Geochemistry and Geochronology of Orthogneisses in the Derbent (Alaşehir) Area, Eastern Part of the Ödemiş–Kiraz Submassif, Menderes Massif: Pan-African Magmatic Activity

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Abstract: Pan-African basement rocks and the Palaeozoic cover series of the Menderes Massif are exposed around Derbent (Alaşehir) in the eastern part of the Ödemiş-Kiraz submassif. Garnet-mica schists of the Pan-African basement are intruded by the protoliths of orthogneisses and Triassic leucocratic orthogneisses. This study focuses on the geochronology and geochemistry of orthogneisses related to the Pan-African evolution of the Menderes Massif in latest Proterozoic time. Geochemical data suggest that the orthogneisses were derived from S-type, peraluminous, syn- to post-collisional granitoids of calc-alkaline affinity. Zircon grains from the orthogneisses, which are euhedral with typical igneous morphologies, were dated by the Pb-Pb evaporation method. Single zircon ages of two samples yielded ²⁰⁷Pb/²⁰⁶Pb ages of 561.5 ± 1.8 Ma and 570.5 ± 2.2 Ma. These ages are interpreted as the time of protolith emplacement of the orthogneisses. This major magmatic episode of the Menderes Massif can be attributed the Pan-African Orogeny which was related to the closure of the ocean basins and amalgamation of East and West Gondwana.

Key Words: orthogneiss, geochemistry, Pb-Pb zircon dating, Pan-African, Menderes Massif, Turkey

Menderes Masifi, Ödemiş–Kiraz Asmasifi Doğusunda Derbent (Alaşehir) Yöresinde Yer Alan Ortognaysların Jeokimyası ve Jeokronolojisi: Pan-Afrikan Magmatik Aktivite

Özet: Menderes Masifi'nin Pan-Afrikan yaşlı temel kayaları ve Paleozoyik örtü serileri Ödemiş-Kiraz asmasifi'nin doğusunda yer alan Derbent (Alaşehir) çevresinde yüzlek vermektedir. Pan-Afrikan temele ait granat-mika şistler, ortognayslar ve Triyas yaşlı lökokratik ortognaysların ilksel kayaları tarafından intrüze olmuşlardır. Bu çalışma, Proterozoyik sonunda Menderes Masifi'nin Pan-Afrikan evrimiyle ilişkili olan ortognaysların jeokimyası ve jeokronolojisi üzerinedir. Jeokimyasal veriler ortognaysların S-tipli, peralumino ve kalkalkalen karakterli, sin-/post-tektonik granitoyidlerden türediğini göstermektedir. Ortognayslardan ayrılan tipik magmatik ve öz şekilli zirkonlardan Pb-Pb evaporasyon yöntemiyle yaş tayinleri yapılmıştır. İki örneğin tek zirkon ²⁰⁷Pb/²⁰⁶Pb yaşları ortalama 561.5±1.8 my ve 570.5±2.2 my olarak elde edilmiştir. Bu yaşlar ortognaysların ilksel kayalarının sokulum yaşı olarak yorumlanmıştır. Menderes Masifi'ndeki bu ana magmatik olay okyanus havzalarının kapanması ve Doğu ve Batı Gondvana'nın çarpışmasına bağlantılı Pan-Afrikan orojeneziyle ilişkilendirilebilir.

Anahtar Sözcükler: ortognays, jeokimya, Pb-Pb zirkon yaş tayini, Pan-Afrikan, Menderes Masifi, Türkiye

Introduction

The Menderes Massif, which is elliptical and oriented NE–SW, has had significant impact on the geological evolution of western Anatolia. It is tectonically overlain by

nappes of the İzmir-Ankara Zone (including the Bornova Flysch Zone of olistostromal character) in the northwest, the Afyon Zone (consisting of low-grade metapelite and metacarbonate rocks) in the north, and the Lycian Nappes (comprising low-grade phyllites and carbonates and thick ophiolite slices in the south) (Figure 1) (Şengör & Yılmaz 1981; Okay 1986; Dora *et al.* 1995). The Menderes Massif has commonly been interpreted as the eastward continuation of the Attic-Cycladic Massif in the Aegean Sea (Dürr *et al.* 1978; Jacobshagen 1986; Oberhänsli *et al.* 1998). However, recently it has been suggested that the two massifs are not in all aspects related (Ring *et al.* 1999).

In early studies, it was considered that the Menderes Massif had a simple internal structure, made up of a Precambrian basement and an Early Palaeozoic to Early Tertiary cover series (Schuiling 1962). However, recent studies have shown that the Massif does not have a simple structure, and is characterised by nappe-stacking

related to Alpine compressional tectonics in the Early Tertiary (Konak *et al.* 1994; Dora *et al.* 1994; Partzsch *et al.* 1998; Gessner *et al.* 2001a, 2001b; Ring *et al.* 1999). Compressional deformation fabrics have been overprinted by continental extension tectonics since the Oligocene–Miocene (Seyitoğlu *et al.* 1992, 2000, 2002; Bozkurt & Park 1994, 1997a, 1997b, 1999; Hetzel *et al.* 1995a, 1995b; Koçyiğit *et al.* 1999; Bozkurt & Satır 2000; Bozkurt 2000, 2001a, 2001b, 2002, 2003; Bozkurt & Oberhänsli 2001; Gessner *et al.* 2001c; Işık & Tekeli 2001; Lips *et al.* 2001; Ring *et al.* 2001, 2003; Sözbilir 2001, 2002; Özer & Sözbilir 2003; Işık *et al.* 2003; Ring & Lawyer 2003; Bozkurt & Sözbilir 2004). In spite of its complex tectonic structure, the Menderes Massif can be divided into two main rock associations



Figure 1. Tectonic map of western Turkey and surrounding regions showing major continental blocks and tectonic zones (modified after Okay *et al.* 1996).

(Dora *et al.* 1995): (i) Pan-African basement rocks and (ii) Palaeozoic and Mesozoic–Early Tertiary cover series. The Pan-African basement is comprised partly of migmatised Late Proterozoic clastic metasediments (Koralay *et al.* 2003), i.e. paragneisses and mica schists, which are intruded by the protoliths of Precambrian eclogitic metagabbros and syn- to post-Pan-African orthogneisses. The basement rocks were subjected to polyphase metamorphism at granulite-, eclogite-, and amphibolite-facies conditions related to Pan-African orogenesis at the Precambrian-Cambrian boundary (Candan 1995, 1996; Dora *et al.* 1995; Oberhänsli *et al.* 1997; Candan & Dora 1998; Candan *et al.* 2000, 2001).

The cover series of the Menderes Massif can be subdivided into two units consisting of Palaeozoic and Mesozoic-Early Tertiary rocks. The Palaeozoic series is made up predominantly of a sequence of quartzite, phyllite and marble (Çağlayan et al. 1980; Konak et al. 1987; Bozkurt 1996; Okay 2001, 2002; Özer et al. 2001; Güngör & Erdoğan 2002; Whitney & Bozkurt 2002; Régnier et al. 2003; Rimmelé et al. 2003a, 2003b). The Mesozoic-Early Tertiary series comprises a sequence of metaconglomerate, schist, dolomite, and platform-type metacarbonate rocks with emerymetabauxite lenses, pelagic marble and metaolistostrome (Dürr 1975; Konak et al. 1987; Bozkurt 1994, 1996; Dora et al. 1995; Bozkurt & Park 1994, 1999; Ring et al. 1999, 2001, 2003; Okay 2001, 2002; Özer et al. 2001; Güngör & Erdoğan 2002; Whitney & Bozkurt 2002; Régnier et al. 2003; Rimmelé et al. 2003a, 2003b).

Geologic and geochronological evidence suggests that there have been three distinct phases of magmatic activity in the Menderes Massif: (i) Pan-African (Precambrian/ Cambrian), (ii) Triassic and (iii) Tertiary. The major phase of magmatic activity, represented by the protoliths of the orthogneisses, took place at the Late Precambrian/Early Cambrian boundary (Hetzel & Reischmann 1996; Loos & Reischmann 1999; Dannat 1997; Hetzel et al. 1998; Gessner et al. 2001b, 2004). Granitic protoliths of the leucocratic orthogneisses, dated at about 235-246 Ma (Triassic), represent the second pulse of magmatic activity in the Menderes Massif (Dannat 1997; Koralay 2001; Koralay et al. 2001). The third phase of magmatic activity, represented by non-metamorphic granites and kersantites, has yielded ages of 25 to 12 Ma (United Nations 1974; Hetzel et al. 1995a).

Although a striking increase in the number of geochronological studies of the orthogneisses have been carried out during the last ten years (Hetzel & Reischmann 1996; Dannat 1997; Dannat & Reischmann 1998; Hetzel *et al.* 1998; Loos & Reischmann 1999; Gessner *et al.* 2001b, 2001c, 2004), only a limited number of detailed geochemical studies has been done on the orthogneisses, especially at the southern part of Çine submassif (Kun 1983; Kun & Candan 1987; Bozkurt 1994; Bozkurt *et al.* 1992, 1993, 1995; Dannat 1997).

In this study, the orthogneisses exposed around Derbent in the eastern part of the Ödemiş-Kiraz submassif were sampled and analysed in terms of geochemical and geochronological features. The aims of this paper are to: (a) present age determinations for intrusion of the orthogneisses obtained using the ²⁰⁷Pb/²⁰⁶Pb single-zircon evaporation method; (b) discuss the possible relationship of this magmatic event to the Pan-African metamorphic history of the Menderes Massif and; (c) show the geochemical characteristics of the orthogneiss and thereby discuss the possible source and tectonic environment of magma generation.

Geology

The study area is located in the eastern part of the Ödemiş-Kiraz submassif (Figure 2). In the vicinity of Derbent, the rock succession of the metamorphic series is made up of four nappe units (Figures 3 & 4). In ascending order, the first three nappe units formed by internal imbrications of the Pan-African basement series, whereas the uppermost nappe unit belongs to the Late Palaeozoic-Mesozoic cover series. The lowermost nappe unit of the Pan-African basement is made up entirely of garnet-mica schist. The middle nappe unit comprises predominantly garnet-mica schist that contains thin carbonate horizons. These schists are intruded by orthogneisses with well-preserved intrusive contact relationships (Figure 5). Furthermore, in the same nappe unit, the garnet-mica schist are also intruded by protoliths of Triassic leucocratic orthogneisses, dated at 235–246 Ma using the single zircon evaporation method (Koralay et al. 2001). The upper nappe slice of the Pan-African basement consists predominantly orthogneisses. Only locally, the orthogneisses display intrusive contact relationships with partially migmatised paragneisses. The Pan-African nappe units are overlain by



Figure 2. Simplified geological map of the Menderes Massif and location of the study area (modified after Candan 1995). See Figure 1 for location.

the cover series, the uppermost nappe unit, with a tectonic contact (Figure 3). The cover series can be divided into two units: Palaeozoic (i) (Permo-Carboniferous) unit which is made up of phyllitequartzite-marble intercalation and (ii) Mesozoic (Cretaceous) sequence consisting of platform-type metacarbonate. The metamorphic rocks of the Menderes Massif are tectonically overlain by non-metamorphic and ophiolitic rocks of the İzmir-Ankara Zone. It is suggested that the structure of this nappe pile is related to crustal thickening in the Menderes Massif, which resulted from Alpine compressional tectonics (Dora et al. 1995; Partzsch et al. 1998).

Geochemistry

Fourteen representative samples of the orthogneisses (Figure 3) were analysed for 10 major- element oxides and 12 trace elements (Table 1). Major and trace elements were analysed from fused discs and on pressed powder pellets using Phillips PW 1130 X-ray fluorescence spectrometers calibrated against both international and in-house standards of appropriate compositions at the University of Tübingen, Germany.

Since the rocks have undergone amphibolite-facies metamorphism (Koralay *et al.* 1998; Candan *et al.* 2000) and experienced other secondary alteration processes, it is likely that most of the elements may have been



Figure 3. Geological map of the Derbent region, located in the eastern part of the Ödemiş-Kiraz submassif of the Menderes Massif. National grids: İzmir L20-b3, İzmir L20-c2, İzmir L20-c3, İzmir L20-c4, Uşak L21-a4, Uşak L21-d1, Uşak L21-d4.

mobilised. Major and selected trace elements were plotted against SiO₂ (wt%) values to establish their relative mobility (Figure 6). The orthogneisses are characterised by moderate to high silica contents (67–76 wt% SiO₂) and moderate alumina values (13–16 wt% Al_2O_3). Harker diagrams (Figure 6) show clear trends for most major and trace elements. On the SiO₂ variation

diagrams, TiO₂, Al₂O₃, Fe₂O₃ and MgO show strong negative correlation. Na₂O shows a small data spread and negative correlation, whereas K₂O exhibits limited data scatter and positive correlation. Na and K are often highly mobile elements during metamorphism and weathering (e.g., Pearce 1976) but Na₂O–SiO₂ and K₂O–SiO₂ diagrams show limited data scatter and good correlation.

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Figure 4. Generalised columnar section of the Derbent area.



Figure 5. The contact relationship between orthogneiss and garnet-mica schist 2.5 km NE of Derbent. The boundary of orthogneiss cut across the main schistosity indicating the intrusive contact relationship. (Uşak L21-d1, 35500:29500). Hammer is 33-cm long.

Also, Rb– K_2O diagram exhibits low small data scatter and positive correlation. As for the trace elements, Ba and Zr show clear negative correlation with SiO₂, and Nb shows limited data spread and negative correlation, whereas Rb exhibits little spread and more-or-less constant values (Figure 6). This indicates that all these major and trace elements probably behaved in a less mobile way during metamorphism. On the other hand, Sr data separated into two groups on the diagram and lower values of Sr data show minor spread and more-or-less constant values, whereas Y exhibits broad data scatter indicative of substantial mobility.

On a Na₂O/Al₂O₃ versus K₂O/Al₂O₃ diagram (Figure 7a) the orthogneiss samples plot dominantly in the igneous field of Garrels & McKenzie (1971), with a few samples in the sedimentary field. An Al₂O₃ versus MgO diagram (Figure 7b), after Marc (1992), shows that the samples fall in the orthogneiss field. The chemical classification and nomenclature of volcanic rocks using the total alkali (Na₂O+K₂O) versus SiO₂ (TAS) diagram of Cox *et al.* (1979), adapted by Wilson (1989) for plutonic rocks, is used for the chemical classification and nomenclature of orthogneisses. The curved solid line divides the alkaline and sub-alkaline rocks. On this diagram, the orthogneisses lie within the granite field and show sub-alkaline affinity (Figure 8a). On the normative An–Ab–Or

ternary diagram of Barker (1979), the rocks plot in the granite field (Figure 8b). Ti, Zr, Y and Nb are generally considered to be immobile during metamorphism (Winchester & Floyd 1977). On the SiO₂ versus Nb/Y and SiO₂ versus Zr/TiO₂ diagrams of Winchester & Floyd (1977), the samples fall predominantly into the granodiorite field (Figure 7c, d), with three samples that have relatively high SiO₂ content plotting in the granite field. In the Rb–Ba–Sr ternary diagram of El Bouseily & El Sokkary (1975), the samples plot on the boundary between the anomalous granite and normal granite fields (Figure 8e).

On the AFM ternary diagram with the dividing lines of Kuno (1968) and Irvine & Baragar (1971) to discriminate between tholeitic and calc-alkaline suites, the rocks follow a calc-alkaline trend (Figure 9a). The $AI_2O_3/(Na_2O+K_2O)$ versus $AI_2O_3/(CaO+Na_2O+K_2O)$ binary diagram has been used to discriminate peraluminous, metaluminous and peralkaline magma series (Shand 1943). This diagram reveals that the orthogneisses are peraluminous (Figure 9b), since the A/CNK ratio and normative corundum for the majority of the samples are greater than 1.5 and 1.0 wt% (Table 1), respectively.

The tectonic-setting discrimination diagrams based on trace elements, Nb versus SiO_{2} (Figure 10a) and Rb



Figure 6. Harker variation diagrams for selected major and trace elements for the orthogneisses of the research area.



Figure 7. (a) Na₂O/Al₂O₃ vs K₂O/Al₂O₃ (after Garrels & McKenzie 1971); (b) Al₂O₃ vs MgO discrimination diagram (after Marc 1992).

versus Y+Nb (Figure 10b) (Pearce et al. 1984), show that our samples plot in the fields of VAG+COLG+ORG and Post-COLG, respectively. Batchelor & Bowden (1985) distinguished between the orogenic and non-orogenic plutons using R1 versus R2 parameters of the De la Roche et al. (1980). Most of the data points form a continuous trend from syn-collision to late orogenic field, very close to the post-orogenic field (Figure 10c). On the K₂O versus SiO₂ diagram of Coleman & Peterman (1975), all the samples plot in the granophyre field (Figure 10d), indicating that some crustal material was probably involved in their magma generation (Salem et al. 2001). Chappell & White (1974) used the Al₂O₃/CaO+Na₂O+K₂O molecular ratio against normative corundum variation diagram to distinguish between I- (igneous) type (subduction related) and S-(sedimentary) type (collision related) granitic rocks. All of our points fall in the S-type granites field (Figure 10e).

Geochronology

Methods of the Single-Zircon ²⁰⁷Pb/²⁰⁶Pb Evaporation Technique

The selected representative zircons were separated at the Institute für Mineralogie, Petrologie und Geochemie, Eberhard-Karls Universität, Tübingen/Germany, using standard procedures. Only zircons without visible inclusions and with well-preserved crystal faces were selected, and only non-magnetic zircons were evaporated as these are usually less discordant than the others

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(Krogh 1982) and, therefore yield more accurate ages. The selected zircons typically were about 150 µm in width and 400 µm in length. Isotope measurements were carried out on a Finnigan MAT 262 mass spectrometer at the University of Tübingen. The zircons were dated using the single-zircon evaporation technique that measures the ²⁰⁷Pb/²⁰⁶Pb of evaporated crystals using a double Refilament configuration. The principles of this method are described in Kober (1986, 1987), Kröner & Todt (1988) and Cocherie et al. (1992). Before use, all the Refilaments were outgassed in a bake-out device for 30 minutes, using 5-A (0.7 mm-wide Re-filaments) and 6-A (1 mm filaments) currents. The outgassing was performed at a pressure close to 10⁻¹⁰ bar. One or more chemically untreated zircon grains were embedded in a 0.7 mm-wide canoe-shaped Re-filament, evaporation filament (Kober 1986), and first heated to evaporate Pb components with low activation energies. The evaporation filament was placed as close as possible to a second 1 mm-wide Re ionization filament. Data collection started at 1430 °C, and the temperature was increased stepwise by ca. 20 to 30 °C after each evaporation and deposition cycle. The measurement of the isotopic abundance was performed in a dynamic mode with a mass sequence 206-207-204-206-207 or 206-207-207–206–204 using an ion-counter. The ages were calculated from the ²⁰⁷Pb/²⁰⁶Pb ratios obtained on a stable ion beam, and only ratios with 206 Pb/ 204 Pb ratios > 5000 were used for further processing. A correction for common Pb was performed according to Cocherie et al.



Figure 8. (a) Chemical classification and nomenclature of plutonic rocks using the total alkalis (Na₂O+K₂O) vs SiO₂ (TAS) diagram of Cox *et al.* (1979), adapted by Wilson (1989) for plutonic rocks; (b) normative An-Ab-Or diagram for the granitoids (Barker 1979); classification of the protoliths of the orthogneisses on (c) SiO₂ vs Nb/Y and (d) SiO₂ vs Zr/TiO₂ binary plots (adapted from Winchester & Floyd 1977); (e) Ba–Sr–Rb diagram of El Bouseily & El Sokkary (1975).

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Figure 9. (a) AFM ternary diagram with the dividing lines after Kuno (1968) and Irvine & Baragar (1971); (b) Shand's index; Al₂O₃/(Na₂O+K₂O) vs Al₂O₃/(CaO+Na₂O+K₂O) binary plot for the granitic protolith (after Maniar & Piccoli 1989).

(1992) using a Pb composition with a two-stage evolution (Stacey & Kramers 1975). Measurements of the Pb standard NBS 981 in ion-counting mode yielded an average fractionation of ca. 0.1% per atomic mass unit (Chen et al. 2000). This value is considered a suitable estimate for correction of mass fractionation. The errors on the ages are reported as $2\sigma_{\text{mean}}$ of the population of weighted ²⁰⁷Pb/²⁰⁶Pb ratios (Table 2).

Zircon Morphology

Zircons from three orthogneiss samples were investigated under the scanning electron microscope (SEM) (Figure 11). Twenty crystals were chosen from each zircon type for typological investigation (Pupin 1980) by SEM. The zircon concentrates were studied optically and divided into individual types. Selection for analysis was based on differences in size, colour, morphology, inclusions, turbidity, abundance of cores, lack of cracks, etc. In samples 95–57, 96–34 and 97–58, all zircons had similar morphologies which were typical of magmatic zircons (Figure 11). They are euhedral, sometimes asymmetric, colourless to slightly pink and brown, transparent, clear to slightly turbid, short- (2:1) and long- (3:1, 4:1) prismatic, occasionally metamict, and have few inclusions. According to the classification of Pupin & Turco (1974), these zircons predominantly

belong to subtypes S7 and S12 and, to a lesser extent, to subtypes L1, S17, S13, and S2 (Figure 12). In other words, the zircons of these orthogneisses are characterised by a combination of (101) < (211)pyramids and (100) < (110) and (100) = (110)-prisms (Figure 12). The crystallisation temperatures of the predominant subtypes is estimated at 700–750 °C (Pupin & Turco 1974). The typological analysis of the zircon populations places them in the field of intrusive, peraluminous, crustal-derived granites (Pupin 1980).

The cathodoluminescence (CL) technique, allowing an examination of magmatic zoning, inherited cores and overgrowth in zircon grains, was used for investigating the internal structures of the zircons. The zircons of our samples are similar to each other with respect to internal structures of the cores and zoned overgrowths. Most of the elongated prismatic zircons have no cores and show typical oscillatory zoning, indicative of a magmatic origin (Figure 13a-c, f-h). These types of grains were selected for evaporation analyses. Some zircon grains contain inherited (detrital) cores of highly variable size and multiple growth stages (Figure 13d, e, i, j) (not analysed). Primary older growth zoning is well preserved in parts of some cores (Figure 13d, j) whereas, in others, it is largely obliterated and apparently replaced by strongly luminescent and nearly homogenous stubby zircon. The cores and overgrowths are separated by well-preserved



Figure 10. SiO₂ variation diagrams for tectonic discrimination of the protolith of the augen/granitic gneisses; (a) Nb vs SiO₂; and (b) Rb vs Y+Nb (after Pearce *et al.* 1984). ORG: ocean-ridge granitoids; syn-COLG: syn-collisional granitoids; COLG: collisional granitoids; VAG: volcanic-arc granitoids; WPG: within-plate granitoids; (c) R1-R2 multicationic diagram (after De la Roche *et al.* 1980); (d) K₂O vs SiO₂ diagram (after Coleman & Peterman 1975); (e) Normative corundum vs molar A/CNK binary plot (field boundaries are from Chappell & White (1974).

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Sample number	Zircon description	Grain	Number of ratio	Evaporation temperature (°C)	²⁰⁷ Pb/ ²⁰⁶ Pb ratios (mean)	²⁰⁷ Pb/ ²⁰⁶ Pb Age (Ma)
96–34	cl, c, t, lp	1	129	1460–1490	0.058564±50	561.5±1.9
	cl, c, t, lp	2	88	1460-1480	0.058942±33	564.5±1.2
	cl, c, t, lp	3	57	1520	0.058866±24	561.6±0.9
	y, c, t, lp	4	208	1450-1490	0.058592±43	551.4±1.9
	Mean (grain 1,2,3	,4)	482		0.058564±22	561.5±0.8 (2σm)
97–58	p, c, t, lp	1	51	1530	0.063375±31	720.3±1.1
	cl, c, t, lp	2	75	1540	0.059326±92	578.5±3.4
	cl, c, t, lp	3	52	1540	0.059012±39	567.0±1.4
	cl, c, t, lp	4	17	1450	0.58678±209	554.6±7.8
	Mean (grain 2,3,-	4)	144		0.059125±62	570.5±2.2 (2σm)

 Table 2.
 Radiogenic ²⁰⁷Pb/²⁰⁶Pb ratios of evaporated zircon grains and corresponding ages.

p - pink, y - yellowish, cl - colourless, c - clear, t - translucent, lp - long prismatic

resorption surfaces marked by 'C' in Figure 13 (d, e, i and j). This complex zircon population provides evidence for the protoliths of orthogneisses that are of hybrid granitoids with mostly S-type components or S-type rock (Poller 1999).

Description of the Samples and 207Pb/206Pb Ages

Two samples (96–34 and 97–58) from different orthogneiss bodies were selected for $^{\rm 207}Pb/^{\rm 206}Pb$ isotopic dating (Figure 3).

Sample 96-34 was collected 1.5 km east of Aksu village (Figure 3). The rock is composed of quartz, orthoclase, plagioclase, muscovite, biotite, zircon, apatite and opaque oxides. The zircon grains are predominantly white, yellowish, light pink, clear, translucent and shortand long-prismatic. SEM images show that the zircon grains are euhedral, and have morphologies which strongly suggest an igneous origin (Figure 11). The zircon grains were inspected with CL for evidence of magmatic zonation, inherited zircons, and new overgrowth. Most of the zircons are predominantly longprismatic and perfectly euhedral. They show oscillatory zoning indicating a magmatic origin (Figure 13a-c). The CL photographs indicate multiple growth stages (Figure 13b) and xenocrystic cores with oscillatory zoning for some zircon crystals (Figure 13d, e). Four long-prismatic grains (Figure 13a-c) from this sample were evaporated individually and yielded ages of 550 to 564 Ma. An average value of 561.5 ± 1.8 Ma was obtained (Table 2, Figure 14a). This age is interpreted to represent the intrusion age of the magmatic protoliths of the orthogneiss.

Sample 97-58 was collected 2 km southwest of Bahadır village (Figure 3). It shows well-developed schistosity and comprises quartz, orthoclase, plagioclase, muscovite, biotite, zircon, apatite, tourmaline and opaque oxides. The zircon grains are predominantly white, pink, clear, translucent and short- and long-prismatic. SEM photographs show that the zircons are euhedral, and have morphologies that point to an igneous origin (Figure 11). A CL study revealed magmatic zonation, inherited zircons, and new overgrowth. The zircons are predominantly long-prismatic and euhedral - typical of granitic populations (Figure 13f-h). Some zircon grains have xenocrystic cores (Figure 13i, j) and preserve oscillatory zoning of magmatic origin. The CL images indicate multiple growth stages for some zircon crystals (Figure 13g, h). Four long-prismatic grains (Figure 13f-h) of this sample were evaporated and yielded ages of 520 to 720 Ma. Three grains of this sample yielded an average value of 570.5±2.2 Ma (Table 2, Figure 14b). This age is interpreted as the intrusion age of the magmatic protolith of the orthogneiss. In this sample, an older zircon grain yielded age of 720.3±1.1 Ma, which is interpreted as an inherited grain (Table 2).



Figure 11. SEM images of typical zircons from the orthogneisses. (a) clear, colourless, long-prismatic, clustering around L1; (b) clear, colourless, long-prismatic, clustering around S12; (c) clear, colourless and slightly pink, long-prismatic, clustering around S7; (d) clear, colourless and slightly pink, long-prismatic clustering around S17; (e) clear, colourless, slightly pink and brown, short and long-prismatic, clustering around S7; (f) clear, colourless, long-prismatic, clustering around S2.



Figure 12. Main types and subtypes of the typologic classification and corresponding geothermometric scale, after Pupin & Turco (1972).

Discussion

The overall aim of this study was to understand constraints on the Pan-African geological evolution of the orthogneisses of the basement rocks in the Ödemiş-Kiraz submassif of the Menderes Massif (western Turkey). The origin of these orthogneisses has been controversial for many years. Especially in previous studies, most researchers suggested sedimentary protoliths for these orthogneisses (Schuiling 1962; Başarır 1970, 1975; Akat *et al.* 1975; Akdeniz & Konak 1979; Öztürk & Koçyiğit 1983; Akkök 1983; Akkök *et al.* 1984; Şengör *et al.* 1984; Satır & Friedrichsen 1986). Öztürk & Koçyiğit (1983) proposed a sedimentary origin due to the intercalation of orthogneisses with quartz arenites which



Figure 13. Cathodoluminescence (CL) images of characteristic zircon populations in the orthogneisses. A characteristic feature of the zircons is oscillatory zoning indicating a magmatic origin (a–c, f–h). Zircons with older core are shown in d, e, i and j. ZCA– zoning-controlled alteration, SCA– surface-controlled alteration, C– the sharp boundary (resorption surface) between cores and overgrowths.

show some features interpreted as primary crossbedding. Ages scattered between 545 and 670 Ma, based on an Rb/Sr whole rock isochron age, were interpreted as the sedimentation ages of the protoliths of the gneisses by Satır & Friedrichsen (1986). Alternatively, a granitic protolith has been suggested by some researchers (Graciansky 1965; Konak 1985; Konak *et al.* 1987; Erdoğan 1992, 1993; Bozkurt 1994; Bozkurt & Park



Figure 14. Zircon ages for orthogneiss samples, 96–34 and 97–58. Histograms of radiogenic ²⁰⁷Pb/²⁰⁶Pb ratios for evaporated zircons indicating ages of 561.5±0.8 Ma (2σ_{mean}) and 570.5±2.2 Ma (2σ_{mean}), respectively.

1994, 1997a, 1997b, 1999, 2001; Bozkurt et al. 1992, 1993, 1995; Mittwede et al. 1995a, 1995b, 1997; Hetzel & Reischmann 1996; Loos & Reischmann 1999). This suggestion was based mainly on: (i) the weathering style (spheroidal weathering) and morphological features (bald hills) (Bozkurt 1994); (ii) petrographic characteristics and field relations (preserved primary intrusive contact relationships between orthogneisses and predominantly metasedimentary country rocks) (Erdoğan 1992, 1993; Bozkurt et al. 1992, 1993, 1995; Mittwede et al. 1995a, 1995b, 1997) and the geochemical characteristics of orthogneisses (Bozkurt et al. 1992, 1993, 1995; Mittwede et al. 1995a, 1995b, 1997). Konak et al. (1987) and Dora et al. (1990) have drawn a distinction between the augen and granitic gneisses. According to these authors, while the augen gneisses have a distinct sedimentary origin, the granitic gneisses were derived from a granitic precursor. Dora et al. (1994) suggested that the protoliths of all gneisses (with different structures) are syn- to post-metamorphic granites which intruded the basement during the last stage of the Pan-African Orogeny. Based on their geochemical characteristics, the protoliths of the augen gneisses have been interpreted as calc-alkaline, peraluminous, S-type, syn- to post-tectonic granites and granodiorites (Bozkurt *et al.* 1992, 1993, 1995; Dannat 1997; Koralay & Dora 1999).

The orthogneisses exposed in the study area (eastern part of the Ödemiş-Kiraz submassif) have well-preserved, original intrusive contact relationships with Precambrian country rocks (Figure 5), clearly revealing the igneous origin of these rocks. In this study, geochemical analyses show that the orthogneisses are of similarly igneous origin and have a granitic to granodioritic composition. They originated from S-type, peraluminous, calc-alkaline magma involving some crustal material, and these rocks have geochemical signatures indicative of a syn- to post-collisional tectonic environment.

In previous studies, Rb–Sr age determinations done on whole-rock orthogneiss samples from the Çine submassif yielded isochron ages of 490±90 Ma (Dora 1975, 1976) and 471±9 Ma (Şengör *et al.* 1984; Satır & Friedrichsen 1986) which were interpreted as intrusion ages of the protoliths. Most of the recent geochronological studies were carried out on orthogneisses in the Çine submassif, southern submassif of the Menderes Massif. Hetzel & Reischmann (1996) proposed that 546.2±1.2 Ma is interpreted as the intrusion age of the granitic precursor of the augen gneisses in the southern Menderes Massif. Loos & Reischmann (1999) have obtained 521±8 Ma to 572±7 Ma intrusion ages from augen gneiss samples north of Selimiye in the Çine submassif (southern Menderes Massif). Similar intrusion ages, 547±1 Ma and 566±9 Ma, have already been reported in various parts of the Çine submassif by Gessner et al. (2001b) and Gessner et al. (2004), respectively. These data were obtained from zircons using the ²⁰⁷Pb/²⁰⁶Pb single-grain evaporation and SHRIMP methods. In the Ödemiş-Kiraz submassif, very limited geochronological studies have been done on the orthogneisses. Dannat (1997) has interpreted that the age of 528.0±4.3 Ma is the intrusion age of augen gneisses that cut paragneisses of upper nappe unit in the Derbent area (Figure 3). An anatectic metagranite derived from paragneisses from the Ödemiş-Kiraz submassif, dated by the conventional U-Pb method, yielded an intrusion age of 551.5±1.4 Ma (Hetzel et al. 1998). All these ages cluster between 540 Ma and 550 Ma and demonstrate that large volumes of orthogneiss in the Menderes Massif are the result of magmatic activity related with to the Pan-African Orogeny (Sengör et al. 1984; Kröner & Şengör 1990; Dora et al. 1990; Hetzel & Reischmann 1996; Dannat & Reischmann 1997; Loos & Reischmann 1999).

In the study area, first-time investigations of zircon grains from orthogneisses intruding the Precambrian schist of the middle nappe unit yield ages of 561.5 ± 1.8 Ma and 570.5 ± 2.2 Ma. These Pb–Pb ages are interpreted as the intrusion age of the protoliths of the orthogneisses. As SEM- and CL-photographs (Figures 11 & 13) demonstrate, the analysis of zircon populations shows distinct magmatic zonation and typical igneous characteristics. One grain of the idiomorphic variety of sample 97–58 was analysed and yielded a distinctly higher isotopic ratio from which an age of 720.3 ± 1.1 Ma was calculated (Table 2). This grain most likely represents a xenocryst from an older source that contaminated the protoliths of the orthogneiss during its formation and/or ascent, as indicated in the geochemistry section above.

Similar zircon ages (719–721 Ma; Koralay *et al.* 2003) were reported from paragneisses, interpreted as the most probable source rock for the protolith of the orthogneisses in the Menderes Massif.

Dalziel (1997) and Hofmann (1991) suggested that the Pan-African and Brazilide ocean basins within the amalgamating cratons of Gondwana were closing during the Neoproterozoic until, at least, Cambrian time. Closure of several Pan-African - Brazilide ocean basins resulted in the amalgamation of East and West Gondwana (Stern 1994; Trompette 1994; Stein & Goldstein 1996; Unrug 1996). The collision with Arabian terranes constituted Gondwanaland and wrench faulting, granite plutonism and molasse sedimentation occurred during the 630–530 Ma interval (Piper 2000). Şengör et al. (1984) emphasise, based on an age of about 500±10 Ma interpreted to represent the deformation and metamorphism of the core series of the Menderes Massif - that the metamorphism of the Precambrian basement was related to the Pan-African Orogeny. The granitic precursors of orthogneisses, dated at 560 Ma and 570 Ma, are regarded to have been related to magmatic activity subsequent to the Pan-African Orogeny (Dora et al. 1994, 1995; Hetzel & Reischmann 1996; Dannat & Reischmann 1998; Hetzel et al. 1998; Koralay & Dora 1999). The same common magmatic activities are documented all over Africa (Stern 1994; Kröner et al. 1991, 1996; Tack & Bowden 1999; Hefferan et al. 2000; Jung et al. 2000) and were reported in NNE Africa as forming a part of West Gondwana (Kröner et al. 1983; Tadese et al. 2000; Teklay et al. 1998, 2001; Moghazi 2002). This evidence, when combined with reconstruction of the continents at the Late Neoproterozoic-Cambrian boundary, indicates that the Pan-African basement of the Menderes Massif formed as a part of West Gondwana (NNE Africa) during the Pan-African Orogeny. Syn- to post- Pan-African magmatism, which is characterised by granitoid intrusions, is commonly recognised in this orogenic belt and also in the Menderes Massif.

Conclusions

 The precursor rocks of the orthogneisses intruded the protoliths of the Pan-African basement series, which consists of metapelites. Numerous sills and dykes of orthogneiss, which clearly crosscut the schistosity of the schists and have sharp contacts, are found in the schists close to the margins of orthogneiss. The orthogneisses contain numerous schist xenoliths which are particularly common close to contacts. The abundance of xenoliths in the orthogneisses and the veins in the country rock clearly reveal the original intrusive contact relationship between the orthogneiss and metapelites.

- 2. The geochemical data indicate that the protoliths of the Pan-African orthogneisses were calc-alkaline, peraluminous and S-type, and generated in a syn- to post-tectonic environment.
- 3. The SEM and CL photomicrographs demonstrate that the analysed zircon populations from the orthogneisses have distinct magmatic zoning and typical igneous morphology. The $^{207}Pb/^{206}Pb$ ages of 561.5 ± 1.8 and 570.5 ± 2.2 Ma are interpreted as the intrusion ages of the protoliths of the Pan-African orthogneisses.

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