yb = 0.10; Sm, Gd = 0.12; Eu = 0.14; and Dy = 0.15. Standards

**Table 2.** Chemical compositions of selected granites with Ailsa Craig.

Granite	G. Bheinn Mh	Meall Dearg	Rudha Stac	N. Porphy.	Glamaig	Ailsa Craig*
Sample no.	GBME	MD	RS1	NPF (sheared)	GLE2	
SiO <sub>2</sub> (wt %)	72.35	69.28	69.70	74.17	68.57	70.35
TiO <sub>2</sub>	0.41	0.47	0.34	0.28	0.64	0.11
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	12.58	12.57	12.43	11.65	13.60	14.70
Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> *	4.24	5.99	4.61	3.71	5.41	2.53
MnO	0.08	0.15	0.14	0.04	0.12	0.06
MgO	0.24	0.11	0.05	0.13	0.61	0.03
CaO	1.05	1.58	0.38	0.69	2.41	0.34
Na <sub>2</sub> O	4.14	4.84	4.81	3.40	3.37	6.54
K <sub>2</sub> O	4.53	4.92	5.53	4.51	4.79	4.49
P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	0.03	0.02	< 0.01	< 0.01	0.19	0.01
LOI	0.58	0.63	0.62	0.08	0.73	0.37
Total	100.23	100.56	98.61	98.66	100.44	99.53
Peralk Ix	0.93	1.06	1.12	0.90	0.79	1.06
Be (ppm)	3	3	4	1	2	12
Ba	979	1583	892	385	1843	55
Sr	71	107	30	40	132	3
Rb	135	109	118	70	85	152
Cs	0.9	1.4	2.5	0.1	0.7	3
V	10	< 5	< 5	11	16	3
W	1.4	< 0.5	31	< 0.5	3.2	1.5
Co	3	< 1	< 1	2	4	0.2
Cr	< 5	< 5	< 5	< 5	7	3.4
Cu	8	5	3	132	12	4
Ni	2	2	< 1	1	2	1.5
Zn	106	197	208	34	104	224
Pb	15	14	20	6	8	39
Sn	4	3	4	2	2	13
As	1.2	< 0.5	1.1	0.9	< 0.5	2.3
Tl	0.66	0.59	0.50	0.36	0.42	0.9
Zr	514	567	671	394	326	780
Hf	11.3	12.4	14.1	9.6	6.7	27.9
Nb	12.6	22.1	22.8	18.5	7.9	110
Ta	1.30	1.32	1.30	1.06	0.72	6.4
Ga	24	24	25	22	20	39
Ge	1.5	1.6	1.3	1.2	1.1	na
Th	8.79	6.27	6.86	5.76	5.16	18.5
U	1.91	1.11	1.28	1.05	1.17	4.6
Sc	4.7	4.9	1.8	1.5	9.5	0.11
Y	85.8	120	108	70.4	45.4	184
La	59.7	77.1	98.8	80.4	49.1	59
Ce	121	160	202	192	98.5	154
Pr	14.7	19.8	24.3	20.3	11.6	22.2
Nd	59	74.3	88.8	73.5	45.1	92
Sm	13.3	16.3	17.5	13.7	9.18	24.2
Eu	2.38	3.5	2.29	1.82	2.76	2
Gd	13.3	16.2	15.8	11.6	8.5	26
Tb	2.35	3.11	2.96	2.04	1.29	4.8
Dy	14.7	19.7	18.7	12.8	8.02	29
Ho	3.04	4.25	3.92	2.63	1.65	6.5
Er	9.12	12.7	11.6	7.87	4.85	17.7
Tm	1.36	1.86	1.73	1.18	0.691	2.6
Yb	9.02	12.2	11.4	8.08	4.53	17.4
Lu	1.43	1.91	1.77	1.30	0.713	2.45

Granites: G. Bheinn Mh., Glas Bheinn Mhor; N. Porphy., northern Porphyritic. Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>\* all Fe as Fe<sup>3+</sup>. Peralk Ix = peralkalinity index (mol. (Na<sub>2</sub>O+K<sub>2</sub>O)/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>)). \* Composition from Govindaraju (1987); na = not analyzed.



were appropriate synthetic or natural materials available in the Reston Microbeam Laboratory (Huebner and Woodruff, 1985); Zr, Hf, and Th standards were provided through the courtesy of John M. Hanchar (Memorial University of Newfoundland). The analyses were corrected for electron beam-matrix effects and instrumental drift and dead time using a Phi-Rho-Z scheme (CITZAF; Armstrong, 1995) as supplied with the JEOL JXA-8900R electron microprobe. The relative accuracy of the analyses, based upon comparison between measured and published compositions of standard reference materials available in the Reston Microbeam Laboratory, is ~2 % for element concentration > 1 wt % and ~5 %–10 % for element concentrations < 1 wt %. The complete data sets for zircon and other Zr-bearing phases are given in the Supplement.

## 5 Results – modes of occurrence and compositions of zircon

Zircon is a ubiquitous accessory mineral in granitoids except in strongly peralkaline and agpaitic compositions in which other Zr species may predominate. Its stability and lack of common lead has made it a valuable tool in geochronology, especially with the advent of high-spatial- and high-mass-resolution ion probes (e.g., SHRIMP) and laser ablation ICP-MS techniques (e.g., Harley and Kelly, 2007). Zr, Hf, and O isotope studies are used also to trace magma genesis, metamorphic reactions, and alteration mechanisms (e.g., Liu et al., 2009; Valley et al., 2010; Ibañez-Mejia and Tissot, 2019).

Zircon ( $\text{ZrSiO}_4$ ), an orthosilicate, conforms to the formula  $\text{ABO}_4$ , in which A represents the relatively large Zr ion in eight-fold coordination with O, and B represents the Si ion in tetrahedral coordination with O. Analyses of zircons in this report have been recalculated on the basis of the unit cell content of 16 oxygens (Deer et al., 1982; Finch and Hanchar, 2003). Zircon can have limited element substitution except for Hf in which complete solid solution exists between zircon and hafnon ( $\text{HfSiO}_4$ ) (Ramakrishnan et al., 1969; Speer and Cooper, 1982). Hoskin and Schaltegger (2003) proposed the following trace-element distributions in the structure of zircon: four-fold site –  $\text{Si}^{4+}$ ,  $\text{P}^{5+}$ ; eight-fold site –  $\text{Zr}^{4+}$ ,  $\text{Hf}^{4+}$ ,  $\text{Y}^{3+}$ ,  $\text{REE}^{3+}$  (rare earth element),  $\text{U}^{4+}$ ,  $\text{Th}^{4+}$ ,  $\text{Pb}^{4+}$  (only radiogenic),  $\text{Ti}^{4+}$ ,  $\text{Sn}^{4+}$ ,  $\text{Sc}^{3+}$ ,  $\text{Al}^{3+}$ ,  $\text{Nb}^{5+}$ ,  $\text{Ta}^{5+}$ ; and interstitial site –  $\text{Li}^+$ ,  $\text{Mg}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{Mn}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{Al}^{3+}$ ,  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$ . Element substitution can be a simple isovalent replacement of Zr by other tetravalent cations or coupled if divalent and trivalent cations are incorporated (Hoskin and Schaltegger, 2003).

Hoskin and Schaltegger (2003) summarized the following simple and coupled element substitutions commonly observed in zircon: (1) simple substitutions:  $\text{Hf}^{4+} = \text{Zr}^{4+}$ ,  $(\text{U}^{4+}, \text{Th}^{4+}, \text{Ti}^{4+}, \text{Sn}^{4+}) = \text{Zr}^{4+}$ ,  $(\text{OH})_4^{4-} = \text{SiO}_4^{4-}$ ; (2) coupled substitutions: *a* – at one structural site:  $(\text{Y}, \text{REE})^{3+} + (\text{Nb}, \text{Ta})^{5+} = 2 \text{Zr}^{4+}$ ; *b* – at two structural sites:  $(\text{Y}, \text{REE})^{3+} + \text{P}^{5+} = \text{Zr}^{4+} + \text{Si}^{4+}$ ,  $(\text{Sc})^{3+} + \text{P}^{5+} = \text{Zr}^{4+} + \text{Si}^{4+}$ ,  $M^{n+} +$

$n(\text{OH})^- + (4-n)\text{H}_2\text{O} = \text{Zr}^{4+} + (\text{SiO}_4)^{4-}$  (where *M* = metal cation and *n* = integer); and *c* – at an interstitial site:  $(\text{Mg}, \text{Fe})^{2+}(\text{int}) + 3(\text{Y}, \text{REE})^{3+} + \text{P}^{5+} = 3\text{Zr}^{4+} + \text{Si}^{4+}$ ,  $(\text{Al}, \text{Fe})^{3+}(\text{int}) + 4(\text{Y}, \text{REE})^{3+} + \text{P}^{5+} = 4\text{Zr}^{4+} + \text{Si}^{4+}$ . The most common substitutions in zircon are  $\text{Hf}^{4+} = \text{Zr}^{4+}$  and the “xenotime” substitution  $(\text{Y}, \text{REE})^{3+} + \text{P}^{5+} = \text{Zr}^{4+} + \text{Si}^{4+}$  (Speer, 1982).

Although, xenotime substitution appears to be the dominant trace-element substitution mechanism in many zircons, Hoskin and Schaltegger (2003) point out that the common occurrence of REEs (mol %) in excess of P (mol %) in natural zircon indicates that other mechanisms also operate. In the studied zircons, many have REEs (mol %) in excess of P (mol %); thus, other substitution mechanisms in addition to the xenotime type were operative. We have used the sum of  $\Sigma \text{REE} + \text{Y} + \text{P}$  apfu (atom per formula unit; not including U or Th) as a measure of the degree of trace-element substitution and deviation from ideal zircon.

In the studied samples, zircon is the main Zr mineral except in the Ailsa Craig peralkaline granite in which dalyite and a eudalyte-group mineral predominate. On the basis of texture primarily and composition, the zircon population is classified into four groups: magmatic, late-stage magmatic, hydrothermal type 1, and hydrothermal type 2.

### 5.1 Magmatic zircons

Magmatic zircons are defined as those that crystallized from a silicate melt during early zircon saturation. Magmatic zircons have been identified in all samples except the Ruadh Stac Granite and Ailsa Craig microgranite (Table 1). Harding (1983) reports no zircons found in his eight Ailsa Craig samples, whereas Harrison et al. (1987) report zircons in the crush but do not give a detailed petrographic description. All the magmatic zircons are subhedral to euhedral prisms (Fig. 2a, b, d, g), with common combinations of prism ({100} and {110}) and pyramid forms ({211}, {101} and {301}). Their length-to-width ratio is usually 2 : 1 to 4 : 1, although a few were more acicular and have ratios of 6 : 1 to 8 : 1 (Fig. 2h). They range in size from 10–500  $\mu\text{m}$ . All have some degree of oscillatory and/or sector zoning (Fig. 2c, e, f, g, i), typical of igneous magmatic zircon (Hoskin and Schaltegger, 2003). Silicate melt (Fig. 2a, b, g) and apatite (Fig. 2d, h) are the most common inclusions, although britholite (Fig. 2b), quartz, pyrrhotite, chevkinite-(Ce), titanomagnetite, and K-feldspar inclusions are also present. We did not have sufficient sample to attempt any microthermometric studies of the silicate-melt inclusions but tentatively identified them by their round or ovoid shape (Fig. 2b, g); a few had a negative crystal shape (Fig. 2a). All had low BSE response, as would be expected for trapped high  $\text{SiO}_2$  compositions. The magmatic zircon compositions do not differ appreciably from ideal  $\text{ZrSiO}_4$  (Tables 3, 4).  $\text{HfO}_2$  ranges from 0.70 wt %–1.37 wt % and Zr/Hf *w/w* from 42–81, although 95 % fall between 42–65 (Fig. 3a). Trace-element substitution is mi-

nor, and  $\Sigma\text{REE}+\text{Y}+\text{P}$  varies from 0.018–0.146 apfu (16 oxygen basis) (Fig. 4a). The contents of  $\Sigma\text{REE}$ ,  $\text{Y}_2\text{O}_3$ ,  $\text{ThO}_2$ , and  $\text{UO}_2$  are generally low (Figs. 5a and 6a). There is no significant compositional difference among all the magmatic zircons. Additionally, we observed no textures characteristic of inherited zircons in any of the samples (e.g., Paterson et al., 1992; Aleinikoff et al., 2006). This lack of an inherited zircon component points to an origin of the granites being dominantly by fractional crystallization of mafic magmas with insignificant crustal contamination, as suggested by Gamble et al. (1992, 1999) for Paleogene granites of Slieve Gullion and Mourne Mountains.

## 5.2 Late-stage magmatic zircons

In a few cases, anhedral magmatic zircons are seen to have grown in the interstices and spaces between crystals formed earlier. These relatively late-crystallizing zircons have oscillatory and/or sector zoning, contain silicate-melt inclusions (Fig. 7a, b, c), and are compositionally indistinguishable from earlier magmatic zircons in the same sample.  $\text{HfO}_2$  varies from 0.99 wt %–1.33 wt %, and  $\text{Zr}/\text{Hf}$  *w/w* ranges from 43–58 (Fig. 3b; Table 5). Trace-element substitution is minor (0.031–0.059 apfu; Fig. 4b), and the abundances of  $\Sigma\text{REE}$ ,  $\text{Y}_2\text{O}_3$ ,  $\text{ThO}_2$ , and  $\text{UO}_2$  are low (Figs. 5b and 6b; Table 5).

## 5.3 Hydrothermal zircons type 1 and type 2

For this study, hydrothermal zircons are defined as those precipitated from an aqueous-dominated, solute-rich fluid of magmatic origin. Such fluids typically exsolve from granitoid bodies during the later stages of cooling. Two hydrothermal zircon types are distinguished primarily on texture. We did not observe any textures that suggested that the hydrothermal zircons resulted from the alteration of magmatic zircon. Hydrothermal type 1 zircons are either anhedral, filling interstices and spaces between earlier formed crystals, or are uncommon euhedral crystals in vugs, essentially devoid of inclusions and enriched in incompatible elements such as Y, Th, U, and  $\Sigma\text{REE}$ . Hydrothermal type 2 zircons are filled with fluid and solid inclusions and are, in many cases, less enriched in incompatible elements than type 1, except those from Ailsa Craig. Both types, except for Ailsa Craig type 2, have EPMA sums that suggest no  $\text{OH}^-$  or  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  component.

### 5.3.1 Hydrothermal type 1 zircons

Hydrothermal type 1 zircons were identified in six samples (Table 1). The category includes zircon that has replaced baddeleyite (see below). The zircons are anhedral, filling interstices and cracks (Fig. 8a, c), and do not display oscillatory or sector zoning but appear patchy or diffusely zoned in CL or BSE images (Fig. 8b, c). In a few cases euhedral crystals occur in vugs (Fig. 8d). Type 1 has a large range of  $\text{HfO}_2$  (0.58 wt %–2.79 wt %), and  $\text{Zr}/\text{Hf}$  *w/w* varies from 18–91,

but most are between 37–70 (Fig. 3c; Tables 6, 7). Trace-element substitution is significantly greater than the magmatic type, and  $\Sigma\text{REE}+\text{Y}+\text{P}$  varies from 0.149–0.695 apfu (Fig. 4c; Tables 6 and 7). The simple substitution,  $\text{U}^{4+} + \text{Th}^{4+} = \text{Zr}^{4+}$ , is also present. There is a positive correlation between  $\text{Y}_2\text{O}_3$  and  $\Sigma\text{REE}$  (Fig. 5c) and  $\text{ThO}_2$  and  $\text{UO}_2$  (Fig. 6c), with  $\text{ThO}_2$  usually greater than  $\text{UO}_2$ . In one case, the textures suggest that the fluids forming a hydrothermal type 1 zircon have partially altered an earlier chevkinite-(Ce) crystal (Fig. 8a) but do not appear to have altered the other adjacent phases.

### 5.3.2 Hydrothermal type 2 zircons

Hydrothermal type 2 zircons are fluid- and solid-inclusion-rich. Those in Ailsa Craig are placed in type 2 because they have cavities but no fluid inclusions *sensu stricto* (Roedder, 1984). Type 2 are most abundant in the Skye Western Centre and Eastern Red Hills Centre and less common in the Ardnamurchan Grigadale Granophyre (Table 1). Figure 9a illustrates the transition, sometimes observed, between type 1 and type 2. A type 1 zircon has begun to fill a space between magnetite grains, when the zircon began to trap both fluid and solid inclusions (Fig. 9a). In other cases, type 2 zircon precipitated around an earlier-formed magmatic zircon, yet it displays a euhedral form (Fig. 9b, c). Groups of inclusion-rich zircons also occur at grain boundaries (Fig. 9e) and fill interstices among crystals (Fig. 9f). We identified (EDS) xenotime, thorite, fergusonite, calcite, REE+Y fluorcarbonate, U,Y,Si carbonate, britholite, Fe oxide, quartz, chlorite, probable hingganite-(Y), and probable hellandite-(Y) as solid inclusions (e.g., Fig. 9d1, d2, d3). There are no inclusion assemblages to suggest that the included phases were daughter minerals (Roedder, 1984), and so they are interpreted to be accidentally trapped solids. Figure 9a shows the transition between hydrothermal type 1 with a high incompatible element content (pt. 1 –  $\text{Y}_2\text{O}_3$  5.04,  $\text{ThO}_2$  1.03 wt %; Table 6, analysis H1226\_Z1core) and hydrothermal type 2 zircon with a low incompatible element content (pt. 2 –  $\text{Y}_2\text{O}_3$  0.37,  $\text{ThO}_2$  0.19 wt %; Table 8, analysis H1226\_Z1rim). The presence of Y- and Th-bearing trapped minerals in type 2 indicates that the zircon-forming fluid was precipitating Y- and Th-rich phases, hence depleting the fluid and zircon in those elements.

The Ailsa Craig hydrothermal type 2 zircons have a distinct habit and composition different from the other type 2 zircons. The Ailsa Craig zircon fills vugs and has cavities lined with a botryoidal texture (Fig. 9g).  $\text{HfO}_2$  varies between 0.91 wt %–1.26 wt % and  $\text{Zr}/\text{Hf}$  *w/w* is in a narrow range between 32–43 (Fig. 3d; Table 9). Trace-element substitution ( $\Sigma\text{REE}+\text{Y}+\text{P}$ ) varies from 0.38–0.91 apfu and has a scattered distribution (Fig. 4d). The zircons have high  $\text{Y}_2\text{O}_3$  and  $\Sigma\text{REE}$  contents (Fig. 5d), but in contrast to all other studied zircons, they have relatively high LREE (La–Gd REE) contents and compared to other hydrothermal type 1 and 2

Table 3. Representative magmatic zircon compositions from Skye.

Intrusion Analysis		Eastern Red Hills Centre						Western Red Hills Centre						Strath na Creith, C.									
		Creag Strollamus Granite		Beinn na Cro Granite		Glas Bheinn Mhor Grn.	N. Porphyritic Felsite	Loch Ainort Granite		Maol na Gaimnich Grn.		Glamaig Granite		Meall Dearg Grn.									
N =	H1226_Z2	H1226_Z4	3	H1200_Z3	H1200_Z2b	GBME_Z5	GBME_Z4	3	NPFx1_Z1c	NPFx1_Z3	H1554_Z1c	H1554_Z2	3	14709_Z2	14709_Z5	3	GLE2_Z1	GLE2_Z7a	2	MD_Z5	MD_Z3	3	
SiO <sub>2</sub> (wt %)	32.62	32.40	bdl	32.49	32.40	32.63	32.58	bdl	32.50	32.53	32.53	32.31	bdl	32.68	32.38	bdl	32.86	32.48	32.51	32.42	bdl	bdl	32.42
TiO <sub>2</sub>	bdl	bdl	0.04	0.04	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.03	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.03	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	
FeO*	0.03	0.19	bdl	0.29	0.12	0.16	0.20	bdl	0.26	0.14	0.36	0.02	bdl	0.35	0.04	bdl	0.25	0.21	0.12	0.11	bdl	0.11	
MgO	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.02	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	
CaO	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.02	bdl	bdl	0.02	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.03	bdl	0.02	0.03	0.03	0.03	bdl	bdl	
ZrO <sub>2</sub>	65.51	63.63	bdl	64.36	64.14	65.98	66.39	bdl	65.79	65.68	64.61	63.08	bdl	65.17	64.47	bdl	65.95	64.48	65.11	64.73	bdl	64.73	
HfO <sub>2</sub>	1.24	1.22	bdl	1.30	1.31	1.14	1.20	bdl	1.10	0.91	1.03	1.01	bdl	0.97	0.83	bdl	1.25	1.15	0.92	0.90	bdl	0.90	
ThO <sub>2</sub>	0.09	0.08	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.06	bdl	0.10	bdl	bdl	0.06	bdl	bdl	0.13	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	
UO <sub>2</sub>	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.16	0.07	bdl	0.05	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.07	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	
Nb <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.09	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	
P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	0.12	0.16	bdl	0.18	0.22	0.12	0.14	bdl	0.16	0.18	0.16	0.23	bdl	0.11	0.22	bdl	0.11	0.30	0.14	0.22	bdl	0.22	
Y <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.29	0.65	bdl	0.85	0.75	0.21	0.15	bdl	0.57	0.72	0.73	1.43	bdl	0.63	0.92	bdl	0.10	0.66	0.53	0.68	bdl	0.68	
Ce <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.10	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.17	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	
Pr <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	bdl	0.14	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.10	bdl	0.11	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.10	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	
Nd <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.11	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.12	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	
Sm <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.13	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.12	bdl	bdl	bdl	
Gd <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	bdl	0.12	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.15	0.19	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.18	0.12	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	
Dy <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.22	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.25	bdl	bdl	0.15	bdl	0.18	0.12	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	
Er <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.15	0.20	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.25	bdl	bdl	0.15	bdl	bdl	0.18	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	
Yb <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	bdl	0.10	bdl	0.21	0.15	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.18	0.22	bdl	0.12	0.15	bdl	bdl	0.20	0.13	0.17	bdl	0.17	
Total	99.90	98.71		100.13	99.67	100.26	100.72		100.64	100.55	99.74	98.75		100.21	99.24		100.83	100.22	99.60	99.22		99.22	
Zr/Hf w/w	46.2	45.5		43.1	42.7	50.7	48.2		52.3	62.7	55.0	54.3		58.9	67.8		46.1	48.8	61.9	63.1		63.1	
Formulae on the basis of 16 oxygens																							
Si	4.001	4.023		3.992	3.998	3.988	3.971		3.969	3.975	4.002	4.016		4.001	3.997		3.995	3.985	3.998	4.000			
Ti	—	—		0.003	—	—	—		—	—	0.002	—		—	—		0.002	—	—	—			
Fe <sup>2+</sup>	0.003	0.020		0.030	0.012	0.016	0.020		0.026	0.015	0.037	0.002		0.036	0.004		0.025	0.022	0.012	0.011			
Mg	—	—		—	—	—	—		—	—	—	—		—	—		—	0.003	0.003	—			
Ca	—	—		—	—	0.003	—		0.002	—	—	—		—	0.003		0.002	0.004	0.004	—			
Zr	3.919	3.853		3.856	3.859	3.932	3.946		3.918	3.913	3.876	3.824		3.892	3.882		3.911	3.859	3.905	3.894			
Hf	0.043	0.043		0.046	0.046	0.040	0.042		0.038	0.032	0.036	0.036		0.034	0.029		0.043	0.040	0.032	0.032			
Th	0.003	0.002		—	—	—	—		—	0.002	—	0.003		—	0.002		—	0.004	0.004	0.032			
U	—	—		0.004	0.002	—	0.001		—	—	—	—		0.002	—		—	—	—	—			
Nb	—	—		—	—	—	—		—	—	—	—		—	—		0.005	—	—	—			
P	0.012	0.017		0.018	0.023	0.013	0.015		0.017	0.018	0.016	0.024		0.011	0.023		0.011	0.031	0.015	0.023			
Y	0.019	0.043		0.055	0.050	0.014	0.010		0.037	0.047	0.048	0.095		0.041	0.060		0.007	0.043	0.034	0.045			
Ce	—	—		—	0.005	—	—		0.005	—	—	—		—	—		—	0.007	—	—			
Pr	—	0.006		—	—	—	—		—	—	—	0.005		0.005	—		—	0.004	—	—			
Nd	—	—		0.005	—	—	—		—	—	0.005	—		—	—		—	—	0.005	—			
Sm	—	—		—	—	—	—		—	—	—	—		—	—		—	—	—	—			
Gd	—	0.005		—	—	—	—		0.006	0.008	—	—		—	0.006		0.007	0.005	—	—			
Dy	—	—		—	0.009	—	—		—	—	—	—		—	—		—	—	—	—			
Er	—	—		0.006	0.008	—	—		—	—	0.007	0.010		—	0.006		—	0.007	—	—			
Yb	—	0.004		0.008	0.006	—	—		—	—	0.007	0.008		0.005	0.006		—	0.007	0.005	0.006			
Σ cations	8.00	8.02		8.02	8.02	8.00	8.01		8.02	8.01	8.03	8.02		8.03	8.01		8.01	8.02	8.01	8.01			

FeO\* = total iron as Fe<sup>2+</sup>; bdl = below detection limit; N = number of analyses averaged; La<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, Eu<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, SrO, PbO, Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> = bdl.

Table 4. Representative magmatic zircon compositions.

Intrusion	Run			Ardnamurchan			Mull			Moune Mountains			All magmatic	
	Western Granite	Granophyre, Centre 2		Grigdale Granophyre	Beinn a' Ghraig Granophyre	Toll Doire Granophyre	Glenm_Z1a	Glenm_Z1b	Zircon					
Analysis	RUM_Z20b	RUM_Z5a	14724_Z1	14724_Z3	13138_Z1a	13138_ZB1	13274_Z2rim	13274_Z2core	13274_Z4	44858_Z2	44858_Z3	3	1	range n = 70
N =	2	1	3	1	2	2	2	2	3	3	4			
SiO <sub>2</sub> (wt %)	32.67	32.70	32.24	32.33	32.52	32.24	32.33	32.49	32.42	32.61	32.66	32.64	32.53	32.10–32.96
TiO <sub>2</sub>	bdl	0.04	0.04	bdl	bdl	0.03	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.07	0.09	bdl–0.25
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.07	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl–0.07
FeO*	0.80	0.83	0.31	bdl	0.03	0.82	0.66	0.11	0.08	0.17	0.11	0.49	0.90	bdl–1.03
MgO	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl–0.02
CaO	0.03	bdl	0.02	bdl	bdl	0.04	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.03	bdl	bdl	0.03	bdl–0.11
ZrO <sub>2</sub>	64.31	63.24	65.11	64.17	64.52	63.67	65.91	65.63	66.13	65.15	65.18	64.98	64.57	62.89–66.54
HfO <sub>2</sub>	1.18	0.77	0.87	1.07	1.17	1.33	1.37	1.05	1.10	0.90	1.05	1.10	1.31	0.70–1.37
ThO <sub>2</sub>	0.06	0.29	bdl	bdl	0.11	0.25	0.08	0.09	0.10	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl–0.42
UO <sub>2</sub>	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.26	0.11	0.11	0.13	0.10	0.06	0.06	0.09	0.16	bdl–0.70
Nb <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.11	bdl	0.10	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.16	bdl–0.17
P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	0.11	0.36	0.15	0.18	0.14	0.27	0.17	0.17	0.10	0.19	0.15	0.09	0.16	0.06–0.36
Y <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.34	0.87	0.38	0.92	0.63	0.57	0.34	0.70	0.31	0.46	0.43	0.10	0.19	0.08–1.43
La <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.17	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.11	bdl	bdl	bdl–0.21
Ce <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	bdl	0.10	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.16	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.15	bdl	bdl	bdl–0.17
Pr <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	bdl	0.11	bdl	0.10	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl–0.15
Nd <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	bdl	0.13	bdl	0.24	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.27	0.12	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl–0.24
Sm <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.19	0.12	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl–0.32
Gd <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.17	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl–0.19
Dy <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	bdl	0.42	0.16	0.20	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.17	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.18	bdl	bdl–0.42
Er <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	bdl	0.30	bdl	0.11	0.11	0.11	bdl	0.18	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl–0.30
Yb <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	bdl	0.23	bdl	0.22	0.30	0.10	bdl	0.09	bdl	0.13	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl–0.30
Total	99.49	100.39	99.27	99.61	99.78	99.69	101.12	101.26	100.35	99.71	99.89	99.73	99.92	98.70–101.89
Zr/Hf w/w	47.6	72.1	65.4	52.4	48.0	41.9	42.2	54.5	52.7	63.1	54.2	51.4	43.0	41.9–81.3

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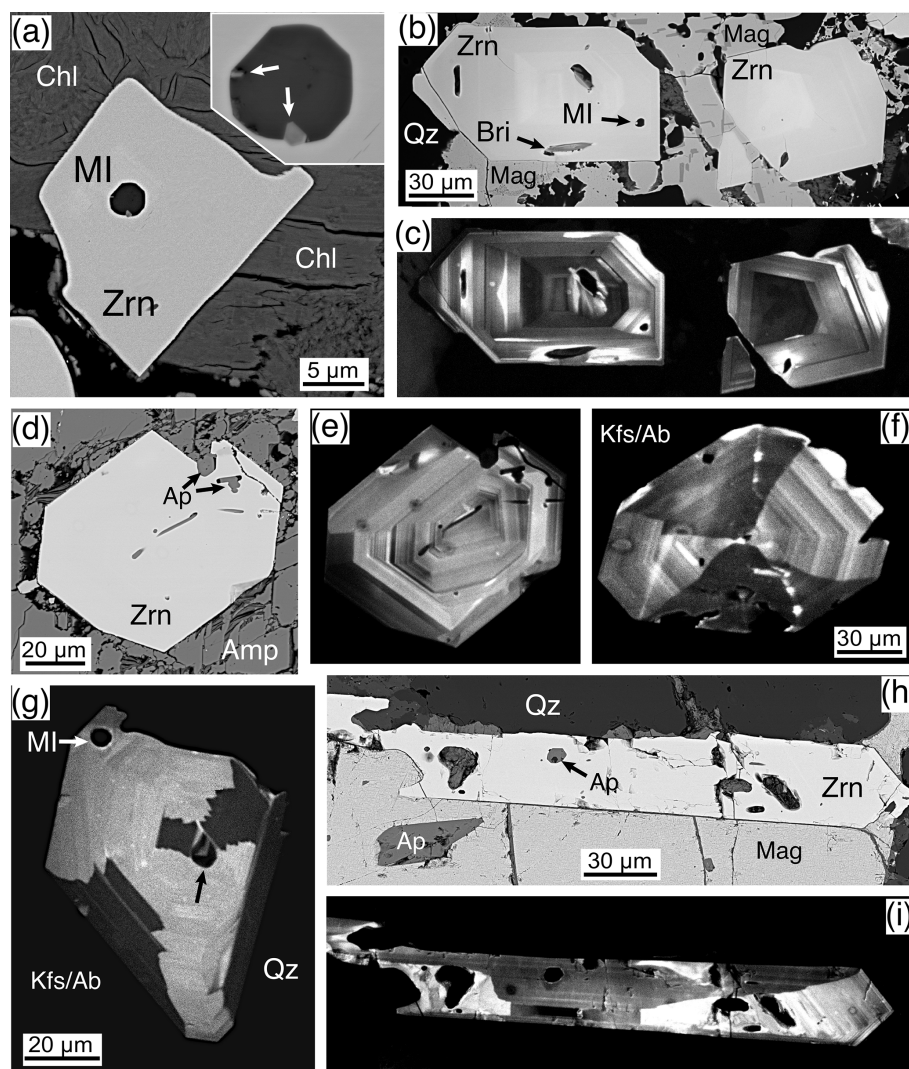
Si	4.020	4.008	3.981	3.990	4.008	3.981	3.942	3.963	3.970	4.002	4.006	4.011	3.995	3.942–4.032
Ti	–	0.004	0.004	–	–	0.003	–	–	–	–	–	0.006	0.008	–0.024
Al	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–0.010
Fe <sup>2+</sup>	0.082	0.085	0.032	–	0.003	0.085	0.067	0.012	0.008	0.018	0.011	0.050	0.092	–0.106
Mg	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–0.004
Ca	0.004	–	0.003	–	–	0.005	–	–	–	0.004	–	–	0.003	–0.014
Zr	3.859	3.780	3.921	3.862	3.877	3.834	3.920	3.904	3.950	3.899	3.898	3.893	3.867	3.780–3.967
Hf	0.041	0.027	0.031	0.038	0.041	0.047	0.048	0.037	0.038	0.032	0.037	0.039	0.046	0.025–0.048
Th	0.002	0.008	–	–	0.003	0.007	–	0.003	–	–	–	–	–	–0.012
U	–	–	–	–	0.007	0.003	0.002	0.004	0.003	0.002	0.002	0.003	0.004	–0.019
Nb	–	–	–	–	–	–	0.006	–	–	–	–	–	–	–0.009
P	0.012	0.038	0.016	0.019	0.015	0.029	0.017	0.017	0.010	0.020	0.016	0.009	0.016	0.006–0.038
Y	0.022	0.057	0.025	0.060	0.041	0.057	0.045	0.045	0.020	0.030	0.005	0.006	0.012	0.005–0.095
La	–	–	–	–	–	–	0.008	–	–	–	0.007	–	–	–0.010
Ce	0.004	–	–	–	–	0.007	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–0.007
Pr	0.005	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–0.007
Nd	0.006	–	–	0.011	–	–	–	–	0.005	–	–	–	–	–0.011
Sm	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–0.013
Gd	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–0.008
Dy	0.017	–	0.006	0.008	–	–	–	0.007	–	–	–	0.007	–	–0.017
Er	0.011	–	–	–	–	–	–	0.007	–	–	–	–	–	–0.011
Yb	0.009	–	–	0.008	0.011	0.004	–	0.003	–	0.005	–	–	–	–0.011
Zcations	8.04	8.06	8.02	8.02	8.01	8.05	8.03	8.02	8.00	8.01	8.01	8.02	8.04	8.00–8.06

FeO\* = total iron as Fe<sup>2+</sup>; bdl = below detection limit; N = number of analyses averaged; Eu<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, SrO, PbO = bdl.

**Table 5.** Late-stage magmatic zircon compositions.

Intrusion Analysis <i>N</i> =	Skye					Mull
	East. Red Hills	Western Red Hills Centre			Strath Creith.	
	Beinn Cro H1200_Z1 <i>N</i> = 4	N. Porph. Fels. H1554_Z1a <i>N</i> = 2	Glamaig Granite GLE2_Z8   GLE2_Z9 <i>N</i> = 3   2		Meall Dearg MD_Z1 <i>N</i> = 3	Toll Doire 44858_Z3 <i>N</i> = 4
SiO <sub>2</sub> (wt %)	32.54	32.87	32.72	32.80	32.78	32.56
TiO <sub>2</sub>	0.13	0.03	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.03	bdl
FeO*	0.73	0.37	0.10	0.32	0.68	0.06
CaO	0.02	0.02	bdl	0.02	0.06	0.02
ZrO <sub>2</sub>	65.18	66.02	65.18	64.60	65.23	65.04
HfO <sub>2</sub>	1.33	1.12	1.28	1.08	0.99	1.20
ThO <sub>2</sub>	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.08
UO <sub>2</sub>	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.12	bdl	0.08
P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	0.10	0.08	0.17	0.17	0.11	0.14
Y <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.49	0.10	0.36	0.32	0.49	0.38
La <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	bdl	0.16	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl
Ce <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	bdl	0.11	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl
Pr <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.14	bdl	bdl
Sm <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.17	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.15	bdl
Dy <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.15
Er <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.14	0.10	bdl	bdl	0.14	bdl
Yb <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.10	bdl	0.10	0.11	bdl	bdl
Total	100.93	100.99	99.90	99.69	100.66	99.70
Zr/Hf <i>w/w</i>	42.7	51.3	44.5	52.0	57.7	47.5
Formulae on the basis of 16 oxygens						
Si	3.972	3.995	4.010	4.025	3.996	4.005
Ti	0.012	0.003	–	–	–	–
Al	0.001	–	–	–	0.004	–
Fe <sup>2+</sup>	0.075	0.038	0.010	0.032	0.069	0.006
Ca	0.002	0.003	–	0.003	0.008	0.003
Zr	3.880	3.913	3.895	3.865	3.878	3.901
Hf	0.046	0.039	0.045	0.038	0.034	0.042
Th	–	–	–	–	–	0.002
U	–	–	–	0.003	–	0.002
P	0.010	0.008	0.018	0.018	0.011	0.014
Y	0.032	0.006	0.023	0.021	0.032	0.025
La	–	0.007	–	–	–	–
Ce	–	0.005	–	–	–	–
Pr	–	–	–	0.006	–	–
Sm	0.007	–	–	–	0.006	–
Dy	–	–	–	–	–	0.006
Er	0.005	0.004	–	–	0.005	–
Yb	0.004	–	0.004	0.004	–	–
Σ cations	8.05	8.02	8.00	8.02	8.04	8.01

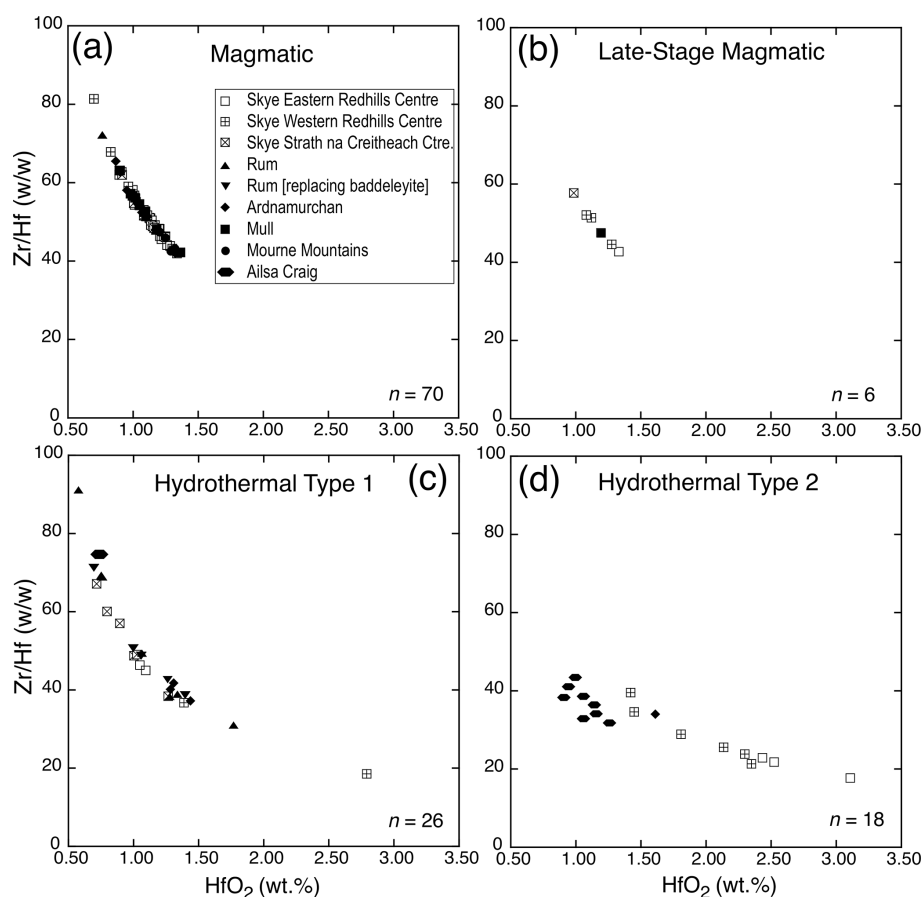
FeO\* = total iron as Fe<sup>2+</sup>; bdl = below detection limit; *N* = number of analyses averaged. Nb<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>, Nd<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, Eu<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, Gd<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, SrO, PbO, MgO = bdl.



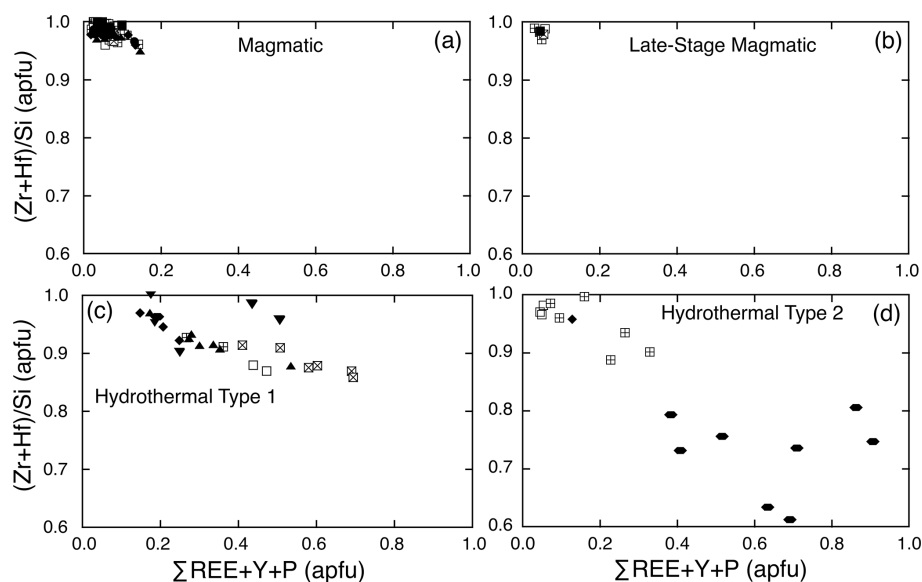
**Figure 2.** Magmatic zircons, BSE images except where noted. (a) A 20 µm euhedral zircon (Zrn) enclosed by chlorite (Chl) with a 2.5 µm silicate-melt inclusion (MI). The inclusion is enlarged in the upper right; the lower arrow indicates a euhedral-zoned apatite, and the upper arrow points to a TiO<sub>2</sub> phase. Rum, Western Granite, sample RUM. (b) Two ~90 µm euhedral zircons (Zrn) with silicate-melt (MI), and britholite (Bri) inclusions, enclosed by quartz (Qz) with magnetite (Mag). Mull, Toll Doire Granophyre, sample 44858. (c) CL image of (b) showing sharply defined magmatic oscillatory zoning. (d) An 80 µm euhedral zircon (Zrn) with apatite (Ap) inclusions enclosed by riebeckite amphibole (Amp) somewhat disaggregated from sample preparation. Skye, Western Red Hills Centre, Maol na Gainmich Granite, sample 14709. (e) CL image of (d) showing fine-scale oscillatory zoning; the left border shows sector zoning. (f) CL image of a 130 µm euhedral zircon enclosed by K-feldspar and albite (Kfs/Ab) showing fine-scale oscillatory zoning with well-developed sector zoning. Skye, Eastern Red Hills Centre, Creag Strollamus Granite, sample H1226. (g) A CL image of an 80 µm zircon (Zrn) surrounded by quartz (Qz) and K-feldspar and albite (Kfs/Ab) with well-developed sector zoning. The crystal contains a silicate-melt inclusion (MI) in the upper left, but the similarly shaped dark spot (black arrow) is a non-CL part of the crystal. Skye, Eastern Red Hills Centre, Glas Bheinn Mhor Granite, sample GBME. (h) An acicular 300 µm (a portion on the left not shown) euhedral zircon (Zrn) on magnetite and intergrown (left portion) with quartz (Qz). Apatite inclusions (Ap) in both the zircon and magnetite. Skye, Eastern Red Hills Centre, Glas Bheinn Mhor Granite, sample GBME. (i) A CL image of (h) showing oscillatory and sector zoning.

zircons have high CaO and Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> values (Table 9). The contents of ThO<sub>2</sub> and UO<sub>2</sub> are all < 0.5 wt % except for one value (Fig. 6d). Figure 9g shows that the zircon formed after the precipitation of a pyrochlore-group mineral and the Ailsa Craig hydrothermal type 2 zircons have high Nb<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> contents in contrast to magmatic zircons (Table 9). The EPMA totals

varied from 92 wt %–96 wt %. These are hydrous zircons, but the hydrous value (H<sub>2</sub>O, OH<sup>1-</sup>) is not the difference from 100 % as we did not measure all REEs or B, Be, or Li, for example.



**Figure 3.** Variation in Zr/Hf *w/w* versus HfO<sub>2</sub> in the four types of studied zircons: (a) magmatic, (b) late-stage magmatic, (c) hydrothermal type 1, and (d) hydrothermal type 2. The legend shown in (a) applies to all four types where appropriate and is valid for Figs. 4, 5, and 6.



**Figure 4.** Deviation from ideal ZrSiO<sub>4</sub> by trace-element (ΣREE+Y+P) substitutions in the studied zircons: (a) magmatic, (b) late-stage magmatic, (c) hydrothermal type 1, and (d) hydrothermal type 2.

**Table 6.** Representative hydrothermal type 1 zircon compositions from Skye

Intrusion Analysis <i>N</i> =	Skye						
	Eastern Red Hills Centre		Western Red Hills C.		Strath na Creith. Centre		
	Creag Strollamus Granite		Loch Ainort Granite		Ruadh Stac Granite		
	H1226_Z1core	H1226_Z5core	H1554_Z4	H1554_Z5	RS1_Z2	RS1_Z4	RS1_Z5
	2	2	3	3	6	4	3
SiO <sub>2</sub> (wt %)	31.57	31.65	31.95	31.68	31.45	31.21	31.48
TiO <sub>2</sub>	0.07	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl
FeO*	0.85	0.35	0.52	0.14	0.05	0.09	0.06
CaO	0.11	0.16	bdl	0.02	bdl	bdl	bdl
ZrO <sub>2</sub>	55.65	56.42	59.08	58.36	55.67	55.19	54.92
HfO <sub>2</sub>	1.05	1.10	2.79	1.39	1.27	0.72	0.80
ThO <sub>2</sub>	1.03	1.20	0.94	0.64	0.19	0.25	0.33
UO <sub>2</sub>	0.53	0.53	0.23	0.28	0.06	0.12	0.13
Nb <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	bdl	bdl	0.27	0.10	bdl	bdl	bdl
P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	0.25	0.18	0.32	0.27	0.73	0.81	0.62
Y <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	5.04	4.53	2.80	3.78	6.02	6.93	7.40
La <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	bdl	0.13	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl
Ce <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.14	0.10	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.13
Pr <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.08	bdl
Nd <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.14
Sm <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	bdl	0.15	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl
Eu <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	bdl	0.15	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.22	0.20
Gd <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.26	0.13	0.18	0.21	0.53	0.73	0.65
Dy <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.33	0.19	0.22	0.38	0.81	0.99	1.17
Er <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.71	0.66	0.29	0.42	0.62	0.83	0.51
Yb <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	1.18	1.27	0.51	0.96	0.37	0.44	0.32
Total	98.95	98.97	100.34	98.81	98.17	98.64	99.06
Zr/Hf <i>w/w</i>	46.3	44.9	18.5	36.7	38.3	67.1	60.0
Formulae on the basis of 16 oxygens							
Si	4.026	4.033	3.996	4.013	4.006	3.971	3.996
Ti	0.007	–	–	–	–	–	–
Fe <sup>2+</sup>	0.091	0.037	0.055	0.015	0.006	0.009	0.007
Ca	0.016	0.022	–	0.003	–	–	–
Zr	3.461	3.507	3.603	3.605	3.459	3.424	3.401
Hf	0.038	0.040	0.100	0.050	0.046	0.026	0.029
Th	0.030	0.035	0.027	0.018	0.006	0.007	0.010
U	0.015	0.015	0.006	0.008	0.002	0.003	0.004
Nb	–	–	0.015	0.006	–	–	–
P	0.027	0.019	0.034	0.029	0.078	0.087	0.067
Y	0.341	0.307	0.186	0.255	0.408	0.468	0.500
La	–	0.006	–	–	–	–	–
Ce	0.007	0.005	–	–	–	–	0.006
Pr	–	–	–	–	–	0.004	–
Nd	–	–	–	–	–	–	0.006
Sm	–	0.007	–	–	–	–	–
Eu	–	0.006	–	–	–	0.010	0.009
Gd	0.011	0.005	0.007	0.009	0.022	0.031	0.027
Dy	0.013	0.008	0.009	0.016	0.033	0.041	0.048
Er	0.028	0.027	0.011	0.017	0.025	0.033	0.020
Yb	0.046	0.049	0.019	0.037	0.014	0.017	0.012
Σcations	8.16	8.13	8.07	8.08	8.10	8.13	8.14

eO\* = total iron as Fe<sup>2+</sup>; bdl = below detection limit; *N* = number of analyses averaged. PbO, SrO, MgO, Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> = bdl.



Table 7. Representative hydrothermal type 1 zircon compositions.

Intrusion	Rum				Rum				Ardnamurchan				Ailsa Craig	
	Western Granite				Western Granite (replacing buddleite = ZB)				Grigisdale Granophyre				Ailsa Craig granite	
Analysis N =	RUM_Z9	RUM_Z13	RUM_Z3b	RUM_Z12	RUM_Z21	RUM_ZB10	RUM_ZB2	RUM_ZB8	RUM_ZB9	RUM_ZB11	13138_Z7	13138_Z3	13138_Z8	DV24828_E34.1
	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	1
SiO <sub>2</sub> (wt %)	31.54	32.19	32.04	32.01	31.57	31.98	32.23	29.13	29.18	29.50	32.04	31.63	31.88	32.25
TiO <sub>2</sub>	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.16	0.13	0.14	0.24	bdl	0.04	0.05	0.06
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.07	bdl	0.02	1.11	1.15	1.60	0.95	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl
FeO*	0.18	0.23	0.09	0.45	0.60	0.11	0.53	0.45	1.33	0.46	0.11	0.10	0.07	0.02
MgO	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.12	0.09	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl
CaO	0.04	0.04	0.02	bdl	0.04	bdl	0.42	0.17	0.14	0.42	0.02	0.02	bdl	bdl
ZrO <sub>2</sub>	56.05	59.95	62.67	60.40	59.60	61.71	58.99	58.24	56.87	61.89	61.26	59.03	62.60	63.24
HfO <sub>2</sub>	1.28	0.76	1.77	0.58	1.34	1.27	1.06	1.00	0.70	1.40	1.44	1.29	1.31	0.74
ThO <sub>2</sub>	1.33	0.52	0.62	0.64	2.21	1.45	bdl	0.32	0.28	bdl	0.53	1.18	0.41	0.21
UO <sub>2</sub>	0.37	0.34	0.38	0.42	0.70	0.48	0.16	0.29	0.21	0.14	0.21	0.46	0.19	0.27
Nb <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	bdl	bdl	0.12	bdl	bdl	0.08	0.14	0.08	0.20	0.66	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl
P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	0.46	0.20	0.15	0.26	0.32	0.19	0.25	0.38	0.40	0.17	0.37	0.44	0.27	0.35
Y <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	5.76	3.66	1.71	2.89	2.70	2.03	2.32	4.41	5.32	1.77	1.97	2.37	1.46	1.90
La <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.11	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.26	bdl	bdl	0.13	bdl	bdl	bdl
Ce <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	bdl	0.17	bdl	0.10	0.16	bdl	0.18	0.11	0.19	0.25	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl
Pr <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.17	bdl	0.21	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.10	0.10	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl
Nd <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.01	bdl	bdl	0.18	bdl	bdl	0.11	bdl	0.13	0.14	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl
Eu <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.15	0.24	0.29	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	na
Gd <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	bdl	0.15	0.14	bdl	0.12	0.18	0.24	0.47	0.15	bdl	0.26	0.18	bdl	bdl
Dy <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.49	0.58	0.28	0.22	0.50	bdl	0.48	0.23	0.29	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl
Er <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.75	0.33	0.13	0.30	0.30	0.23	0.29	0.38	0.62	0.21	0.17	0.38	0.24	0.41
Yb <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.91	0.61	0.37	0.57	0.59	0.40	0.34	0.50	0.73	0.22	0.40	0.48	0.36	0.42
Total	99.43	99.72	100.68	99.07	100.74	100.14	99.15	98.08	98.96	98.52	98.89	97.56	98.83	99.87
Zr/Hf w/w	38.2	68.9	30.9	91.1	38.8	42.6	48.6	50.9	71.2	38.6	37.1	40.1	41.7	74.6

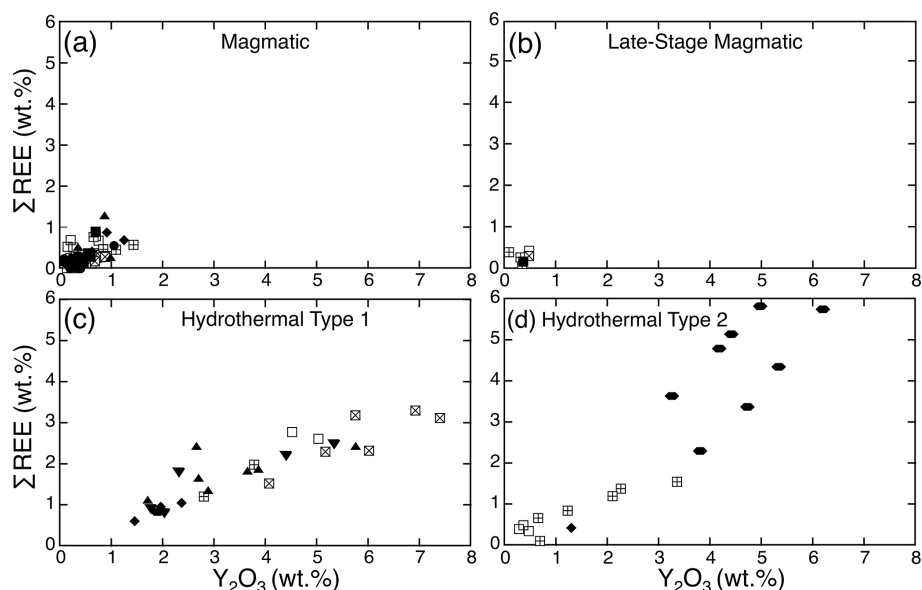
Formulae on the basis of 16 oxygens														
Si	3.998	4.018	3.968	4.008	3.961	3.984	3.991	3.747	3.719	3.740	4.006	4.021	3.985	3.978
Ti	—	—	—	—	—	—	0.015	0.013	0.013	0.023	—	0.004	0.004	0.006
Al	—	—	—	0.010	—	0.002	0.161	0.174	0.240	0.142	—	—	—	—
Fe <sup>2+</sup>	0.019	0.024	0.009	0.047	0.063	0.011	0.055	0.048	0.142	0.049	0.011	0.010	0.007	0.002
Mg	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0.024	0.017	—	—	—	—	—
Ca	0.005	0.006	0.002	—	0.005	0.002	0.056	0.023	0.020	0.057	0.002	—	—	—
Zr	3.465	3.649	3.785	3.689	3.647	3.748	3.562	3.653	3.535	3.827	3.736	3.660	3.815	3.804
Hf	0.046	0.027	0.063	0.021	0.048	0.045	0.037	0.037	0.025	0.051	0.051	0.047	0.047	0.026
Th	0.038	0.015	0.017	0.018	0.063	0.041	—	0.009	0.008	—	0.015	0.034	0.012	0.006
U	0.010	0.010	0.011	0.012	0.019	0.013	0.004	0.008	0.006	0.004	0.006	0.013	0.005	0.007
Nb	—	—	0.006	—	—	0.005	0.008	0.005	0.012	0.038	—	—	—	—
P	0.049	0.021	0.016	0.027	0.034	0.020	0.026	0.041	0.043	0.018	0.039	0.047	0.028	0.036
Y	0.388	0.243	0.113	0.192	0.180	0.134	0.153	0.302	0.360	0.119	0.131	0.160	0.097	0.125
La	0.005	—	—	—	—	—	—	0.013	—	—	0.006	—	—	—
Ce	—	0.008	—	0.004	0.007	—	0.008	0.005	0.009	0.011	—	—	—	—
Pr	0.008	—	0.009	—	—	—	—	—	0.005	0.005	—	—	—	—
Nd	—	—	—	0.008	—	—	0.005	—	0.006	0.006	—	—	—	—
Eu	—	—	—	—	—	—	0.006	0.010	0.013	—	—	—	—	—
Gd	—	0.006	0.006	—	0.005	0.007	0.010	0.020	0.006	—	0.011	0.008	—	—
Dy	0.020	0.023	0.011	0.009	0.020	—	0.019	0.010	0.012	—	—	—	—	—
Er	0.030	0.013	0.005	0.012	0.012	0.009	0.011	0.015	0.025	0.008	0.007	0.015	0.009	0.016
Yb	0.035	0.023	0.014	0.022	0.023	0.015	0.013	0.020	0.028	0.008	0.015	0.019	0.014	0.016
Σcations	8.12	8.08	8.03	8.08	8.09	8.04	8.14	8.18	8.24	8.11	8.04	8.04	8.02	8.02

FeO\* = total iron as Fe<sup>2+</sup>; bdl = below detection limit; na = not analyzed; N = number of analyses averaged. Sm<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, SrO, PbO = bdl

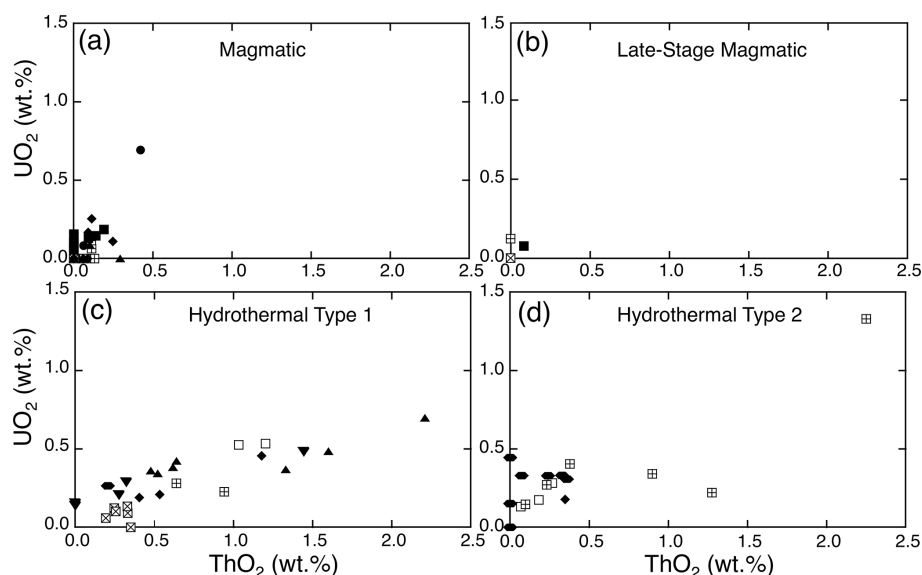
Table 8. Representative hydrothermal type 2 zircon compositions.

Intrusion Analysis <i>N</i> =	Eastern Red Hills Centre			Skye			Western Red Hills Centre			Ardannurchan
	Creag Stollanus Granite H1226_Z1rim 2	H1226_Z3 3	H1226_Z5rim 2	N. Porphyritic Felsite NPFx1_Z1rim 3	NPFx1_Z4 2	Loch Aiorat H1554_Z1c 2	Maol Gáin. 14709_Z1 2	Glaingaig Granite GLE2_Z2 4	GLE2_Z7brim 2	Grigadale Gran. 13138_Z2 4
SiO <sub>2</sub> (wt %)	32.52	32.49	32.31	31.89	31.66	31.71	31.76	32.33	31.99	32.42
TiO <sub>2</sub>	0.04	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.05
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	bdl	0.02	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.05	0.05	0.08	0.42	0.08
FeO*	0.55	0.09	0.03	0.35	0.47	1.14	0.15	0.16	0.35	0.12
MgO	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.03	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl
CaO	0.10	0.02	bdl	bdl	0.16	0.17	bdl	0.05	0.21	bdl
ZrO <sub>2</sub>	62.93	62.84	63.64	64.36	62.63	57.26	59.83	62.42	57.40	62.76
HfO <sub>2</sub>	2.52	3.11	2.44	1.42	2.30	2.35	1.81	2.14	1.45	1.61
ThO <sub>2</sub>	0.19	0.07	0.27	0.23	0.10	1.28	0.90	0.38	2.25	0.35
UO <sub>2</sub>	0.17	0.13	0.28	0.27	0.15	0.22	0.34	0.40	1.33	0.18
Nb <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.42	0.13	0.40	bdl	bdl
P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	0.07	0.10	0.09	0.45	0.20	0.40	0.54	0.25	0.36	0.25
Y <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.37	0.28	0.47	1.23	0.69	3.36	2.27	0.66	2.11	1.30
Ce <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.14	0.12	bdl	bdl	bdl
Pr <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	bdl	0.12	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.16	bdl	bdl	bdl
Sm <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.14	bdl
Gd <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.24	bdl	bdl	0.16	bdl	0.17	0.12	0.12	0.17	bdl
Dy <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.20	bdl	0.19	0.22	bdl	bdl	bdl
Er <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.11	0.10	0.15	0.48	bdl	0.46	0.34	0.19	0.21	0.16
Yb <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.15	0.17	0.18	0.10	0.10	0.58	0.42	0.35	0.67	0.26
Total	99.93	99.54	99.87	101.04	98.45	99.93	99.14	99.52	99.05	99.55
Zr/Hf <i>w/w</i>	21.84	17.6	22.8	39.5	23.8	21.3	28.9	25.5	34.6	34.0
Formulae on the basis of 16 oxygens										
Si	4.022	4.032	4.003	3.917	3.974	3.984	3.986	4.014	4.038	4.010
Ti	0.004	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	0.005
Al	–	0.003	–	–	–	0.007	0.007	0.012	0.062	0.012
Fe <sup>2+</sup>	0.056	0.010	0.004	0.036	0.049	0.120	0.015	0.017	0.037	0.013
Mg	–	–	–	–	–	0.006	–	–	–	–
Ca	0.013	0.003	–	–	0.021	0.023	–	0.007	0.028	–
Zr	3.796	3.803	3.845	3.856	3.834	3.508	3.662	3.779	3.533	3.785
Hf	0.089	0.110	0.086	0.050	0.082	0.084	0.065	0.076	0.052	0.057
Th	0.005	0.002	0.008	0.006	0.003	0.036	0.026	0.011	0.065	0.010
U	0.005	0.004	0.008	0.007	0.004	0.006	0.010	0.011	0.037	0.005
Nb	–	–	–	–	–	0.024	0.007	–	–	–
P	0.007	0.010	0.009	0.047	0.022	0.043	0.057	0.026	0.039	0.026
Y	0.024	0.019	0.031	0.080	0.046	0.224	0.151	0.043	0.141	0.085
Ce	–	–	–	–	–	0.007	0.005	–	–	–
Pr	–	0.006	–	–	–	–	0.007	–	–	–
Sm	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	0.006	–
Gd	0.010	–	–	0.006	–	0.007	0.005	0.005	0.007	–
Dy	–	–	–	–	–	0.008	0.009	–	–	–
Er	0.004	0.004	0.006	0.008	–	0.018	0.013	0.007	0.008	0.006
Yb	0.006	0.006	0.007	0.018	0.004	0.022	0.016	0.013	0.026	0.010
Σ cations	8.04	8.01	8.01	8.03	8.04	8.13	8.04	8.02	8.08	8.02

FeO\* = total iron as Fe<sup>2+</sup>; bdl = below detection limit; *N* = number of analyses averaged. La<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, Nd<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, Eu<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, PbO, SrO = bdl



**Figure 5.** Variation in  $Y_2O_3$  versus  $\Sigma REE$  (wt %) in the studied zircons: (a) magmatic, (b) late-stage magmatic, (c) hydrothermal type 1, and (d) hydrothermal type 2.



**Figure 6.** Variation in  $ThO_2$  versus  $UO_2$  (wt %) in the studied zircons: (a) magmatic, (b) late-stage magmatic, (c) hydrothermal type 1, and (d) hydrothermal type 2.

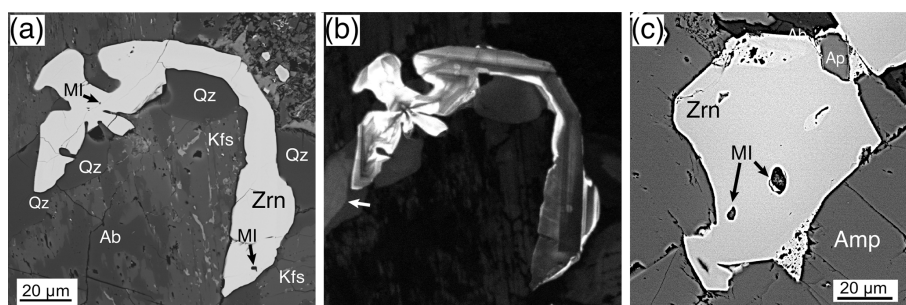
## 6 Results – modes of occurrence and compositions of other Zr-bearing minerals

### 6.1 Baddeleyite

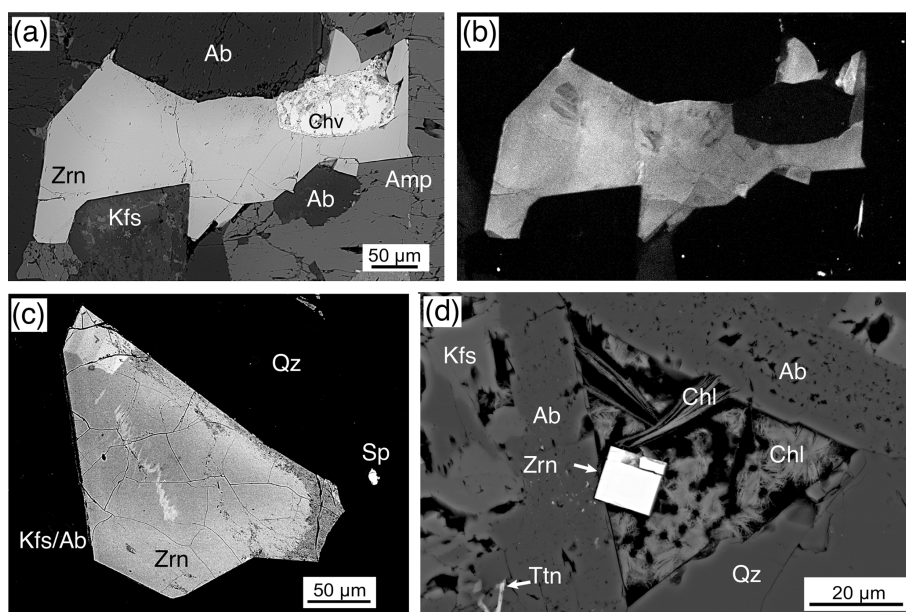
Baddeleyite was identified in two samples from Ardnamurchan (Granophyre, Centre 2, sample 14724, and the Grigdale Granophyre, 13138) and in the Rum Western Granite (RUM). In all three, it is abundant – more than 50 crystals per section. Baddeleyite occurs as thin isolated blades (Fig. 10a,

b), as radiating clusters (Fig. 10c), and as residual crystals from baddeleyite  $\rightarrow$  zircon reactions (Fig. 10d). It also occurs, but less frequently, as a site for zirconolite precipitation (Fig. 10e, g). The majority of crystals in all three samples are small, typically 1–3  $\mu m$  wide blades, and enclosed mainly in quartz (Fig. 10a) and feldspar (Fig. 10b).

The Rum and Ardnamurchan samples have textures that demonstrate various stages of baddeleyite reaction to zircon, from small zircon patches in baddeleyite (Fig. 10c) to residual baddeleyite amongst zircon (Fig. 10d). One case shows



**Figure 7.** Late-stage magmatic zircons, BSE images except where noted. (a) A 200 µm zircon (Zrn) filling an irregular space among quartz (Qz), albite (Ab), and K-feldspar (Kfs), with silicate-melt inclusions (MI). Mull, Toll Doire Granophyre, sample 44858. (b) A CL image of (a) showing typical magmatic zoning. The arrow shows the more CL-active core of a quartz grain. (c) A 100 µm zircon (Zrn) filling an irregular space in amphibole (Amp), silicate-melt inclusions (MIs), and apatite (Ap). Skye, Western Red Hills Centre, Loch Ainort Granite, sample H1554.

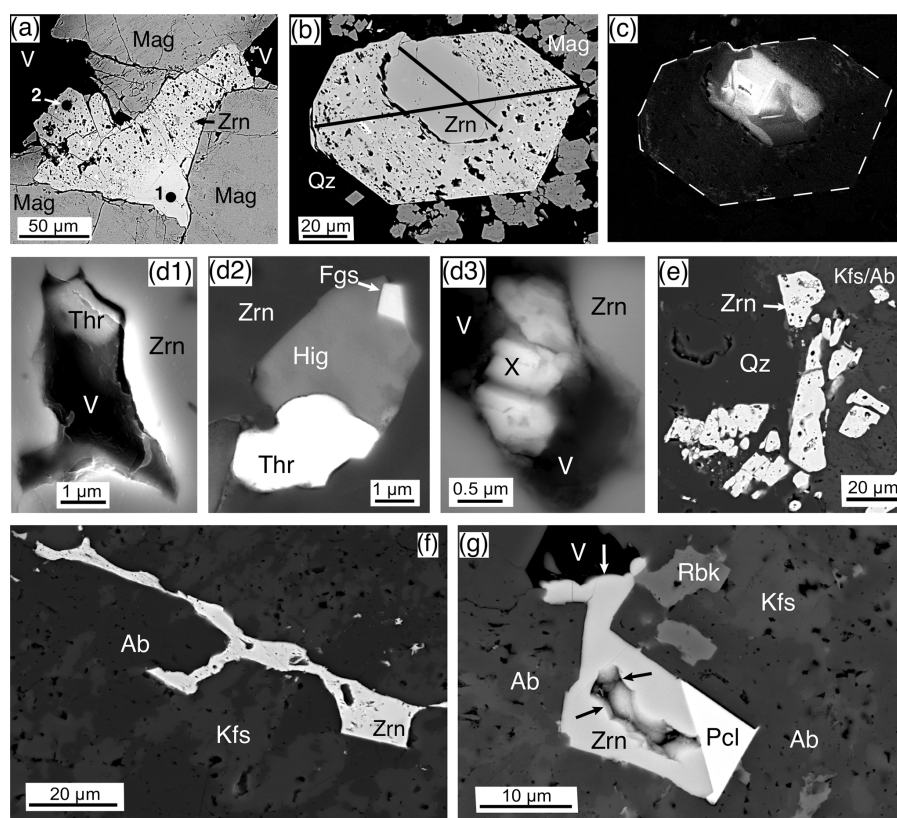


**Figure 8.** Hydrothermal type 1 zircons, BSE images except where noted. (a) A 450 µm zircon (Zrn) filling a space among amphibole (Amp), albite (Ab), and K-feldspar (Kfs). The zircon grew around a partially altered euhedral chevkinite-(Ce) (Chv). Skye, Strath na Creitheach Centre, Ruadh Stac Granite, sample RS1. (b) A CL image of (a) showing a mottled pattern. (c) A 250 µm zircon (Zrn) filling a space between quartz (Qz), K-feldspar, and albite (Kfs/Ab). Skye, Strath na Creitheach Centre, Ruadh Stac Granite, sample RS1. (d) A 12 µm euhedral zircon (Zrn) in a triangular cavity partially filled with chlorite (Chl). The cavity is formed by inclusion-rich albite (Ab) and K-feldspar with quartz (Qz) and titanite (Ttn). Rum, Western Granite, sample RUM.

the remains of a zirconolite–baddeleyite pair in a late-stage zircon (Fig. 10e). The zircon composition and texture show it to be of late-stage hydrothermal origin.

Their small size, very thin habit, and common rounded surface from polishing rendered most EPMA experiments invalid due to the excitation volume interacting with host phases, secondary fluorescence, and instrument geometry problems. For example, Lumpkin (1999) suggests that many reported elements, such as Si, Al, and Ca, may be overestimated from electron beam–host interaction, and we cannot preclude that some of our element data result from such an

interaction. There are significant concentrations in the UK baddeleyite of  $\text{Nb}_2\text{O}_5$  ( $\leq 2.95$  wt %) and  $\text{TiO}_2$  ( $\leq 1.96$  wt %) (Table 10). The presence of  $\text{Nb}^{5+}$  and  $\text{Ta}^{5+}$  requires a charge balanced substitution, such as  $3\text{Zr} \leftrightarrow 2(\text{Nb}, \text{Ta}) + (\text{Mg}, \text{Fe})$  (Lumpkin, 1999), as with the other identified  $2^+$  and  $3^+$  elements. A limited number of REEs were determined here, and all values were  $< 1$  wt % and many at the detection limit, hence having a greater uncertainty than those elements  $> 1$  wt %. Other instrumentation, such as laser ablation (LA) ICP-MS would yield better detection limits, although NanoSIMS may be the instrument of choice considering their



**Figure 9.** Hydrothermal type 2 zircons, BSE images except where noted. **(a)** A 175 µm zircon (Zrn) filling a space between magnetite (Mag) and vugs (V) that shows the transition between type 1 (pt. 1) and type 2 (pt. 2) hydrothermal zircon. Skye, Eastern Red Hills Centre, Creag Strollamus Granite, sample H1226. **(b)** A 120 µm euhedral zircon (Zrn) composed of an outer hydrothermal type 2 portion, filled with inclusions (e.g., calcite, REE+Y fluorcarbonate, xenotime, thorite, chlorite) around a euhedral magmatic zircon. The two crystals are inclined  $\sim 50^\circ$  (solid lines) and enclosed by quartz (Qz) and magnetite (Mag). Skye, Western Red Hills Centre, (Northern) Porphyritic Felsite, sample NPF (sheared) #1. **(c)** CL image of **(b)** showing a cathodoluminescence-zoned magmatic center with a weak or non-CL hydrothermal portion. Barely visible bright spots in the outer portion are thorite and REE+Y fluorcarbonate. **(d1,2,3)** Inclusions in hydrothermal type 2 zircon (Zrn): **(d1)** thorite (Thr) inclusion from sample NPF sheared #1, void (V) space, SE image; **(d2)** inclusion composed of fergusonite (Fgs), thorite (Thr), and probable hingganite-(Y), sample H1226; and **(d3)** inclusion composed of three electron beam-sensitive crystals of an unknown U,Y,Si carbonate, dark areas are void (V) space, sample H1226. **(e)** A group of inclusion-filled zircons (Zrn) at a quartz (Qz) and K-feldspar-albite (Kfs/Ab) boundary, and many inclusions contain thorite. Skye, Western Red Hills Centre, Glamaig Granite, sample GLE2. **(f)** A 100 µm inclusion-filled zircon (Zrn) that formed in a gap in K-feldspar (Kfs) and albite (Ab). Skye, Western Red Hills Centre, Maol na Gainmich Granite, sample 14709. **(g)** A 30 µm zircon (Zrn) filling a vug (V) after the precipitation of fluornatopyrochlore (Pcl). The cavity in the zircon has a botryoidal surface (black arrows), as well as the upper portion (white arrow). The Zrn and Pcl are enclosed by K-feldspar (Kfs) and albite (Ab) accompanied by riebeckite (Rbk). Ailsa Craig microgranite, sample DV24828.

sizes observed in this study. Although most baddeleyite compositional studies in the literature do not include REEs, a few have reported REEs using either EPMA (e.g., Rajesh et al., 2006; Tropper et al., 2007; Huraiová et al., 2011; Zhao et al., 2016) or LA-ICP-MS (e.g., Schärer et al., 2011; Zhang et al., 2017) techniques. In all cases, the  $\Sigma$ REE content is very minor,  $\leq 1$  wt %–1.5 wt %.

## 6.2 Zirconolite

Zirconolite, ideally  $\text{CaZrTi}_2\text{O}_7$ , was identified only in the Ardnamurchan and Glamaig samples. The Glamaig zirconolite was analyzed by EPMA during a study focused on

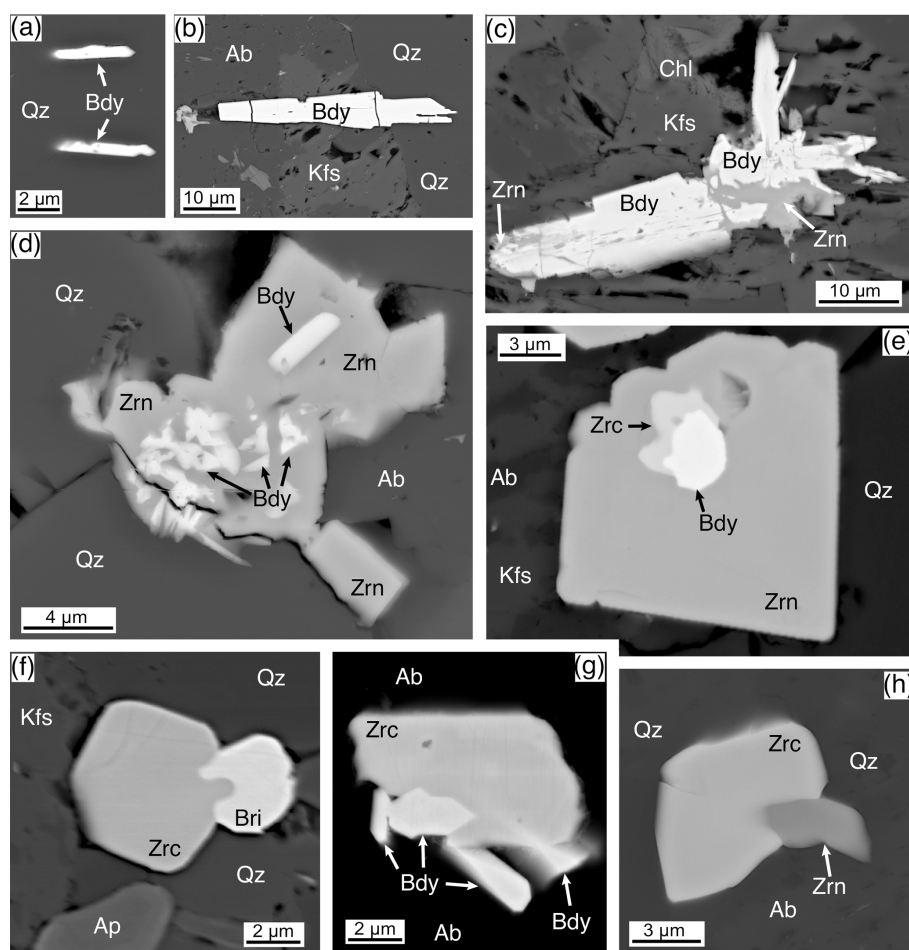
chevkinite-group minerals (Macdonald et al., 2013a). No description of the texture or petrographic relations of the GLE2 occurrence is available; nevertheless, we include two analyses in Table 11. In the Ardnamurchan samples, zirconolite forms small,  $\leq 10$  µm, anhedral to subhedral crystals frequently intergrown with other phases, such as britholite (Fig. 10f), baddeleyite (Fig. 10g), and zircon (Fig. 10h). Most crystals are  $\leq 5$  µm. Zirconolite in the Ardnamurchan samples is weakly CL active, and there was no zoning observed in either CL or BSE imaging.

Three polytypes of zirconolite have been described: zirconolite-2*M*, a monoclinic two-layered structure, zirconolite-3*O*, an orthorhombic three-layered structure, and

**Table 9.** Hydrothermal type 2 zircon compositions from Ailsa Craig microgranite.

Analysis <i>N</i> =	Ailsa Craig sample DV24828							
	EZ16.1 1	EZ25.1 1	EZ35.1 1	EZ36.1 1	EZ36.2 1	EZ37.1 1	EZ38.1 1	EZ39.1 1
SiO <sub>2</sub> (wt %)	32.20	29.93	29.81	30.79	30.57	28.16	31.06	32.22
TiO <sub>2</sub>	0.42	0.71	0.92	0.57	0.52	0.68	0.35	0.40
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	1.15	1.78	1.21	1.28	1.44	1.99	1.13	1.27
FeO*	1.34	1.16	1.16	1.42	1.32	0.58	1.17	1.08
MnO	0.11	0.07	0.17	0.09	0.04	0.02	0.12	0.09
MgO	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.41	0.24	bdl	bdl
CaO	2.37	0.99	2.05	2.82	2.47	1.09	3.22	2.94
K <sub>2</sub> O	0.03	0.03	bdl	bdl	0.18	0.08	0.20	0.13
ZrO <sub>2</sub>	47.65	45.17	44.43	49.52	46.78	45.79	39.84	39.85
HfO <sub>2</sub>	1.14	1.16	0.95	1.00	1.06	1.26	0.91	1.06
ThO <sub>2</sub>	bdl	bdl	0.24	bdl	0.36	bdl	0.07	0.33
UO <sub>2</sub>	bdl	bdl	0.33	0.45	0.31	0.15	0.33	0.33
Nb <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	0.41	1.00	1.53	0.89	0.72	0.88	2.56	2.33
Ta <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	0.22	bdl	bdl	0.38	0.22	bdl	0.09	0.30
P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	0.18	3.50	1.29	0.21	0.39	3.17	0.09	0.02
Y <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	3.26	4.42	5.34	3.81	4.73	4.18	4.98	6.20
La <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.60	0.59	0.17	0.18	0.18	0.38	0.77	0.55
Ce <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	1.11	1.68	0.71	0.43	0.53	1.84	1.16	1.19
Pr <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.10	0.46	0.10	bdl	bdl	0.25	0.17	0.10
Nd <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.44	0.84	0.62	0.29	bdl	0.68	0.74	1.01
Sm <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.29	0.38	0.12	bdl	0.28	0.28	0.16	0.49
Gd <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.12	0.19	0.73	0.13	0.65	0.29	0.70	0.47
Dy <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.49	0.47	0.99	0.61	0.84	0.39	0.89	0.95
Er <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.41	0.38	0.43	0.43	0.58	0.40	0.78	0.65
Yb <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.11	0.14	0.48	0.23	0.30	0.27	0.45	0.34
Cl	0.20	0.07	bdl	bdl	0.08	0.17	bdl	bdl
-O≡Cl	0.05	0.01	–	–	0.02	0.04	–	–
Total	94.30	95.11	93.75	95.51	94.94	93.17	91.93	94.29
Zr/Hf <i>w/w</i>	36.4	34.1	41.0	43.4	38.5	31.7	38.2	32.8
Formulae on the basis of 16 oxygens								
Si	4.167	3.808	3.924	3.971	3.980	3.690	4.178	4.220
Ti	0.041	0.068	0.091	0.056	0.051	0.067	0.035	0.040
Al	0.175	0.267	0.187	0.194	0.221	0.307	0.178	0.196
Fe <sup>2+</sup>	0.145	0.123	0.127	0.153	0.144	0.063	0.131	0.118
Mn	0.012	0.008	0.019	0.009	0.005	0.002	0.014	0.010
Mg	–	–	–	–	0.079	0.046	–	–
Ca	0.329	0.135	0.289	0.390	0.345	0.152	0.464	0.413
K	0.004	0.005	–	–	0.029	0.013	0.034	0.021
Zr	3.007	2.803	2.852	3.115	2.970	2.926	2.613	2.545
Hf	0.042	0.042	0.036	0.037	0.039	0.047	0.035	0.040
Th	–	–	0.007	–	0.011	–	0.002	0.010
U	–	–	0.010	0.013	0.009	0.004	0.010	0.010
Nb	0.024	0.057	0.091	0.052	0.042	0.052	0.156	0.138
Ta	0.008	–	–	0.013	0.008	–	0.003	0.011
P	0.019	0.377	0.144	0.023	0.043	0.352	0.010	0.002
Y	0.224	0.299	0.374	0.261	0.327	0.291	0.356	0.432
La	0.029	0.028	0.008	0.008	0.009	0.018	0.038	0.026
Ce	0.052	0.078	0.034	0.020	0.025	0.088	0.057	0.057
Pr	0.005	0.021	0.005	–	–	0.012	0.008	0.005
Nd	0.020	0.038	0.029	0.013	–	0.032	0.036	0.047
Sm	0.013	0.017	0.005	–	0.012	0.013	0.007	0.022
Gd	0.005	0.008	0.032	0.006	0.028	0.013	0.031	0.021
Dy	0.020	0.019	0.042	0.025	0.035	0.016	0.038	0.040
Er	0.017	0.015	0.018	0.017	0.024	0.016	0.033	0.027
Yb	0.004	0.006	0.019	0.009	0.012	0.011	0.018	0.014
Cl	0.044	0.014	–	–	0.017	0.038	–	–
Total	8.41	8.24	8.34	8.39	8.47	8.27	8.49	8.46

FeO\* = total iron as Fe<sup>2+</sup>; bdl = below detection limit; *N* = number of analyses averaged. PbO, SrO = not analyzed.



**Figure 10.** Baddeleyite and zirconolite, BSE images. (a) Two doubly terminated blades of baddeleyite (Bdy) enclosed in quartz (Qz). Rum, Western Granite, sample RUM. (b) A 50 µm blade of baddeleyite (Bdy) imbedded in quartz (Qz), albite (Ab), and K-feldspar (Kfs). A small portion on the left side of the blade has been plucked out. Rum, Western Granite, sample RUM. (c) A 50 µm baddeleyite (Bdy) blade, in part with radiating blades, in K-feldspar (Kfs) and chlorite (Chl). Zircon (Zrn) is replacing the baddeleyite on the lower-right and upper-left ends. Rum, Western Granite, sample RUM. (d) A residual mass of baddeleyite (Bdy) that has been replaced and overgrown by zircon (Zrn), enclosed by quartz (Qz) and albite (Ab). Rum, Western Granite, sample RUM. (e) Small ~1 µm crystals of zirconolite (Zrc) growing on a 3 µm baddeleyite (Bdy), both enclosed by a 17 µm euhedral zircon (Zrn) enclosed by quartz (Qz), albite (Ab), and K-feldspar (Kfs). Ardnamurchan, Grigadale Granophyre, sample 13138. (f) A 6 µm euhedral zirconolite (Zrc) with a coeval, at least on the rim, britholite-(Ce)(Bri). Surrounded by quartz (Qz) and K-feldspar (Kfs) with a zoned apatite (Ap) to the lower left. Ardnamurchan, Grigadale Granophyre, sample 13138. (g) An 8 µm subhedral zirconolite (Zrc) with adjacent and embedded baddeleyite (Bdy), enclosed by albite (Ab). Ardnamurchan, Granophyre, Centre 2, sample 14724. (h) A 10 µm subhedral zirconolite (Zrc) that has partially grown over a 3 µm zircon (Zrn), enclosed by quartz (Qz) and albite (Ab). Ardnamurchan, Grigadale Granophyre, sample 13138.

zirconolite-3*T*, a three-layered trigonal structure; two other polytypes, 4*M* and 6*T*, have been described as supercells of the 2*M* and 3*T* polytypes, respectively (for a detailed crystallographic discussion see Mazzi and Munno, 1983; White, 1984; Bayliss et al., 1989; Smith and Lumpkin, 1993; Coelho et al., 1997). We have no structural data and the crystal shapes do not suggest any particular polytype.

Although the nominal zirconolite formula is simple ( $\text{CaZrTi}_2\text{O}_7$ ), the composition in natural samples is complex and exhibits extensive element substitution as a function of both host rock and paragenesis (e.g., Williams and

Gieré, 1996; Gieré et al., 1998). In an attempt to classify and understand the various element substitution schemes, Gieré et al. (1998) defined five zirconolite end-members:  $\text{CaZrTi}_2\text{O}_7$ ,  $\text{CaZrMe}^{5+}\text{Me}^{3+}\text{O}_7$ ,  $\text{REEZrTiMe}^{3+}\text{O}_7$ ,  $\text{REEZrMe}^{5+}\text{Me}^{2+}\text{O}_7$ , and  $\text{ACTZrTiMe}^{2+}\text{O}_7$ , where  $\text{Me}^{2+} = \text{Mg}^{2+} + \text{Fe}^{2+} + \text{Mn}^{2+} + \text{Zn}^{2+}$ ;  $\text{Me}^{3+} = \text{Al}^{3+} + \text{Fe}^{3+} + \text{Cr}^{3+}$ ;  $\text{Me}^{5+} = \text{Nb}^{5+} + \text{Ta}^{5+}$ ;  $\text{REE} = \text{Ln}^{3+} + \text{Y}^{3+}$ ; and  $\text{ACT} = \text{U}^{4+} + \text{Th}^{4+}$ . Three structural sites can show extensive substitution:  $\text{M8} = \Sigma(\text{REE} + \text{Y}) + \Sigma(\text{U} + \text{Th}) + \text{Ca}$ ;  $\text{M5,6} = \Sigma\text{Mg} + \text{Fe}^{\text{total}} + \text{Al} + \Sigma(\text{Nb} + \text{Ta}) + \text{W} + \text{Ti}$ ; and  $\text{M7} = \Sigma(\text{Zr} + \text{Hf})$ . However, Gieré et al. (1998) pointed out

**Table 10.** Compositions of baddeleyite.

Intrusion	Ardnamurchan					Rum					
	Grigadale Granophyre				Grano. Cen. 2	Western Granite					
Analysis <i>N</i> =	13138_B4 1	13138_B2a 1	13138_B2b 1	13138_B2c 1	14724_B4 1	RUM_B2a 2	RUM_B2b 4	RUM_B2.2 1	RUM_B1a 1	RUM_B7a 1	RUM_B7b 1
SiO <sub>2</sub> (wt %)	bdl	bdl	0.04	bdl	1.02	0.40	0.31	0.39	0.33	0.93	bdl
TiO <sub>2</sub>	0.78	0.35	0.69	0.40	0.47	1.92	1.96	1.96	0.76	1.05	1.00
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.25	0.09	0.03	0.13	0.44	0.96	0.53
FeO*	0.51	0.12	0.20	0.17	3.07	0.84	0.79	0.95	0.36	3.65	2.33
MgO	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.08	bdl
CaO	0.02	0.02	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.04	bdl	bdl	0.16	0.04	0.05
ZrO <sub>2</sub>	95.84	95.13	97.34	96.66	85.74	91.38	90.51	90.42	92.45	88.41	90.02
HfO <sub>2</sub>	1.31	3.47	1.08	1.06	4.08	1.58	1.62	1.71	1.74	1.75	1.80
ThO <sub>2</sub>	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.09	0.17	0.09	bdl	bdl	bdl
UO <sub>2</sub>	0.06	0.12	0.14	bdl	bdl	0.23	0.34	0.25	0.41	0.28	bdl
Nb <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	1.07	0.44	0.80	0.94	2.07	2.72	2.95	2.97	0.86	1.76	1.80
Y <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.42	bdl	0.10	0.26	0.18	0.43	0.41	0.40	1.29	0.31	0.23
La <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.12	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl
Ce <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.13	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl
Pr <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.24	bdl	0.12	0.10	0.25	bdl	bdl	bdl
Nd <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.24	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.16	0.10	0.13	0.10	bdl	bdl
Sm <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	bdl	0.17	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.23	bdl	bdl
Dy <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	bdl	0.20	bdl	0.21	0.19	bdl	0.15	bdl	0.15	bdl	bdl
Er <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.10	0.23	0.14	0.29	0.24	bdl	bdl
Yb <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.15	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.17	0.22	0.11	0.17	bdl	0.35
Total	100.52	100.02	100.38	100.04	97.17	100.40	99.79	100.05	99.69	99.22	98.11
Formulae on the basis of four oxygens											
Si	—	—	0.002	—	0.043	0.016	0.013	0.016	0.014	0.038	—
Ti	0.024	0.011	0.021	0.012	0.015	0.058	0.060	0.060	0.024	0.032	0.031
Al	—	—	—	—	0.013	0.004	0.002	0.006	0.021	0.046	0.026
Fe <sup>2+</sup>	0.017	0.004	0.007	0.006	0.109	0.028	0.027	0.032	0.012	0.124	0.081
Mg	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0.005	—
Ca	0.001	0.001	—	—	0.001	0.002	—	—	0.007	0.002	0.002
Zr	1.911	1.925	1.938	1.937	1.769	1.805	1.804	1.794	1.862	1.757	1.827
Hf	0.015	0.041	0.013	0.012	0.049	0.018	0.019	0.020	0.021	0.020	0.021
Th	—	—	—	—	—	0.001	0.002	0.001	—	—	—
U	0.001	0.001	0.001	—	—	0.002	0.003	0.002	0.004	0.003	—
Nb	0.020	0.008	0.015	0.017	0.040	0.050	0.055	0.055	0.016	0.032	0.034
Y	0.009	—	0.002	0.006	0.004	0.009	0.009	0.009	0.028	0.007	0.005
La	—	—	—	0.002	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Ce	0.002	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pr	—	—	—	0.004	—	0.002	0.001	0.004	—	—	—
Nd	0.003	—	—	—	—	0.002	0.001	0.002	0.001	—	—
Sm	—	0.002	—	—	—	—	—	—	0.003	—	—
Dy	—	0.003	—	0.003	0.003	—	0.002	—	0.002	—	—
Er	—	—	—	—	0.001	0.003	0.002	0.004	0.003	—	—
Yb	0.002	—	—	—	—	0.002	0.003	0.001	0.002	—	0.004
Σcations	2.01	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.05	2.00	2.00	2.01	2.02	2.07	2.03

FeO\* = total iron as Fe<sup>2+</sup>; bdl = below detection limit; *N* = number of analyses averaged. PbO, Eu<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, Gd<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> = bdl.

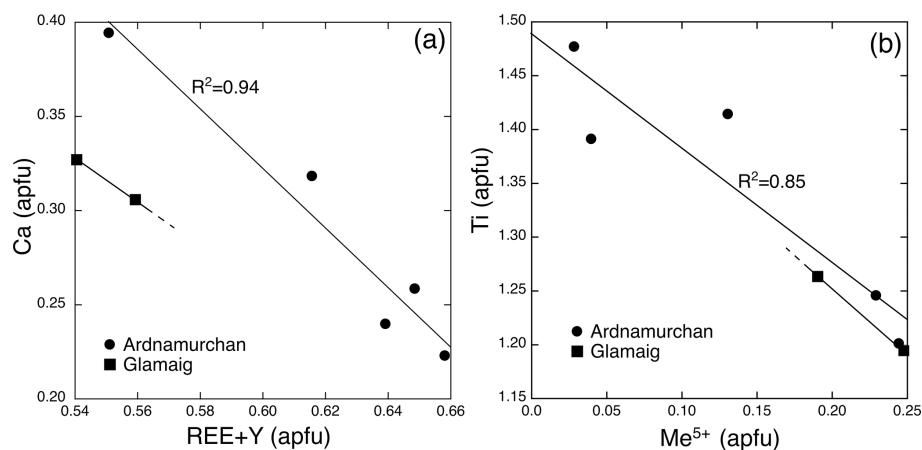
that although only the CaZrTi<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub> and CaZrMe<sup>5+</sup>Me<sup>3+</sup>O<sub>7</sub> end-members are found in nature, the others help define the various substitutions found in natural and synthetic zirconolites.

Given that most crystals in the granites are ≤ 5 µm and/or intergrown with other phases, successful microprobe analysis was difficult. Zirconolites from both localities show extensive, but similar, substitutions, although our data set is limited. Furthermore, not all the REEs or all the elements suggested by Gieré et al. (1998) were determined. CaO in ideal CaZrTi<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub> is 16.5 wt %, whereas in our study CaO varied from 2.90 wt %–5.34 wt % (Table 11). The deficiency in the M8 site is made up by REE+Y+U+Th. Figure 11a shows

a good negative correlation between Ca and REE+Y (apfu) for Ardnamurchan and Glamaig zirconolites. The new analyses are, in fact, notably (REE+Y)-rich, with Y being dominant. Zirconolites with such high Y<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> values (8.1 wt %–9.9 wt %) are uncommon (Williams and Gieré, 1996) but have been recorded in a sapphirine granulite of the Vestfold Hills, East Antarctica (Harley, 1994). The Glamaig phase is also notably Nb-rich (0.190–0.245 apfu).

The Glamaig zirconolites are enriched in U and Th relative to the Ardnamurchan zirconolite, and the M8 site sum for both localities varies from 0.90–0.97 apfu. Except for one sample, Y dominates the M8 site; hence these are zirconolite-(Y). Both the Ardnamurchan and Glamaig zirconolites have





**Figure 11.** Chemical variation in zirconolite in atoms per formula unit, based on seven oxygens. **(a)** Variation in REE+Y versus Ca. A linear regression line for the Ardnamurchan data is shown. A line connecting the Glamaig data is also shown that suggests a similar slope to the Ardnamurchan data. **(b)** Variation in  $\text{Me}^{5+}$  versus Ti. A linear regression line for the Ardnamurchan data is shown. A line connecting the Glamaig data is also shown that suggests a similar slope to the Ardnamurchan data.

high total Fe and very low Mg and Mn. There is a good negative correlation between  $\text{Me}^{5+}$  and Ti (Fig. 11b), although we only have one Ta determination (Table 11). This correlation suggests that the substitution  $\text{Me}^{5+} + \text{Me}^{3+} \leftrightarrow 2\text{Ti}$  best describes the  $\text{Me}^{5+}$  relation and also suggests that most of the iron is ferric (Gieré et al. 1998).

The M8 site substitution for Ca is controlled by two factors: the ionic radius size and the abundance and diversity of potential cations in the environment of formation. A perusal of zirconolite databases such as Williams and Gieré (1996) shows the variability in REE+Y values in terrestrial and lunar zirconolites. They have low values of  $\text{La}^{3+}$  and  $\text{Ce}^{3+}$  compared to common LREE-enriched phases such as monazite or chevkinite. The eight-coordinated M8 site does not readily accept cations larger than  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  ( $r = 0.112$  nm) (Smith and Lumpkin, 1993). The larger ionic radii of  $\text{La}^{3+}$  (0.116 nm) and  $\text{Ce}^{3+}$  (0.114 nm) generally yield La- and Ce-poor zirconolite relative to the other REE suite. A marked exception are zirconolites from xenoliths in the pyroclastic formations outcropping near Niedermendig, Laacher See eruptive center, Eifel volcanic region, Germany (Della Ventura et al., 2000) where zirconolite, baddeleyite, and monazite-(La) crystallized in voids from late-stage La-enriched metasomatic fluids.

Figure 12a shows chondrite-normalized REE patterns for the Ardnamurchan and Glamaig samples. The patterns reflect the low La and Ce substitution at the M8 site. All three samples are enriched in HREEs (Tb–Lu REE), and, when measured, the distribution shows a moderate Eu anomaly ( $\text{Eu}/\text{Eu}^* = 0.34$ ). Figure 12b plots four other HREE-enriched zirconolites: one from St. Kilda, Scotland, and three typical lunar zirconolites. Zirconolite, usually accompanied by baddeleyite, is a common accessory mineral in evolved lunar rocks (e.g., Wark et al., 1973; Roedder and

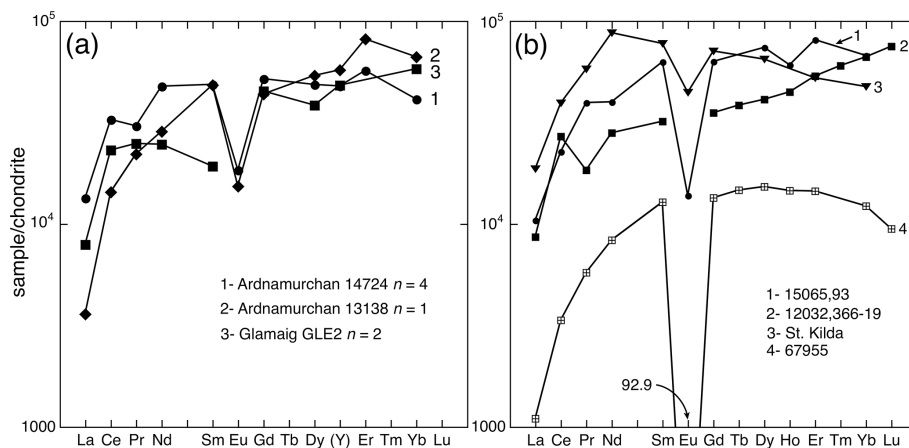
Weiblen, 1978; Seddio et al., 2011; Norman and Nemchin, 2014). All the lunar examples come from late-stage mesostasis or residual liquids. The mesostasis composition typically varies from  $\sim 4$  wt %–10 wt % alkalis and  $\sim 68$  wt %–78 wt %  $\text{SiO}_2$  (Potts et al., 2016). The lunar zirconolites also show strong HREE enrichment, with a large Eu anomaly.

The granite zirconolite analyses have low totals, 93.4 wt %–94.3 wt %. Although we did not analyze all the REEs or Ta–Ba in some analyses – and the iron may be mostly ferric, it is probable that part of the deficit is due to the presence of water, as previously reported in zirconolite by Zakrzewski et al. (1992).

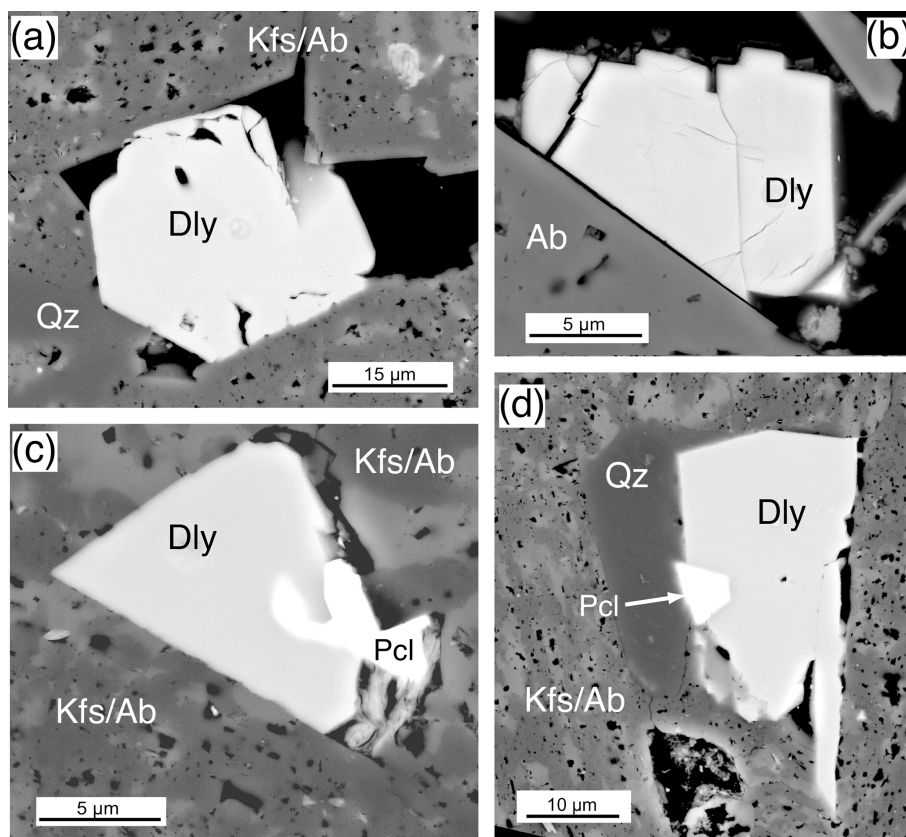
### 6.3 Dalyite

Dalyite, the rare potassium zirconium silicate with only 14 known occurrences (Mindat, 2020), was identified only in the Ailsa Craig riebeckite microgranite where it is abundant; there are more than 25 crystals in the thin section. It occurs as a late-stage phase filling voids and cracks, although some appear to have crystal faces (Fig. 13a, b). It ranges in size from  $\leq 5$ –30  $\mu\text{m}$ , but most are  $\leq 10$   $\mu\text{m}$ . Their small size precluded an optimal EPMA procedure, and some Na loss was noted. A common association is the occurrence of fluornatropyrochlore, a pyrochlore-group mineral (Atencio et al., 2010) that precipitated coevally with the dalyite (Fig. 13c, d). No other Zr-bearing phase is associated with dalyite formation, at least texturally. Dalyite is cathodoluminescent in blue, with very minor or no zoning.

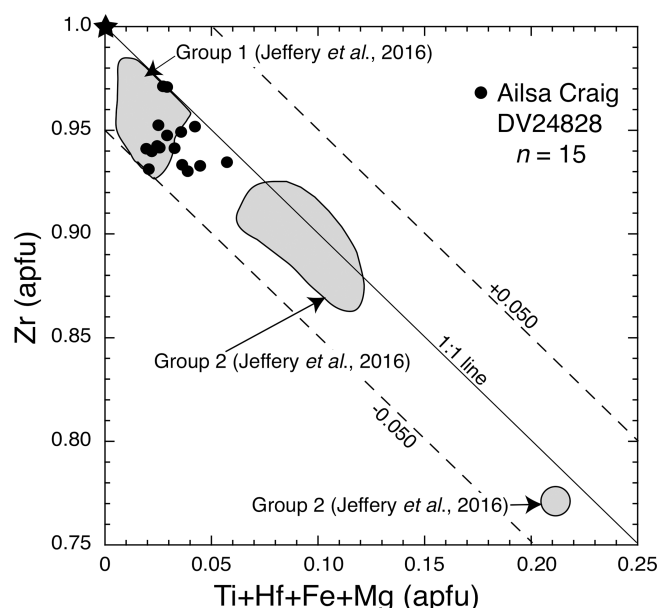
The empirical formula of dalyite is  $\text{K}_2\text{ZrSi}_6\text{O}_{15}$  (Back, 2018), but it can show limited substitutions. Jeffery et al. (2016) have summarized the possible site substitutions from a wide variety of lithological occurrences. The major exchange is  $\text{Na} \leftrightarrow \text{K}$ , with limited substitution in the tetrahedral and octahedral sites. The Ailsa Craig dalyite has mi-



**Figure 12.** (a) Chondrite-normalized plot of zirconolite from Ardnamurchan (samples 14724, 13138) and Glamaig (sample GLE2). Yttrium plotted for Ho. (b) Chondrite-normalized plot of zirconolite from 15065,93 Apollo 15 basalt (Wark et al., 1973), 12032,366-19 Apollo 12 granite (Seddio et al., 2011), St. Kilda pegmatite (Fowler and Williams, 1986), and 67955 Apollo 16 melt rock (Norman and Nemchin, 2014). The normalized Eu value for 67955 is given but not plotted. Normalizing factors from McDonough and Sun (1995).



**Figure 13.** Dalyite, BSE images from sample DV24828, Ailsa Craig microgranite. (a) A 25 µm dalyite (Dly) crystal precipitated in an open space formed by quartz (Qz) and inclusion-rich K-feldspar-albite (Kfs/Ab). (b) A euhedral, partially fractured, 15 µm dalyite (Dly) that grew on albite (Ab) in open space. (c) A 15 µm dalyite (Dly) that filled an open space coeval with fluorapatite (Pcl). (d) A 15 µm dalyite (Dly) filling an open space in K-feldspar and albite (Kfs/Ab) coeval with quartz (Qz) and fluorapatite (Pcl).



**Figure 14.** Variation diagram of Zr versus (Ti+Hf+Fe+Mg) apfu, showing substitution in the octahedral site in dalyite from sample DV24828, EPMA data, adapted from Jeffery et al. (2016). Also shown is the ideal dalyite composition (star) and dalyite compositional Group 1 (Terceira, Straumsvola, Ascension, Strange Lake) and Group 2 (Sunnfjord, Cancarix, Murun) from Jeffery et al. (2016).

nor substitution in both the K/Na polyhedra and the octahedral site ( $(\text{Ti}+\text{Hf}+\text{Fe}+\text{Mn}+\text{Al}) \leftrightarrow \text{Zr}$ ) (Table 12). Figure 14 shows the octahedral site substitution and a comparison with other dalyite occurrences. All data plot within 0.05 apfu of the one-to-one line, indicating a one-to-one cation exchange in the site, although, with the low degree of substitution, there is only a minor davanite ( $\text{K}_2\text{TiSi}_6\text{O}_{15}$ ) component. The K/Na site has a greater degree of substitution, with  $\text{K}+\text{Na}+\text{Ba}$  from 1.79–1.96 apfu. The lower values are the probable result of Na loss, with a concomitant increase in Si. The range of apfu is as follows: K 1.71–1.88, Na 0.028–0.200, Ti 0.004–0.033, Hf 0.009–0.017, Al 0.003–0.101, and Fe 0.002–0.015; Mn (0.001–0.002 apfu) was detected in only 20 % of the experiments, and Mg was below detection. Barium, Ca, and P contents were minor or below detection. The dalyite analyses in the Ailsa Craig sample yield the average formula  $(\text{K}_{1.78}\text{Na}_{0.13})_{\Sigma 1.91}(\text{Zr}_{0.94}\text{Ti}_{0.011}\text{Hf}_{0.013}\text{Fe}_{0.008}\text{Al}_{0.019})_{\Sigma 0.991}\text{Si}_{6.04}\text{O}_{15}$ .

The Ailsa Craig dalyite composition is similar to those in Group 1 of Jeffery et al. (2016) – low octahedral (Fig. 14) but greater  $\text{K} \leftrightarrow \text{Na}$  site substitution (Table 12) – which includes Terceira Island, Azores (Jeffery et al., 2016), Straumsvola Complex, Antarctica (Harris and Rickard, 1987), Strange Lake Complex, Canada (Birkett et al., 1992; Salvi and Williams-Jones, 1995), and the type locality, Ascension Island, South Atlantic Ocean (Van Tassel and Hey, 1952). Dalyite from these rocks reflects their low  $\text{TiO}_2$  content

and sodic character. The Ailsa Craig microgranite has low  $\text{TiO}_2$  (0.11 wt %) and is sodic ( $\text{Na}/\text{K}$  2.2 mol.) (Govindaraju, 1987; Table 2).

#### 6.4 Eudialyte-group minerals

Eudialyte-group minerals (EGMs) are present in many forms in the Ailsa Craig microgranite, where it is abundant; there are more than 50 crystals in the thin section. EGMs are late phase and fill cracks and voids (Fig. 15a, b). They range in size up to 45  $\mu\text{m}$ , but most are  $\leq 15 \mu\text{m}$ . A euhedral crystal with two bladed offshoots and a partially rounded fluorite are enclosed in K-feldspar and albite (Fig. 15a). An aggregate of anhedral crystals is intergrown with quartz and feldspar in Fig. 15b with an intergrown britholite grain (Bri). The platy crystal in Fig. 15d has a dark core with a high Z mantle, and the prismatic crystal in Fig. 15e shows what may be sector zoning. A common association with EGMs is Zr-bearing aegirine and quartz (Fig. 15a, b, c, d). No intergrowths of dalyite, EGMs, or hydrothermal type 2 zircon were observed, although they are all late-stage phases. Zoning was observed in a few EGM crystals where a brighter BSE zone texturally follows a darker BSE zone separated by a sharp boundary (Fig. 15d, e).

Eudialyte-group minerals are a complex group of trigonal cyclosilicates with both three-fold  $(\text{Si}_3\text{O}_9)_6$  and nine-fold  $(\text{Si}_9\text{O}_{27})_{18}$  rings. A zeolite-like heteropolyhedral framework allows a considerable variety of elemental substitutions in different structural sites yielding a mineral group of structural complexity and chemical variability, with variable amounts of K, Sr, Fe, Mn, REEs, Y, Nb, Ti, and other elements (Johnsen and Gault, 1997; Johnsen and Grice, 1999; Johnsen et al., 2003; Bulakh and Petrov, 2004; Chukanov et al., 2004; Rastsvetaeva, 2007; Schilling et al., 2011; Rastsvetaeva et al., 2012; Borst et al., 2020). Chukanov et al. (2018) note that there are 28 members of the eudialyte group. The formula accepted by the International Mineralogical Association (IMA; Johnsen et al., 2003) for the group is  $N_{15-16}[\text{M}1]_6[\text{M}2]_3[\text{M}3][\text{M}4]\text{Zr}_3\text{Si}_{24}\text{O}_{66-72}(\Theta)_{0-9}\text{X}_2$ , where  $N = \text{Na}^+$ ,  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{K}^+$ ,  $\text{Sr}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{REE}^{3+}$ ,  $\text{Y}^{3+}$ ,  $\square$  (vacancy),  $\text{Ba}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{Mn}^{2+}$ , or  $\text{H}_3\text{O}^+$ ;  $\text{M}1 = \text{Ca}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{Mn}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{REE}^{3+}$ ,  $\text{Y}^{3+}$ ,  $\text{Na}^+$ ,  $\text{Sr}^{2+}$ , or  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$ ;  $\text{M}2 = \text{Fe}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{Mn}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{Na}^+$ ,  $\text{Zr}^{4+}$ ,  $\text{Ta}^{5+}$ ,  $\text{Ti}^{4+}$ ,  $\text{K}^+$ ,  $\text{Ba}^{2+}$ ,  $\square$ ,  $\text{H}_3\text{O}^+$ , or  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$ ;  $\text{M}3/4 = \text{Si}^{4+}$ ,  $\text{Al}^{3+}$ ,  $\text{Nb}^{5+}$ ,  $\text{Ti}^{4+}$ ,  $\text{W}^{6+}$ , or  $\text{Na}^+$ ;  $\text{Z} = \text{Zr}^{4+}$ ,  $\text{Hf}^{4+}$ ,  $\text{Ti}^{4+}$ , or  $\text{Nb}^{5+}$ ;  $\Theta = \text{O}^{2-}$ ,  $\text{OH}^-$ ,  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ,  $\text{CO}_3^{2-}$ ,  $\text{SO}_4^{2-}$ , or  $\text{SiO}_4^{4-}$ ; and  $\text{X} = \text{Cl}^-$ ,  $\text{F}^-$ , or  $\text{OH}^-$ . Because of the site occupation complexity, the possible presence of different iron valences, vacancies, and hydrous species, the calculation of balanced mineral formulae is problematic, and this is especially true for EPMA data. The normalization scheme suggested by Johnsen and Grice (1999) is used here, in which the sum of  $(\text{Si}+\text{Zr}+\text{Ti}+\text{Nb}+\text{Al}+\text{Hf}+\text{Ta})$  cations was normalized to 29 cations per formula unit, and all other cation values result from this normalization (Table 13).

Table 11. Compositions of zirconolite.

Intrusion Analysis <i>N</i> =	Ardnamurchan					Skye	
	Grig. Grano. 13138_ZLa	Granophyre, Centre 2				East. Red Hills Centre	
		14724-ZL2	14724-ZL3	14724-ZL4	14724-ZL2b	GLE2a	GLE2b
	1	1	2	1	1	1	1
SiO <sub>2</sub> (wt %)	1.98	0.60	1.37	0.44	2.38	0.10	0.08
TiO <sub>2</sub>	26.78	27.34	23.14	23.40	26.58	23.07	21.43
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.14	0.24	0.63	0.12	0.11	0.18	0.16
FeO*	10.82	10.52	8.58	10.17	9.67	9.77	10.04
MnO	na	na	na	na	na	0.22	0.21
MgO	0.24	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl
CaO	3.19	2.90	5.34	4.20	3.47	3.92	4.12
BaO	na	na	na	na	na	0.09	0.10
PbO	0.19	bdl	0.10	bdl	bdl	na	na
ZrO <sub>2</sub>	23.22	27.56	27.98	27.44	27.95	28.35	27.33
HfO <sub>2</sub>	0.79	0.95	1.19	0.90	0.84	na	na
ThO <sub>2</sub>	1.61	0.79	1.13	1.58	0.99	3.63	3.70
UO <sub>2</sub>	0.99	0.33	0.58	0.78	0.30	2.18	2.55
Nb <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	4.10	0.86	7.81	7.14	1.25	5.79	7.34
Ta <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	na	na	na	na	na	bdl	0.12
P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	0.06	0.07	0.12	0.05	0.05	bdl	bdl
Y <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	11.43	10.00	7.97	10.09	10.03	9.93	9.30
La <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.10	0.12	0.46	0.45	0.46	0.17	0.27
Ce <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	1.03	2.12	2.58	2.65	2.03	1.66	1.66
Pr <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.24	0.40	0.40	0.11	0.41	0.27	bdl
Nd <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	1.52	2.78	2.70	1.87	2.81	1.34	1.29
Sm <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.83	0.81	0.96	0.50	1.07	0.34	0.32
Eu <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.14	bdl	bdl	0.16	0.14	bdl	bdl
Gd <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	1.00	1.56	0.97	1.12	1.11	0.96	1.11
Tb <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	na	na	na	na	na	bdl	bdl
Dy <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	1.52	1.49	1.29	0.85	1.86	1.00	1.17
Ho <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	na	na	na	na	na	0.28	bdl
Er <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	1.49	1.21	0.78	0.99	1.19	na	na
Yb <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	1.22	0.76	0.69	1.01	0.56	1.03	1.10
Total	94.64	93.41	96.76	96.03	95.27	94.28	93.40
ΣREE	9.1	11.3	10.8	9.7	11.6	7.1	6.9
ΣREE+Y	20.5	21.3	18.8	19.8	21.7	17.0	16.2
Formulae on the basis of seven oxygens							
Si	0.139	0.043	0.095	0.031	0.166	0.007	0.006
Ti	1.409	1.477	1.201	1.246	1.392	1.263	1.194
Al	0.012	0.021	0.051	0.010	0.009	0.015	0.014
Fe <sup>2+</sup>	0.633	0.632	0.495	0.602	0.563	0.595	0.622
Mn	—	—	—	—	—	0.014	0.013
Mg	0.025	—	0.001	—	—	—	—
Ca	0.239	0.223	0.394	0.319	0.259	0.306	0.327
Ba	—	—	—	—	—	0.003	0.003
Pb	0.004	—	0.002	—	—	—	—
Zr	0.792	0.965	0.942	0.947	0.948	1.006	0.987
Hf	0.016	0.020	0.023	0.018	0.017	—	—
Th	0.026	0.013	0.018	0.025	0.016	0.060	0.062
U	0.015	0.005	0.009	0.012	0.005	0.035	0.042
Nb	0.130	0.028	0.244	0.229	0.039	0.191	0.246
Ta	—	—	—	—	—	—	0.002
P	0.004	0.004	0.007	0.003	0.003	—	—
Y	0.425	0.382	0.292	0.380	0.371	0.384	0.366
La	0.003	0.003	0.012	0.012	0.012	0.005	0.007
Ce	0.026	0.056	0.065	0.069	0.052	0.044	0.045
Pr	0.006	0.011	0.010	0.003	0.010	0.007	—
Nd	0.038	0.071	0.066	0.047	0.070	0.035	0.034
Sm	0.020	0.020	0.023	0.012	0.026	0.009	0.008
Eu	0.003	—	—	0.004	0.003	—	—
Gd	0.023	0.037	0.022	0.026	0.026	0.023	0.027
Tb	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Dy	0.034	0.034	0.029	0.019	0.042	0.023	0.028
Ho	—	—	—	—	—	0.006	—
Er	0.033	0.027	0.017	0.022	0.026	—	—
Yb	0.026	0.017	0.015	0.022	0.012	0.023	0.025
Σcations	4.08	4.09	4.03	4.06	4.06	4.05	4.06
ΣREE	0.213	0.276	0.258	0.236	0.277	0.175	0.175
ΣREE+Y	0.638	0.658	0.551	0.616	0.648	0.559	0.541
M8	0.92	0.90	0.97	0.97	0.93	0.96	0.97

FeO\* = total iron as Fe<sup>2+</sup>; *N* = number of analyses averaged; bdl = below detection limit; na = not analyzed. SrO = bdl. M8 = ΣREE+Y+U+Th+Ca.

**Table 12.** Representative compositions of dalyite in Ailsa Craig granite DV24828.

Analysis <i>N</i> =	D21.1-2 2	D7.1 1	D20.1 1	D3.1 1	D17.1-2 2	D23.1 1	D14.1-2 2	Range <i>n</i> = 15
SiO <sub>2</sub> (wt %)	63.24	64.19	63.54	63.03	62.95	63.12	63.37	62.95–63.89
TiO <sub>2</sub>	0.27	0.25	0.34	0.06	0.46	0.06	0.07	0.05–0.46
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.04	0.06	0.05	0.70	0.04	0.50	0.05	0.03–0.90
FeO*	0.06	0.09	0.07	0.10	0.14	0.11	0.07	0.02–0.19
MnO	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.02	bdl	bdl	0.02	bdl–0.02
MgO	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl
CaO	bdl	0.02	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.02	bdl	bdl–0.02
BaO	bdl	0.08	0.05	bdl	0.06	bdl	bdl	bdl–0.08
Na <sub>2</sub> O	0.79	0.41	0.82	0.59	0.58	0.59	0.95	0.15–1.09
K <sub>2</sub> O	14.40	14.26	14.06	15.13	14.26	14.67	14.64	14.06–15.52
ZrO <sub>2</sub>	20.00	20.70	20.09	20.34	19.96	20.25	20.52	19.96–20.93
HfO <sub>2</sub>	0.45	0.64	0.53	0.40	0.46	0.47	0.49	0.35–0.64
P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl–0.04
Total	99.24	100.26	99.55	100.37	98.91	99.78	100.16	98.91–100.59
Formulae on the basis of 15 oxygens								
Si	6.053	6.046	6.055	5.993	6.046	6.020	6.034	5.990–6.055
Ti	0.019	0.018	0.024	0.004	0.033	0.004	0.005	0.004–0.033
Al	0.005	0.007	0.005	0.078	0.004	0.056	0.005	0.004–0.101
Fe <sup>2+</sup>	0.005	0.007	0.005	0.008	0.011	0.009	0.005	0.002–0.015
Mn	–	–	0.001	0.001	–	–	0.002	– –0.002
Mg	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Ca	–	0.002	–	–	–	0.002	–	– –0.002
Ba	–	0.003	0.002	–	0.002	–	–	– –0.003
Na	0.146	0.076	0.151	0.109	0.107	0.108	0.175	0.028–0.200
K	1.758	1.725	1.709	1.835	1.747	1.785	1.777	1.709–1.884
Zr	0.933	0.957	0.933	0.943	0.935	0.942	0.953	0.930–0.971
Hf	0.012	0.017	0.015	0.011	0.013	0.013	0.013	0.009–0.017
P	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	– –0.003
Σcations	8.93	8.86	8.90	8.98	8.90	8.94	8.97	8.86–8.98
Σ(K+Na+Ba)	1.90	1.80	1.86	1.94	1.86	1.89	1.95	1.80–1.96
Σ(Zr+Hf+Ti+Fe+Mn)	0.97	1.00	0.98	0.97	0.99	0.97	0.98	0.95–1.00

FeO\* = total iron as Fe<sup>2+</sup>; bdl = below detection limit; *N* = number of analyses averaged.

Electron beam analysis was challenging because in most cases, a recommended 20 × 20 μm defocused beam could not be used (Atanasova et al., 2015). The EGM in sample DV24828 was beam sensitive; Na and Cl were analyzed first, but Na loss and/or dehydration cannot be precluded. However, a comparison of the major element ranges (Table 13), Fe, Mn, Na, Ca, Sr, Si, Nb, Ti, Zr, and Cl, with the element ranges from a variety of EGM localities (e.g., Schilling et al., 2011; Table 3) shows that the Ailsa Craig EGMs are well within typical compositional ranges, except for Ca. In typical EGMs there are six Ca atoms per chemical formula, and these atoms are involved in a six-membered octahedral ring (e.g., Johnsen and Grice, 1999). The typical CaO content of IMA-accepted EGM species varies from 7 wt %–12 wt % (e.g., Bulakh and Petrov, 2004; Schilling et al., 2011). In oneillite, however, there are only three Ca atoms per formula unit (Johnsen et al., 1999), yielding a typical oneillite

CaO content of 2.90 wt %–3.13 wt %. The CaO content of the Ailsa Craig EGM varies from 0.06 wt %–1.93 wt % (Table 13) with most < 0.50 wt % and only two grains > 1 wt % CaO. This measurement yields apfu that vary from 0.03–1.03 based on the recommended normalization. The EGM M1 site is usually filled by Ca but can accommodate other cations as per the substitution Ca ↔ (Mn, REEs, Y, Na, Sr, Fe).

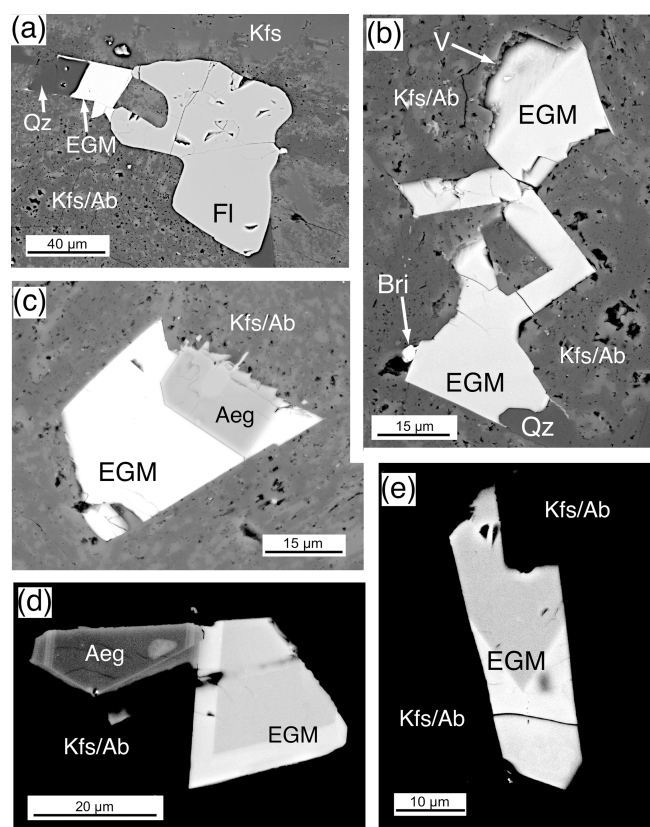
We observed only a few zoned eudialyte grains, and only one was amenable to EPMA, although we obtained qualitative EDS data on others. The dark zone is richer in Na and Zr but poorer in ΣREE, with the lighter zone having the opposite relative abundance (Table 13). Harris et al. (1982) describe similar zoning in late-stage eudialyte in a dalyite-bearing granite.

Ailsa Craig EGM is highly enriched in Y and REEs with some of the highest weight percentage values reported; Y<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> ranges from 2.62 wt %–5.04 wt %, and ΣREE ranges from

**Table 13.** Representative compositions of probable eudialyte-group minerals in Ailsa Craig granite DV24828.

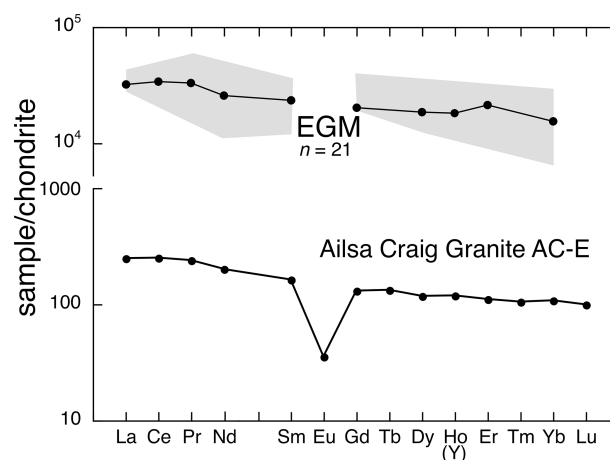
Analysis <i>N</i> =	E9.1-2 2	E17.1 1	E18.1 1	E21.1 1	E23.1 1	E26.1 1	E32.1 1	E33.1 1	E14.1 dark 1	E14.2 light 1	Range <i>n</i> =21
SiO <sub>2</sub> (wt %)	50.38	50.60	50.35	47.79	49.79	49.49	50.69	49.25	52.01	52.77	47.79–52.77
TiO <sub>2</sub>	0.40	0.42	0.30	0.68	0.66	0.38	0.50	0.55	0.28	0.38	0.28–0.68
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.03	0.03	bdl–0.03
FeO*	5.18	4.91	3.87	5.37	4.79	4.80	5.28	5.21	3.94	5.10	3.69–6.07
MnO	1.13	2.07	1.13	1.59	0.87	1.87	1.69	1.58	1.08	1.12	0.87–2.11
CaO	0.24	0.46	0.32	0.89	0.18	1.93	0.42	0.41	0.13	0.14	0.06–1.93
SrO	0.05	0.06	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.08	0.16	bdl	0.08	bdl–0.16
Na <sub>2</sub> O	13.88	11.77	13.35	14.15	14.06	11.32	13.38	14.11	13.83	11.74	10.53–14.66
K <sub>2</sub> O	0.48	0.40	0.47	0.39	0.40	0.37	0.34	0.36	0.16	0.28	0.16–0.55
ZrO <sub>2</sub>	14.69	11.24	13.17	12.54	15.29	9.15	12.22	12.22	16.04	12.88	9.15–16.17
HfO <sub>2</sub>	0.12	0.25	bdl	0.19	0.22	bdl	0.24	0.38	0.15	0.34	bdl–0.43
Nb <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	1.17	2.11	2.05	1.07	1.13	2.31	1.89	1.40	1.80	2.08	0.93–2.31
Ta <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	0.10	bdl	0.32	0.12	bdl	0.19	0.10	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl–0.32
P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	bdl	0.07	bdl	bdl	0.07	0.07	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl–0.14
Y <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	2.93	4.25	4.73	3.55	3.04	3.93	4.04	3.46	3.92	3.83	2.62–5.04
La <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.73	1.12	0.90	1.01	0.80	0.98	1.22	0.81	0.58	1.17	0.58–1.22
Ce <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	2.02	2.79	2.45	2.56	2.22	3.21	3.07	2.63	1.62	2.89	1.62–3.21
Pr <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.26	0.20	0.16	0.16	0.41	0.39	0.41	0.91	bdl	0.39	bdl–0.91
Nd <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	1.03	1.86	1.34	1.83	1.02	2.15	1.60	1.39	1.08	1.37	0.60–2.15
Sm <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.12	0.64	0.53	0.44	0.22	0.42	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl–0.68
Gd <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.30	0.74	0.63	0.47	0.51	0.38	0.44	0.37	0.53	0.17	bdl–0.94
Dy <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.48	0.80	0.55	0.15	0.35	0.98	0.67	0.88	0.48	0.78	0.15–0.98
Er <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.47	0.54	0.43	0.69	0.35	0.31	0.27	0.36	0.51	0.47	0.18–0.69
Yb <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.23	0.45	0.48	0.25	0.13	0.39	0.33	0.10	0.14	0.21	0.10–0.53
Cl	1.95	1.99	2.02	2.00	2.11	2.07	1.93	1.97	2.02	2.19	1.92–2.19
-O≡Cl	0.44	0.45	0.46	0.45	0.48	0.47	0.44	0.44	0.46	0.50	
Total	97.89	99.29	99.08	97.44	98.12	96.60	100.36	98.07	99.87	99.91	95.9–100.4
ΣREE	5.57	9.14	7.46	7.55	6.00	9.19	8.00	7.46	4.94	7.44	4.94–9.19
ΣREE+Y	8.49	13.39	12.19	11.10	9.04	13.12	12.04	10.92	8.86	11.27	7.91–13.39
Cations on the basis of (Si+Ti+Al+Zr+Hf+Nb+Ta) = 29											
Si	25.001	25.557	25.171	25.204	24.761	25.939	25.355	25.339	24.754	25.332	24.67–25.94
Ti	0.151	0.158	0.111	0.269	0.247	0.148	0.188	0.214	0.099	0.137	0.10–0.27
Al	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	0.017	0.018	– –0.02
Fe	2.150	2.074	1.618	2.368	1.992	2.104	2.209	2.242	1.568	2.047	1.55–2.58
Mn	0.475	0.886	0.480	0.710	0.365	0.830	0.716	0.689	0.435	0.454	0.36–0.94
Ca	0.125	0.251	0.173	0.505	0.096	1.084	0.222	0.225	0.067	0.070	0.03–1.08
Sr	0.013	0.018	–	–	–	–	0.022	0.049	–	0.023	– –0.05
Na	13.356	11.526	12.940	14.469	13.558	11.504	12.977	14.076	12.763	10.927	10.37–14.47
K	0.305	0.258	0.297	0.260	0.251	0.247	0.214	0.236	0.100	0.168	0.10–0.35
Zr	3.555	2.768	3.211	3.225	3.708	2.339	2.981	3.066	3.723	3.015	2.34–3.86
Hf	0.017	0.035	–	0.028	0.031	–	0.035	0.055	0.020	0.047	– –0.06
Nb	0.263	0.482	0.463	0.256	0.254	0.547	0.427	0.325	0.387	0.451	0.21–0.55
Ta	0.013	–	0.044	0.018	–	0.027	0.013	–	–	–	– –0.04
P	–	0.030	–	–	0.029	0.029	–	–	–	–	– –0.06
Y	0.772	1.141	1.257	0.995	0.804	1.095	1.074	0.946	0.992	0.977	0.68–1.35
La	0.133	0.208	0.166	0.196	0.147	0.189	0.225	0.154	0.102	0.207	0.10–0.23
Ce	0.366	0.515	0.448	0.494	0.404	0.615	0.562	0.495	0.282	0.507	0.28–0.62
Pr	0.047	0.038	0.029	0.031	0.075	0.074	0.075	0.171	–	0.068	– –0.17
Nd	0.182	0.335	0.239	0.344	0.181	0.402	0.286	0.255	0.183	0.235	0.10–0.40
Sm	0.020	0.110	0.091	0.080	0.037	0.075	–	–	–	–	– –0.11
Gd	0.050	0.124	0.103	0.081	0.083	0.066	0.073	0.063	0.083	0.026	– –0.15
Dy	0.077	0.130	0.088	0.025	0.057	0.164	0.107	0.145	0.074	0.120	0.03–0.16
Er	0.073	0.086	0.068	0.114	0.054	0.051	0.042	0.059	0.076	0.071	0.03–0.11
Yb	0.035	0.070	0.072	0.041	0.019	0.061	0.050	0.016	0.021	0.030	0.02–0.08
Cl	1.640	1.704	1.708	1.787	1.781	1.841	1.639	1.715	1.626	1.786	1.56–1.86
Total	48.82	48.50	48.78	51.50	48.93	49.43	49.49	50.53	47.37	46.72	46.7–51.5
ΣREE	0.98	1.62	1.31	1.41	1.06	1.70	1.42	1.36	0.32	1.27	0.82–1.70
ΣREE+Y	1.75	2.76	2.56	2.41	1.86	2.79	2.49	2.30	1.81	2.24	1.59–2.83

FeO\* = total iron as Fe<sup>2+</sup>; bdl = below detection limit; *N* = number of analyses averaged.



**Figure 15.** Eudialyte-group mineral (EGM), BSE images from sample DV24828 Ailsa Craig microgranite. (a) A 20 µm EGM adjacent to fluorite (Fl) that filled an open space with quartz (Qz) enclosed by K-feldspar and albite (Kfs/Ab). (b) A 75 µm group of EGM filling a large open space in K-feldspar and albite (Kfs/Ab). The EGM appears coeval with quartz (Qz) and was followed by britholite (Bri). The sample preparation has exposed a vug (V). (c) A 22 µm EGM that has grown over a euhedral Zr-bearing aegirine (Aeg) enclosed by K-feldspar and albite (Kfs/Ab). (d) A 23 µm zoned EGM adjacent to a Zr-bearing aegirine (Aeg) enclosed by K-feldspar and albite (Kfs/Ab). The contrast in this image and in (e) has been adjusted to show the zoning. The bright rim has high REEs and lower  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}$  than the darker portion. (e) A 45 µm zoned EGM filling an open space enclosed by K-feldspar and albite (Kfs/Ab). The composition of the bright and dark portions is given in Table 13; the bright part has high REEs and lower  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}$  than the darker portion.

4.94 wt %–9.19 wt %. These values yield  $\Sigma\text{REE}+\text{Y}$  that vary from 7.91 wt %–13.13 wt %, with Y dominant. Ailsa Craig microgranite EGMs, along with britholite-(Ce) (Macdonald et al., 2013b), monazite-(Ce), hydrothermal zircon, and a pyrochlore-group mineral, are the main REE carriers. Figure 16 shows the chondrite-normalized plot of the Ailsa Craig microgranite compared to EGMs. The microgranite is enriched slightly in LREEs with a flat HREE distribution, with  $[\text{La}/\text{Yb}]_{\text{CN}}$  in the range of 2.2–4.1. Although the REEs in EGM show variability, the overall patterns are similar to the bulk rock.



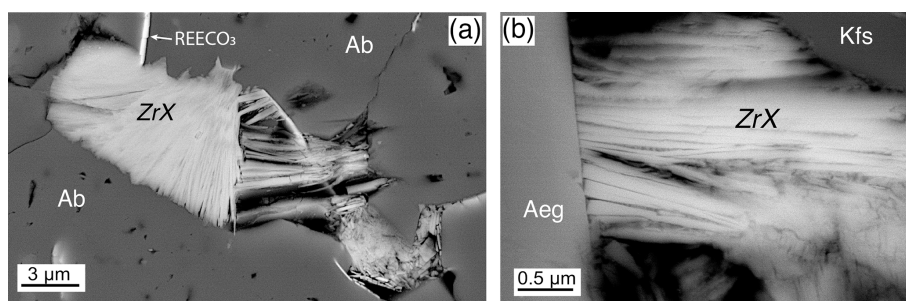
**Figure 16.** Chondrite-normalized plot comparing the REE pattern from Ailsa Craig granite AC-E (Govindaraju, 1987; Table 2) with measured range and average REEs from EGMs in this study (sample DV24828). Ho plotted in granite and Y plotted for Ho in EGMs. Normalizing factors from McDonough and Sun (1995).

EGMs are particularly prone to being partly to completely replaced by secondary phases during magmatic to hydrothermal stages (Mitchell and Liferovich, 2006; Sheard et al., 2012; Karup-Møller and Rose-Hansen, 2013; Wu et al., 2016; Estrade et al., 2014, 2018). In the Ailsa Craig microgranite, a positive correlation between analytical totals and  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}$  contents may indicate the slight loss of Na during secondary hydration. Such hydration might also explain low EPMA totals; otherwise, the EGMs seem not to have suffered significant replacement.

## 6.5 Zr-bearing fibrous mineral

Sheaflike bundles of Zr-bearing fibers occur in cracks and crevices in earlier formed minerals in the Ailsa Craig microgranite (Fig. 17). Individual fibers are generally < 1 µm thick and a few micrometers long. The mode of occurrence suggests late-stage formation, and the texture indicates that it is not an alteration phase of its adjacent hosts.

The fiber surface was poorly polished and/or the fiber bundles were slightly recessed, making EPMA experiments questionable. Furthermore, the intrinsically high EPMA probe current produced some damage. We used EDS to attempt to determine composition. Concentrations were calculated from the count data using the factory standardization and the PeBaZAF quantification scheme recommended for samples with rough surfaces. The EDAX PeBaZAF correction scheme does not normalize to 100 %; thus it is helpful in identifying hydrous phases. The mean fiber composition is ( $N = 4$ )  $\text{SiO}_2$  52.8,  $\text{TiO}_2$  0.4,  $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$  5.3,  $\text{FeO}^{\text{total}}$  5.6,  $\text{MnO}$  0.8,  $\text{MgO}$  0.4,  $\text{CaO}$  4.8,  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}$  4.3,  $\text{K}_2\text{O}$  0.9,  $\text{ZrO}_2$  20.1,  $\text{HfO}_2$  2.4, and total 97.8 (wt %). All totals are low, suggesting a hydrous phase.



**Figure 17.** BSE images, Ailsa Craig microgranite, sample DV24828. (a) Typical texture of Zr-bearing fibrous phase (ZrX) in a vug in albite. (b) Zr-bearing fibers (ZrX), ~100–200 nm in width, in an open space between aegirine (Aeg) and K-feldspar (Kfs).

In the Ailsa Craig microgranite, Harding (1983) described fibrous glauconitic minerals of interstitial crystallization whose composition is typical for that mineral group with essentially nil  $\text{ZrO}_2$ . Piilonen et al. (1998) described fibrous aegirine, whose composition is depleted of  $\text{ZrO}_2$  and  $\text{TiO}_2$  and enriched in the aegirine component, unlike the Ailsa Craig Zr-bearing fibers. The literature description of the sheaf-like habit of lemoynite  $((\text{Na},\text{K})_2\text{CaZr}_2\text{Si}_{10}\text{O}_{26} \cdot 5\text{--}6\text{H}_2\text{O})$  (Perrault et al., 1969; Anthony et al., 1995) and other members of the lemoynite group (McDonald and Chao, 2001; McDonald et al., 2015) fits the morphology of the Ailsa Craig Zr-bearing fibers. Additionally, the  $\text{SiO}_2$ ,  $\text{ZrO}_2$ ,  $\text{CaO}$ , and  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}$  abundances of lemoynite are similar to those in the Ailsa Craig fibers. However, further work is needed to identify this Zr-bearing fibrous silicate.

## 6.6 Zr-bearing aegirine

The Ailsa Craig microgranite has both late-stage Zr-bearing clinopyroxene and riebeckite–arfvedsonite. The Zr abundance in the amphibole is low, 0.62 wt %  $\text{ZrO}_2$  (Harrison et al., 1987, their Table 2, mean of 48 analyses), and that concentration was confirmed with EDS. However, Harding (1983) reported that the clinopyroxene has up to 3.15  $\text{ZrO}_2$  wt %. Furthermore, the Zr-bearing clinopyroxene is frequently associated with EGM precipitation (Fig. 15c, d); thus, a reconnaissance study of the clinopyroxene was made. Many clinopyroxene grains were in cracks or poorly polished, limiting the EPMA study.

In Ailsa Craig sample DV24828, the clinopyroxene occurs as euhedral, subhedral, and interstitial grains; although texturally related to EGM, it is not associated with dalyite, at least not in our sample. Harding (1983) and Harrison et al. (1987) report a range of aegirine–hedenbergite compositions in various parts of the Ailsa Craig microgranite. Our analyses yielded aegirine compositions (Table 14). The compositions have a limited range and are intermediate between the low and high  $\text{CaO}$  clinopyroxenes reported by Harding (1983) in the microgranite. The  $T$  site shows almost complete occupancy by Si and varies from 1.98–1.99 apfu, and the Al content is very low. Low Al clinopyroxene, usually

Zr-bearing, has been described from peralkaline rocks such as fenite (Ranløv and Dymek, 1981), peralkaline nepheline syenite (Shearer and Larsen, 1994; Preston et al., 1998; Murad, 2006), K–Na agpaitic syenite (Arzamastsev et al., 2000), peralkaline trachyte and comendite (Duggan, 1988), and trachyphonolite (Melluso et al., 2012). The M2 site has limited  $\text{Na} \leftrightarrow \text{Ca}$  substitution; Na varies from 0.91–0.96 apfu, and Ca varies from 0.10–0.13 apfu. The  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{2+}$  ratio was adjusted to compensate for charge balance considerations related to  $\text{Na} \leftrightarrow \text{Ca}$  substitution. MgO was consistently below detection; thus the aegirine composition varies between Ae and Hd. The  $\text{ZrO}_2$  content varies from 2.2 wt %–3.1 wt %, yielding apfu from 0.041–0.057. Jones and Peckett (1980) suggested that Zr is incorporated in the pyroxene structure only when no other Zr-bearing phase, such as eudialyte, is formed. In contrast, we find a common textural association between Zr–aegirine and a Zr-bearing EGM in the Ailsa Craig sample, indicating that they are both late-stage phases forming during the same time. The aegirine analyses showed scattered REE contents at or just above the detection limit (Table 14). A worthwhile study would be to analyze the Ailsa Craig Zr–aegirine with LA-ICP-MS for a complete picture of the REE content.

## 7 Discussion

### 7.1 Crystallization sequence

Judging from the examples shown in the BSE images in Figs. 2, 7, 8, 9, and 10 the order of crystallization in the granites, excepting Ailsa Craig, was baddeleyite → zirconolite → zircon → hydrothermal zircon. Crystals of baddeleyite, zirconolite, and zircon are clearly magmatic; they are euhedral and enclosed in early-crystallizing phases, and some may show magmatic zoning. The late-magmatic zircons mainly fill spaces between crystals and vugs, although there is still some magmatic zoning. In the Ailsa Craig granite, all Zr-bearing phases, dalyite, EGM, zircon, Zr–aegirine, and probable lemoynite are late-stage with no obvious textures that would suggest a definitive sequence. Hydrothermal



**Table 14.** Compositions of Zr-bearing aegirine.

Analysis <i>N</i> =	Ailsa Craig granite			
	E7.2 1	E12.1 1	E12.2 1	E13.1 1
SiO <sub>2</sub> (wt %)	52.06	52.22	51.83	52.31
TiO <sub>2</sub>	1.51	1.68	0.84	0.87
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.21	0.26	0.20	0.19
Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> *	28.13	28.16	28.55	28.83
MnO	0.49	0.50	0.39	0.38
MgO	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl
CaO	3.14	2.68	2.49	2.56
SrO	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.07
Na <sub>2</sub> O	12.26	13.09	12.80	12.76
K <sub>2</sub> O	0.02	bdl	bdl	bdl
ZrO <sub>2</sub>	2.19	2.50	2.66	3.07
HfO <sub>2</sub>	0.20	0.21	0.16	0.29
Nb <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	0.22	0.27	bdl	bdl
Y <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.12	bdl	bdl	bdl
La <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.10
Pr <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	bdl	bdl	0.14	bdl
Nd <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.23	bdl	bdl	0.31
Sm <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	bdl	0.16	bdl	bdl
Gd <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	bdl	bdl	0.24	bdl
Yb <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	bdl	bdl	bdl	0.14
Total	100.78	101.73	100.30	101.89
Formulae on the basis of six oxygens and four cations				
Si	1.991	1.981	1.996	1.990
Ti	0.044	0.048	0.024	0.025
Al	0.009	0.011	0.009	0.009
Fe <sup>3+</sup>	0.732	0.721	0.756	0.762
Fe <sup>2+</sup>	0.113	0.093	0.090	0.092
Mn	0.016	0.016	0.013	0.012
Mg	–	–	–	–
Ca	0.129	0.109	0.103	0.104
Sr	–	–	–	0.002
Na	0.909	0.963	0.956	0.941
K	0.001	–	–	–
Zr	0.041	0.046	0.050	0.057
Hf	0.002	0.002	0.002	0.003
Nb	0.004	0.005	–	–
Y	0.002	–	–	–
La	–	–	–	0.001
Pr	–	–	0.002	–
Nd	0.003	–	–	0.004
Sm	–	0.002	–	–
Gd	–	–	0.003	–
Yb	–	–	0.000	0.002
Σcations	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00
%Ae**	87	89	89	89

Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>\* = all Fe as Fe<sup>3+</sup>; bdl = below detection limit. Fe<sup>3+</sup>/Fe<sup>2+</sup> based on stoichiometry. *N* = number of analyses averaged. Ta<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>, Ce<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, Dy<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, Er<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> = bdl. \*\* = method of Morimoto (1989).

zircon is present in several forms, and a major feature is the high concentration of incompatible elements and the abundance of inclusions. We observed no texture that suggested that early formed magmatic zircon was altered by late-stage solutions to yield either hydrothermal type 1 or type 2.

## 7.2 Mineral parageneses

Zirconolite and baddeleyite occur in a wide range of terrestrial rocks, including carbonatites, kimberlites, mafic and ultramafic intrusions, dolerite dikes, alkaline intrusions, pegmatites, potassic lavas, skarns, metacarbonates, and granulites. The textural relationships between them and with zircon are highly variable. Barkov et al. (1995) found zircon replacing baddeleyite in the Imandrovsky mafic intrusion, Kola Peninsula, Russia. Baddeleyite and zirconolite have been reported as coexisting, although not necessarily in equilibrium, in, inter alia, intercumulus areas in the Rhum (Rum) layered intrusion, Scotland (Williams, 1978). Williams (1996) showed that zirconolite crystallized later than, and sometimes replaced, baddeleyite in phoscorite of the Kovdor carbonatite complex, Kola Peninsula, Russia. In potassic rocks of the Lewotolo volcano, Indonesia, the three phases apparently crystallized in the sequence zircon → zirconolite → baddeleyite (de Hoog and van Bergen, 2000). Most sills and dikes emplaced during the Franklin episode in northern Canada contain zircon, baddeleyite, and zirconolite; some zirconolite grains apparently precipitated with, or later than, baddeleyite (Heaman et al., 1992). In carbonatite veins of the Jacupiranga complex, southern Brazil, baddeleyite occurs as tabular crystals containing zirconolite (Salvioli-Mariani et al., 2012). Zhao et al. (2016) reported baddeleyite and zircon precipitated from hydrothermal fluids during skarnization at the Tengtie iron deposit, South China.

In the UK granites of this study, baddeleyite and zirconolite crystallized in the type 1 (biotite ± amphibole) and type 2 (hedenbergite–fayalitic olivine) granites, and the order of crystallization, as noted above, was baddeleyite → zirconolite → zircon. The textural relationships of the zirconolite (also baddeleyite) in the Ardnamurchan samples are similar to those described for St. Kilda and lunar zirconolite, i.e., precipitation from late-stage liquids in which HREE concentration is high and silica activity is low enough to form Zr oxides and not zircon.

Various factors have been invoked to explain the stability relationships of the three phases:

- Silica activity.* In reversible, anhydrous, relatively high-temperature experiments, the equilibrium reaction is  $\text{ZrO}_2 + \text{SiO}_2 \leftrightarrow \text{ZrSiO}_4$ . Yet, in both the Rum and Ardnamurchan samples, baddeleyite is commonly hosted by quartz (e.g., Fig. 10a), and at high magnification using FE-SEM, no incipient reaction on the baddeleyite–quartz interface was observed. While  $\alpha\text{SiO}_2$  in the UK granites may have varied from the adamellites to the alkali feldspar granites, the ubiquitous presence of quartz

may have meant that the activity was always close to unity. Perhaps the crystallization of baddeleyite was a result of local metastability.

- ii. *Calcium activity.* In a study of zircon-bearing veins in a harzburgite xenolith from a kimberlite, Dawson et al. (2001) proposed that zircon was an early precipitate from the melt but, after a desilication reaction, was replaced by baddeleyite. The magma was then Ca–Ti metasomatized, and zirconolite formed. Carrier and Lorand (2008) noted in lamprophyric melts of the south Peruvian potassic province the crystallization sequence Zr-rich titanite → perrierite → zirconolite + baddeleyite and ascribed the changes to decreasing Ca activity. In a series of experiments, Lewerentz et al. (2019) reacted unaltered zircon with H<sub>2</sub>O–CaCl<sub>2</sub> and H<sub>2</sub>O–Ca(OH)<sub>2</sub> fluids. They found that baddeleyite replaced the zircon only when Ca saturated the system, lowering the  $a_{\text{SiO}_2}$  to < 1. However, they noted that in natural rocks, baddeleyite can form in the interiors of zircon in contact with quartz, which they attributed to local, small-scale metastability. The average CaO abundances in the granites are type 1 = 1.78 wt %; type 2 = 1.23 wt %; and type 3 = 0.43 wt %. If the concentrations can be taken as reasonable estimates of Ca activity, this could explain the presence of zirconolite in types 1 and 2 but its absence in type 3, peralkaline granites.

Dalyite has been recorded as an accessory mineral in a range of rocks, including peralkaline granites and syenites and highly potassic rocks such as lamproites and lamprophyres. Harris et al. (1982) reported dalyite in a peralkaline granite block from Ascension Island. In the Strange Lake peralkaline granite complex, Quebec–Labrador, dalyite nucleated heterogeneously on older zircon crystals (Salvi and Williams-Jones, 1995). Jeffery et al. (2016) reported dalyite in syenitic ejecta of the Caldeira-Castelinho Ignimbrite Formation of Terceira, Azores, where it is interstitial, (partly) filling void spaces, as shown by some of the Ailsa Craig crystals (Fig. 13). Dalyite crystallization is thus favored in peralkaline silica-oversaturated conditions, as in the Ailsa Craig sample, and probably in melts with a high chemical potential of K<sub>2</sub>O ( $\mu_{\text{K}_2\text{O}}$ ; Marks et al., 2011; Jeffery et al., 2016). In the Ailsa Craig sample studied, there is no obvious crystallization sequence or transition among eudialyte, dalyite, or zircon based on texture; all appear as late-stage.

Eudialyte-group minerals are recorded most frequently in strongly silica-undersaturated alkaline rocks, such as agpaitic nepheline syenites and urtites. However, it is also known from alkaline granites and associated pegmatites; Estrade et al. (2018) list eight occurrences worldwide. Eudialyte was reported, for example, in a granite block from Ascension Island, where it occurs adjacent to dalyite with no evidence of reaction (Harris et al., 1982). Like dalyite, an unspecified eudialyte-group mineral totally or partially infills interstitial pore spaces in the Terceira syenites, but the two are not seen

in contact (Jeffery et al., 2016). Among the UK Paleogene granites, eudialyte *sensu lato* was recorded in quartz syenites of the Carlingford complex, Northern Ireland, by Nockolds (1950), occurring in segregation areas with quartz, aegirine, augite, and titanite. It was also found in crushes of the Rockall peralkaline granite (Sabine, 1960).

According to Sørensen (1997), the main factors controlling the crystallization of eudialyte-group minerals in a melt are its peralkalinity and high Zr and volatile contents, mainly F, Cl, and H<sub>2</sub>O. Noting the high Cl abundances in eudialyte-group minerals, Estrade et al. (2018) specified that high Cl contents in the melt are a critical parameter for the crystallization of eudialyte in peralkaline granites.

## 8 Summary

This study documents the zirconium mineral sequence in UK Paleogene granites, types 1, 2, and 3, from early magmatic (baddeleyite → zirconolite → zircon) through late-magmatic to hydrothermal zircon. In the Ailsa Craig granite, all the Zr-bearing phases, dalyite, eudialyte, hydrothermal zircon, probable lemoynite, and Zr–aegirine, are late-stage phases with no textural evidence for a definitive sequence.

The more strongly peralkaline Ailsa Craig microgranite contains a REE+Y-rich, Ca-poor eudialyte-group mineral and dalyite, the first documented occurrence in the United Kingdom. A late-stage incompatible-element-enriched hydrous zircon and a Zr-bearing fibrous mineral, probable lemoynite, were identified.

Zirconolite in the Grigdale Granophyre and Granophyre Centre 2 from Ardnamurchan and the Glamaig Granite from Skye Western Red Hills Centre are exceptionally REE+Y-rich with Y dominant.

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