

# Early Paleogene Magmatism in the Pinaleño Mountains, Arizona: Evidence for Crustal Melting of Diverse Basement Assemblages during the Laramide Orogeny

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#### **Abstract**

Granitic rocks, interpreted to be related to crustal melting, were emplaced into regions of thickened crust in southern Arizona during the Laramide orogeny (80-40 Ma). Laramide-age anatectic rocks are exposed as plutons, sills, and dike networks that are commonly found in the exhumed footwalls of metamorphic core complexes. This study investigates newly discovered exposures of granodioritic-leucogranitic rocks from three intrusive phases in the footwall of the Pinaleño-Jackson Mountain metamorphic core complex of southeastern Arizona, called the Relleno suite. Zircon U-Pb geochronology indicates that the suite was emplaced from 58 to 52 Ma. Zircon Lu/Hf isotope geochemistry, whole-rock Sr and Nd isotope geochemistry, and mineral O isotope geochemistry were used to investigate the source of these rocks and evaluate whether they are related to crustal anatexis. Average zircon  $\varepsilon Hf_{(t)}$  values of the suite range from -4.7 to -7.9, wholerock  $\varepsilon Nd_{(j)}$  and  ${}^{87}Sr/{}^{86}Sr_{(j)}$  values range from -9.4 to -11.8 and 0.7064 to 0.7094 respectively, and quartz  $\delta^{18}O_{VSMOW}$  values range from 6.8 to 9.4 %. Isotopic and geochemical data of these rocks are consistent with derivation from and assimilation of intermediate-mafic (meta)igneous rocks, at deep crustal levels, and are supported by thermodynamic melt models of Proterozoic igneous rocks equivalent to those exposed in the Pinaleño Mountains. In comparison with other Laramideage anatectic granites in SE Arizona, those exposed in the Pinaleño Mountains are temporally similar but present compositional and isotopic differences that reflect melting and assimilation of different lithologies, producing distinct mineralogical and isotopic characteristics. The results suggest that crustal melting during this interval was not limited to metasedimentary protoliths and may have affected large portions of the deep crust. The early Paleogene Relleno suite in the Pinaleño Mountains strengthens the relationship between crustal melting and regions of thickened crust associated with the Sevier and Laramide orogenies.

Key words: anatexis; geothermometry; isotope geochemistry; zircon geochronology

#### INTRODUCTION

The magmatic record in Cordilleran orogenic systems provides firstorder insights into igneous processes including arc magmatism and anatexis, Southern Arizona, in the southern US Cordillera, contains a rich magmatic history and most Phanerozoic collision-related igneous suites have been informally grouped based on their age and the tectonic environment they formed in. These groups include (1) the Jurassic continental arc, (2) the Laramide arc, a Late Cretaceous to Early Eocene continental arc, and (3) magmatism associated with the mid-Cenozoic ignimbrite flare-up (Haxel et al., 1984; Lang & Titley, 1998; Best et al., 2016; Chapman et al., 2018; Favorito & Seedorff, 2018). A lesser-known magmatic event in southern Arizona is the intrusion of peraluminous two-mica  $\pm$  garnet granites during the early Paleogene (Keith et al., 1980; Wright & Haxel, 1982; Haxel et al., 1984; Anderson et al., 1988; Goodwin & Haxel, 1990; Gehrels & Smith, 1991; Fornash et al., 2013; Ducea et al., 2020). These peraluminous rocks are mineralogically and geochemically distinct from other igneous rock types in southern Arizona and have been hypothesized to have formed by partial melting of Proterozoic metasedimentary and (meta)igneous basement rocks (Farmer & DePaolo, 1984; Haxel et al., 1984; Goodwin & Haxel, 1990; Fornash et al., 2013; Chapman et al., 2021). These rocks are interpreted to have originated by partial melting of the deeper crust of an orogenic plateau with thick crust (Chapman et al., 2020) during a period of low-angle to flat slab subduction of the Farallon plate when the locus of Laramide arc magmatism was migrating or had already migrated to the east (Coney & Reynolds, 1977; Constenius et al., 2003; Chapman et al., 2018; Seedorff et al.,

In this study, we document and report on the occurrence of a Paleocene-Eocene metaluminous to weakly peraluminous suite of rocks in the Pinaleño Mountains, which we refer to as the Relleno suite. Similar igneous suites are found in the Catalina-Rincon core complex (Wilderness suite), the Coyote Mountains core complex (Pan Tak granite), the Pozo Verde core complex (granite of Presumido Peak), and two-mica  $\pm$  garnet granites exposed in the Sierra Blanca and Comobabi Mountains core complexes within the Tohono O'odham nation (Fig. 1) (Keith et al., 1980; Wright & Haxel, 1982; Haxel et al., 1984; Goodwin & Haxel, 1990; Force, 1997; Ferguson et al., 2003; Spencer et al., 2003). Collectively, we refer to these rocks as the southern Arizona anatectic suite. The timing of extension and exhumation of metamorphic core complexes in southern Arizona has been previously dated to Oligocene-Miocene time, post-dating this magmatic event by 15-25 Myr (Creasey et al., 1977; Foster et al., 1993; Long et al., 1995; Fayon et al., 2000; Terrien, 2012; Ducea et al., 2020; Gottardi et al., 2020; Jepson et al., 2021; Scoggin et al., 2021). Geochronological and geochemical studies of this suite of rocks have identified potential melt sources and protoliths including the Pinal Schist and Oracle granite, with lines of evidence including inherited Proterozoic zircon cores, evolved zircon  $\varepsilon Hf_{(t)}$  values, evolved whole-rock  $\varepsilon Nd_{(i)}$  and 87Sr/86Sr(i) values, elevated aluminum saturation indices (ASI), and mineralogy consistent with melting and assimilation of pelitic and igneous protoliths (Wright & Haxel, 1982; Goodwin & Haxel, 1990; Fornash et al., 2013). We present new geochronological, geochemical, and isotopic data from intrusive rocks in the footwall of the Pinaleño-Jackson Mountain metamorphic core complex to evaluate the origin and source of the Relleno suite and evaluate whether it may also be a part of the southern Arizona anatectic suite.

#### **GEOLOGICAL SETTING**

#### The Pinaleño Mountains

The Pinaleño Mountains compose part of the footwall of the Pinaleño-Jackson Mountain metamorphic core complex, which is the easternmost of a series of core complexes that trend NW-SE across southern Arizona (Crittenden et al., 1980; Davis & Hardy, 1981; Spencer, 1984) (Fig. 1). Slip on low-angle detachment faults associated with core complexes in southeastern Arizona is predominantly of Oligocene-Miocene age (e.g. Long et al., 1995; Fayon et al., 2000; Gottardi et al., 2018, 2020; Scoggin et al., 2021), is responsible for the exhumation of mid-crustal rocks (e.g. Anderson et al., 1988), and accommodated up to tens of kilometers of horizontal extension (Coney, 1980; Crittenden et al., 1980; Coney & Harms, 1984; Arca et al., 2010). The Pinaleño Mountains are bounded to the east by the NW-SE-striking Pinaleño detachment fault, which is buried in the Safford Basin and bounded to the west by the NW-SE Eagle Pass detachment fault that separates the syn-extensional c. 27 Ma Galiuro Volcanics and associated volcanoclastic rocks from Paleo-Mesoproterozoic (meta)igneous basement rocks (Davis et al., 1981; Thorman & Naruk, 1987) (Fig. 2). Mylonitic rocks in the eastern range front of the Pinaleño Mountains have been correlated to mylonitic rocks from the Black Rock detachment fault on Jackson Mountain, located 10 km north of the Pinaleño Mountains, leading to interpretations of one continuous detachment fault along the eastern side of the Pinaleño and Santa Teresa Mountains (Crittenden et al., 1980; Davis et al., 1981; Naruk, 1987; Long et al., 1995; Bailey & Eyster, 2003). Rocks exposed in the footwall of the Pinaleño Mountains core complex include the following: (1) sparse outcrops of the mafic-volcanic member of c. 1.7 Ga Pinal Schist, comprising greenschist and lower amphibolite metamorphic facies mineral assemblages (Cooper & Silver, 1964; Copeland & Condie, 1986; Eisele & Isachsen, 2001; Meijer, 2014); (2) variably metamorphosed (granodioritic-leucogranitic) c. 1.6 Ga Pinaleño Mountains gneiss (equivalent to the Johnny Lyon granodiorite; Silver, 1955; Thorman & Naruk, 1987); (3) c. 1.4 Ga intrusions of the Oracle granite (Shride, 1967; Thorman, 1981); (4) c. 1.1 Ga dolerite dikes (Bright et al., 2014); (5) the c. 55 Ma Relleno suite, which intrudes Proterozoic igneous lithologies in the NE range front (Long et al., 1995; this study) (Figs 2 and 3).

Basement rocks in Arizona constitute multiple accreted terranes that young eastward across Arizona from 2.2 to 1.6 Ga and produced crustal blocks with distinctive lithological and isotopic characteristics. Crustal blocks of Arizona include the 2.2 Ga Mojave province, the 1.8–1.7 Ga Yavapai terrane, and the 1.7–1.6 Ga Mazatzal terrane (Farmer & DePaolo, 1983, 1984; Karlstrom & Bowring, 1988; Chamberlain & Bowring, 1990; Dickinson & Lawton, 2001; Eisele & Isachsen, 2001). Southeastern Arizona, including the Pinaleño Mountains region, lies within the Cochise Block of the Mazatzal terrane (Copeland & Condie, 1986; Keep, 1996; Eisele & Isachsen, 2001). Mesoproterozoic igneous rocks including intrusions of A-type granite (e.g. Oracle granite; Anderson & Bender, 1989; Anderson & Morrison, 2005) and, to a lesser extent, intrusions of dolerite (e.g. Bright et al., 2014) also form a considerable volume of basement rock in southeastern Arizona.

# Late Cretaceous-early Cenozoic magmatism in the southern US Cordillera

At the latitude of southern Arizona, continental arc magmatism migrated inland (eastward) during the Laramide orogeny (80–40 Ma), reaching modern-day New Mexico and Texas

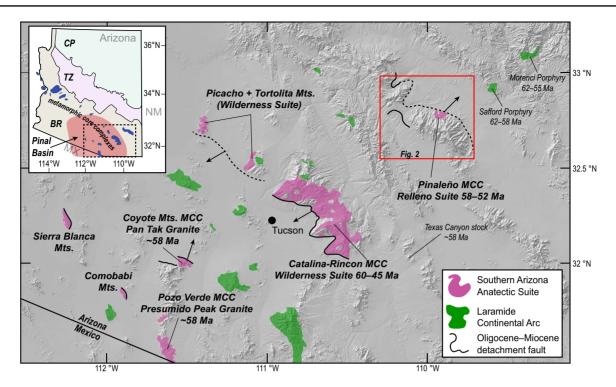


Fig. 1. Regional map of southeastern Arizona showing intrusions of the Laramide arc (green polygons) and southern Arizona anatectic suite (magenta polygons). Inset map shows physiographic provinces of Arizona, Colorado Plateau (CP), Transition Zone (TZ), Basin and Range (BR). Reported ages are zircon U-Pb crystallization ages (Keith et al., 1980; Wright & Haxel, 1982; Goodwin & Haxel, 1990; Long et al., 1995; Lang & Titley, 1998; Fornash et al., 2013; Chapman et al., 2018; this study). MCC, metamorphic core complex.

(Coney & Reynolds, 1977; Constenius et al., 2003; Chapman et al., 2018). Intrusions associated with the Laramide arc are calc-alkaline, metaluminous to peraluminous with molar A/CNK (aluminum saturation index, ASI) values of 0.7-1.2, are intermediate (50-70 wt% SiO<sub>2</sub>) in composition (Fig. 4), contain two feldspars and biotite ± amphibole with accessory minerals including titanite and allanite, usually have extrusive equivalents, and have radiogenic isotopic ratios reflecting a mantle source with assimilation of local basement rocks (Keith et al., 1980; Farmer & DePaolo, 1984; Lang & Titley, 1998; Fornash et al., 2013; Chapman et al., 2018; Seedorff et al., 2019). At any specific location, intrusions of the Laramide arc are generally older than the southern Arizona anatectic suite; however, the timings of these two distinct magmatic events overlap in the early Eocene. There is temporal overlap between magmatism in the Pinaleño Mountains with nearby Laramide intrusions including the Morenci porphyry c. 62-55 Ma and the Safford porphyry c. 62-58 Ma (Lang & Titley, 1998).

Rocks of the southern Arizona anatectic suite are texturally and compositionally distinct from the Laramide continental arc. They have more evolved radiogenic isotopic compositions, are moderately to strongly peraluminous with ASI values  $\geq 1.1$ , are silica-rich (>70 wt% SiO<sub>2</sub>), are plagioclase-rich with biotite  $\pm$  muscovite  $\pm$  garnet, lack extrusive equivalents, and were emplaced as plutons or sill–dike injection complexes (Keith *et al.*, 1980; Miller & Bradfish, 1980; Haxel *et al.*, 1984; Miller & Barton, 1990; Fornash *et al.*, 2013; Chapman *et al.*, 2021; this study). The Wilderness suite in the Santa Catalina–Rincon Mountains and the Pan Tak Granite in the Coyote Mountains are two of the most well-known examples of peraluminous (two-mica  $\pm$  garnet) granites in southern Arizona. The Wilderness suite was emplaced as sills (cumulative exposed thickness of 4–6 km) during multiple injection episodes from *c.* 60 to 45 Ma

(Keith et al., 1980; Fornash et al., 2013; Davis et al., 2019; Ducea et al., 2020). The Wilderness suite granites have ASI values  $\geq 1.1$ , average zircon  $\varepsilon Hf_{(t)}$  values < -10 and whole-rock  $\varepsilon Nd_{(i)}$  values < -10, and contain abundant c. 1.4 Ga inherited cores in zircons, suggesting a significant contribution of ancient-crustal source rock: mainly Oracle granite but also potentially the Pinal Schist (Keith et al., 1980; Fornash et al., 2013). The ~58 Ma, peraluminous, twomica ± garnet Pan Tak granite intrudes Proterozoic (meta)igneous, metasedimentary rocks, and Jurassic continental arc rocks in the footwall of the Coyote Mountains core complex (Wright & Haxel, 1982; Gottardi et al., 2020). The Pan Tak granite is also silica-rich (>70 wt% SiO<sub>2</sub>) and comprises meters-thick dike networks that extend outward from a pluton in the center of the Coyote Mountains. Previous studies hypothesized that the Pan Tak granite was derived from the Pinal Schist and/or the Jurassic arc of southern Arizona (Wright & Haxel, 1982; Haxel et al., 1984).

# **PETROGRAPHY**

Geological mapping was undertaken to define the extent of the Relleno suite. It crops out as a small pluton (approximately 10 km²) cut by two generations of dikes in Ash Creek Canyon and extends NW to Shingle Mill Canyon on the eastern side of the Pinaleño Mountains (Fig. 2). The easternmost parts of the intrusion are mylonitized. The intrusion was previously mapped by Thorman & Naruk (1987) as the middle Proterozoic Granodiorite of White Streaks Canyon. We explored other regions of the eastern Pinaleño Mountains but did not find equivalent rocks, although there may be other exposures. The intrusions can be divided into three phases. Phase 1 is the main plutonic body, which is roughly circular in shape and includes

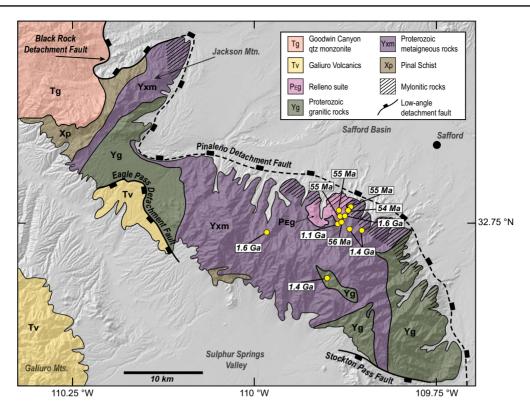


Fig. 2. Geological map of the Pinaleño Mountains modified after Thorman & Naruk (1987) and Drewes (1996). Sample locations are shown by yellow circles with zircon U–Pb crystallization ages.

several smaller satellite plutons. Phase 2 is a set of leucogranite dikes that cross-cut Phase 1 rocks. Phase 3 is another set of leucogranite dikes that cross-cut both Phase 1 and Phase 2 rocks (Fig. 3). Five igneous rock samples of the Relleno suite and six igneous rocks samples of Proterozoic basement lithologies were collected for isotopic, geochronological, geochemical, and petrographic analysis (Table 1, Table 2).

# The Relleno suite

Intrusions from the Relleno suite comprise plagioclase in greater abundance than K-feldspar, quartz and biotite with apatite, magnetite, and zircon, with two samples containing muscovite in small quantities (Fig. 5). Minor sericitic alteration of feldspars and epidote/chlorite alteration of biotite is locally present. Intrusions from the Relleno suite can resemble lithologies of the Pinaleño Mountains gneiss and Oracle granite (i.e. leucocratic–pegmatitic, biotite gneisses, and granites lacking amphibole), and can be difficult to distinguish in locations with high densities of dikes and country rock of similar composition.

Sample ASH-1A was collected from the Phase 1 plutonic body of the Relleno suite. Phase 1 is more mafic than other phases of the Relleno suite (66 wt% SiO<sub>2</sub>); it is a weakly foliated biotite granodiorite that contains amphibolite enclaves and is increasingly gneissic and mylonitized to the east. Sample ASH-1A comprises plagioclase (30 %), quartz (25 %), biotite (20 %), K-feldspar (15 %), with magnetite/opaque oxide, apatite and zircon (5 %), and minor epidote and chlorite (<5 %). Phase 2 of the Relleno suite is represented by granitic samples ASH-1B, ASH-2, and SS-20-06. Samples ASH-1B and ASH-2 comprise granitic and pegmatitic dikes up to 1.5 m in width that

cross-cut the Phase 1 pluton and surrounding Proterozoic country rock. Samples ASH-1B and ASH-2 contain plagioclase (40 %), quartz (35%), K-feldspar (10 %), biotite (5 %), apatite, zircon and opaque oxide (<5 %), and epidote/chlorite alteration of biotite (<5 %). A few grains of muscovite intergrown with biotite are present in sample ASH-2. Sample SS-20-06 was collected from a densely concentrated network of dikes up to 2 m wide west of the Phase 1 pluton, which cross-cuts dolerite and Johnny Lyon granodiorite (Fig. 3). Dolerite appears as partially melted enclaves within the outcrop from which sample SS-20-06 was collected. Sample SS-20-06 is similar in composition (72 wt% SiO<sub>2</sub>) and mineralogy to other Phase 2 samples and comprises plagioclase (40 %), quartz (30 %), K-feldspar (10 %), biotite (10 %), apatite and zircon (5 %), epidote and chlorite (<5 %), and opaque oxide (<1 %), but contains more apatite, as well as sparse muscovite. Sample ASH-1L was collected from Phase 3 of the Relleno suite, which is manifest as aplitic leucogranite dikes (74.5 wt% SiO<sub>2</sub>) up to 1 m wide that cross-cut the Phase 1 pluton and dikes of Phase 2. Sample ASH-1L is similar in composition to Phase 2 and comprises quartz (50 %), plagioclase (35 %), K-feldspar (10 %), and trace biotite, opaque oxide, and apatite/zircon (<5 %) but has finer-grained quartz and plagioclase crystals compared with Phases 1 and 2.

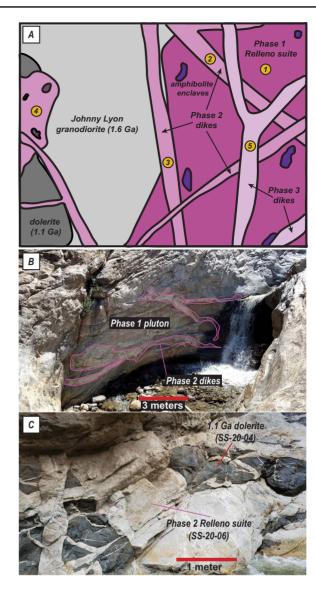
Zircons from samples representing each phase of the Relleno suite were selected for textural and compositional analysis with back-scattered electron (BSE) and cathodoluminescence (CL) imagery. Zircons from Phase 1 of the Relleno suite (sample ASH-1A) are relatively large (200–500 µm length), euhedral zircons that display subtle shading differences indicating rim–core compositional variability, but are not strongly zoned, and contain abundant and/or large inclusions that appear dark in CL. Phase 2 zircons (samples ASH-1B, ASH-2, and SS-20-06) are on average smaller (lengths <300 µm) than

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Sample	Latitude (°N)	Latitude (°N) Longitude (°W)	SiO <sub>2</sub> (wt%)	SiO <sub>2</sub> (wt%) Age $\pm 2\sigma$ (Ma)	$\varepsilon Hf_{(t)} \pm 2\sigma$	$\varepsilon Hf_{(t)} \pm 2\sigma$ 87 Sr/86 Sr <sub>(0)</sub> $\pm 1$ SE (%)	87Sr/86Sr(i)	$^{143}\text{Nd/}^{144}\text{Nd}_{(0)} \pm 1\text{SE}$ (%) $^{143}\text{Nd/}^{144}\text{N}$	143Nd/144N
ASH-A	32.75883	-109.87695				$0.708602 \pm 0.0017$	0.708421	$0.512593 \pm 0.0009$	0.512535
ASH-1A	32.75883	-109.87695	65.6	$54.9 \pm 1.5$	$-4.7 \pm 2.4$	$0.706687 \pm 0.0008$	0.706448	$0.512243 \pm 0.0008$	0.512207
ASH-1B	32.75883	-109.87695	73.0	$55.3 \pm 2.1$		$0.707618 \pm 0.0007$	0.707381	$0.512119 \pm 0.0012$	0.512086
ASH-1L	32.75883	-109.87695	74.5	$54.5 \pm 2.2$	$-5.8 \pm 5.0$	$0.709639 \pm 0.0007$	0.709352	$0.512165 \pm 0.0013$	0.512121
ASH-2	32.76164	-109.87260	75.3	$55.4 \pm 2.0$	$-5.8 \pm 2.7$	$0.708828 \pm 0.0008$	0.708398	$0.512124 \pm 0.0007$	0.512087
SS-20-03	32.75828	-109.87708	62.3	$1621 \pm 5^*$					
SS-20-04	32.75560	-109.87955	46.4	$1116 \pm 19^*$					
SS-20-06	32.75456	-109.87953	72.2	$56.1 \pm 2.1$	$-7.9 \pm 5.3$	$0.708249 \pm 0.0007$	0.708036	$0.512123 \pm 0.001$	0.512084
SS-20-08	32.64895	-109.85996		$1445 \pm 6^*$					
SS-20-09	32.73287	-109.82641	72.3	$1443\pm4^*$					
SS-20-10	32.73518	-109.83102	72	$1456\pm 6$					
SS-20-12	32.76479	-109.99812	74.5	$1638 \pm 6$					
WILD-1	32.39954	-110.68920	70.1						
WILD-2	32.37722	-110.68720	6.92						

U–Pb ages are weighted means of concordant analyses.  $^*$ U–Pb discordia ages derived from the upper or lower intercept on a concordia diagram.



**Fig. 3.** (a) Schematic outcrop sketch diagram of the Relleno suite showing cross-cutting relationships between phases. Representative sampling locations are shown with number in yellow circles (1, ASH-1A; 2, ASH-1B; 3, ASH-2; 4, SS-20-06; 5, ASH-1L). Proterozoic igneous rocks are in light grey (Johnny Lyon granodiorite) and dark grey (dolerite). (b) Photograph of Phase 2 dikes intruded into Phase 1 pluton. (c) Photograph of Phase 2 dikes intruded into Proterozoic dolerite.

Phase 1 zircons. They display stronger oscillatory zoning patterns, and contain inclusions of apatite. Zircons from Phase 3 of the Relleno suite comprise heterogeneous size populations (75–600  $\mu$ m length), and a mixture of strongly oscillatory zoned and unzoned zircons.

# Proterozoic basement rocks

Six samples were selected for geochemical and U–Pb analyses from distinct Paleo–Mesoproterozoic intrusions. Samples SS-20-03 and SS-20-12 are equivalent to the Johnny Lyon granodiorite; sample SS-20-03 comprises plagioclase, quartz and biotite with K-feldspar and opaque oxide and sample SS-20-12 comprises porphyritic K-feldspar with coarse-grained biotite, plagioclase, quartz, muscovite, and minor titanite, apatite, and zircon. Samples SS-20-08, SS-20-09, and SS-20-10 come from intrusions of Oracle granite.

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Table 2: Whole-rock geochemistry data for samples in this study (oxides are given in wt% and trace elements in ppm)

	ASH_1A	ASH_1B	ASH_1L	ASH_2	SS_20_03	SS_20_04	SS_20_06	SS_20_09	SS_20_10	SS_20_12	WILD-1	WILD-2
$SiO_2$	65.6	73	74.5	75.3	62.3	46.4	72.2	72.3	72	74.5	70.1	6.97
$Al_2O_3$	16.75	15.6	14.9	14.35	16.85	13.95	15.6	15.85	16.6	12.15	15	14.05
$Fe_2O_3$	3.53	1.08	0.99	0.99	4.7	17.25	1.44	1.49	1.23	2.45	3.74	0.83
CaO	3.88	2	1.62	1.46	4.68	8.61	2.18	2.66	0.74	1.83	0.71	1.1
$_{\rm MgO}$	1.86	0.25	0.3	0.15	2.27	5.01	0.42	0.25	0.32	0.54	0.54	0.13
$Na_2O$	4.49	4.6	4.66	4.32	4.56	0.24	4.79	3.41	4.19	2.97	3.32	3.76
$K_2O$	2.56	3.72	3.56	3.81	0.7	3.94	2.93	1.98	4.17	3.79	4.42	4
$TiO_2$	0.48	0.13	0.1	0.07	0.61	2.28	0.19	0.1	0.13	0.45	0.28	90.0
MnO	80.0	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.08	0.27	0.03	0.02	0.01	0.05	0.17	90.0
$P_2O_5$	0.14	0.04	0.01	0.03	0.25	0.58	0.07	0.06	0.03	0.13	0.03	0.02
La	22.7	23.8	9.6	17.1	25.6	28.1	19.2	51.6	4.6	40.4	25.8	14.9
Ce	45.8	46.8	19.6	33	53.3	64.8	37.1	124	7	9.68	49.7	27.8
Pr	5.5	5.47	2.45	3.9	6.78	9.01	4.53	14.5	0.75	10.3	6.04	3.51
pΝ	21.9	19.5	9.2	14.5	27.8	39.3	16.3	54.8	2.5	38.5	22.5	13.2
Sm	3.79	3.31	2.23	2.75	6.5	9.47	3.08	12.95	0.58	7.92	4.95	2.85
Eu	0.85	0.67	0.53	0.65	1.06	2.23	0.61	1.57	1.27	1.53	0.39	0.61
РS	2.53	1.68	1.51	2.01	3.2	9.87	2.14	15.15	0.7	7.11	3.91	2.74
Tb	0.32	0.18	0.24	0.23	0.97	1.44	0.31	2.68	0.09	1.21	0.63	0.49
Dy	2.19	0.76	1.6	1.36	6.44	9.81	1.73	18.3	0.72	7.17	4.27	3.02
Но	0.4	0.12	0.3	0.28	1.24	1.98	0.3	3.95	0.15	1.55	0.79	0.65
Y	11.8	4.1	9.4	6	33.4	52.8	8.9	116	4	41.4	24	18.3
Er	1.38	0.35	1.08	1.11	3.7	5.88	0.82	12.55	0.37	4.12	2.59	2.06
Tm	0.17	90.0	0.14	0.18	0.44	0.88	0.11	1.91	90.0	0.73	0.4	0.27
Yb	1.27	0.49	1.05	1.39	2.92	5.62	0.85	12.95	0.35	4.39	2.77	2.12
Lu	0.22	80.0	0.17	0.23	0.42	8.0	0.12	2.06	0.05	0.67	0.38	0.31
Rb	9.08	69.4	9.79	81.6	28.7	192.5	63.9	48.4	90.4	124	205	105.5
Sr	646	265	431	363	643	239	594	287	214	153.5	142.5	301
Zr	110	101	29	170	114	193	86	S	26	207	63	55
Sp	9.9	3.7	5.2	5.1	10.3	9.5	7.7	3	2.1	13.7	2.5	5.9
Ba	921	1255	1150	1060	213	312	982	983	2320	553	713	1670
Ηf	3.1	3.1	2.5	6.4	3.1	4.9	2.9	0.2	8.0	5.8	2.2	1.7
Ta	1.5	1.9	2.5	2.6	1.2	1.3	2.7	1.3	1.6	2.5	2.5	2
Th	4.53	3.83	3.54	4.19	4	1.35	3.82	44.9	0.55	12.35	9.95	5.13
Ω	1.45	6.0	2.44	2.7	1.54	0.77	1.25	5.1	0.35	3.04	1.51	0.54

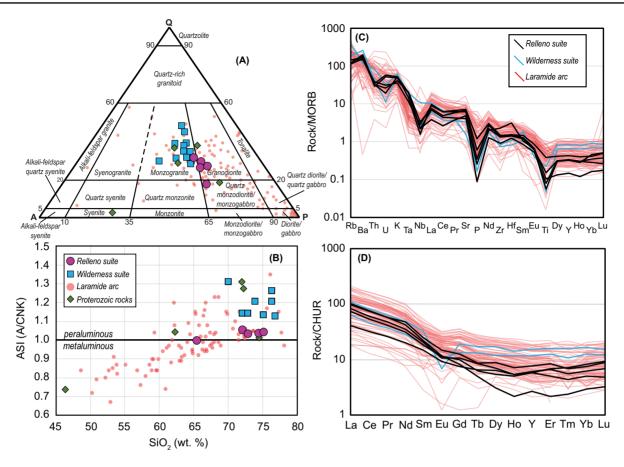


Fig. 4. Geochemical data of the Relleno suite and other igneous rocks in southern Arizona. (a) QAP diagram. (b) Aluminum saturation index (ASI) vs SiO<sub>2</sub> diagram. (c) Rock/MORB trace element diagram. (d) Rock/CHUR-normalized REE diagram. MORB and CHUR normalizations are from Sun & McDonough (1989). Laramide arc rocks are from Lang & Titley (1998) and Farmer & DePaolo (1984), Wilderness suite rocks are from this study and Force (1997).

Sample SS-20-08 comprises coarse-grained quartz and plagioclase with minor biotite, K-feldspar and magnetite. Samples SS-20-09 and SS-20-10 are foliated and come from pegmatitic dikes that cross-cut gneissic Johnny Lyon granodiorite. Samples SS-20-09 and SS-20-10 are strongly peraluminous granites and comprise coarse-grained quartz and plagioclase with large muscovite grains and minor biotite. Sample SS-20-04 comes from a dolerite enclave that comprises olivine, plagioclase, clinopyroxene, and opaque oxide with apatite, and abundant secondary epidote, biotite, and chlorite. Sample ASH-A was collected in Ash Creek Canyon and is a gneissic amphibole-biotite—plagioclase enclave representative of the amphibolite enclaves present in Phase 1 of the Relleno suite.

# **METHODS**

Zircons from rock samples were separated using standard methods including crushing and grinding, and Wilfley table, magnetic and heavy liquid separation. Zircons and relevant geochronology standards were mounted in epoxy and polished to expose the interior of the crystals. Epoxy mounts were imaged with a Gatan Chroma CL2 CL detector and BSE imagery on a Hitachi 3400N scanning electron microscope (SEM) at the University of Arizona LaserChron facility. Locations for U–Pb, trace element, and Lu–Hf analyses from zircon crystals were chosen using a combination of CL and BSE

images. The same zircons were analyzed for U-Pb geochronology and trace element and Lu-Hf isotope geochemistry (Supplementary Data Files 1 and 2; supplementary data are available for downloading at http://www.petrology.oxfordjournals.org). In situ isotopic analyses of U, Pb and Hf along with trace element and rare earth element (REE) analyses were collected by laser ablation inductively coupled plasma mass spectrometry (LA-ICP-MS) at the University of Arizona LaserChron Center using a Teledyne Photon Machines G2™ solidstate NeF excimer laser paired with either a Nu Instruments multicollector mass spectrometer or a Thermo Fisher E2<sup>TM</sup> singlecollector mass spectrometer. Zircon U-Pb analytical standards used include R33 (age range = 399-439 Ma), FC (age range = 1004-1199 Ma), and SL (age range = 532–587 Ma). The value, uncertainty, and range of zircon Lu-Hf analytical standards used include FC  $(^{176}\text{Hf}/^{177}\text{Hf} = 0.28218 \pm 0.00005, 0.28208 - 0.28269), R33$  $(^{176}\text{Hf}/^{177}\text{Hf} = 0.28275 \pm 0.00003, 0.28266 - 0.28288), \text{ Plešovice}$  $(^{176}\text{Hf}/^{177}\text{Hf} = 0.28250 \pm 0.00004,$ 0.28245 - 0.28277),  $(^{176}\text{Hf}/^{177}\text{Hf} = 0.28267 \pm 0.00003, 0.28259 - 0.28274), \text{ Mud Tank}$  $(^{176}\text{Hf}/^{177}\text{Hf} = 0.28254 \pm 0.00003, 0.28247 - 0.28259), \text{ and } 91500$  $(^{176}\text{Hf}/^{177}\text{Hf} = 0.28232 \pm 0.00005, 0.28219 - 0.28275)$ . Lu-Hf analyses were conducted using a 40 µm beam diameter, a repetition rate of 7 Hz, and laser fluence of c. 2 J cm<sup>-2</sup>. Trace element analyses included simultaneous measurement of 23 trace elements and REE along with U-Th-Pb isotopes to determine spot age. Measured trace element isotopes include <sup>27</sup>Al, <sup>29</sup>Si, <sup>31</sup>P, <sup>45</sup>Sc, <sup>49</sup>Ti, <sup>89</sup>Y, <sup>93</sup>Nb, <sup>139</sup>La,

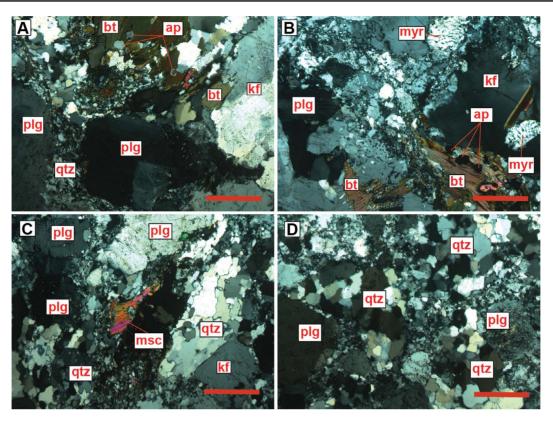


Fig. 5. Photomicrographs and representative mineralogy of each of the phases from the Relleno suite including Phase 1 (a; sample ASH-1A) Phase 2 (b, c; samples SS-20-06 and ASH-2), and Phase 3 (d; sample ASH-1L). Scale bar in each photograph represents 500 μm. kf, potassium feldspar; plg, plagioclase; ap, apatite; otz. quartz: bt. biotite: msc. muscovite: myr. myrmekite.

 $^{140}$ Ce,  $^{141}$ Pr,  $^{146}$ Nd,  $^{152}$ Sm,  $^{153}$ Eu,  $^{157}$ Gd,  $^{159}$ Tb,  $^{164}$ Dy,  $^{165}$ Ho,  $^{166}$ Er,  $^{169}$ Tm,  $^{174}$ Yb,  $^{175}$ Lu,  $^{177}$ Hf,  $^{181}$ Ta,  $^{202}$ Hg,  $^{204}$ (Hg+Pb),  $^{206}$ Co<sup>7</sup>,  $^{208}$ Pb,  $^{232}$ Th, and  $^{235}$ U. Dwell times of these elements range from 0.001 to 0.3 s. Trace element analyses were conducted with 30 µm beam diameter, a repetition rate of 7 Hz, and laser fluence of  $\sim$ 7 J cm $^{-2}$ , which yields pits c. 20 µm deep. Analytical standards for zircon trace elements were normalized to  $^{29}$ Si and include natural zircon standards 91500, MAD-559, and synthetic standard NIST 612. Data reduction of zircon U–Pb, Lu–Hf, and trace element analyses follows the procedures outlined by Gehrels et al. (2008), Cecil et al. (2011), Gehrels & Pecha (2014), and Chapman et al. (2016) using AGEcalc, HfcalcML, and TREEcalc.

Rock samples were pulverized with a tungsten carbide puck mill grinder and homogenized with alkali flux fusion. Major elements were analyzed via X-ray fluorescence spectroscopy and trace elements were analyzed via ICP-MS by ALS Geochemistry. Whole-rock powders were used to analyze isotopes of Sr and Nd via isotope dilution thermal ionization mass spectrometry (ID-TIMS) at the University of Arizona following the procedures outlined by Otamendi *et al.* (2009) and Girardi *et al.* (2012). Powders were put in Savillex vials and dissolved in hot concentrated HF-HNO3. After dissolution, unmixed Caltech Rb, Sr, and mixed Sm-Nd spikes were added to the samples (Ducea & Saleeby, 1998). Rb, Sr, and REE were separated in AG50W-X4 resin ion exchange columns using 1–4 M HCl. Separation of Sm and Nd was achieved in anion exchange columns containing LN Spec resin using 0.1–2.5 N HCl. Rb was loaded onto Re filaments

using silica gel and H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>. Sr was loaded onto Ta filaments with Ta<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> powder. Sm and Nd were loaded onto Re filaments using platinized carbon and resin beads. Mass spectrometric analyses were completed on a VG Sector 54 multicollector instrument fitted with adjustable 10<sup>11</sup> Faraday collectors and a Daly photomultiplier (Otamendi et al., 2009). Isotope dilution calculations were carried out using an off-line manipulation program. Analyses consisted of acquisitions of 100 isotopic ratios. The average result of five analyses of standard NRbAAA performed during this study is  $^{85}$ Rb/ $^{87}$ Rb = 2.61311  $\pm$  0.00018. Five analyses of NIST standard NBS987 yield mean  ${}^{87}\text{Sr}/{}^{86}\text{Sr}$  ratio of  $0.710259 \pm 0.000004$  and  $^{84}$ Sr/ $^{86}$ Sr = 0.056434  $\pm$  0.000011. Five analyses of Sm standard Sm929 yield  $^{148}$ Sm/ $^{147}$ Sm = 0.74880  $\pm$  0.00023 and  $^{148}$ Sm/ $^{152}$ Sm =  $0.42111 \pm 0.00007$ . Five analyses of Nd standard LaJolla yield the following ratios:  $^{142}$ Nd/ $^{144}$ Nd = 1.14184 ± 0.00002,  $^{143}$ Nd/ $^{144}$ Nd =  $0.511853 \pm 0.000002$ ,  $^{145}Nd^{/144}Nd = 0.348390 \pm 0.000002$ , and  $^{150}$ Nd/ $^{144}$ Nd = 0.23638  $\pm$  0.00002. The Sr isotope ratios of standards and samples were normalized to  ${}^{86}\text{Sr}/{}^{88}\text{Sr} = 0.1194$  and Nd isotope ratios were normalized to 146Nd/144Nd 0.7219. Estimated analytical uncertainties  $(\pm 2\sigma)$  are  ${}^{87}\text{Rb}/{}^{86}\text{Sr} = 0.35$  %,  ${}^{87}\text{Sr}/{}^{86}\text{Sr} = 0.0014$  %,  $^{147}$ Sm/ $^{144}$ Nd = 0.4 % and  $^{143}$ Nd/ $^{144}$ Nd = 0.0012 %. Procedural blanks averaged from five analyses were 10 pg Rb, 150 pg Sr, 2.7 pg Sm and 5.5 pg Nd.

Oxygen isotope ratios were determined via laser fluorination at the University of Texas High Temperature Stable Isotope Lab following the procedures outlined by Sharp (1990). Rock samples were crushed and sieved and mineral separates were picked under binocular microscope and washed in dilute HCl and deionized water. Approximately 2 mg of sample was heated with a CO<sub>2</sub> laser in the presence of BrF<sub>5</sub> and cryogenically purified in a silicate extraction line. Oxygen isotopes were measured on a dual-inlet Thermo Scientific MAT253 stable isotope ratio mass spectrometer (IRMS) using the UWG-2 garnet standard ( $\delta^{18}$ OVMSOW =  $5.8 \pm 0.1\%$ , n = 5) from Valley *et al.* (1995), and in-house quartz standard Lausanne 1. All  $\delta^{18}$ O values are reported relative to VSMOW with reproducibility better than 0.1%.

Pseudosection models of Proterozoic country rock were constructed using Perple X version 6.9 (Connolly, 1990, 2005, 2009). Equilibrium mineral assemblages and melt chemistry were evaluated at end-member conditions of 725 °C, 5 kbar and 825 °C, 10 kbar to illustrate the possible differences in melt chemistry and melt volume. The range of model temperatures is based on thermometry data (see below). The range of model pressures is not constrained by this study, but is based on pressure estimates from the Wilderness suite (Anderson et al., 1988). For starting compositions, we used wholerock geochemistry data from Johnny Lyon granodiorite samples SS-20-03 and SS-20-12, Oracle granite samples SS-20-09, SS-20-10, and KB90-111 (from Barovich, 1991), and dolerite samples SS-20-04 and 09PL5 (from Bright et al., 2014). Models were generated using the 10-component NCKFMASHTO (Na<sub>2</sub>O-CaO-K<sub>2</sub>O-FeO-MgO-Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>-SiO<sub>2</sub>-H<sub>2</sub>O-TiO<sub>2</sub>-O<sub>2</sub>) compositional system, the thermodynamic dataset of Holland & Powell (2011), and the following solution models: feldspar (Fuhrman & Lindsley, 1988), Bi(W), Mica(W), and melt(W) (White et al., 2014). Specifically, we attempted to model the most mafic end-member (Phase 1, ~66 wt% SiO<sub>2</sub>) in the Relleno suite under the assumption that Phases 2 and 3 can be produced from Phase 1 by fractional crystallization. Water content for melt models of Johnny Lyon granodiorite and Oracle granite is based on modal mineralogy (i.e. hydrous mineral content) and was <1 wt% H<sub>2</sub>O.

# **RESULTS**

#### Isotopic and elemental analyses of zircon

Ages from zircon U-Pb analyses are reported as weighted mean ages of concordant analyses for crystallization ages and upper and or lower discordia intercept ages for discordant samples. Uncertainties for crystallization ages are reported at  $2\sigma$ , calculated by adding in quadrature instrumental uncertainty determined during the analysis run and standard deviation of zircon ages from a single sample. All samples of the Relleno suite yield concordant ages except sample ASH-1A, which exhibits reverse discordance (Fig. 6). Zircons from Phase 1 (sample ASH-1A) yield an average age of  $54.9 \pm 1.5$  Ma (n = 17). Zircons from Phase 2 include samples SS-20-06, ASH-1B, and ASH-2, which yield weighted mean ages of  $56.1 \pm 2.1$  Ma (MSWD = 5.5; n = 23),  $55.3 \pm 2.1$  Ma (MSWD = 5.5; n = 21), and  $55.4 \pm 2.0 \,\mathrm{Ma}$  (MSWD = 5.8; n = 21) respectively. Zircons from Phase 3 (sample ASH-1L) yield a weighted mean age of  $54.5 \pm 2.2$  Ma (MSWD = 4.7; n = 21) (Table 1, Fig. 6). These new ages are in agreement with two single-grain zircon U-Pb analyses from a biotite granite (sample PM-3) referenced by Long et al. (1995) of  $56.9 \pm 0.3$  Ma  $(1\sigma)$  and  $57.1 \pm 0.3$  Ma  $(1\sigma)$ . Zircon U-Pb ages of all phases of the Relleno suite overlap within uncertainty, although cross-cutting relationships indicate relative timing (Fig. 3).

Zircons from sample SS-20-12 yield a crystallization age of  $1638 \pm 6$  Ma (MSWD=1.0; n=20) and zircons from sample

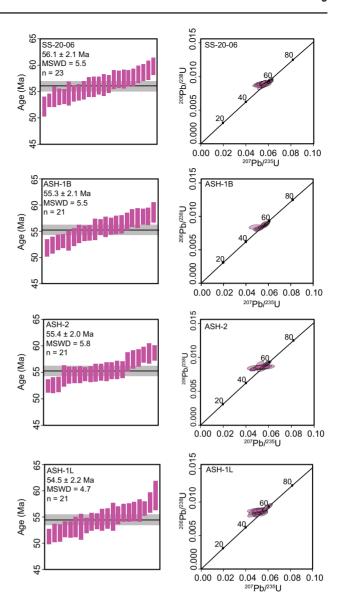


Fig. 6. Weighted mean plots and Wetherill concordia diagrams for representative samples of the Relleno suite. Age uncertainties are reported at  $2\sigma$ .

SS-20-03 yield a discordia upper intercept age of  $1621 \pm 5$  Ma and a lower intercept age of  $70 \pm 38$  Ma (MSWD = 4.7; n = 23). Zircons from samples SS-20-08, SS-20-09, and SS-20-10 yield discordia upper intercept ages of  $1445 \pm 5$  Ma (MSWD = 2.1; n = 19),  $1443 \pm 4$  Ma (MSWD = 0.9; n = 37), and  $1455 \pm 6$  Ma (MSWD = 3.3; n = 39) respectively. Zircons from samples SS-20-09 and SS-20-10 yield discordia lower intercept ages of  $30 \pm 81$  Ma and  $1150 \pm 38$  Ma. Lower discordia intercept ages of samples SS-20-03 and SS-20-09 overlap within uncertainty for the crystallization age of the Relleno suite and the discordance in these samples is interpreted to be related to Pb loss during that intrusion event. Zircons from sample SS-20-04 yield a discordia upper intercept age of  $1612 \pm 16$  Ma and a lower intercept age of  $1116 \pm 19$  Ma (MSWD = 7.1; n = 17). The lower intercept age for this sample is interpreted to be the crystallization age, consistent with ages reported by Bright et al. (2014), and the upper intercept is interpreted to reflect analyses of inherited zircon

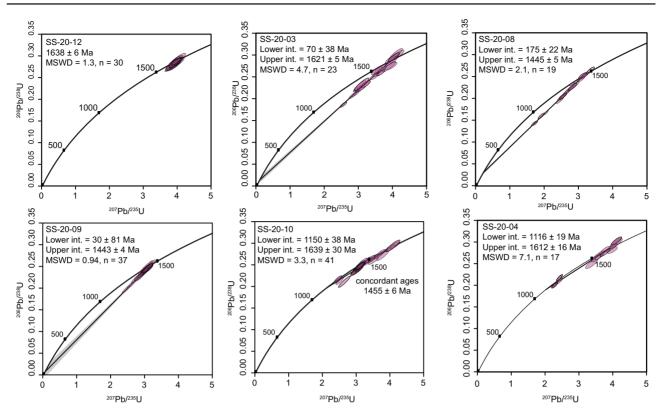


Fig. 7. Wetherill concordia diagrams for Proterozoic rocks in the Pinaleño Mountains. Age uncertainties are reported at  $2\sigma$ . Upper and lower intercept ages are reported for discordant samples. The upper intercept age is interpreted to be the crystallization age for each sample and MSWD is reported for the upper intercept age in these cases.

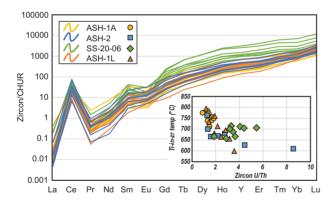


Fig. 8. Zircon/CHUR REE spider diagram and inset Ti-in-zircon crystallization temperature, calculated from Ferry & Watson (2007), vs U/Th from the same analysis. CHUR normalizations are from Sun & McDonough (1989).

cores, presumably from the Johnny Lyon granodiorite (Table 1, Fig. 7).

Trace element analyses of zircon were performed on samples SS-20-06 (n = 9), ASH-1A (n = 9), ASH-1L (n = 9), and ASH-2 (n = 7) and are reported only for zircons with U–Pb ages consistent with the crystallization age of the sample. Rare earth element concentrations of zircon from the Relleno suite show large positive Ce anomalies in all samples and small to no negative Eu anomalies. All samples display a concave slope with depletions in light REE (LREE) and enrichments in heavy REE (HREE); however, sample SS-20-06 is enriched in middle REE (MREE) and HREE compared with other

samples. U/Th values of zircons are in the range 1.0-1.8 (ASH-1A), 1.9-4.4 (SS-20-06), 1.3-8.6 (ASH-2), and 1.2-3.6 (ASH-1L) and increase with decreasing Ti-in-zircon crystallization temperature (Table 3, Fig. 8, Supplementary Data File 1). We used the Ti-in-zircon thermometer of Ferry & Watson (2007) to estimate temperatures of zircon crystallization. We used  $aSiO_2 = 1$  and  $aTiO_2 = 0.6$  in melt following the recommendation of Schiller & Finger (2019), because of the absence of Ti phases such as titanite, rutile, and/or ilmenite in the Relleno suite. Ti concentrations in zircons range from 0.9 to 9.6 ppm and are summarized in Table 3. Resulting Tiin-zircon crystallization temperatures range from 673 to 752 °C. Loucks et al. (2020) presented a Ti-in-zircon thermometer with pressure dependence, and using emplacement depths of ~15 km calculated from the Wilderness suite by Anderson et al. (1988), the temperature estimations of the Relleno suite are higher than the calibration presented by Ferry & Watson (2007) and range from 720 to 802 °C; however, better constraints on emplacement depth of anatectic granites from southern Arizona are needed. Zircon saturation temperatures following Watson & Harrison (1983) were calculated for rock samples from each phase of the Relleno suite and range from 714 to 792 °C. Zircon saturation temperatures were also calculated for Wilderness suite samples WILD-1 and WILD-2, which yield temperatures of 727 °C and 710 °C respectively. Ti-inzircon crystallization temperatures of the Relleno suite are similar to zircon saturation temperatures for samples ASH-1A and ASH-1L, but samples SS-20-06 and ASH-2 display zircon saturation temperatures 50-125 °C higher than Ti-in-zircon crystallization temperatures.

We used Ce, U, and Ti concentrations of zircon to estimate the oxidation state of the Relleno suite following the zircon oxybarometer

Table 3: Selected zircon trace element compositions from the Relleno suite given in ppm

Sample	Age range (Ma)	Ti	Eu	Hf	Се	Th	U	U/Th	ΔFMQ
ASH-1A	57–62	4.0-8.3	0.2-1.6	10 327-12 501	9.3-18.2	29-81	48-116	1.0-1.8	1.2-1.9
SS-20-06	53-58	2.1-4.2	0.4 - 1.8	12 122-22 706	23-48	70-380	231-2106	1.9-5.5	1.1 - 2.6
ASH-2	57-62	1.1 - 7.1	0.4 - 1.9	10 597-14 184	4.1-43.1	12.2-286	74-385	1.3-8.6	0.6 - 2.5
ASH-1L	56-63	0.9 - 9.6	0.3-1.3	9771-17 025	5.3-20.5	33-116	38-332	1.2-3.6	0.2 - 2.0

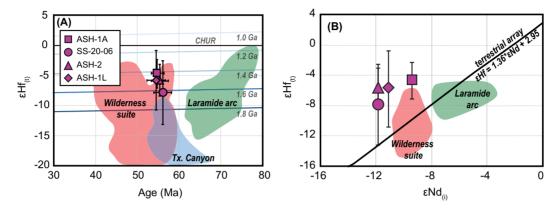


Fig. 9. (a) Zircon εHf<sub>(t)</sub> vs age plot for Relleno suite samples, the Wilderness suite (red blob) (Fornash *et al.*, 2013), the Texas Canyon stock (blue blob) (Chapman *et al.*, 2018), and Laramide arc rocks (green blob) (Fornash *et al.*, 2013). Crustal evolution lines are shown in blue from 1.0 to 1.8 Ga, calculated with <sup>176</sup>Lu/<sup>177</sup>Hf=0.015. (b) Samples of the Relleno suite, Wilderness suite (red blob) (Fornash *et al.*, 2013), and Laramide arc (green blob) (Fornash *et al.*, 2013) plotted on a zircon εHf<sub>(t)</sub> vs whole-rock εNd<sub>(i)</sub> diagram with the terrestrial array of Vervoort *et al.* (1999). The Hf–Nd isotopic decoupling observed in the Relleno suite is a common feature of anatectic rocks (e.g. Zhang *et al.*, 2020).

of Loucks *et al.* (2020), which is applicable over a range of magmatic types and conditions, including metaluminous–peraluminous granitic magmas. Redox state of a magma can change  $Ce^{3+}$  to  $Ce^{4+}$  in oxidizing conditions which increases Ce compatibility in zircon. Ce concentrations in zircon range from 4.1 to 47.6 ppm and U concentrations range from 38 to 2106 ppm. Using pressure estimates of emplacement of the Wilderness suite from Anderson *et al.* (1988), zircons from the Relleno suite yield a range of  $\Delta FMQ$  values (where FMQ is fayalite–magnetite–quartz buffer) from 0.2 to 2.6 and average  $\Delta FMQ$  values of 1.5–2.1, equivalent to a range of  $\log fO_2$  values from -16 to -14 (Table 3).

Zircon  $\varepsilon$ Hf $_{(t)}$  values are reported as weighted averages with uncertainty reported at  $2\sigma$ . Zircon  $\varepsilon$ Hf $_{(t)}$  values were calculated from grains consistent with the crystallization age of the sample (Table 1, Fig. 9). Sample ASH-1A yields the most juvenile  $\varepsilon$ Hf $_{(t)}$  value of  $-4.7 \pm 2.4$  (n=12), and samples ASH-1L and ASH-2 yield similar  $\varepsilon$ Hf $_{(t)}$  values of  $-5.8 \pm 4.9$  (n=11) and  $-5.8 \pm 2.7$  (n=10). Sample SS-20-06 yields the most evolved  $\varepsilon$ Hf $_{(t)}$  value of  $-7.9 \pm 5.3$  (n=11).

#### Whole-rock major and trace element geochemistry

The Relleno suite samples are metaluminous to moderately peraluminous and have ASI values (molar  $Al_2O_3/CaO - 3.33P_2O_5 + Na_2O + K_2O$ ) of 0.99–1.05 and represent M values [molar  $Na_2O + K_2O + 2CaO/(Al_2O_3 \times SiO_2)$ ] of 1.39–1.67, have alkali contents of 7–8 wt% and a range of silica content of 66–75 wt% (Fig. 4). For comparison we collected and analyzed two samples of the Wilderness suite granites (WILD-1 and WILD-2); they have similar alkali and silica content but have higher ASI values of 1.1 and 1.3 and represent M values of 1.15 and 1.25. The Relleno suite samples display a convex chondrite-normalized REE pattern with enrichments in

LREE, moderate depletions in HREE, a flat HREE slope, and weak to no negative Eu anomaly. Wilderness suite samples have similar LREE concentrations, more pronounced negative Eu anomalies and a slight enrichment in HREE relative to the Relleno suite. On a midocean ridge basalt (MORB)-normalized trace element diagram the Relleno and Wilderness suites show negative anomalies for Nb, P, and Ti (Fig. 4).

#### Whole-rock Sr and Nd isotopes

We measured whole-rock Sr and Nd isotopes from Relleno suite samples ASH-1A, ASH-1B, ASH-2, SS-20-06 and ASH-1L, and amphibolite enclave sample ASH-A (Table 1). Initial isotope ratios are reported from their U–Pb crystallization ages or recalculated to 55 Ma. The Relleno suite displays a range of  $^{87}\mathrm{Sr}/^{86}\mathrm{Sr}_{(0)}$  values of 0.706687–0.709639 resulting in  $^{87}\mathrm{Sr}/^{86}\mathrm{Sr}_{(i)}$  values of 0.706448–0.709352 and  $^{143}\mathrm{Nd}/^{144}\mathrm{Nd}_{(0)}$  values of 0.512243–0.512124 resulting in  $^{143}\mathrm{Nd}/^{144}\mathrm{Nd}_{(i)}$  values of 0.512207–0.512087 and  $\varepsilon\mathrm{Nd}_{(i)}$  values from –9.4 to –11.8 (Table 1, Figs 9 and 10). Amphibolite enclave sample ASH-A yields an  $^{87}\mathrm{Sr}/^{86}\mathrm{Sr}_{(55~\mathrm{Ma})}$  value of 0.7084 and an  $\varepsilon\mathrm{Nd}_{(55~\mathrm{Ma})}$  value of -3.0.

# Mineral oxygen isotopic compositions

Oxygen isotopic data are presented from quartz, feldspar, biotite, magnetite, and zircon in Table 4. Reconstructed whole-rock  $\delta^{18} {\rm O_{VSMOW}}$  values range from 6.4 to 7.1‰. Sample SS-20-06 yields a quartz  $\delta^{18} {\rm O_{VSMOW}}$  value  ${\sim}2\%$  heavier relative to other samples of 9.4‰ and sample ASH-1L yields a biotite  $\delta^{18} {\rm O}$  value 3–4‰ lower than other samples. Using quartz–magnetite, quartz–zircon, and quartz–biotite mineral pairs, oxygen isotope equilibration thermometry was applied to samples following Bottinga & Javoy

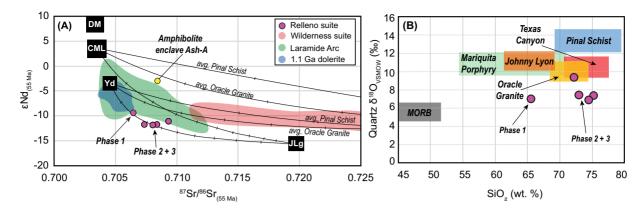


Fig. 10. (a) Plot of  $\varepsilon_{\text{Nd}(55 \text{ Ma})}$  vs  ${}^{87}\text{Sr}/{}^{86}\text{Sr}_{(55 \text{ Ma})}$  for samples of the Relleno suite, amphibolite enclave (ASH-A), the Laramide continental arc (Farmer & DePaolo, 1984; Lang & Titley, 1998) and binary mixing lines between continental mantle lithosphere (CML) (Kempton *et al.*, 1991), Johnny Lyon granodiorite (JLg), and dolerite (Yd) (Bright *et al.*, 2014), and evolved Proterozoic crustal rocks. End members: Johnny Lyon granodiorite (A. Meijer, personal communication); average Pinal Schist metapelite (Copeland, 1986); average Oracle granite (Barovich, 1991). (b) Quartz  $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{VSMOW}}$  values vs whole-rock SiO<sub>2</sub> for Proterozoic rocks including the Pinal Schist (blue rectangle) and Johnny Lyon granodiorite (orange rectangle) (Turi & Taylor, 1971), and the Oracle Granite (yellow rectangle) (Kerrich & Rehrig, 1987; Anderson & Morrison, 2005), Laramide arc rocks including the Mariquita Porphyry (green rectangle) and the Texas Canyon stock (red rectangle) (Turi & Taylor, 1971; Salas *et al.*, 2013), and MORB compositions.

Table 4: Oxygen isotope analyses of mineral separates relative to VSMOW (%0)

Sample	Est. $\delta^{18}$ O	$\delta^{18}{ m O}$ qtz	$\delta^{18} O$ bt	$\delta^{18} O$ fsp	$\delta^{18} O$ mgt	$\delta^{18}{ m O}~{ m zrc}$
ASH-1A	6.7	$7.2 \pm 0.1$	$4.5 \pm 0.1$	$7.6 \pm 0.1$	$0.7 \pm 0.1$	$4.2 \pm 0.1$
ASH-1B	6.7	$7.4 \pm 0.1$	$4.3 \pm 0.1$			
ASH-1L	6.4	$6.8 \pm 0.1$	$1.0 \pm 0.1$			
ASH-2	6.6	$7.3 \pm 0.1$	$3.6 \pm 0.1$			
SS-20-06	7.1	$9.4 \pm 0.1$	$4.6\pm0.1$	$7.1 \pm 0.1$	$-0.6 \pm 0.1$	

(1975) and Javoy (1977). Quartz-biotite, quartz-magnetite, and quartz-zircon equilibration temperatures of the Relleno suite are in the range 483–781 °C, 525–708 °C, and 664 °C respectively (Fig. 11).

#### Pseudosection models

Modeled melt compositions are presented for representative samples of Oracle granite, dolerite, and Johnny Lyon granodiorite (Fig. 11, Supplementary File 3). At conditions of 725 °C and 5 kbar dolerite did not produce any melt; however, samples of Johnny Lyon granodiorite and Oracle granite produced melt compositions of 69-71 wt%  $SiO_2$ , 6–9 wt%  $Na_2O + K_2O$ , ASI values of 1.0–1.17, and one granodiorite sample produced an Fe/Mg value of 5.6. Melt percentages of Johnny Lyon granodiorite are 7-9 wt% and melt percentages of Oracle granite are 5-12 wt%. At conditions of 825 °C and 10 kbar, dolerite produced melt compositions in the range 62-70 wt% SiO<sub>2</sub>, 3-6 wt% Na<sub>2</sub>O + K<sub>2</sub>O, ASI values of 1.02 and Fe/Mg values of 3-7 whereas Johnny Lyon granodiorite and Oracle granite produced melt compositions with ranges of 67-71 wt% SiO2, 6.5-9 wt%  $Na_2O + K_2O$ , ASI values of 1.0–1.07, and Fe/Mg values of 3–9. Melt percentages are 3.5-22 wt% for dolerite, 8-9 wt% for Johnny Lyon granodiorite, and 5-12 wt% for Oracle granite. Melting of dolerite requires up to 5 wt% added H2O at 825 °C.

#### **DISCUSSION**

New zircon U-Pb geochronology reveals that the Relleno suite is contemporaneous with both the southern Arizona anatectic suite and the Laramide continental arc; however, the geochemical and isotopic compositions of the Relleno suite do not match well with either magmatic event. Laramide arc rocks are generally interpreted to have originated in the mantle and then experienced various degrees of crustal assimilation and fractional crystallization in MASH (melting, assimilation, storage, homogenization) (Hildreth & Moorbath, 1988) or deep crustal hot zones (Annen et al., 2006). Rocks from the southern Arizona anatectic suite are thought to be chiefly produced during crustal anatexis with no new mass additions from the mantle. We favor the interpretation that the Relleno suite is primarily a crustal melt that was derived from a mixture of intermediate-mafic lithologies in the lower to middle crust; specifically, equivalents of the 1.6 Ga Johnny Lyon granodiorite and 1.1 Ga dolerite, which the Relleno suite intruded into. Melting of these igneous rocks can explain the unique geochemical characteristics and also distinguishes the Relleno suite from other parts of the southern Arizona anatectic suite that have been interpreted to be derived in part from metasedimentary sources. The disparity between the geochemical and isotopic characteristics between the Wilderness and Relleno suites results from the regional distribution of metasedimentary and igneous basementrock lithologies in southern Arizona. In the following sections, we discuss the characteristics and features that lead us to this conclusion.

# Evidence for crustal melting

# Radiogenic isotopes

Whole-rock Nd isotopes of the Relleno suite are strongly indicative of melting and assimilation of evolved crustal material.  $\varepsilon Nd_{(i)}$  values range from -9.4 to -11.8 and are slightly more evolved than

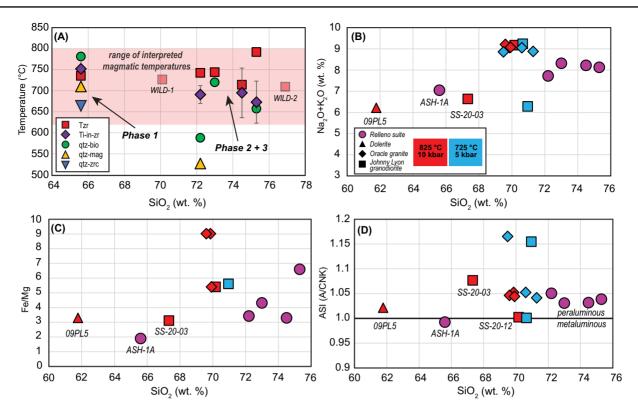


Fig. 11. (a) Plot of thermometry data vs whole-rock SiO<sub>2</sub> content. Zircon saturation temperatures ( $T_{zr}$ , red squares) were calculated from Watson & Harrison, (1983), titanium-in-zircon temperatures (Ti-in-zrc, purple diamonds) were calculated from Ferry & Watson (2007), and O isotope equilibration temperatures for quartz–biotite (qtz-bt, green circles), quartz–magnetite (qtz-mag, yellow triangles), and quartz–zircon (qtz-zrc, blue triangle) were calculated from Bottinga & Javoy (1975) and Javoy (1977). (b–d) Modeled melt compositions of Proterozoic country rock using Perple\_X (Connolly, 1990, 2005, 2009) compared with compositions of the Relleno suite from this study. Melt compositions are displayed for lithologies of the Johnny Lyon granodiorite (samples SS-20-03 and SS-20-12), Oracle granite (samples SS-20-09, SS-20-09, and SS-20-10), and dolerite [sample OPL95 from Bright et al. (2014)] at conditions of 725 °C, 5 kbar and 825 °C, 10 kbar.

 $\varepsilon Nd_{(i)}$  values of the Wilderness suite, which range from -8.4 to -10.2. The Relleno and Wilderness suites are more evolved than Laramide arc intrusions such as the Leatherwood granodiorite in the Catalina-Rincon core complex, which has  $\varepsilon Nd_{(i)}$  values of -4 to -8 (Fornash et al., 2013) and most other Laramide arc intrusions in southern Arizona, which range in  $\varepsilon Nd_{(i)}$  from +1 to -10 (Farmer & DePaolo, 1984; Lang & Titley, 1998) (Fig. 10). Intrusions of the Laramide arc display isotopic signatures consistent with mixing of mantle and crustal sources. In contrast, intrusions of the southern Arizona anatectic suite, including the Wilderness and Relleno suites, show significantly more evolved  $\varepsilon Nd_{(i)}$  values, indicative of negligible mantle influence. Despite the evolved  $\varepsilon Nd_{(i)}$  values, the Relleno suite displays only moderately evolved <sup>87</sup>Sr/<sup>86</sup>Sr<sub>(i)</sub> values of 0.7064– 0.7094, which we interpret to reflect partial derivation from a relatively mafic crustal source depleted in Rb and radiogenic Sr. We performed a mixing calculation using Sr and Nd concentrations and isotopic compositions between potential source rocks for the Relleno suite (Fig. 10) and the suite plots on a mixing line between 1.1 Ga dolerite and Johnny Lyon granodiorite. The calculations suggest that the Relleno suite could have been produced by partial melting of a mixed source comprising 80-55 % dolerite and 45-20 % granodiorite; however, sericitic alteration of feldspar and chlorite/epidote alteration of biotite produced by fluids associated with Oligocene-Miocene detachment faulting and core complex exhumation may have altered the Sr (and/or O) isotopic compositions of the Relleno suite, producing Sr isotopic values that artificially resemble a greater

magnitude of assimilation of lithologies depleted in radiogenic Sr (e.g. 1.1 Ga dolerite).

Zircon Lu-Hf isotopes from the Relleno suite yield  $\varepsilon Hf_{(t)}$  values of -4.7 to -7.9 and are also consistent with a crustal source; however,  $\varepsilon Hf_{(t)}$  values are juvenile compared with the Wilderness suite (Fig. 9a).  $\varepsilon Hf_{(t)}$  and  $\varepsilon Nd_{(i)}$  values of the Relleno suite display a positive deviation from the terrestrial array of Vervoort et al. (1999, 2000) (Fig. 9b). This type of positive deviation from the terrestrial array is often observed in igneous rocks produced by crustal anatexis (e.g. Zhang et al., 2020; Wang et al., 2020). Decoupling between the Hf and Nd isotopic systems during crustal melting has been attributed to disequilibrium melting and incomplete dissolution of mineral phases (Iles et al., 2018). Incomplete dissolution of low Lu/Hf zircon may result in melts with elevated 176Hf/177Hf relative to the bulk source rock composition (Watson & Harrison, 1983; Patchett et al., 1984; Scherer et al., 2000). This is particularly true for anatectic rocks produced from metasedimentary sources (Tang et al., 2014; Zhang et al., 2020). However, inherited (xenocrystic) zircon is relatively rare in the Relleno suite, which suggests that the parental magmas may have been at or below zircon saturation during initial melting (see the section below on zircon inheritance). Another possibility is that oxide mineralogy exerts a control on Hf isotopic compositions during crustal melting. Schmitz et al. (2004) identified residual mafic lower crustal rocks (granulite-facies xenoliths) in South Africa that were enriched in Lu/Hf during high-pressure metamorphism and crustal melting. The enrichment was attributed to the stability of titanomagnetite and ilmenite (which have Hf partition coefficients > 1), at the expense of rutile (Green & Pearson, 1986). Melts derived from similar deep crustal mafic rocks could produce the Hf–Nd decoupling observed in the Relleno suite. A final possibility is that preferential melting of a high Lu/Hf phase in the source could generate elevated  $\varepsilon$ Hf<sub>(t)</sub> values (Schmitz *et al.*, 2004; Iles *et al.*, 2018). Besides a high Lu/Hf oxide such as ilmenite (e.g. Schmitz *et al.*, 2004), other likely candidates include garnet, monazite, and apatite. The Relleno suite shows evidence for moderate HREE depletion (Fig. 4), which is interpreted to represent residual garnet or amphibole in the source, rather than preferential melting of garnet.

#### Oxygen isotopes

Oxygen isotopes of the Relleno suite yield quartz  $\delta^{18}$ O<sub>VSMOW</sub> values of 6.8–9.4‰ whereas intrusions of the Laramide arc in southern Arizona and northern Mexico range in quartz  $\delta^{18}$ O<sub>VSMOW</sub> from 9.5 to 11.8‰ (Turi & Taylor, 1971; Salas *et al.*, 2013). Proterozoic rocks in southern Arizona including the Pinal Schist, Johnny Lyon granodiorite, and Oracle granite have quartz  $\delta^{18}$ O<sub>VSMOW</sub> values of 11.7–15.1‰, 10.2–11.0‰ and 9.3–10.7‰ respectively (Turi & Taylor, 1971; Kerrich & Rehrig, 1987; Anderson & Morrison, 2005). The Relleno suite displays quartz O isotope ratios considerably depleted in  $^{18}$ O compared with Laramide arc and Proterozoic granitic rocks, which we interpret to reflect (partial) derivation from a mafic source, such as the 1.1 Ga dolerite (Fig. 10).

#### Geothermometry

Zircon saturation temperatures, Ti-in-zircon temperatures, and O isotope equilibration temperatures from the Relleno suite are consistent with dehydration melting of muscovite- and biotite-bearing protoliths at mid-crustal depths (Stevens & Clemens, 1993; Vielzeuf & Montel, 1994; Patiño Douce & Harris, 1998) (Fig. 11). Zirconbased thermometers (Tzr and Ti-in-zircon) tend to yield systematic underestimates of melt temperatures owing to the late-crystallizing nature of zircon in granitic melts (Siegel et al., 2018; Barnes et al., 2019). Zr-based thermometers yield temperatures of 690-792 °C, which are interpreted to be minimum estimates of the melt temperature in the source region. Oxygen isotope thermometry from the Relleno suite (657-781 °C) is consistent with the range of Zr-based thermometers. Subsolidus quartz-biotite and quartz-magnetite equilibration temperatures from sample SS-20-06 (566 °C and 527 °C respectively) probably reflect post-crystallization alteration or isotopic disequilibrium between mineral phases, whereas the quartzbiotite temperature of 483 °C from sample ASH-1L reflects partial alteration or recrystallization of biotite to chlorite.

#### Age relationships and zircon inheritance

Five new LA-ICP-MS zircon U-Pb ages from granitic rocks in the footwall of the Pinaleño Mountains indicate crystallization of the Relleno suite from 52.4 to 57.6 Ma (inclusive of age uncertainties). The relatively large uncertainty in the crystallization age reflects the large range of single zircon ages (c. 60–50 Ma) measured in each sample. The large spread of zircon U-Pb ages observed within a single sample is similar to the Wilderness suite (Fornash et al., 2013; Davis et al., 2019) and is interpreted to represent a prolonged period of melt generation and possible reworking of intrusive rocks (Fig. 12), which is characteristic of anatectic magmatism (Howard et al., 2011; Weinberg, 2016; Chapman et al., 2021).

Inherited zircons from the Relleno suite are rare (n = 8/150), but the ages of inherited cores range from 1.68 to 1.25 Ga, consistent with assimilation of c. 1.6 Ga Johnny Lyon granodiorite and 1.1 Ga

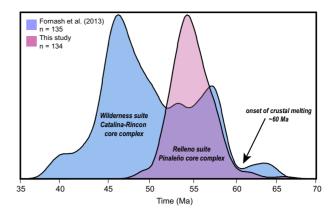


Fig. 12. Probability density plots of the Relleno suite (this study) in the Pinaleño–Jackson Mountain core complex and the Wilderness suite (Fornash *et al.*, 2013) in the Catalina–Rincon core complex using density plotter (Vermeesch, 2012).

dolerite (which contained zircons of c. 1.2 Ga age) and possibly 1.4 Ga Oracle granite; however, we note that xenocrystic zircon cores are the only line of evidence for assimilation of Oracle granite (Fig. 7). Similarly aged inherited zircon (1.7-1.4 Ga) are preserved in the Wilderness suite, which has been interpreted to be primarily derived from Oracle granite and Pinal Schist (Fornash et al., 2013). Bea et al. (2021) suggested that source rock lithology of anatectic melts controls the magma volume and solubility of zircon, and that zircon dissolution kinetics might be a governing factor in zircon preservation and inheritance characteristics. Anatectic granites derived from a pelitic source display significantly higher percentages (~90 % xenocrystic cores) of inherited zircon compared with rocks derived from a metaluminous igneous source (~10 % xenocrystic cores) (Bea et al., 2021). It is also likely that the Relleno suite and other anatectic rocks derived from intermediate-mafic sources represent higher magmatic temperatures compared with those derived from pelitic sources, which were more likely to completely dissolve xenocrystic zircon (e.g. Miller et al., 2003).

#### Magmatic sources

Proterozoic and Mesozoic igneous-metasedimentary lithologies compose a majority of the crustal section across southern Arizona and exert the strongest control on the isotopic, mineralogical, and geochemical characteristics of anatectic granites. Intrusions like the Pan Tak granite and Wilderness suite are hypothesized to have partially melted and assimilated pelitic lithologies of the Pinal Schist and exhibit strongly evolved  ${}^{87}\text{Sr}/{}^{86}\text{Sr}_{(i)}$ ,  $\varepsilon \text{Nd}_{(i)}$  and  $\varepsilon \text{Hf}_{(t)}$  values, comprise two micas ± garnet, and display elevated ASI values (Keith et al., 1980; Wright & Haxel, 1982; Force, 1997; Fornash et al., 2013). In contrast to these intrusions, the Relleno suite is metaluminous to weakly peraluminous, comprises granodioritic lithologies, and is interpreted to have partially melted and assimilated mafic crustal rocks based on highly evolved  $\varepsilon Nd_{(i)}$  and  $\varepsilon Hf_{(t)}$  values, but moderately evolved  ${}^{87}\text{Sr}/{}^{86}\text{Sr}_{(i)}$  values and low quartz  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  values. We hypothesize that the mafic contribution to this suite comes from partial melting and assimilation of equivalents of the 1.1 Ga dolerite exposed in the Pinaleño Mountains and southeastern Arizona.

To test our hypothesis that partial melting of intermediate—mafic (meta)igneous lithologies could have contributed to the Relleno suite we used pseudosection modeling to estimate melt compositions produced by partial melting of Johnny Lyon granodiorite, Oracle

granite, and dolerite (the majority of lithologies exposed in the Pinaleño Mountains). Specifically, we attempted to reproduce the Phase 1 composition, represented by sample ASH-1A, the most mafic sample in the Relleno suite, under the assumption that Phases 2 and 3 could be produced by fractional crystallization of Phase 1. Partial melting of Oracle granite does not produce compositions similar to the Relleno suite at either parameter we modeled (Fig. 11), which is consistent with the radiogenic isotope data and paucity of inherited zircon crystals with *c*. 1.4 Ga U–Pb ages. The modeled compositions resulting from partial melting of Oracle granite are too enriched in alkalis and enriched in Fe/Mg to be a source of the Relleno suite (Fig. 11, Supplementary File 3).

The composition of Phase 1 of the Relleno suite can be reproduced by partial melting of a mixed source, consisting of dolerite and Johnny Lyon granodiorite, but only under specific *P*–*T* conditions and initial water contents. The results of the pseudosection modeling indicate that partial melting of the Johnny Lyon granodiorite can occur at both end-member P-T conditions considered and at water contents <1 wt%; however, partial melting of dolerite occurs only at the hotter and deeper end-member condition considered (825 °C and 10 kbar) and occurs only when the amount of water in the starting composition is increased to  $\sim$ 5 % (Supplementary File 3). Because a free water phase is needed to partially melt dolerite at the pressure and temperature conditions considered, it raises the question of where that water may have come from. There are many possible sources, but some possibilities include mineral dehydration during metamorphism, fluid exsolution during crystallization of other nearby intrusions, and externally introduced water related to the dehydration of the shallowly subducting Farallon slab. Simple mixing models between a representative dolerite sample (sample 09PL5) and a representative Johnny Lyon granodiorite sample (sample SS-20-03) suggest that Phase 1 of the Relleno suite could represent a mixture comprising 60-70 % Johnny Lyon granodiorite and 30-40 % dolerite, based on SiO<sub>2</sub>, alkali content, ASI, and Fe/Mg values (Fig. 11). These mixing models suggest a larger contribution of Johnny Lyon granodiorite than dolerite in the melt source of the Relleno suite compared with Sr/Nd isotopic mixing models, which suggest significantly more dolerite (55-80 %) in the source.

An alternative interpretation to crustal melting is that the Relleno suite represents an intrusion of the Laramide continental arc, which has been interpreted to have involved melts generated in the continental mantle lithosphere (CML) and variable degrees of crustal assimilation in the southern US Cordillera (Chapman et al., 2017, 2018). To examine this possibility the isotopic compositions of the CML were estimated from mantle lithosphere xenoliths in the Geronimo Volcanic Field, located ~70 km SE of the Pinaleño Mountains (Kempton et al., 1991). The most juvenile isotopic compositions are interpreted to reflect end-member values for the CML. Sr/Nd mixing calculations between the CML and Proterozoic rocks produce  $\varepsilon \mathrm{Nd}_{(\mathrm{i})}$ values that are too juvenile for accompanying 87Sr/86Sr(i) values to resemble the Relleno suite (Fig. 10). When coupled with other lines of evidence, including Sr/Nd isotopic compositions consistent with a mixture of dolerite and granodiorite in the source and zircon  $\varepsilon Hf_{(t)}$ values that plot along 1.6-1.4 Ga crustal evolution lines, a mantle source for this suite can be discounted. However, Sr and O isotopic compositions strongly indicate the participation of mafic protolith(s) in the melt source, a hypothesis supported by whole-rock Nd and Sr isotope data, zircon Lu-Hf isotope data, quartz  $\delta^{18}$ O data, and melt composition calculations based on pseudosection modeling.

If our interpretation of the Relleno suite is correct, it suggests that other intermediate composition (e.g.  $65-70~\rm wt\%~SiO_2$ ) igneous suites

in southern Arizona may also have been produced by crustal anatexis. For example, the 58 Ma Texas Canyon stock, a quartz monzonite, located approximately 70 km south of the Pinaleño Mountains, is temporally and compositionally similar to the Relleno suite and was intruded into Johnny Lyon granodiorite and Pinal Schist (Turi & Taylor, 1971). The Texas Canyon stock is peraluminous, cross-cut by abundant aplite dikes, has strongly evolved radiogenic isotopes, heavy δ<sup>18</sup>O<sub>VSMOW</sub> values (Turi & Taylor, 1971; Chapman et al., 2018) and was previously interpreted by Arnold (1986) to be related to crustal melting, similar to the Wilderness suite. Parts of the Texas Canyon stock are strongly peraluminous and contain biotite + muscovite; however, the muscovite may be coarse muscovite or greisen alteration product and not magmatic (Runyon et al., 2019). Regardless, the Texas Canyon stock is an example of an intrusive unit that could also have been generated by partial melting of mafic (meta)igneous rocks in addition to other lithologies.

# Petrogenetic and tectonic implications

Throughout the North American Cordillera, peraluminous twomica ± garnet granites were emplaced into the middle crust during the Laramide orogeny, but the petrogenetic and tectonic processes that generated these crustal melts remain controversial (Miller & Bradfish, 1980; Miller & Barton, 1990; Chapman et al., 2021). Decompression melting during the exhumation of metamorphic core complexes has been proposed in the northern US and southern Canadian Cordillera (e.g. Shuswap core complex: Vanderhaeghe et al., (1999, 2003); Teyssier & Whitney, 2002; Gordon et al., 2008). However, anatectic granitoids in southeastern Arizona pre-date the exhumation of metamorphic core complexes by 15-25 Myr, and are probably not directly related to the formation of metamorphic core complexes (Chapman et al., 2021). Lack of migmatites in the core complexes of southern Arizona compared with core complexes in the central and northern Cordillera suggests that anatexis may have taken place at deeper crustal levels than those exposed in core complexes of southeastern Arizona. Barometric estimates completed by Anderson et al. (1988) suggest mid-crustal emplacement depths for the Wilderness suite in the Catalina and Rincon Mountains  $(\sim 4 \pm 1 \text{ kbar})$ , and we suspect a similar range for the Relleno suite because of its temporal and spatial relationship to the Wilderness suite. Future studies on anatectic rock in southern Arizona and core complex exhumation depths will help resolve emplacement pressures for the southern Arizona anatectic suite. A more appealing model proposed to be related to the petrogenesis of anatectic rocks exposed in core complexes in the central US Cordillera is crustal thickening and radiogenic heating (e.g. Patiño Douce et al., 1990; McGrew et al., 2000; Lee et al., 2003). If southern Arizona was an orogenic plateau as suggested by Chapman et al. (2020), we hypothesize that elevated geothermal gradients and radiogenic heating of crustal rocks may be responsible for generating partial melts.

# **CONCLUSIONS**

This study presents the first in-depth investigation of early Paleogene granitic rocks in the Pinaleño–Jackson Mountain metamorphic core complex. New zircon U–Pb geochronology indicates that the Relleno suite was emplaced from 60 to 50 Ma. The range of ages from each sample or phase of the suite suggests a prolonged crystallization history, similar to the range of ages observed in the Wilderness suite in the Catalina Mountains (*c.* 60–45 Ma). A wide range of magmatic ages (>10 Myr) and inherited zircon cores are common features of

igneous suites throughout the North American Cordilleran Anatectic Belt, and are consistent with a long-lived anatectic reservoir in the crustal root of an orogenic plateau (Whitney et al., 2013; Chapman et al., 2021). A compilation of ages from the Wilderness suite, Pan Tak granite, and Relleno suite suggests that the onset of crustal melting in the southern Arizona anatectic suite occurred at  $\sim$ 60 Ma. Whole-rock εNd<sub>(i)</sub> and <sup>87</sup>Sr/<sup>86</sup>Sr<sub>(i)</sub> values and isotopic mixing models are consistent with a mixed source including the 1.6 Ga Johnny Lyon granodiorite and 1.1 Ga dolerite. Zircon  $\varepsilon Hf_{(t)}$  values from the Relleno suite are also consistent with a crustal source; however, O isotopes of this suite strongly suggest input of a mafic source, which we interpret to be 1.1 Ga dolerite. Hf-Nd isotopic decoupling (i.e. deviation from the Hf-Nd terrestrial array) also supports partial melting of crustal rocks and is in agreement with dolerite and granodiorite in the melt source of the Relleno suite. Zirconbased geothermometers and O isotope equilibration temperatures indicate magmatic temperatures consistent with dehydration melting of muscovite- and biotite-bearing protoliths (~650-800 °C); however, some mineral pairs yield temperatures below the modeled solidi for the Relleno suite. In conjunction with thermometric and isotopic data, thermodynamic melt models of Johnny Lyon granodiorite, Oracle granite, and dolerite suggest that melt compositions representing a mix between granodiorite and dolerite are similar to Phase 1 of the Relleno suite.

We suggest that the Relleno suite represents an intrusion of the southern Arizona anatectic suite that was emplaced into the Arizonaplano, an orogenic plateau with thick crust present in the southern US Cordillera during the Laramide orogeny (Chapman et al., 2020). Intrusions such as the Wilderness suite and Pan Tak granite lie within the Pinal Basin, and their compositions and apparent magmatic volumes reflect derivation from and assimilation of metapelitic (+ igneous) rocks. The Pinaleño Mountains are located outside the Pinal Basin, and the lower apparent magmatic volumes, isotopic compositions, and geochemical characteristics of the Relleno suite more strongly resemble partial melting and derivation from mafic igneous rocks. From these relationships we infer that the southern Arizona anatectic suite represents a regionally significant magmatic event, produced by melting of diverse basement lithologies in the crust. The southern Arizona anatectic suite is distinct from other Mesozoic-Cenozoic igneous rocks in the southern US Cordillera, it generally post-dates and has distinct isotopic and mineralogical characteristics from intrusions of the Laramide continental arc, and it is unrelated to the formation and exhumation of metamorphic core complexes.

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