

**Paleoproterozoic multi-stage
magmatism recognition of the
western Ordos Block basement,
North China Craton: geochemistry
and Sr-Nd-Pb-Hf isotopic data from
the drillhole basement granitoids**

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Based on the petrogenesis and zircon ages of the drillhole samples from the Ordos Block basement, three stages of granitic magmatism are identified. The first-stage granitoids was emplaced at 2.49 Ga, and composed by peraluminous shoshonite K-rich granites with high SiO₂, K₂O/Na₂O, LREEs and LILEs. They have low (⁸⁷Rb/⁸⁶Sr)_i, slightly positive ε_{Nd}(t), ε_{Hf}(t) and variable ²⁰⁶Pb/²⁰⁴Pb, ²⁰⁸Pb/²⁰⁴Pb and high ²⁰⁷Pb/²⁰⁴Pb, suggesting that they were formed by partial melting from juvenal crust. Their high Al₂O₃/TiO₂, low (CaO+FeO^T+MgO+TiO₂) and variable Rb/Sr further indicate that their protolith are dominantly metapelites with minor metagraywackes. Second stage of granitoids were formed in 2.19-2.04 Ga, showing calc-alkaline, high-K calc-alkaline to shoshonite peraluminous granites with minor peraluminous granodiorites and diorites. They are characterized by variable SiO₂, K₂O/Na₂O, Rb/Sr, high LREE, LILEs and low HFSEs as well as variable (⁸⁷Rb/⁸⁶Sr)_i, ε_{Nd}(t), ε_{Hf}(t), ²⁰⁸Pb/²⁰⁴Pb and low ²⁰⁶Pb/²⁰⁴Pb, ²⁰⁷Pb/²⁰⁴Pb. Their Rb/Sr, Al₂O₃/TiO₂ and (CaO+FeO^T+MgO+TiO₂) are also variable, demonstrating that they were generated by the partial melting from both ancient metasedimentary and juvenal meta-basaltic rocks with different crustal residence ages. Last stage of granitoids were produced at 1.93 Ga, belonging to magnesian, high-K calc-alkaline diorite with low SiO₂, K₂O/Na₂O, Rb/Sr ratios, less radiogenic Sr-Nb and radiogenic Pb isotopic composition. They have right-inclined REE patterns with positive Eu anomalies and multi-element patterns with negative spikes of Nb, Ta, P, Ti and positive spikes of Pb, Sr, Ba. Combining their low Rb/Sr, Al₂O₃/TiO₂ and high (CaO+FeO^T+MgO+TiO₂), they were likely formed by the partial melting of pre-existing amphibolite materials. Consequently, all evidences confirm that the Western Block of North China Craton is an Archean continental block with ancient crust remnant which underwent multi-stage tectonothermal events during the Paleoproterozoic.