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# **Geochronology Tectonic Structural Evolution**

<sup>40</sup>Ar/<sup>39</sup>Ar geochronology method is a powerful tool to decipher the timing of structural event of metamorphic rocks. It has been used to assign reliable ages to the Earth and numerous meteorites along with highly deformed rocks within plate scale shear zones. However, the geological meaning of Ar ages obtained from mineral separates were hotly debated as multiple factors as: internal deformation, recrystallization, fluid circulation or preservation of inherited argon pre-metamorphic signature by shielding effect can affect the outcome of Ar ages within one mineral grain. For one to successfully decipher heterogeneities of <sup>40</sup>Ar/<sup>39</sup>Ar data that experienced complex metamorphic/deformation histories, detailed knowledge of microstructural/ micropetrological relationships of examined minerals, and numerical diffusion modeling of argon retention or loss are required.

#### Techniques used in study

- Structural & Microstructural geology
- ✓ Petrography
- ✓ Mineralogy
- Radioactive Isotope Geochemistry

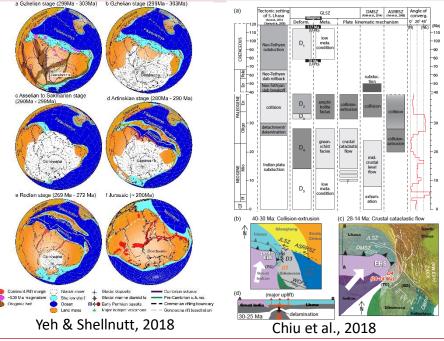
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