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Tracing the evolution of calc-alkaline magmas: in-situ Sm-Nd isotope studies of accessory minerals in the Bergell Igneous Complex, Italy

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35 **Abstract**

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37 The common occurrence of Ca- and Nd-rich accessory minerals titanite, epidote, allanite and
38 apatite in calc-alkaline plutonic suites makes them ideal targets for *in-situ* tracing of the
39 temporal, chemical and isotopic evolution of tonalitic and granodioritic melts. The Sm-Nd
40 isotope composition of accessory phases from the calc-alkaline Bergell Pluton and the
41 peraluminous Novate leucogranite (central Alps) were investigated using laser ablation MC-
42 ICPMS techniques. Grouping of individual LA-MC-ICPMS analyses produced average ϵ_{Nd}
43 values with typical uncertainties of < 0.3 (2σ) epsilon units. SHRIMP dating of magmatic
44 allanite cores of epidote grains from a Bergell gabbro yielded a Th-Pb age of 32.4 ± 0.4 Ma,
45 which provides a new timing constraint on the emplacement of juvenile members within the
46 Bergell intrusive sequence. The Bergell bulk-rock mantle-crust isotopic mixing curve was
47 reproduced, demonstrating that integration of U-Th-rich accessory mineral Nd isotope
48 compositions with crystallisation age is capable of tracing the geochemical evolution of
49 magmatic systems over time. Crucially, the isotopic composition of the mantle end-member
50 was successfully constrained by measurement of magmatic REE-epidote, highlighting the
51 compositional versatility of accessory phases. The removal or addition of feldspar controls
52 the Eu signature of both the bulk-rock and single minerals and therefore presents a unique
53 trace element indicator of magmatic differentiation and assimilation processes in accessory
54 minerals. Therefore the *in-situ* determination of age, Sm-Nd isotopes and trace elements in
55 accessory minerals permits efficient and accurate reconstruction of complex magmatic
56 processes in calc-alkaline plutonic suites. Sub-grain isotopic heterogeneity in magmatic
57 monazite from the Novate leucogranite was identifiable by LA-MC-ICPMS analysis and
58 emphasizes the additional value of a micro-analytical approach to understanding geological
59 processes.

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61 *Key words:* LA-MC-ICPMS, allanite, titanite, neodymium, U-Th-Pb dating

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68 1. Introduction

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70 The opportunity to obtain long-lived radiogenic isotope systematics *in-situ* from trace
71 element-rich accessory phases that can also be dated by the U-Th-Pb method has only been
72 realised with the emergence of laser ablation multiple-collection inductively coupled plasma
73 mass spectrometry (LA-MC-ICPMS) systems. To date, such application has principally
74 focussed on zircon as an isotopic tracer, with numerous studies successfully exploiting the
75 high Hf and low Lu/Hf chemistry of this mineral to track petrogenetic processes (Griffin et
76 al., 2000; Harrison et al., 2005; Hawkesworth and Kemp, 2006; Kemp et al., 2007; Scherer et
77 al., 2007). Importantly, observations from the micro-analysis of Hf and U-Pb isotopes in
78 zircon have revealed primary isotope compositions and the preservation of sub-grain isotopic
79 heterogeneities, which were obscured by alteration or metamorphism, or no longer present in
80 the rock record (e.g., Scherer et al., 2007).

81 Recently, LA-MC-ICPMS instrumentation has been used to integrate U-Th-Pb and
82 Nd isotope information from other geochemically and geochronologically significant
83 minerals, such as monazite (McFarlane and McCulloch, 2007) and apatite (Foster and Carter,
84 2007). These analytical advancements have opened up the way for the *in-situ* determination
85 of Nd isotope compositions in accessory phases that can be routinely analysed for age and
86 chemical information at the micron scale. The Sm-Nd isotope system has had widespread
87 application in the earth sciences, notably in isotope tracer studies, where the Sm-Nd decay
88 scheme has been used to investigate sediment provenance and crustal residence ages
89 (McCulloch and Wasserburg, 1978; O’Nions et al., 1983; Allègre and Rousseau, 1984;
90 Condie, 1993; McLennan et al., 1990; Vervoort et al., 1999), and early differentiation of the
91 earth and meteorites, including the evolution of continental crust from mantle petrogenesis
92 (e.g., DePaolo, 1980; Bennet et al., 1993; McCulloch and Compston, 1981; Bowring and
93 Housh, 1995; Vervoort et al., 1996). In particular, Nd isotopes have been successfully applied
94 in igneous petrology to “fingerprint” the source(s) and processes that contribute to the genesis
95 of plutonic systems, such as continuous mantle melt extraction and assimilation of
96 isotopically heterogeneous continental crust (e.g., DePaolo, 1981a; McCulloch and Chappell,
97 1982; von Blanckenburg et al., 1992).

98 To extract Nd isotope information with adequate precision and sufficient spatial
99 resolution to discriminate isotopic heterogeneities at the grain-scale, LA-MC-ICPMS analysis
100 has primarily targeted LREE-rich accessory phases for which between-run uncertainties of
101 ~0.5 epsilon units are achieved (Foster and Vance, 2006; McFarlane and McCulloch, 2007).

102 Whereas this level of analytical uncertainty is a factor of ~2-3 greater than the precision
103 attained by thermal ionization mass spectrometry (TIMS) measurements, crucial grain-scale
104 textural and chemical information is retained.

105 The calc-alkaline magma series, which form the bulk of exposed granitic batholith
106 belts, including a significant proportion of subduction-related plutonic rock associations
107 (Wilson, 1989), commonly contain diverse LREE-accessory phase assemblages amenable to
108 in-situ Nd isotope analysis (von Blanckenburg, 1992; Oberli et al., 2004). The isotopic
109 characterisation of calc-alkaline plutonic suites potentially involves a range of isotopically
110 distinct source components (DePaolo, 1981a, b; Hill et al., 1986; von Blanckenburg et al.,
111 1992), however until now, LREE-accessory phases have been mainly targeted with the single
112 aim of extracting magma crystallisation ages (Barth et al., 1994; Oberli et al., 2004).

113 In this paper, we extend this micro-analytical approach to a group of LREE-enriched
114 accessory minerals that can be analysed for Nd isotope systematics using LA-MC-ICPMS.
115 This Nd isotope tracer data is combined with accessory mineral trace element systematics to
116 reconstruct the differentiation and assimilation history of the Oligocene (*c.* 30-32 Ma) calc-
117 alkaline Bergell Igneous Complex, eastern Central Alps (Fig. 1). The Bergell Igneous
118 Complex comprises co-genetic early mafic cumulates and intermediate to felsic differentiates
119 that exhibit a range of bulk-rock initial Nd isotope compositions, and major and trace element
120 compositions (von Blanckenburg et al., 1992). The studied rocks contain abundant accessory
121 titanite, allanite, REE-epidote and apatite, which are known to be major hosts for trace
122 elements in tonalites and granodiorites (Gromet and Silver, 1983; Bea, 1996; Oberli et al.,
123 2004), and which record changes in melt trace element availability over time through the
124 retention of primary chemical and U-Th-Pb isotopic zoning at the micron-scale (e.g., Oberli
125 et al., 2004).

126 The youth (< 32 Ma) of the Bergell magmatic system minimizes time-integrated
127 variations in $^{143}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd}$ and allows us to trace the temporal evolution of sequential magma
128 pulses with an age resolution of < 0.5 Ma. It therefore presents an excellent case study with
129 which to examine the magmatic occurrence, Nd isotope and trace element behaviour of
130 LREE-accessory phases relative to bulk-rock. Previously published Nd isotope data
131 determined for the Bergell suite from a combination of TIMS bulk-rock and mineral
132 separates (von Blanckenburg, 1992; von Blanckenburg et al., 1992) are used for validation of
133 the in-situ method used here. Sub-grain isotopic zoning in monazite, a peraluminous phase
134 from the adjacent Novate leucogranite, provides a complementary example of the benefits of
135 isotopic micro-analysis by LA-MC-ICPMS.

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137 **2. Geological setting**

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139 The Oligocene Bergell Pluton is situated in the eastern Central Alps (Fig. 1) at the boundary
140 between the Tertiary-metamorphosed central Penninic and eastern Austroalpine nappes.

141 These magmatic and metamorphic units are separated from the relatively unmetamorphosed
142 Southern Alps by the Insubric Line, which forms part of the Periadriatic fault system (Berger
143 et al., 1996; Trommsdorff and Nievergelt, 1983) representing the suture zone of Alpine
144 continental collision. The Bergell pluton is a composite structure consisting primarily of a
145 tonalite margin and a granodiorite core (Figure 1), which cooled rapidly at the eastern margin
146 through their respective solidi at 32 Ma and 30 Ma (von Blanckenburg, 1992). Members of
147 the Bergell suite also include early mafic dykes that intruded the surrounding country rock,
148 minor amounts of gabbro, hornblende and diorite blocks associated with the marginal
149 tonalite (Fig. 1), and several generations of aplitic and pegmatitic granite stocks and dykes
150 hosted within the granodiorite and in the adjacent country rock (Diethelm, 1989; Reusser,
151 1987).

152 The NE granodioritic margin has a laccolithic geometry and shallow level of
153 emplacement (<5 kbar) as recorded by hornblende barometry (Reusser, 1987; Davidson et al.,
154 1996). In contrast, the SW tonalitic margin represents a structurally deeper (~8 kbar) “feeder
155 zone” for the main intrusion (e.g., Davidson et al., 1996), which experienced a protracted
156 cooling history from 33 to 28 Ma (Oberli et al., 2004). At this margin the pluton narrows and
157 takes on the sub-vertical geometry of the Southern Steep Belt adjacent to the Insubric Line.
158 These changes in attitude and geometry have been ascribed to syn-intrusive deformation
159 during Alpine N-S shortening and E-W extension (Davidson et al., 1996). Thus, a ≥ 10 km
160 oblique section through the Bergell Pluton is exposed along a NE-SW transect (Berger and
161 Gieré, 1995).

162 Isotopically, the members of the Bergell Pluton exhibit smooth mantle-crust isotope
163 mixing trends ranging from initial mantle ϵ_{Nd} values of +4 to crustal values of -7, relative to
164 CHUR at 30 Ma (Fig. 2; von Blanckenburg et al., 1992). On the basis of Sr, Nd and oxygen
165 isotope geochemical arguments, von Blanckenburg et al. (1992) concluded that the evolution
166 of the Bergell Pluton involved two stages: (1) partial melting of an enriched lithospheric
167 mantle component that had been modified by mantle source contamination processes, from
168 which early mafic dykes and cumulates were extracted; and (2) subsequent simultaneous

169 fractional crystallisation and contamination of the uprising magma (AFC mixing of DePaolo,
170 1981b). This second stage involved significant melting of the heterogeneous lower to middle
171 Alpine crust to produce the main intermediate intrusive bodies, which typically show an
172 increase in crustal contamination with degree of differentiation (von Blanckenburg et al.,
173 1992).

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175 **3. Sample selection**

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177 Samples for LA-MC-ICPMS analysis were collected at the eastern margin of the Bergell
178 Pluton to avoid the hydrothermal and metamorphic modification and solid-state syn-intrusive
179 deformation observed at the southern tonalitic margin (Berger et al., 1996). LA-MC-ICPMS
180 Nd isotope results are referenced to TIMS bulk-rock and mineral dilution studies of von
181 Blanckenburg et al. (1992) and von Blanckenburg (1992), on samples from the eastern
182 margin. Only a brief description of the Bergell intrusives that are relevant to the samples
183 analysed (Table 1) is given here. An excellent overview of the regional geology and
184 structural setting of the Bergell Pluton can be found in Schmid et al. (1996), Berger et al.
185 (1996) and references therein.

186 *MAL1*: Basaltic-andesitic dyke sample collected in Val Malenco, east of the Bergell
187 contact aureole. The un-recrystallised mafic dykes that crosscut the ultramafic Malenco unit
188 are younger than the regional Alpine deformation, but older than the emplacement of the
189 tonalite and granodiorite (Berger et al., 1996). MAL1 is representative of the mantle end-
190 member ($\epsilon_{Nd} = +4$; von Blanckenburg et al., 1992). Epidote grains separated from MAL1
191 were yellow-brown, $\sim 200 \mu\text{m}$ in diameter and contained subordinate inclusions of a Ca-
192 phosphate (most likely apatite).

193 *SIS01*: A hornblende gabbro, representative of the initial phase of the intrusion, was
194 collected in Val Sissone (Table 1). A range of basic rock compositions are observed along the
195 pluton margin, however, including blocks of cumulitic hornblendites to in-situ crystallised
196 gabbro as enclaves in tonalite (Diethelm 1989). These rocks display a corresponding range in
197 initial ϵ_{Nd} from +2 to -6 (von Blanckenburg et al. 1992). Allanite, titanite and apatite from
198 SIS01 were $\leq 200 \mu\text{m}$ in diameter. Allanite grains were slightly opaque and typically rimmed
199 by epidote. Titanite occurred as single grains but also as rims on ilmenite, which suggests it
200 could have been a late-magmatic or sub-solidus phase.

201 *SIS04*: Representative sample of hornblende-rich tonalite collected in Val Sissone
202 near SIS01. The tonalite displays a range Nd isotope composition from east to west (-4.8 to -
203 2.7, respectively), suggesting that the tonalite was emplaced in several batches with different
204 degrees of crustal contamination (von Blanckenburg et al., 1992). SIS04 is equivalent to the
205 eastern tonalite sample Siss3 of von Blanckenburg et al. (1992). Separated allanite, titanite
206 and apatite were inclusion-free and transparent. Allanite grains were dark brown and display
207 a size increase from SIS01.

208 *SIS07*: Porphyritic K-feldspar-rich granodiorite sample from Val Sissone and
209 representative of the granodioritic core of the pluton. Minor late-stage epidote and chlorite
210 growth was observed along small shear planes and boundaries of K-feldspar porphyroclasts.
211 Separated allanite and titanite grains are similar to those in SIS04, although apatite grains are
212 significantly larger in size (>100 μm) than SIS04 apatite.

213 *NOV1*: Representative sample of the peraluminous garnet-bearing two mica Novate
214 leucogranite. The Novate intrusion was emplaced at *c.*25-24 Ma according to the U-Pb
215 system in monazite and zircon (Köppel and Grünenfelder, 1975; Liati et al., 2000), and
216 represents the youngest intrusion in the area. The leucogranite is compositionally and
217 genetically unrelated to the Bergell Pluton (Fig. 2) as it was derived from crustal melts
218 (Kagami et al., 1985). It may, however, be associated with late-stage aplitic and pegmatitic
219 dyke intrusions in gneisses north of the Insubric Line and crosscutting the Bergell Pluton
220 (Reusser, 1987, von Blanckenburg et al., 1992). Monazite and apatite were separated from
221 NOV1. Monazite grains were euhedral, transparent, ~200 μm in diameter and contain
222 inclusions of quartz and feldspar.

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224 **4. Analytical method**

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226 Translucent grains that lacked significant zoning or alteration features (e.g. cracks, irregular domains) were
227 hand picked using a binocular microscope. The grains were cleaned, mounted in epoxy, and polished to expose
228 their mid-section. High-contrast backscatter electron (BSE) images were obtained using a Cambridge S360
229 scanning electron microscope at the Electron Microscopy Unit, ANU using an accelerating voltage of 15kV,
230 beam current of 2-3 nA and a working distance of 20mm.

231 Trace element analyses of mineral separates were performed by LA-ICP-MS at the ANU Research
232 School of Earth Sciences (RSES) using a pulsed 193 nm ArF Excimer laser operating at 100 mJ, 5 Hz repetition
233 rate, and a 32 μm laser crater diameter (Eggins et al., 1998). Ablated aerosols were transported in a mixed He-
234 Ar carrier gas to the ICPMS (Agilent 7500). External calibration was performed relative to NIST 612 SRM
235 reference glass and results were checked for accuracy using a BCR-2G microbeam glass standard. Preferred values

236 for BCR-2G were taken from the GeoReM compilation by K. P. Jochum and F. Nehring (available at
237 <http://georem.mpch-mainz.gwdg.de/>). Allanite, titanite analyses were normalised to CaO values independently
238 determined by electron microprobe. Stoichiometric values for Ce in monazite and CaO in apatite were used as
239 internal standards for these accessory phases.

240 U-Th-Pb isotopes in allanite were measured using the Reverse Geometry Sensitive High Resolution
241 Ion MicroProbe (SHRIMP RG) at the RSES, using a 3-4 nA, 10 kV primary O_2^- beam focussed to a $\sim 20 \mu m$
242 diameter spot. The analytical procedure was similar to that described by Gregory et al. (2007). Each analysis
243 consisted of six scans through the masses. Sputtered ^{208}Pb , ^{232}Th and ^{248}ThO ions were corrected to the reference
244 allanite CAP run every fourth analysis (~ 276 Ma, Barth et al., 1994; Gregory et al., 2007). Poor calibration for
245 the U-Pb system over the course of analysis prevented the use of allanite U-Pb data to calculate robust ages.
246 Data reduction was carried out using RSES internal software. Data were corrected for common Pb using the
247 measured $^{207}Pb/^{206}Pb$ according to Williams (1998) and a model common Pb composition of Stacey and
248 Kramers (1975). Weighted mean plots were made using Isoplot/Ex software (Ludwig, 2000).

249 Sm-Nd isotope data was collected during three analytical sessions on a Thermo Finnigan Neptune MC-
250 ICPMS coupled to a HelEx ArF excimer laser ablation system at the RSES (Eggins et al., 2005). The laser
251 ablation system setup, Neptune MC-ICPMS amplifier and cup configurations, and data acquisition were
252 according to McFarlane and McCulloch (2007) and are only briefly described here. Oxide/metal ratios were
253 maintained at $<0.5\%$ to monitor oxide interferences on LREEs (e.g., BaO). Spot diameter ($24 \mu m$ to $105 \mu m$)
254 and laser repetition rate (4 Hz to 6 Hz) varied according to the mineral Nd content. Typical signal intensities
255 were: >1 V ^{146}Nd for allanite at $47 \mu m$ (10 000 ppm for gabbro to 25 000 ppm for granodiorite); <2 V ^{146}Nd for
256 REE-epidote at $105 \mu m$ (2 500 to 10 000 ppm for basaltic-andesite); 0.5-1.5 V ^{146}Nd for titanite at $81 \mu m$ (1 500
257 ppm for gabbro to 2 500 ppm for tonalite); 0.5-1 V ^{146}Nd for apatite at $105 \mu m$ (500 to 1 000 ppm); and >3 V
258 ^{146}Nd for monazite at $24 \mu m$ ($> 120 000$ ppm).

259 Isotope ratios and gas blanks were measured using 50 cycles of 2 seconds integration. We have
260 observed higher background levels associated with ablation of LREE-rich minerals such as monazite and
261 allanite. As a result, low LREE concentration minerals such as apatite and titanite were analysed first, followed
262 sequentially by minerals with progressively higher LREE content. For example, on-peak background levels
263 were <0.05 mV for all analytes at the start of the session and during apatite and titanite ablation, but increased to
264 ~ 0.1 mV during allanite and monazite analysis at the end of the analytical session. Data was processed offline
265 on a cycle-by-cycle basis allowing the time-resolved data to be critically assessed. As outlined in McFarlane and
266 McCulloch (2007), an independently determined $^{147}Sm/^{149}Sm$ was used to correct mass bias on $^{144}Sm/^{149}Sm$
267 using an exponential law. The latter was then used to correct for ^{144}Sm interference on ^{144}Nd . The interference-
268 corrected $^{146}Nd/^{144}Nd$ (reference = 0.7219) was then used to normalise background and interference-corrected
269 $^{143}Nd/^{144}Nd$ and $^{145}Nd/^{144}Nd$ (Wasserburg et al., 1981) using an exponential law. A systematic 40 ppm offset is
270 observed between normalised MC-ICPMS and TIMS values (McFarlane and McCulloch, 2007), which has been
271 documented elsewhere as relating to the inherent mass bias differences between plasma-source mass
272 spectrometers and TIMS (Alberède et al., 2004; Vance and Thirlwall, 2002). The best comparison between MC-
273 ICPMS and TIMS results is achieved by applying an empirical correction (+40 ppm) to our $^{143}Nd/^{144}Nd$ values.
274 Isotope ratio errors are reported as 2σ absolute standard errors. Uncertainty on $^{147}Sm/^{144}Nd$ is not included in the
275 final error calculation.

276 Secondary mineral standards characterised by solution Nd isotope MC-ICPMS (Trebilcock monazite
277 and Daibosatsu allanite, McFarlane and McCulloch, 2007; Durango apatite, Foster and Vance, 2006; Fish
278 Canyon Tuff titanite, McFarlane unpublished) were analysed periodically to verify external reproducibility. The
279 LA-MC-ICPMS $^{147}\text{Sm}/^{144}\text{Nd}$ and $^{143}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd}(t)$ values for these natural mineral standards were identical within
280 error to their known solution MC-ICPMS values. Results are provided in the electronic data repository (EDR
281 Table 1).

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283 **5. Allanite major element chemistry**

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285 In the Bergell calc-alkaline samples, epidote and allanite major element composition changes
286 along the solid solution join $\text{Ca}^{2+} + \text{Fe}^{3+}$ (epidote) \leftrightarrow $\text{REE}^{3+} + \text{Fe}^{2+}$ (allanite) (Dollase, 1971).
287 The major element (Ca, Si and Al) composition is correlated with bulk-rock composition and
288 these elements decrease with increasing degree of differentiation. In general, total REE
289 content measured by EMP increases with degree of bulk differentiation (~8 wt% to 19 wt%),
290 particularly at the early stage of differentiation from MAL1 basaltic-andesite to SIS01 gabbro
291 when allanite replaces REE-epidote as the most important LREE-carrier in the rock (Table
292 2).

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294 **6. Accessory mineral trace elements**

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296 Backscatter electron (BSE) images of the accessory minerals are shown in Fig. 3. Analysed
297 allanite grains were typically only weakly zoned (Fig. 3d-f) and apatite was unzoned (Fig.
298 3j). REE-epidote displayed faint, planar-like zoning (Fig. 3k). Titanite grains were weakly to
299 strongly oscillatory zoned and locally sector zoned (Fig. 3g & h). Monazite grains were
300 oscillatory- to sector-zoned with local internal core-overgrowth structures (Fig. 3a & b).

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302 Chondrite-normalised (McDonough and Sun, 1995) REE plots are shown in Fig. 4.
303 Trace element data is given in Table 3. Allanite and REE-epidote are relatively enriched in
304 the LREEs at different absolute abundances (Fig. 4a). The low La/Lu of epidote compared to
305 allanite (La/Lu of ~360 and ~8 000-200 000, respectively), is due to crystal-chemical effects,
306 whereby the incorporation of trivalent REEs into the A-sites (i.e., Ca^{2+} site) of allanite, is
307 balanced by the presence of divalent cations, principally Fe^{2+} , which effectively distort the
308 crystal structure to accommodate the relatively large LREEs (Bonazzi and Menchetti, 1995).
309 Interestingly, allanite M-HREE abundances increase with degree of differentiation (e.g.,

310 SIS01 to SIS07, Table 3) despite decreasing Ca and Al contents (Table 2). This indicates that
311 factors other than crystal-chemical effects contributed to decreasing La/Lu in allanite (Fig.
312 4a). Titanite and apatite show similar chondrite-normalised REE profiles, although the
313 absolute REE concentration in apatite from the granodiorite is an order of magnitude lower
314 than titanite (Fig. 4b and d). Notably, titanite is progressively LREE-depleted and M-HREE-
315 enriched with increasing degree of differentiation, causing a decrease in La/Lu (~60 to 4)
316 similar to allanite. This behaviour contrasts to bulk-rock LREE/HREE compositions, which
317 typically increase with crustal contamination and degree of differentiation (Table 3; von
318 Blanckenburg et al., 1992). Monazite from NOV1 shows a characteristic strongly LREE-
319 enriched patterns (Fig. 4c) and a rimward decrease in Y and HREE concentrations (e.g.,
320 La/Lu varies from 2 500 to 4 000 rimward, Table 3).

321 Accessory mineral Eu anomalies become increasingly negative with degree of
322 differentiation from MAL1 to NOV1 (Table 3, Fig. 4). Titanite and allanite show opposing
323 trends in Th/U. With increasing magma differentiation Th/U in titanite decreases from 1.4 in
324 SIS01 to 0.16 in SIS07 (Table 3). Overall, Th/U in REE-epidote and allanite increases from
325 <1 in MAL1 to ~140 in SIS07, although SIS04 allanite has a Th/U of ~160, reflecting the
326 high Th/U of the tonalite bulk-rock (Table 3). Thorium in monazite decreases from core to
327 rim (Table 3). The Ba content of the accessory phases analysed in this study was typically < 2
328 ppm.

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330 **7. Accessory mineral Sm-Nd and U-Th-Pb isotopes**

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332 LA-MC-ICPMS Nd isotope results are given in Table 4 and Fig. 5 and include the bulk-rock
333 and mineral isotope data of von Blanckenburg et al. (1992) and von Blanckenburg (1992) for
334 comparison. The different sampling volumes of SIMS and laser ablation in-situ techniques
335 (e.g., 1-2 μm versus ~10's μm deep pits) permit the direct coupling of U-Th-Pb and Sm-Nd
336 isotope systematics for isotopic tracing using a single mineral target, a protocol successfully
337 employed in Lu-Hf studies involving zircon (e.g., Harrison et al., 2005). The high fraction of
338 common Pb of the total measured Pb in REE-epidote ($f^{206}\text{Pb} > 0.95$) precluded an age
339 determination for MAL1. However similar mafic dykes analysed by von Blanckenburg et al.
340 (1992), were corrected for ^{147}Sm decay assuming a Bergell age (at $t = 30$ Ma), which we
341 adopt here for consistency. Following we discuss each sample in order of relative
342 emplacement:

343 *MAL1 basaltic-andesite*: Five REE-epidote grains were analysed and had variable
344 inter-grain $^{147}\text{Sm}/^{144}\text{Nd}$ (0.083 to 0.113) due to epidote-group REE solid solution. The five
345 analyses produced a weighted mean $\epsilon_{\text{Nd}t}$ of $+3.85 \pm 0.27$ (MSWD 0.1), in agreement with the
346 TIMS bulk-rock value (Fig. 5a; von Blanckenburg et al., 1992).

347 *SIS01 gabbro*: Allanite grains were homogeneous in $^{147}\text{Sm}/^{144}\text{Nd}$ ($\sim 0.052 \pm 0.002$).
348 Analysis over two sessions produced $\epsilon_{\text{Nd}t}$ values identical within error of -2.40 ± 0.18 ,
349 (MSWD 0.9) and -2.18 ± 0.41 (MSWD 0.5), respectively. Co-existing titanite was more
350 variable in $^{147}\text{Sm}/^{144}\text{Nd}$ (0.131 to 0.178) with some grains displaying up to 5 % (1σ) internal
351 variations. Only 3 of 9 titanite grains from SIS01 produced sufficient Nd counts to yield
352 acceptable errors (≤ 1 epsilon unit; Table 4). These three analyses gave an average $\epsilon_{\text{Nd}t}$ of -
353 2.08 ± 0.39 (MSWD 0.4) and calculation inclusive of all analyses gives -2.39 ± 0.45
354 (MSWD 1.3). Apatites grains were too small for laser sampling due to relatively low Nd
355 concentrations (Table 3). The allanite and titanite results lie within the range previously
356 documented for the Bergell gabbros (Fig. 5c-d; von Blanckenburg et al., 1992). Allanite
357 separated from the Bergell gabbro was dated for the first time using the SHRIMP protocol of
358 Gregory et al. (2007) in order to corroborate the LA-MC-ICPMS Sm-Nd isotope systematics.
359 Fourteen analyses on allanite cores surrounded by epidote overgrowths produced a weighted
360 mean Th-Pb age of 32.4 ± 0.4 Ma (95 % c.l., MSWD 1.0; Table 5). Individual allanite Th-Pb
361 analyses are plotted in Fig. 6 against SHRIMP allanite ages of the Bergell tonalite and
362 granodiorite (Gregory et al., 2007), to illustrate the absolute timing sequence of each
363 intrusive body. Uranium-Pb data are not presented (refer to Section 4), however the
364 behaviour of the U-Pb system in allanite from the Bergell tonalite and granodiorite is
365 described in Gregory et al. (2007). Given the high Th/U and relatively young age of allanite
366 from SIS01, it is suspected that the U-Pb system of this sample would be affected by initial
367 ^{230}Th disequilibrium in the form of excess ^{206}Pb (e.g., Schärer, 1984) and therefore give old
368 U-Pb ages, in line with the U-Pb behaviour of allanite in SIS04 and SIS07 (von
369 Blanckenburg, 1992; Gregory et al., 2007).

370 *SIS04 tonalite*: Titanite in this sample showed variable intra-grain $^{147}\text{Sm}/^{144}\text{Nd}$ (up to
371 2.3 % at 1-sigma). Despite this compositional variation, the titanite analyses formed a
372 coherent Nd isotope population with a weighted mean $\epsilon_{\text{Nd}t}$ of -5.41 ± 0.18 (MSWD 0.3),
373 which is within error of previous TIMS titanite analyses (Fig. 5f; von Blanckenburg, 1992).
374 Allanite however, consistently reproduced $\epsilon_{\text{Nd}t}$ values that were ~ 40 ppm below those
375 obtained conventionally (Fig. 5e; von Blanckenburg, 1992), even after application of the

376 empirical correction to measured $^{143}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd}$ (see Section 4). This discrepancy is unlikely to
377 be an analytical artifact because indistinguishable $\epsilon_{\text{Nd}t}$ values for allanite were obtained from
378 three separate analytical sessions: -5.66 ± 0.24 (MSWD 2.0), -5.63 ± 0.18 (MSWD 0.6), and -
379 5.73 ± 0.40 (MSWD 0.2). In addition, allanite from SIS04 measured by LA-MC-ICPMS
380 have identical $^{147}\text{Sm}/^{144}\text{Nd}$ (0.049 ± 0.002) to single grains analysed by TIMS (~ 0.0484 ; von
381 Blanckenburg 1992). We will return to the significance of this discrepancy in the
382 forthcoming discussion. The Th-Pb age of tonalitic allanite (31.5 Ma, von Blanckenburg,
383 1992) was also confirmed by Gregory et al. (2007), using in-situ techniques on the same
384 separates (Fig. 6). Apatite in SIS04 was again too small for laser analysis.

385 *SIS07 granodiorite:* Allanite grains displayed variable $^{147}\text{Sm}/^{144}\text{Nd}$ (0.105 to 0.061,
386 av. 0.069) and the results from two analytical sessions gave $\epsilon_{\text{Nd}t}$ values of -6.18 ± 0.13
387 (MSWD 1.2) and -6.39 ± 0.38 (MSWD 0.8), which are identical to independent allanite
388 analyses obtained by TIMS (Fig. 5g; von Blanckenburg, 1992). Similarly, ten titanite grains
389 yielded $\epsilon_{\text{Nd}t}$ of -6.20 ± 0.23 (MSWD 0.2), in agreement with TIMS results (Fig. 5g; von
390 Blanckenburg, 1992). Only one apatite grain from SIS07 was large enough ($> 150 \mu\text{m}$
391 diameter) to analyse and it yielded ϵ_{Nd} of -6.29 ± 1.05 , overlapping with the allanite and
392 titanite Sm-Nd data. This observation suggests that allanite, titanite, and apatite preserve
393 Sm-Nd isotopic equilibrium. A $^{143}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd}$ versus $^{147}\text{Sm}/^{144}\text{Nd}$ isochron plot of allanite,
394 apatite and titanite analyses from SIS07 (Fig. 7), yielded an initial $^{143}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd}$ intercept of -
395 6.20 ± 0.18 in excellent agreement with the documented bulk-rock value of -6.29 ± 0.08 (von
396 Blanckenburg, 1992). The multiple-phase Sm-Nd isochron age of $32 \pm 5 \text{ Ma}$ (1σ) is
397 consistent with the known age of the Bergell Granodiorite of $30.1 \pm 0.3 \text{ Ma}$ determined by
398 von Blanckenburg (1992) and confirmed by Gregory et al. (2007).

399 *NOVI monazite:* $^{147}\text{Sm}/^{144}\text{Nd}$ in monazite averaged ~ 0.119 , although monazite cores
400 displayed greater down-hole Sm/Nd variability than rims. A population of intermediate BSE-
401 intensity monazite domains (Fig. 3c) produced a weighted mean $\epsilon_{\text{Nd}t}$ of -8.86 ± 0.22
402 (calculated at $t = 25 \text{ Ma}$) identical to the bulk-rock TIMS value (Kagami et al. 1985). In
403 contrast, two high BSE-intensity cores (Fig. 3a) record higher $\epsilon_{\text{Nd}t}$ values of -7.36 and -7.65 .
404 Three apatite grains yielded $\epsilon_{\text{Nd}t}$ of -8.78 ± 0.57 (MSWD 0.6), again within error of the bulk-
405 rock value and co-existing monazite (Table 4; Fig. 5).

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407 **8. Discussion**

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409 8.1 Record of magma evolution in single crystals

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411 Elevated bulk-rock Sr and oxygen isotopes relative to the mantle array (Fig. 2) were used as
412 evidence by von Blanckenburg et al. (1992) to propose an enriched lithospheric mantle
413 source for the origin of the Bergell calc-alkaline magmas due to metasomatism of the mantle
414 wedge through dehydration of subducted oceanic material. Bulk-rock ϵ_{Nd} values are of
415 mantle and crustal affinity, and define a smooth calc-alkaline mantle-crust mixing trend (Fig.
416 2). This trend is interpreted to reflect differentiation of uprising magma via simultaneous
417 crustal assimilation and fractional crystallisation processes (von Blanckenburg et al., 1992).
418 Such diversity in bulk-rock chemical and isotopic compositions provides an ideal setting to
419 assess the value of accessory phase LA-MC-ICPMS Nd isotope analysis for tracing the
420 isotopic evolution of igneous suites.

421 To extract a faithful history of the evolution of the Bergell magmatic system it was
422 essential to separate Nd-rich accessory phases from each intrusive member. Crucially, the
423 representative mafic end-member MAL1 contained magmatic REE-epidote, which was used
424 to constrain the ϵ_{Nd} isotopic composition of the proposed mantle source ($\epsilon_{\text{Nd}t} = +4$, von
425 Blanckenburg et al., 1992). Figure 8a is a summary of average accessory mineral $\epsilon_{\text{Nd}t}$ values
426 obtained by LA-MC-ICPMS against their known U-Th-Pb age determined either by SHRIMP
427 (this study; Gregory et al., 2007) or TIMS techniques (Köppel and Grünenfelder, 1975; von
428 Blanckenburg et al., 1992). First, this graph illustrates that the accessory phase Nd isotope
429 compositions successfully reproduced the smooth mantle-crust mixing trend recorded by the
430 Bergell igneous complex, from an $\epsilon_{\text{Nd}t}$ of +3.9 for basaltic-andesite determined by REE-
431 epidote, to an $\epsilon_{\text{Nd}t}$ of -6.2 for granodiorite obtained using allanite, titanite and apatite. This
432 dataset also demonstrates an absence of significant outliers, both analytical (instrumental
433 bias) and geological (inherited isotopic components) in the accessory mineral results from
434 Bergell. Second, when multiple accessory phases were analysed in a single sample the Nd
435 isotope compositions of these phases were consistent (e.g., Fig. 7). This indicates that
436 primary magmatic $^{143}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd}$ signatures were preserved and demonstrates mineral-melt
437 isotopic equilibrium during crystallisation. This check on internal consistency is one of the
438 most powerful benefits of the LA-MC-ICPMS approach. Because secondary alteration could
439 affect different minerals in different proportions (e.g., preferential alteration of allanite
440 compared to titanite) bulk-rock application in this situation could result in misrepresentation
441 of the true isotopic value.

442 Neodymium isotope compositions of titanite and allanite from SIS01 ($\epsilon_{\text{Nd}t}$ of $-2.08 \pm$
443 0.39 and -2.36 ± 0.17 , respectively) fall within the large range of bulk-rock $\epsilon_{\text{Nd}t}$ documented
444 for samples of Bergell gabbro (Fig. 2; von Blanckenburg et al., 1992), yet they do not
445 correspond to a specific bulk-rock Nd isotope composition. The bulk mineralogy of SIS01
446 analysed in this study corresponds most closely to the Siss1 hornblende gabbro described by
447 von Blanckenburg et al. (1992), however the latter has a more juvenile composition ($\epsilon_{\text{Nd}} =$
448 $+0.4$) compared to that of the accessory phases (Table 4). Considering the range of bulk
449 compositions for gabbro in the Bergell igneous complex (e.g., primitive cumulates to tonalite
450 cumulates; Diethelm, 1989), the discrepancy between the in-situ data and previous
451 conventional results is most likely a sampling artifact. This hypothesis is supported by the
452 excellent agreement of titanite and allanite results despite substantial differences in
453 $^{147}\text{Sm}/^{144}\text{Nd}$ and total Nd content, and the fact that simultaneously measured $^{145}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd}$
454 values were identical within error of the natural ratio (Table 4).

455 In-situ Nd isotope analyses of allanite from the SIS04 tonalite are ~ 40 ppm (~ 0.8
456 epsilon units) lower than previous TIMS results for this mineral (Fig. 5; von Blanckenburg,
457 1992). This offset also includes LA-MC-ICPMS analyses of the Siss3 allanite separates of
458 von Blanckenburg (1992), which immediately removes the possibility of a sampling bias.
459 However, the SIS04 allanites were analysed concurrently with those from SIS07 and
460 Daibosatsu and these samples both returned accurate LA-MC-ICPMS results (Fig. 5; EDR
461 Table 1). In addition, allanite grains separated from SIS04 and SIS07 for in-situ analysis were
462 inclusion-poor, lacked obvious signs of alteration and displayed similar internal zoning in
463 BSE images (Fig. 3). Given these factors, it is hard to reconcile why potential instrument bias
464 would only affect the measurement of a single mineral sample. Encouragingly, the in-situ
465 analyses of co-existing titanite were within error of their known isotopic value (Fig. 5) and
466 importantly, they agreed with the Nd isotope results obtained from allanite (Fig. 5). The in-
467 situ data therefore point to the fact that the TIMS results for allanite might not be accurate,
468 for either analytical or geological reasons. It is evident from Fig. 8a that the Nd isotope
469 composition of SIS04 allanite determined by LA-MC-ICPMS lies within the mantle-crust
470 mixing trend, and thus is considered geologically accurate.

471 The in-situ Nd isotope results for monazite and apatite from the Novate leucogranite
472 (NOV1) are shown in Fig. 8a. The Sm-Nd system in apatite recorded an $\epsilon_{\text{Nd}t}$ of -8.78 ± 0.57 ,
473 which is consistent with the bulk-rock (-8.6 ; Kagami et al., 1985). However, in BSE images,
474 co-existing monazite is not homogeneous. For example, the high BSE-intensity monazite

475 core shown in Fig. 3a and the oscillatory- to sector-zoned monazite in Fig. 3c displayed Nd
476 isotope *variations* with $\epsilon_{Nd}t$ values of -7.4 ± 0.4 and -8.4 ± 0.5 , respectively. Oscillatory- to
477 sector-zoned monazites were, however, more common in NOV1, and the in-situ results
478 indicate that this monazite type was in isotopic equilibrium with the crystallising host magma
479 (Fig. 5). In comparison, a low BSE-intensity monazite core shown in Fig. 3b gave a markedly
480 lower $\epsilon_{Nd}t$ of -13.2 ± 0.3 . This core is inclusion-rich and BSE imaging indicates that it is of a
481 different composition to the monazite overgrowth. It also displays an irregular and
482 discontinuous contact with the overgrowth (Fig. 3b). Combined, the texture, chemical
483 gradients, resorptive boundary and Nd isotopes all suggest that the core is inherited. Isotopic
484 inheritance in monazite is not uncommon for peraluminous leucogranites (e.g., Copeland et
485 al., 1988; Harrison et al., 1995) given the limited solubility of monazite in these melts
486 (Montel, 1993). Consequently, the ability to recognise inherited isotopic components and
487 thus their potential to skew bulk Sm-Nd measurements is one of the most important
488 advantages of in-situ analysis.

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490 *8.2 Bulk-rock versus accessory phase trace elements*

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492 Because certain bulk-rock trace element ratios change in response to crustal assimilation and
493 degree of differentiation, e.g., Ba/Sr, Ce/Sr, Ba/Y (Table 3; von Blanckenburg et al., 1992), it
494 could be expected that accessory phase trace element ratios might also be modified and,
495 integrated with in-situ Nd isotopes, provide insight into petrogenetic processes. An index of
496 differentiation encompassing both bulk-rock and accessory mineral behaviour would thus be
497 ideal to characterise such processes. This was investigated with a comparison of mineral trace
498 element compositions determined by LA-ICP-MS in this study, and bulk-rock trace element
499 data of von Blanckenburg et al. (1992).

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501 Bulk-rock Ba/Y is a sensitive monitor of crustal assimilation (Table 3). Measured Ba
502 concentrations in the studied accessory phases however, were very low (< 2 ppm), which
503 prevented the use of Ba systematics at the mineral-scale as a sensor for differentiation.

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504 Similarly, bulk-rock Ce/Sr increased with decreasing $\epsilon_{Nd}t$, whereas Ce/Sr in allanite and
505 titanite displayed contrasting behaviour: Ce/Sr increased in allanite and decreased in titanite
506 (Table 3). In these minerals, Sr does not vary systematically with index of differentiation
507 (Table 3). More important, however, is the ability of these accessory phases to effectively
508 fractionate trace elements in a melt, principally REEs, Y, Th and U (Gromet and Silver,
1983; Bea, 1996; Oberli et al., 2004), since these elements are essential structural

509 components. As a result, even low degrees of mineral-melt fractionation by these phases can
510 control trace element enrichment or depletion of an evolving magma (e.g., Oberli et al.,
511 2004). The progressive LREE-depletion in titanite indicated in Fig. 4b is thus attributed to
512 allanite fractionation, given that allanite is the principal host of LREEs in granodioritic and
513 tonalitic rocks (Gromet and Silver, 1983; Oberli et al., 2004). Consequently, this poses some
514 difficulty in directly linking the behaviour of trace element ratios from bulk-rock and
515 accessory mineral data.

516 Unlike other REEs, the fractionation of Eu in a melt is typically governed by feldspar,
517 which displays a strong affinity for Eu^{2+} (Bea, 1996) and is a major mineral constituent in
518 most calc-alkaline igneous rocks. As a result, fractional crystallisation of magmatic
519 plagioclase and K-feldspar is reflected in the Eu anomaly (or Eu/Eu^*) of the bulk-rock and its
520 minerals. This situation is clearly illustrated for the Bergell samples in Fig. 8b, which shows
521 that accessory mineral Eu/Eu^* values decrease systematically with $\epsilon_{\text{Nd}t}$. Such trends are
522 interpreted to reflect the progressive Eu depletion of the host magma through increasing
523 plagioclase or K-feldspar fractionation (von Blanckenburg et al., 1992).

524 Fig. 8b also highlights a difference in titanite and allanite Eu/Eu^* . This is a second
525 order effect related to Eu oxidation state, and is dependent on the propensity of the crystal
526 lattice to incorporate Eu^{2+} . The data suggest that titanite has a higher affinity for Eu^{2+} than
527 allanite in the same rock. This is consistent with trace element data from Bea (1996), which
528 indicate relatively Eu-depleted REE contents in allanite compared to titanite. A similar
529 feature is also observed for contemporaneously formed titanite ($\text{Eu}/\text{Eu}^* \sim 1.5$) and allanite
530 ($\text{Eu}/\text{Eu}^* \sim 1.1$) in metamorphic orthogneisses (Gregory et al., in review; Gregory, 2008). It is
531 therefore suggested that crystal chemical effects play a role in Eu^{2+} fractionation in titanite
532 and allanite.

533 The Eu anomaly showed the most uniform behaviour when considering all accessory
534 phases analysed for Nd isotopes, and thus provides the most reliable trace element indicator
535 of differentiation index at the mineral-scale. Unfortunately the bulk-rock data of von
536 Blanckenburg et al. (1992) does not contain Gd, which prohibits comparison of Eu/Eu^*
537 mineral to bulk-rock data.

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539 *8.3 Utility of accessory mineral Sm-Nd isotopes in igneous rocks*

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541 Accessory minerals suitable for Nd isotope analysis by LA-MC-ICPMS crystallised over the
542 entire range of bulk-rock compositions investigated from the Bergell igneous complex, from
543 fine-grained basaltic-andesite to porphyritic granodiorite (Fig. 8a), and therefore have wide-
544 ranging application to the study of igneous rocks.

545 The precision of in-situ Nd isotope measurements obtained in this study (down to ~20
546 ppm at 2σ level; Table 4) was degraded by a factor of ~3 compared to that of ID-TIMS
547 accessory mineral data (< 10 ppm at 2σ level; Thöni et al., 2008). Nonetheless, the in-situ
548 method presented here enables mineral zones of different Nd isotope composition to be
549 distinguished, and permits the targeting of any chemically or texturally anomalous domains
550 identified in BSE images (e.g., Fig. 3), including domains previously analysed for U-Th-Pb
551 isotopes. The analytical and spatial resolution required for isolating sub-grain domains was
552 routinely achieved using high-Nd monazite and allanite (Fig. 5). Because the precision of in-
553 situ isotope measurements is primarily a function of total Nd content (Foster and Vance,
554 2006; McFarlane and McCulloch, 2007), the utility of titanite for high-resolution work
555 remains dependent on LREE abundances in this mineral: in this study > 1000 ppm total Nd
556 was required in order to apply a 81 μ m laser spot diameter.

557 The laser ablation MC-ICPMS technique outlined in this paper offers a direct
558 approach to measure the Sm-Nd isotope systematics of U-Th accessory minerals with
559 application to calc-alkaline igneous rocks. Such potential application includes “juvenile”
560 tonalite-trondhjemite-granodiotite (TTG) series granitoids whose bulk compositions are
561 favourable for magmatic titanite and allanite crystallisation, and which dominate early
562 Archaean terrane (Nutman et al., 2001), including the oldest crustal remnants (e.g., Bennett et
563 al., 1993; Bowring and Williams, 1999). Potential applications also extend to orthogneisses
564 whose initial bulk-rock isotope signatures have been blurred due to later metamorphic
565 reworking (e.g., Bingen et al., 1996; Finger et al., 1998; Berger et al., 2008). For example,
566 granite to tonalite orthogneisses located along the southern margin of the Central Alpine
567 orogen in Switzerland, preserve igneous allanite cores within metamorphic allanite grains,
568 despite undergoing bulk-rock modification during Alpine high-grade metamorphism and
569 melting (Berger et al., 2008; Gregory, 2008). Using in-situ dating techniques (Gregory et al.,
570 2007) to first assess the behaviour of the U-Th-Pb system, it was established that the Pb in
571 relict igneous allanite was not affected by volume diffusion and retained Permian magmatic
572 ages (Gregory, 2008). It is thus expected that the Sm-Nd isotope system in allanite was also
573 undisturbed by the tectonometamorphic overprint, considering the relatively slow

574 diffusivities of REEs compared to Pb in other accessory phases, such as titanite (Cherniak,
575 1993; 1995). Consequently, the extraction of primary Sm-Nd isotope information from
576 igneous rocks that have seen varying degrees of alteration or metamorphism, offers a
577 significant application for microbeam analysis. The procedure described here opens up the
578 way for petrogenetic applications to exploit information held in U-Th-Pb and Nd isotopes at
579 the micrometer scale, in a manner similar to current U-Pb and Hf isotope studies on zircon
580 (e.g., Harrison et al., 2005; Hawkesworth and Kemp, 2006; Scherer et al., 2007).

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582 **9. Conclusions**

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584 Based on this study, titanite and epidote-allanite present themselves as key minerals for
585 targeted in-situ Sm-Nd isotope analysis and trace element characterisation of calc-alkaline
586 plutonic suites. Importantly, the mineral isotopic investigation of the entire Bergell intrusive
587 suite and the Novate leucogranite has shown that the range of bulk-rock compositions
588 containing (co-existing) accessory phases amenable to Sm-Nd isotope analysis by LA-MC-
589 ICPMS is broad. Constraining the isotopic composition of the mantle or crustal-sourced
590 magmatic end-members is crucial in order to successfully extract an accurate account of
591 magmatic evolution. We have demonstrated here that LA-MC-ICPMS can be used to
592 determine the Sm-Nd isotope composition of accessory phases with variable Nd (1 500 to
593 100 000 ppm) and Sm/Nd (~0.5 to 0.05) contents within a single analysis, and with a
594 precision that allows targeting of different mineral domains (down to ~20 ppm at 2σ level).
595 Grouped averages of Nd isotope data yielded an analytical precision (< 0.3 epsilon units, 2σ)
596 approaching that of TIMS single mineral data (von Blanckenburg 1992). We have also
597 shown, using monazite from leucogranite, that in-situ accessory phase Nd isotopes are able to
598 communicate the same information as that of bulk-rock techniques but with an added level of
599 detail. Therefore, these minerals are capable in-situ indicators for bulk-rock crustal
600 contamination processes, and integrated with in-situ U-Th-Pb ages present an innovative
601 approach for tracing the temporal, chemical and isotopic evolution of calc-alkaline melts.

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863 Fig. 1: Simplified geological map of the Bergell Pluton and Novate Intrusion showing the
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865 LM: Lago di Mezzola.

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867 Fig. 2: Bulk-rock initial ϵ_{Nd} versus epsilon ϵ_{Sr} values of the igneous members of the Bergell
868 Pluton investigated in this study. After von Blanckenburg et al. (1992), including isotopic
869 data of the Novate Intrusion from Kagami et al. (1985). The “mantle array” is after DePaolo
870 (1988). The smooth mantle-crust trend represents mixing of picrobasaltic partial melt
871 originating from an enriched mantle source ($\epsilon_{\text{Nd}} = +4$) and European crust (von
872 Blanckenburg et al. 1992).

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874 Fig. 3: High-resolution electron backscatter images of accessory minerals analysed by LA-
875 MC-ICPMS. Dotted circles are locations of laser ablation analysis. Numbers are initial ϵ_{Nd}
876 values including 2-sigma uncertainties (in brackets). Minerals: (a) NOV1 monazite with high
877 BSE core, (b) NOV1 monazite with low BSE, inclusion-rich core, (c) NOV1 monazite
878 intermediate BSE, (d) SIS04 allanite unzoned, (e) SIS07 allanite, (f) SIS01 allanite with
879 epidote rim, (g) SIS07 titanite sector-zoned, (h) SIS04 titanite, (i) SIS01 titanite, (j) NOV1
880 apatite unzoned, (k) MAL1 REE-epidote with titanite rim.

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882 Fig. 4: Chondrite-normalised (McDonough and Sun, 1995) mineral REE patterns determined
883 by LA-ICP-MS.

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885 Fig. 5: Allanite Th-Pb ages determined by SHRIMP for Bergell gabbro (this study), tonalite
886 and granodiorite (Gregory et al. 2007).

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888 Fig. 6: Summary of initial (^{147}Sm decay-corrected) ϵNd values determined by LA-MC-
889 ICPMS for the Bergell minerals. Error bars are 2σ absolute standard errors. Grey shading
890 indicates corresponding TIMS ϵNd_t values (at 2-sigma) after von Blanckenburg et al. (1992)
891 and von Blanckenburg (1992). Unfilled squares are statistical outliers and unfilled circles are
892 core analyses. Six analyses of SIS01 titanite (indicated by stars) with large uncertainties due
893 to low counting statistics ($<0.5 \text{ V } ^{146}\text{Nd}$) were not included in the weighted mean calculation
894 specified by full black lines (see text for discussion).

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896 Fig. 7: Sm-Nd isochron of uncorrected LA-MC-ICPMS mineral analyses from SIS07
897 granodiorite. The initial $^{143}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd}$ intercept is identical to that of the bulk-rock value
898 (0.512277; von Blanckenburg et al. 1992).

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900 Fig. 8: (a) Mineral ϵNd_t versus age plot. Age of basaltic-andesite dyke MAL1 estimated at
901 ≥ 33 Ma based on field observations and geochemical and isotopic data. SIS01, SIS04 and
902 SIS07 allanite ages: SHRIMP Th-Pb (Gregory et al. 2007, and this study); SIS04 and SIS07
903 titanite ages: TIMS U-Pb (von Blanckenburg et al. 1992); SIS07 apatite age: TIMS U-Pb
904 (von Blanckenburg, 1992); NOV1 monazite age: TIMS U-Pb (Köppel and Grünenfelder,
905 1975 as reported by Hansmann, 1996); (b) Mineral Eu/Eu^* versus age plot.

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