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30 Abstract

31 The Alpeiner amphibolite unit in the Stubai region is the eastern succession of the Central 32 Metabasite Zone (CMBZ) in the Austroalpine Oetztal-Stubai-Complex (OSC). In the Alpeiner 33 Valley, amphibolites and biotite-hornblende gneisses are alternating with metapelites and 34 metapsammites. Garnet in metapelite assemblages display growth zonations with spessartine- and 35 grossular-rich cores and pyrope-rich rims. Geothermobarometry signals a prograde metamorphism 36 with amphibolite-facies peak conditions at ~ 12 kbar and ~ 680 °C. The post P_{max} path with a 37 decompression to 4 kbar and 660 - 600 °C was estimated by geothermobarometry involving zoned 38 Ca-amphiboles in retrogressed amphibolitized eclogites. This P-T evolution is similar to the 39 Variscan P-T paths known from the central Oetztal and Sellrain regions. Electron microprobe Th-40 U-Pb monazite dating in the metapelites yielded two distinct maxima at ages around 270 Ma and 41 220 Ma. In detail, Carboniferous and Permian isochrone ages at 304 ± 26 Ma, 272 ± 16 Ma and 42 269 ± 13 Ma, but also Triassic isochrones at 209 ± 17 Ma can be extracted from 3 samples. 43 Monazite corona microstructures suggest a decomposition during decreasing temperature. In 44 contrast, clusters of small monazite within allanite signal a re-crystallization. This points to a 45 complex retrograde evolution when the P-T path approached low pressures. No Permian 46 pegmatites and no accompanying distinct low pressure high temperature metamorphic event have 47 yet been reported from the Stubai region. Therefore the monazite age data in combination to the 48 P-T path provide petrological arguments for a Permian-to-Triassic metamorphic event. The new 49 data from the Stubai basement indicates that this event, known from other Austroalpine basement 50 areas was not restricted to the pegmatite-bearing zones. This Permian-to-Triassic thermal 51 evolution with monazite crystallization appears during the decompression after a Carboniferous 52 continental collision with an eclogite to amphibolite-facies main metamorphism.

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54 **1. Introduction**

55 A major part of the Eastern Alps is composed of basement units with a polymetamorphic history.

56 The pre-Alpine Ordovician-Silurian, Carboniferous and Permian events, and the Alpine Cretaceous

57 and Tertiary metamorphism have been reported from various parts (Frey et al., 1999). The

58 Austroalpine Oetztal-Stubai Complex (OSC) is located in the Central Alps (Frisch et al., 2000;

59 Egglseder and Fügenschuh, 2013). It is one of the classical areas of polymetamorphism in the 60 Alps (Purtscheller, 1978; Thöni, 1999). Various isotopic dating methods have been applied there. 61 An Ordovician high-temperature anatectic event was reported from the Winnebach, Verpeil and 62 Gaisloch migmatites (Klötzli-Chowanetz et al., 1997; Neubauer et al., 1999; Hoinkes et al., 1999; 63 Söllner, 2001; Thöny et al., 2008). Eclogite-facies conditions were locally attained during the 64 Variscan (Devonian-Carboniferous) metamorphism (Mogessi et al., 1985; Mogessi and 65 Purtscheller, 1986; Miller and Thöni, 1995; Rode et al., 2012). The Variscan metamorphic overprint 66 led to kyanite, sillimanite and andalusite mineral zones (Fig. 1) of which boundaries cut across and 67 postdate the large-scale Schlingen structures of the regional foliation (Purtscheller, 1978). Towards 68 the South, an increasing grade of the Early-Alpine (Cretaceous) overprint has been described 69 (Thöni, 1981; 1983; Hoinkes et al., 1991; 1999; Hoinkes and Thöni, 1993; Thöni, 1999). This is 70 obvious from Variscan-to-Alpine K-Ar and Rb-Sr "mixed ages" of mica, changing to Cretaceous 71 ages towards the SE. The successive occurrence of chloritoid and then staurolite towards the 72 Schneeberger Zug and the Texel Complex, accompanied by distinct growth zones in garnet 73 porphyroblasts (Frank et al., 1987; Tropper and Recheis, 2003) are also assigned to this Early 74 Alpine overprint. The Late Alpine (Tertiary) events with South Alpine indenter and lateral extrusion 75 led to faults and shear zones which reframe and dissect the OSC. The main tectonic lines are the 76 sinistral Inntal fault zone to the North, the Brenner normal fault zone to the East, the Schneeberg 77 fault zone and Vinschgau shear zone to the South, the Schlinig zone to the West and the Engadine 78 line to the Northwest (Ratschbacher et al., 1991; Frisch et al., 2000; Schmid et al., 2004).

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80 Within this frame, Permian mica ages were formerly interpreted as Carboniferous - Cretaceous 81 "mixing ages" (Thöni, 1981). However, these days the Permian magmatic and metamorphic ages 82 which are known from various parts of the Austroalpine basement are interpreted to express a distinct geodynamic event (Schuster et al., 2001; Marotta and Spalla, 2007; Schuster and Stüwe, 83 84 2008). The Permian event has been explained by westward propagation of the Meliata ocean in 85 the course of a post-collisional extension of the Variscan orogen. Extensional fabrics and 86 decompression melting (granites and pegmatites) are discussed as indicators for this HT/LP 87 metamorphism (Schuster and Stüwe, 2008).

89 In this context, the OSC represents a difficult situation for the resolution of the thermal events by 90 age dating. Dependent on metamorphic grade and P-T paths, Rb-Sr, K-Ar and Ar-Ar methods can 91 provide at best the age of maximal pressure and further ages on the cooling history of the latest 92 metamorphic event. Methods based on U-Pb in zircon mostly fail, as the corresponding closure 93 temperature and formation temperatures have not been achieved during amphibolite-facies and 94 eclogite-facies metamorphism. Other methods as Sm-Nd in metamorphic garnet are difficult in 95 specific applications and rarely available. In this frame, the electron microprobe (EMP) Th-U-Pb 96 monazite dating in metapelites appears as promising. Here, we report corresponding data from the 97 Alpeiner Valley in the OSC. The monazite ages and the P-T evolution in this part of the 98 Austroalpine basement provide a link between the domains with Variscan metamorphism and the 99 domains where the Permian-to-Triassic event is manifested by numerous pegmatite intrusions.

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2. Geological setting and petrography

In the Alpeiner Valley around the Franz-Senn-Hütte in the NE part of the OSC, a succession from metapsammites and metapelites in the southern part, to an amphibolite dominated northern part of a Wechselserie are observed. Metagranitoids occur within this sequence (Fig. 2). Previous regional petrographic and tectonic studies (Hammer, 1929; Purtscheller, 1978; Schulz, 1994; Rode et al., 2012; Egglseder and Fügenschuh, 2013) cover the NE part of the OSC, but are lacking details from the Alpeiner Valley.

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109 The Alpeiner metabasites are mostly amphibolites and biotite hornblende gneisses and form the 110 eastern succession of the Central Metabasite Zone (CMBZ) of the OSC. Protoliths of the CMBZ 111 are gabbros and basalts with MORB-chemistry (Mogessie et al., 1985) and Early Cambrian ages 112 (Miller and Thöni, 1995), emplaced in a back-arc setting. The CMBZ is subdivided from N to S into 113 five zones (Purtscheller, 1978): (1) Roughly foliated amphibolite with layers and lenses of eclogite 114 and rare peridotite, (2) Dark, garnet-bearing amphibolites, (3) Alumosilicate gneisses (4) 115 Wechselserie (5) Southern eclogite zone. The Alpeiner metabasites are alternating with 116 metapelites to metapsammites and therefore have been assigned to the Wechselserie

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(Purtscheller, 1978). Lenses of retrogressed eclogites and calc-silicate-gneisses are interbedded
within the succession in the northern part (Figs 2; S1).

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120 The metapelitic and -psammitic rocks within the study area are composed of quartzites and 121 staurolite bearing micaschists and paragneisses. In the northern part, micaschists form lenses 122 within the "Wechselserie", often not extending more than 50 x 20 m. The mineral assemblage is 123 guartz, plagioclase, mica, biotite, garnet, staurolite and kyanite. Accessories are tourmaline, 124 sphene and ilmenite. Dependent on the grade of retrograde metamorphism, intense crystallisation 125 of chlorite can be observed. Staurolites is rimmed and pseudomorphed by sericite aggregates. 126 Plagioclase is also altered and shows deformation twins. Microstructures show asymmetric 127 pressure shadows around the garnets and sub-grain boundary recrystallisation of quartz.

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129 In the southern branch of the study area occur WSW striking layers of biotite-rich paragneisses. 130 Modal mineralogy consists of guartz, plagioclase mica and biotite. Accessories are garnet, 131 staurolite, kyanite and microcline. Chlorite and epidote occur in small scale shear zones. Snowball 132 structures in garnet are typical of syn-deformational growth. Nests and layers of green amphiboles 133 occur in the periphery to amphibolites. Monomineralic guartz layers up to 5 cm thickness are 134 common. Quartz microstructures show recrystallisation by subgrain boundary rotation (SGR) and 135 grain boundary migration (GBM). Quartz ribbons indicate a static recrystallisation during the 136 retrograde phase.

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The variety of metabasites ranges from amphibolitized eclogite, garnet-amphibolite and amphibolite to biotite-hornblende-gneiss with folded layers of calcsilicate gneiss. The unit shows in mean a smooth, zonal, anastomosing, sometimes gradational foliation. The amphibolitized eclogite can be observed in small, often altered lenses elongated several meters. Clinopyroxene and plagioclase appear exclusively in coarse-grained symplectites. Primary clinopyroxene has not been found. Garnet displays sieve-like internal structures and is often replaced by mica and feldspar.

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146 The amphibolites and hornblende gneisses are mainly composed of green amphibole and

147 plagioclase. Green amphibole has fringes by actinolite and chlorite. Garnet up to 2 cm in diameter

148 overgrows the foliated main fabric, indicating a crystallisation at a late stage of microstructure

149 formation. Plagioclase often displays saussuritisation. Epidote is characterised by core-rim-

- 150 structures.Quartz with subgrain boundary rotation recrystallisation forms layers parallel to the
- 151 foliation.
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153 The calcsilicate gneiss forms folded lenses and layers within amphibolite and plagioclase-

154 hornblende-gneisses. The SW-NE striking layers follow the main foliation and are associated to the

155 northern rim of metabasite zone (Purtscheller, 1978). The protoliths are syn-sedimentary

carbonate and marl layers. Often a fluent transition to surrounding lithology can be observed. This
 often goes ahead with increasing occurrence of ore minerals and gradational interbedding. Modal
 mineralogy is made of plagioclase, quartz, epidote, chlorite, garnet, wollastonite, Ca-amphibole
 and mica. Garnet is often pseudomorphed to batches composed of plagioclase, quartz, epidote

- 160 and chlorite.
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163 **3. Structures and tectonic setting**

164 The Oetztal-Stubai basement can be divided into two tectonic domains (Purtscheller, 1978; 165 Egglseder and Fügenschuh, 2013): (1) Pre-Mesozoic large amplitude open folds in the northern 166 part and (2) the large-scale Schlingen-structures in the southeastern part around Vent. In the 167 studied area, these large-scale fold structures (F_3) deform a pre-Mesozoic steeply N- and S-168 dipping main foliation S₂. Sub-horizontal to slightly ESE-WNW plunging non-cylindric parasitic folds 169 F₃ are minor structures of this large-scale folds. The geometrical interpretation of the S₂ main 170 foliation planes in the Alpeiner Valley reveals a 5 km scale gentle cylindric fold (Egglseder and 171 Fügenschuh, 2013) with a fold axis slightly plunging to NE. The π -pole at 024/27 was calculated by 172 an Bingham axial distribution (cylindrical best fit) with OSX Stereonet (Cardozo and Allmendinger, 173 2013). The additionally calculated conical best fit axis coincides with the axis from cylindrical best 174 fit. The regional major fold pattern is South-vergent with a WNW-ENE trending fold axis (Egglseder

and Fügenschuh, 2013). Same study revealed a mixed Type 2/3 fold interference pattern (Ramsay and Huber, 1987) for pre-Alpine two-stage folding (F_2 - F_3). Measured axes of monocline second order folds result in a mean vector of L 038/39. The calculated π -pole coincides with the 95% confidence interval of the measured second order fold axes (Fig. S1). The second order folds (F_3) are outstandingly visible in the units of the Wechselserie, where they are composed of calcsilicates or monomineralic quartz layers.

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182 At least, six deformation stages (e.g., Purtscheller, 1978; Egglseder and Fügenschuh, 2013) can 183 be observed in the study area: Large amplitude isoclinal folding F₂ was originated parallel to the 184 stretching direction during intense shearing D₁-D₂. This deformation is expressed in small scales 185 by isoclinally folded quartz-veins and calcsilicate layers. D₂ is associated to the formation of the main foliation (S₂ and fold axes F₂) and isoclinal folds F₂ of quartz layers. The deformation stages 186 D₁-D₂ and D₃ belong to the pre-Alpine events, because the axial traces and foliations are not 187 188 observed in the Brenner Mesozoic (Egglseder and Fügenschuh, 2013). Also mineral cooling ages 189 (Thöni, 1999) imply no Alpine (Cretaceous) metamorphic event with ductile deformation in the 190 northern parts of the Oetztal-Stubai Complex. The subsequent Alpine deformations display an 191 increasing brittle component (Egglseder and Fügenschuh, 2013): W to NW directed thrusts are 192 related to a Cretaceous thrusting. This stage is not observed in the study area. A subsequent top-193 to-SE directed shearing, appears to be related to a late Cretaceous extension. This stage is 194 observed in the two-mica porphyroblastic gneiss in the south-eastern part of the study area. Then 195 followed small scale NNW to SSE vergent brittle thrusts, related to thrusting of Austroalpine units 196 upon Penninic units. The final brittle stage are NE- and NW-trending strike-slip faults, related to 197 Miocene to Neogene lateral extrusion and exhumation of Tauern Window (Ratschbacher et al., 198 1991; Egger, 1997). One of these NE-SW striking faults can be observed in the western part of the 199 Rinnengrube. Also sub-vertical NE-SW trending Mohr-fracture systems belong to this stage (Fig. 200 S1).

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203 4. Analytical methods

4.1. SEM-based automated mineralogy (MLA)

205 Automated mineralogical methods (e.g. Fandrich et al., 2007), based on a scanning electron 206 microscope SEM Quanta 650-FEG-MLA by FEI Company, equipped with Bruker Dual X-Flash 207 energy dispersive spectrometers for EDX analyses were applied to complete thin sections of garnet micaschists. Electron beam conditions were set at 25 kV acceleration voltage at spotsize 208 209 5.0, which corresponds to beam current of 10 nA. A software package for mineral liberation 210 analysis (MLA version 2.9.0.7 by FEI Company) was used for the automated steerage of the 211 electron beam for EDX identification of mineral grains and collection of numerous EDX spectra. 212 The following measurement routines were applied:

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1) The SPL (Selected Phase Lineup) routine combines a backscattered electron (BSE) grey colour
value trigger and single spot EDX-ray spectral analysis. This enables the detection of rare phases
as monazite and xenotime and their surrounding minerals. One receives a catalogue of all
monazite and xenotime intermineral relationships. This was used to select monazite grains for
detailed EMP analysis.

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220 2) The GXMAP routine produces a narrow grid of ~ 1600 single EDX-ray spectra per mm². Garnet 221 and biotite were chosen as the target phases. For the classification of mineral phases and 222 compositions in SPL and GXMAP measurements, a list of identified reference EDX-ray spectra 223 was established by collecting spectra from matrix phases and from defined parts of several garnet 224 porphyroblasts (core - mid - rim). Garnet reference spectra are characterized by EDX-ray single 225 spot elemental analyses which revealed strong variations of Fe, Mg, Mn and Ca in the 226 porphyroblasts. In a next step, the reference spectra were labelled in a generic way with the 227 corresponding garnet Fe-Mg-Mn-Ca compositions. When the labelled spectra are arranged in a 228 color scale, they correspond to semi-guantitative garnet zoning maps (Fig. 3a). The GXMAP 229 measurements were classified against the reference EDX-ray spectra list with a high degree of 230 probability of match. The GXMAP measurements allowed to select a few typical garnets out of 231 dozens of porphyroblasts for quantitative WDS analysis with electron microprobe (EMP).

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233 **3.2. Electron microprobe (EMP) and monazite dating**

The mineral-chemical analyses from metabasite and metapelite samples and were performed with
a JEOL JXA-8900-RL instrument at beam conditions of 15 kV, 20 nA, 2 µm, and with the
corresponding ZAF correction procedures. The ~900 analytical points on garnet, mica, feldspar,
amphibole, clinopyroxene and epidote from the metapelite and metabasite samples enclose
detailed garnet zonation traverses.

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240 EMP-Th-U-Pb dating is based on the observation that common Pb in monazite (LREE, Th)PO₄ is 241 negligible when compared to radiogenic Pb resulting from the decay of Th and U (Montel et al., 242 1996). Electron microprobe analysis of the bulk Th, U and Pb concentrations in monazite, at a 243 constant ²³⁸U/²³⁵U, allows for the calculation of a chemical model age (CHIME) with a considerable 244 error (Jercinovic et al., 2008; Montel et al., 1996; Pyle et al., 2005; Spear et al., 2009; Suzuki and 245 Kato, 2008). The M α 1 lines of Th and Pb and the M β 1 lines for U of a PETH crystal were selected 246 for monazite analysis. Analytical errors of 2σ at 20 kV acceleration voltage, 100 nA beam current, 247 5 µm beam diameter and counting times of 320 s (Pb), 80 s (U) and 40 s (Th) on peak have been 248 considered for the calculations of ages. For Pb the error ranges typically from 0.016-0.024 wt. % 249 for the given dwell time, based on measurement on a reference monazite (Madmon). 250 Orthophosphates of the Smithsonian Institution were used as standards for REE analysis 251 (Jarosewich and Boatner, 1991). Calibration of PbO was carried out on a vanadinite standard. The 252 U was calibrated on a glass standard with 5 wt% UO₂. A reference monazite labelled as Madmon, 253 with special ThO₂*-PbO characteristics (Schulz and Schüssler, 2013) was used for calibration and 254 offline re-calibration of ThO₂ as well as for the control of data. Interference of YLy on the PbM α line 255 was corrected by linear extrapolation as proposed by Montel et al. (1996). An interference of ThMy 256 on UMβ was also corrected. The number of single analyses varies with the grain size of the 257 monazites, e.g. 1-2 analyses in grains of <40 µm and up to 10 analyses in grains of 100 µm in 258 diameter. Monazite chemical ages were first calculated using the methods of Montel et al. (1996). 259 The error resulting from counting statistics was typically on the order of ± 20 to ± 40 Ma (1 σ) for 260 Palaeozoic ages. Weighted average ages for monazite populations calculated using Isoplot 3.0 261 (Ludwig, 2001) are interpreted as the time of closure for the Th-U-Pb system of monazite during

262 growth or recrystallisation in the course of metamorphism. Ages were further determined using the 263 ThO_2^* –PbO isochrone method (CHIME) of Suzuki et al. (1994) and Montel et al. (1996) where 264 ThO_2^* is the sum of the measured ThO_2 plus ThO_2 equivalent to the measured UO_2 . This is based 265 on the slope of a regression line in ThO_2^* vs PbO coordinates forced through zero. In all analysed 266 samples, the model ages obtained by the two different methods coincide within the error.

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269 **5.** Mineral chemistry and geothermobarometry

5.1 Metapelites

271 The garnet- and staurolite bearing micaschists (RZ33 and RZ42) show an overall mineral 272 assemblage of garnet, kyanite, staurolite, biotite, muscovite, plagioclase and quartz. Sample RZ42 273 is an aluminous gneiss and contains all three Al₂SiO₅-phases. The aluminosilicates are not in 274 invariant equilibrium, as andalusite statically overgrows the foliated fabric with kyanite and 275 sillimanite, as it also has been described by Purtscheller (1978). Garnet is variable in shape and 276 size. Crystals range from small (1 mm) isometric to several mm large subhedral to euhedral grains 277 (Fig. 3a). Inclusions of ilmenite, titanite, mica, quartz and plagioclase can line up to an internal 278 foliation S_1 i. Asymmetric pressure shadows by quartz and mica imply a high fraction of simple 279 shear during generation of the external foliation S₂. Garnet zonations show a core-to rim trend with 280 decreasing spessartine (Sps 15 - 1 mole%, calculated from mole fraction*100) and grossular (Grs 281 20 - 10 mole%), and increasing pyrope (Prp 5 - 20 mole%) (Fig. 3a - d). Some garnets display 282 retrogressive spessartine rich overgrowths. Such rim zones are characterised by strong decrease 283 of the pyrope component (Fig. 3b, c). Staurolite, sometimes twinned and up to 2 mm in size, can 284 be observed. Staurolite within the matrix is not zoned and chemically homogeneous with Fe_{tot}/(Fe_{tot} 285 + Mg) ratio of 0.87 to 0.91 and 11.7 to 13.4 wt% FeO. Staurolite inclusions in garnet are richer in 286 Fe exhibiting a $Fe_{tot}/(Fe_{tot} + Mg)$ ratio of 0.65 and FeO_{tot} of 26.5 wt%. Biotite defines together with 287 muscovite the main foliation. Single biotites are not zoned. Dependent on the sample, they display 288 only little differences in composition with an overall range of XMg between 0.42 and 0.47 (sample 289 RZ42), and XMg between 0.38 and 0.55 (sample RZ33). Among the microstructures, three 290 different positions of biotite can be distinguished (Tropper and Recheis, 2003): (1) Biotites aligned

along the main foliation, (2) Biotite as inclusions in garnet with evolving Ti-contents from 0.08 to 0.10 (p.f.u.), and (3) Biotite in pressure shadows of garnets formed by the breakdown reaction of garnet = biotite + sillimanite + quartz. These biotites have highest Ti-contents (0.10 - 0.12). Matrix plagioclase shows a trend with An-rich (An₃₀) cores to albite-rich rims (An₅₋₁₀). Plagioclase grains within garnet (An₂₅₋₃₀) and in the pressure shadows (An₁₀₋₂₀) show lower An-contents. Aggregates with sericite are formed by breakdown reaction of staurolite and plagioclase during retrogression.

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298 The garnet zonations in the metapelite samples represent segments of a common mineral-

299 chemical trend, as can be demonstrated in the XMg-XCa coordinates (Fig. 3d). A crystallization of 300 the garnet first at increasing temperature and pressure, then during decompression at amphibolite 301 facies conditions, followed by decompression-cooling can be semiguantitatively derived from the 302 zonations in the XMg-XCa coordinates (Spear, 1993). Cores of garnet and matrix plagioclase as 303 well as relic mica and inclusion minerals in garnet should document the early stage of 304 metamorphism. Late stage metamorphic evolution is preserved in rims of matrix plagioclase and 305 garnet and plagioclase and large biotite in pressure shadows and microlithons. Thus, 306 representative and distinct single analysis of garnet, plagioclase and biotite were chosen in each 307 sample and labeled in the zonation diagrams (Fig. 3a-d, Table 1). Each single garnet zonation 308 trend represents a segment in the overall P-T evolution. Accordingly, the garnet-biotite Fe-Mg 309 exchange geothermometer and the garnet-plagioclase Ca-net-transfer geobarometers (Hodges 310 and Spear, 1982) were chosen. The latter are established as linearised garnet-alumosilicate-311 plagioclase-quartz (GASP) geobarometers. The datasets are based on internally consistent 312 thermodynamic data given by Hodges and Spear (1982) and Spear and Kohn (1999). P-T were 313 calculated by the program GTB OSX (Spear and Kohn, 1999). Alternatively, temperatures were estimated by the garnet-biotite geothermometers by Battacharya et al. (1992), and Holdaway 314 315 (2001). Pressures were also calculated with the garnet-aluminosilicate-plagioclase-quartz (GASP) 316 and the garnet-biotite-muscovite-plagioclase (GBMP) geobarometers, enclosing the internally 317 consistent thermodynamic mineral data set (Holland and Powell, 1998), with the activity models for 318 garnet and plagioclase taken from Powell and Holland (1993) and Ganguly et al. (1996), and the 319 empirical re-calibration of the GBMP barometer by Wu (2015).

321 In detail and dependent on Mn bulk rock compositions, garnet cores started to crystallise at ~ 460 -322 500 °C/7 - 8 kbar (Fig. 4a). Then maximal pressures at around 12 kbar were achieved at 680 °C. 323 This was followed by a decompression to 6 kbar, accompanied by only slight cooling to 660 °C. 324 The Mg-poor and Mn-enriched marginal zones of some garnets signal a cooling and 325 decompression toward 590 °C/4 - 6 kbar (Fig. 4a). Geothermobarometric estimates include a 326 minimum error of ± 35°C and ± 1 kbar (Spear and Kohn, 1999). Thus, resulting errors of 327 thermobarometric calculations are much higher than quantitative systematic error in 328 thermodynamic data and microprobe analysis. If these facts are considered, the P-T path's shape 329 and/or relative $\Delta P/\Delta T$ trends will be obtained. When applied to garnet cores and rims in the 330 samples RZ33 and RZ42, the single P-T segments line up to a clockwise prograde-retrograde P-T 331 path (Fig. 4a).

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333 **5.2 Metabasites**

334 Two metabasite samples were selected for mineral chemistry analyses and related 335 geothermobarometry. Sample RZ 24 is an amphibolitized eclogite (Purtscheller, 1978). Garnets 336 are up to 3 mm in diameter in a matrix composed of fine-grained symplectites, green amphiboles, 337 plagioclase, epidote and guartz. Titanite and ilmenite appear as the Ti-bearing phases. From cores 338 to rims the garnets are zoned with decreasing spessartine (Sps 12 to 1 mole%, calculated from 339 mole fraction*100), strongly increasing pyrope (Prp 5 - 25 mole%) at quite constant high grossular 340 (Grs 22 - 25 mole%). This pyrope zonation trend indicates crystallization at increasing 341 temperature. The Mg- and Ca-rich garnet rim compositions are typical of eclogites without coesite. 342 In combination with the symplectites this indicates a former eclogitic stage for the Alpeiner 343 amphibolite unit. Many inclusions of epidote towards the garnet rim are typical. Plagioclases are 344 slightly zoned, sometimes with oligoclase cores, but mostly with albitic compositions at An < 10. 345 Plagioclase is also albitic in the symplectites with secondary clinopyroxene with Jd < 10. Ca-346 amphiboles in the metabasites display considerable zonations and compositional variations which can be described best in ^{IV}AI vs. ^{VI}AI coordinates (Fig. 3e) and also in the Si vs XMg nomenclature 347 diagram (Fig. 3f) after Leake et al. (1997). Amphibole cores in sample RZ24 have high ^{VI}AI (~ 3.8 348

p.f.u.) of ferro-tschermakite and rims with lower ^{VI}AI (1.0) at similar ^{IV}AI (1.6). In sample RZ37 one
observes amphibole cores with Mg-hornblende compositions at ^{VI}AI of 1.5 and ^{IV}AI of 1.2 - 1.6
(p.f.u.). In this sample, amphibole rims and also a second generation of porphyroblasts are
actinolites with ^{VI}AI and ^{IV}AI below 0.4 (Fig. 3e,f).

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354 The garnet-clinopyroxene Fe-Mg geothermometer cannot be used for sample RZ24, as the only 355 observed clinopyroxene in the symplectites has low Na (Jd < 10) and no Na-rich clinopyroxene corresponding to the eclogitic stage remained preserved. The dependence of Si and ^VAI on 356 temperature and ^{VI}AI on pressure in Ca-amphiboles in assemblages with plagioclase, epidote, 357 358 guartz, ilmenite and/or titanite can be used for P-T estimates. The amphibole-bearing assemblages 359 in samples RZ24 and RZ match the requirements for the application of the geothermobarometer of 360 Zenk and Schulz (2004) which involves experimental data listed by Gerya et al. (1997). 361 Accordingly, the zoned ferro-tschermakitic to tschermakitic amphiboles in sample RZ24 crystallized during a nearly isothermal decompression from 11 to 6 kbar at 680 - 600 °C (Fig. 4b). 362 363 The Mg-hornblende and actinolites in sample RZ37 crystallized at mainly decreasing temperatures 364 from 600 to 400 °C/4 - 2 kbar (Fig. 4b). The P-T estimates from the metabasites contribute with 365 retrograde P-T segments to the overall clockwise P-T path of the Alpeiner series.

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368 6. Monazite ages and mineral chemistry

369 In the garnet micaschists the monazite appears in different grain sizes and microstructural 370 associations (Fig. 6). Grains with an elongated shape and an average length of 200 µm and width 371 of 50-150 μ m allowed for up to 15 single spot analysis. The grains are parallel to S₂ foliation. Large 372 monazite with slightly embayed grain boundaries show partly darker zones in the backscattered 373 electron (BSE) images (Fig. 5a, b). The single ages in these large grains vary from Carboniferous 374 to Permian (320 - 250 Ma), with Permian weighted average ages. No systematic variation of the 375 ages with the darker core and the lighter rim zones with higher ThO_2 contents are observed. A 376 strongly embayed large monazite gives a Triassic weighted average age due to numerous Jurassic 377 to Cretaceous single ages apart from the Permian ages (Fig. 5c). In samples RZ31 and RZ29, one

378 observes Permian monazite with the double corona structure by apatite and allanite. The apatite-379 allanite corona structures around Permian monazite (Fig. 5d-f) are interpreted as an indicator for 380 monazite decomposition. Monazite is progressively replaced in stages by apatite accompanied by 381 formation of allanite surrounding apatite. The initial stage of corona formation is characterized by 382 single tiny apatite grains which have crystallized between an allanite corona and monazite (Fig. 383 5d). The next stage is a continuous corona of apatite around monazite, which itself is surrounded 384 by a mantle of allanite. The allanite mantle is composed of crystals with radial orientation (Fig. 5d-385 f). This can be explained by pseudomorphic partial replacement of the original monazite by apatite 386 and allanite via a fluid-mediated coupled dissolution-precipitation process (Harlov et al., 2011; 387 Budzyń et al., 2011). At the present stage of knowledge, such monazite corona structures are 388 generated during decreasing pressure and temperature (Broska and Siman, 1998; Budzyń et al., 389 2011; Finger et al., 1998; Krenn and Finger, 2007), and retrogression (Upadhyay and Pruseth, 390 2012). When the weighted average ages of monazites in the corona structures are compared, a 391 systematic shift from Permian ages in well preserved monazite cores (Fig. 5d) toward Triassic and 392 Jurassic ages in tiny thin monazite relics in the coronas (Fig. 5f) can be stated.

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394 Another microstructural feature are clusters composed of numerous small monazite grains with 395 diameters of mostly < 10 µm (Fig. 5g-h). These small monazite grains are surrounded by allanite. 396 The cluster monazite in association with allanite, plagioclase, mica display mostly Permian to 397 Triassic ages. This arrangement of cluster monazite are distinct from the satellite monazite 398 structure as it was described by Finger et al. (2016). The satellite monazite microstructure are 399 small grains arranged around a larger central grain and is considered as the new crystallization of 400 monazite in a former apatite-allanite double corona structure when monazite stability conditions 401 are attained by re-increasing temperature after a retrogression. In contrast, the monazite clusters 402 apparently pseudomorph large mica. Each of the small monazite grains is embedded and 403 surrounded by allanite. However, at the present limited stage of knowledge about this structure, 404 the Permo-Triassic monazites in the clusters represent at least a period of intense re-405 crystallization.

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407 The monazites in the three studied samples display a diverse mineral chemistry. In the age vs 408 Y_2O_3 plot, monazite in sample RZ29 are mostly high in Y_2O_3 (up to 3 wt%), whereas in sample 409 RZ42 they are mostly low in Y₂O₃ (0.2 - 1.5 wt%). In sample RZ31 the whole compositional range 410 of Y₂O₃ contents occur (Fig. 6a). Overall, the contents of LREE, and also ThO₂ (1.5-6 wt%) and 411 UO₂ (0.1-1.6 wt%) are within the range of metamorphic monazites (Spear and Pyle, 2002, Wing et 412 al., 2003). In the age vs UO₂, XHREE+Y vs XLREE and also in the XGdPO₄ vs XYPO₄ plots, 413 overlapping trends are observed in the three samples (Fig. 6b-d). The XYPO₄ slightly exceed the 414 limit of the garnet zone or garnet isograd as given by Pyle et al. (2001), but do not reach the limit 415 between the sillimanite zone and migmatism (Fig. 6d). The XHutt is negligeable and the XCher in 416 most monazites ranges from 0.05 to 0.15 (not shown). The dominant cheralite exchange (Th or U 417 + Ca = 2 REE) is typical for systems with elevated Ca (Spear and Pyle, 2002). Monazites in 418 sample RZ42 strictly follow the cheralite substitution trend in Th+U vs Ca coordinates (Fig. 6e). In 419 contrast, the monazites in samples RZ31 and especially sample RZ29 with many Triassic ages 420 deviate from the pure cheralite substitution trend and display almost constant Ca at increasing 421 Th+U (Fig.6e).

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423 In the histogram view, the distribution of single spot ages display a prominent maximum in the 424 Permian (280 - 270 Ma) and a second and considerably lower maximum in Triassic times at 230 -425 220 Ma (Fig. 6f). Only a few Carboniferous ages appear in the histogram view. Cretaceous ages 426 are also rare. As expressed in the histogram, in the single large grains and the cluster weighted 427 average mean ages (Fig. 5), several isochrons can be defined in the single samples. However, all 428 these isochrones are mainly established by sorting of the data and are characterised by low values 429 of R² and weak MSWD. Carboniferous isochrones at 304 ± 26 Ma (sample RZ42) and 321 ± 33 Ma 430 (sample RZ31) are poorly defined and underlined by only a few data (Fig. 7a, b). The Permian age 431 isochrones at 272 ± 15 Ma (RZ42) and 269 ± 13 Ma (RZ31) enclose a considerable number of 432 single ages. For sample RZ29 the Permian isochrone at 252 ± 31 Ma is poorly defined with a few 433 data and most monazite ages fall into the Triassic (202 ± 34 Ma, Fig. 7c). In the other samples, 434 one can also calculateTriassic isochrones at 215 ± 59 Ma and 209 ± 17 Ma, which sometimes can 435 be defined by monazites with lower ThO_2^* (Fig. 7a, b)

437 **7. Discussion and Conclusions**

438 The combination of the thermobarometric results from garnet metapelites and metabasites in the 439 Alpeiner Valley points to a clockwise P-T path which evolved mainly in the high-pressure 440 amphibolite-facies. The prograde P-T path started in the kyanite stability field. Maximal pressures 441 and temperatures range around 12 kbar and 680 °C. Then the P-T path passed the sillimanite field 442 at decreasing pressure. Zoned green amphiboles recorded conditions from 4 - 5 kbar/600 °C to 2 443 kbar/400 °C, indicating a retrograde P-T path which entered the andalusite stability field (Fig. 8a). 444 This matches the observation of the three alumosilicates in sample RZ42, where and alusite 445 overgrows the fabric at a late stage of the evolution. By a comparison to P-T data and paths from 446 garnet metapelites in adjacent parts of the Oetztal-Stubai Complex (e.g., Schulz, 1994; Tropper 447 and Recheis, 2001; Rode et al., 2012), it appears likely that the amphibolite-facies metamorphism 448 in the Alpeiner Valley matches the Variscan (Carboniferous) event described from the Sellrain, 449 Umhausen and Sölden areas (Fig. 8a). It was not possible to constrain eclogite facies P-T 450 conditions in the Alpeiner Valley metabasites, as it has been described from the Central 451 Metabasite Zone (CMBZ) in the Oetztal (Miller and Thöni, 1995; Rode et al., 2012). Omphacite 452 with high jadeite contents was not preserved in the Alpeiner Valley metabasites. However, the 453 pervasive occurrence of symplectites with low jadeite bearing clinopyroxene demonstrates that the 454 metabasites should have experienced somewhat higher pressures as were actually recorded by 455 the green amphiboles.

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457 It appears tempting to relate the pressure-dominated amphibolite-facies metamorphism in the 458 Alpeiner Valley to the pervasive crystallisation of Permian to Triassic monazites. However, the 459 similarity of the P-T path from the Alpeiner Valley to the Carboniferous P-T paths from the Oetztal 460 (Fig. 8a) counts against such an interpretation. Also the monazite phase stability limits should be 461 considered in this discussion. Studies in amphibolite-facies metapelites have identified a major 462 pulse of monazite growth, which could be linked to the breakdown of garnet at decreasing 463 pressure (Pyle and Spear, 1999; Pyle et al., 2001; Spear, 2010). In fact, the P-T record in the 464 metapelite garnet ceased during decompression. This could explain the wide variety of Y in

465 monazite which crystallized subsequent to the garnet and which could have incorporated the Y from decomposed garnet. According to Janots et al. (2007), Spear (2010), Spear and Pyle (2010) 466 467 and Goswami-Banerjee and Robyr (2015), monazite is stable under amphibolite-facies conditions. 468 The temperature-dependent univariant allanite-monazite equilibrium with the monazite stability limit 469 is qualitatively shifted toward lower temperature with decreasing Ca and increasing AI in the bulk 470 rock (Fig. 8a). Within this frame, monazite should have crystallized when the actual P-T path 471 passed the allanite-monazite stability limit at decreasing pressure (Fig. 8a). Considering XCa and 472 XAn in garnet and plagioclase, and the occurrence of the metapelite layers within a rock suite 473 dominated by metabasites, the Alpeiner Valley garnet micaschists should have considerably higher 474 bulk rock Ca when compared to the aluminous micaschist samples at Umhausen, Sölden and 475 Sellrain as reported by Rode et al. (2012). This implicates that most of the Alpeiner Valley 476 monazite should have crystallized at comparably lower pressures and at a late stage, when the 477 decompression P-T path passed from the sillimanite to the andalusite stability field (Fig. 8a). If this 478 is accepted, the P-T evolution within the kyanite and sillimanite stability fields should be also 479 Carboniferous in the Alpeiner Valley, as was similarly reported from the adjacent Sellrain, 480 Umhausen and Sölden micaschists (Rode et al., 2012). Monazite isochrones at 324 ± 27 Ma 481 (sample RZ31) and 304 ± 26 Ma (sample RZ42) support this interpretation. These poorly defined 482 isochrones (Fig. 7a, b) are assembled by disperse single monazite analyses within larger grains. 483

484 The bulk of monazite analyses is related to isochrones at 272 ± 15 Ma and 260 ± 12 Ma, partly 485 with a broad cluster of the data around the regression, and a maximum in the histogram at ~270 486 Ma (Fig. 7b, c, 8b). One sample (RZ29) displays a Triassic isochrone (Fig. 7a), however, in the 487 histogram view a sub-maximum of ages appears at ~220 Ma (Figs 5f, 8b). When compared to the 488 monazite age data from the Sellrain, Umhausen and Sölden regions (Rode et al., 2012), with their 489 unimodal age distributions around 317 ± 5 Ma, the mostly Permian Alpeiner Valley monazites 490 apparently indicate a distinct thermal event in the histogram distribution (Fig. 8b). However, in the 491 Alpeiner Valley on one hand large Permian monazite grains were consumed during retrogression 492 in the double corona structures. On the other hand, the monazite cluster structures support a new 493 crystallization of monazite in domains of allanite. Their age pattern also differs from observations

494 from the Austroalpine basement to the south of the Tauern Window, where bimodal Carboniferous 495 and Permian monazite age distributions occur (Krenn et al., 2012). The monazite age pattern of 496 Alpeiner Valley also differs from the Eclogite Unit of the Saualpe to the E of the Tauern Window, 497 where Cretaceous monazite is abundant apart a Permian population (Schulz, 2016). Permian 498 metamorphic and magmatic ages have yet been mainly reported from Austroalpine basement 499 domains where numerous intrusions of Permian pegmatites occurred (Schuster et al., 2001; 500 Schuster and Stüwe, 2008, and references therein). Evidently, the fluid activity associated to these 501 intrusions enhanced the monazite crystallisation in metapelites, when low pressure and low bulk 502 Ca compositions are given.

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There are yet no own observations or reports of pegmatites and Permian pegmatites respectively from the Alpeiner Valley and the OSC nearby. As a consequence, the P-T path and the monazite ages from the Alpeiner Valley may be considered as a link between the Austroalpine domains with exclusively Carboniferous high-pressure amphibolite to eclogite facies metamorphism, and the domains with the Permian event evidently manifested by the pegmatites. The observations from the Alpeiner Valley also indicate that a distinct Permian to Triassic thermal event appeared after a precedent Carboniferous collisional crustal thickening, as proven by clockwise P-T paths.

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512 The nature and geodynamic significance of a Permian to Triassic event in the Austroalpine and 513 also Southalpine basement units has been increasingly discussed with the emerging new age data 514 and the re-interpretation of existing data (Schuster et al., 2001). According to Schuster and Stüwe 515 (2008), the Permian event can be related to (1) intrusion of Permian gabbros into the middle and 516 lower crust, (2) granite and pegmatite intrusions at mid-crustal levels, (3) guartz-andalusite veins 517 and (4) Permian volcanics. These Permian magmatic features are possible in an extensional 518 tectonic cycle as outlined by Schuster and Stüwe (2008). The P-T data from the Alpeiner 519 metamorphic rocks provide no detailed resolution of the Permian to Triassic event in terms of a re-520 heating and then further cooling path at low pressures. However, the monazite age data at least 521 documents a prolonged, decelerated, and possibly more complex post- Permo-Triassic history 522 subsequent to the Carboniferous amphibolite facies stage. By comparison to P-T-t data from the

523 adjacent Oetztal, it is also evident that monazite age data not necessarily refers to the garnet

524 crystallization during the main metamorphic event in the basement, but can give witness to a

525 subsequent geodynamic evolution at lower pressures.

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834	after Purtscheller (1978), and domains of Alpine Cretaceous metamorphism after Thöni (1981) and
835	Hoinkes and Thöni (1993). Study area around the Franz-Senn-Hütte is marked.

Figure 2: (a) Geological sketch map of the area W of Franz-Senn-Hütte in the Alpeiner Valley,
Austroalpine Oetztal-Stubai basement, with sampling locations referred to in the text. See details in

839 Fig. S1.

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841 Figure 3: (a) Map of energy dispersive X-ray (EDX) spectra in garnet micaschist. Spectra for 842 garnet porphyroblasts are labelled in a generic way by Fe, Mg, Mn, and Ca contents in normalised 843 element wt%. Bt - biotite; Grt - garnet; Locations of analytical profiles and traces of foliations S₁i 844 and S₂ are marked. Numbers are EMP analyses along profiles. (b, c) Zonations in micaschist 845 garnet including almandine (Alm-50 %, due to scale), pyrope (Prp), grossular (Grs) and 846 spessartine (Sps) components (in mole %). Numbers are selected garnet analyses used for 847 geothermobarometry. The profiles are labelled from the cores (c) to the rims (r) of garnet. (d) 848 Garnet zonations in XMq-XCa coordinates. Arrows indicate core-to-rim (c, r) zonation trends from 849 single garnet profiles. Numbers are selected garnet analyses for geothermobarometry. The garnet 850 XMg-XCa zonations refer to the semiguantitative pressure-temperature trends A (heating-851 compression), B (heating-decompression) and C (isothermal decompression), as outlined in Spear 852 (1993). (e) Mineral chemistry and zonations of Ca-amphibole in metabasite samples, according to Leake et al. (1997). (f) Ca-amphibole zonations in ^{IV}Al vs ^{VI}Al coordinates, with relative *P-T* trend. 853 854 c1, c2 - cores, r1, r2 - rims of amphiboles.

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856 Figure 4: (a) Geothermobarometry and *P-T* estimates from garnet micaschists. Crosses mark 857 results from garnet-biotite (Grt-Bt) thermometers and GASP and GBMP barometers (HP - Holland 858 and Powell (1998); SK - Spear and Kohn (1999); Wu - Wu (2015). See text and Table 1 for details 859 and combination of analyses. Arrow indicate P-T trend given by combination of data from samples 860 RZ33 and RZ42. The aluminosilicates (And, Ky, Sill), cordierite-in (Cd+), muscovite-out (Ms-) and 861 staurolite-in and -out (Sta+, Sta-) univariant lines are after Spear (1993). Bold cross at lower right 862 marks a general uncertainty of \pm 50 °C/1.0 kbar. (b) Geothermobarometry and P-T estimates 863 (crosses) from amphibolitized eclogite (RZ24) and amphibolite (RZ37), by the Ca-amphibole 864 equilibria geothermobarometer (ZS) by Zenk and Schulz (2004). Isopleths for jadeite (Jd10)

content in clinopyroxene after Holland (1980; 1983). The arrow combines the *P-T* data from garnet
micaschists to data from metabasites.

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868 Figure 5: Microstructures of monazite in backscattered electron images (BSE). Numbers are 869 single Th-U-Pb ages in Ma. Weighted averages with 2 sigma error are calculated from several 870 analyses within a grain. (a) Large monazite (Mnz) with slightly embayed rims and patchy darker 871 core zones, with Permian and Triassic ages. (b) Large monazite with patchy darker core zone. (c) 872 Embayed large monazite with darker domains and numerous Mesozoic single ages. (d) Initial 873 stage of corona structure around a Carboniferous-to-Permian monazite with apatite (Ap) and 874 allanite (Aln) along the margin. (e) Progressed stage of corona formation with broad apatite zones; 875 weighted average ages are Triassic. (f) Late stage of corona formation with broad apatite and 876 allanite rims and thin relic monazite with Triassic ages. (g) Large cluster of small monazite grains 877 which are surrounded by allanite. (h, i) Details of monazite cluster arrangement with allanite rims 878 around all small monazite grains. The monazite cluster is embedded in coarse-grained matrix with 879 biotite (Bt), plagioclase (PI) and quartz (Qtz).

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Figure 6: Mineral chemistry of monazite and distributions of monazite Th-U-Pb chemical ages. (a,
b) Monazite mineral chemistry vs age for each sample. (c) Monazite LREE and HREE
compositions in mole fractions. (d) Diagram XGdPO4 vs XYPO₄, with compositions above the
garnet (Grt) metamorphic mineral zone as defined by Pyle et al. (2001). Moles calculated
according to Pyle et al. (2001). (e) Monazite compositions in reference to the cheralite substitution
trend, note different trends in samples RZ29 and RZ31. (f) Histogram with distribution of single
monazite ages to Permian (280 - 270 Ma.) and Triassic (220 - 210 Ma) populations.

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Figure 7: Th-U-Pb chemical model ages of monazite (Mnz). Total ThO₂* vs PbO (wt.%) isochrons diagrams. ThO₂* is ThO₂ + UO₂ equivalents expressed as ThO₂. General minimal 2σ error on monazite PbO analysis is shown by a bar. Regression lines with the coefficient of determination R² are forced through zero (Suzuki et al., 1994; Montel et al., 1996). Weighted average ages (Ma) with MSWD and minimal error of 2σ are calculated from single analyses according to Ludwig

894 (2001). The symbols mark analyses belonging to monazite age populations and defining

isochrones, falling into Carboniferous, Permian and Triassic ranges of ages.

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Figure 8: (a) P-T-t evolution and monazite ages in the Stubai region (Alpeiner Valley), compared to data from the Oetztal basement to the west, given in Rode et al. (2012). Segments of the P-T path are marked with EMP monazite ages, and data from eclogites in Miller and Thöni (1995). Stability fields for kyanite (Ky), andalusite (And), sillimanite (Sil) after Spear (1993). stability fields of monazite (Mnz) and allanite (Aln) at different bulk rock contents as a function of Ca wt %, and with the xenotime (Xtm+) stability field (Janots et al., 2007; Spear, 2010).

(b) Frequency distribution (recalculated to percent) of the EMP-Th-U-Pb monazite ages in Stubai
(Alpeiner Valley) as reported in Fig. 5f, compared to data from the Oetztal regions to the W, as
reported in Rode et al. (2012).

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907 **Table 1:** Electron microprobe analyses (wt.%, p.f.u.) of garnet (Grt), biotite (Bt), muscovite (Ms) 908 and plagioclase (PI) in micaschists and gneisses from the Austroalpine Oetztal-Stubai basement, 909 Alpeiner Valley around Franz-Senn-Hütte, normalized to 12 oxygen (garnet), 11 oxygen (biotite, 910 muscovite) and 8 oxygen (plagioclase). Almandine (Alm), anorthite (An), grossular (Grs), pyrope 911 (Prp), spessartine (Sps) contents in mole %. Mineral analyses combined for geothermobarometric 912 calculations are as follows: Sample RZ33: Grt31–Bt119–PI73; Grt4–Bt108–PI170: Sample RZ42: 913 Grt245-Bt161-Ms187-PI171; Grt104-Bt161-Ms187-PI171; Grt84-Bt247-Ms187-PI203; Grt77-914 Bt247-Ms187-Pl203.

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916 **Table 2:** Electron microprobe analyses of metamorphic monazite from metapelites of the Oetztal-917 Stubai basement in the Alpeiner Valley around Franz-Senn-Hütte. Th* is calculated from Th and U 918 after Suzuki et al. (1994). Monazite ages from single analyses are given with 2sigma error. Mnz 919 monazite single grain; Data from reference standard monazite Madmon (Schulz and Schüssler, 920 2013) is weighted average of 18 single analyses performed during the sessions on the samples.

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Schulz-Zimmermann-Fig 1



Schulz-Zimmermann-Fig 2

















	RZ33	RZ33	RZ42	RZ42	RZ42	RZ42
Grt	31c	4r	245c	104c	84r	77r
Si	3.013	2.972	2.997	3.004	3.003	3.000
Al	1.922	1.969	1.979	1.987	1.978	1.970
Fe	1.876	2.165	2.132	2.232	2.248	2.251
Mn	0.404	0.013	0.266	0.090	0.056	0.267
Mg	0.148	0.604	0.318	0.459	0.618	0.432
Са	0.642	0.310	0.305	0.216	0.104	0.086
Tot	8.005	8.033	7.997	7.989	8.007	8.007
Alm	61.1	70.0	70.6	74.5	74.3	74.2
Prp	4.8	19.5	10.5	15.3	20.4	14.2
Sps	13.2	0.4	8.8	3.0	1.9	8.8
Grs	20.9	10.0	10.1	7.2	3.4	2.8
ХМа	0.048	0.195	0.105	0.153	0.204	0.142
XCa	0.209	0.100	0.101	0.072	0.034	0.028
	Rt110	Rt108	Bt161	Ms187	Bt247	Ms188
Si	2 7 2 7	2 737	2 636	3 152	2 654	3 300
IV ∆I	1 273	1 263	1 364	0.102	1 346	0.000
VIAI	0.349	0.368	0.419	1 821	0.387	1 793
Ti	0.095	0.090	0.045	0.008	0.095	0.013
Fe	1 261	1 183	1 155	0.092	1 229	0.094
Mn	0.003	0.003	0.005	0.001	0.005	0.001
Ма	1.186	1.240	1.443	0.096	1.255	0.089
Са	0.000	0.000	0.002	0.001	0.001	0.002
Na	0.024	0.028	0.027	0.131	0.030	0.128
K	0.922	0.919	0.692	0.839	0.793	0.770
Tot	7.840	7.831	7.787	6.990	7.796	6.890
XMg	0.48	0.51	0.56	0.51	0.51	0.49
PI	173	170	171	173	203	204
Si	2.731	2.747	2.847	2.842	2.779	2.805
AI	1.254	1.239	1.150	1.152	1.220	1.190
Са	0.279	0.260	0.152	0.163	0.222	0.205
Na	0.748	0.766	0.846	0.846	0.762	0.798
K	0.004	0.004	0.008	0.002	0.013	0.004
Tot	5.016	5.016	5.003	5.005	4.996	5.001
An	27.1	25.3	15.1	16.1	22.3	20.3

Table 2																				
Sample	SiO ₂	P_2O_5	CaO	Y_2O_3	La ₂ O ₃	Ce_2O_3	Pr ₂ O ₃	Nd_2O_3	Sm_2O_3	Gd_2O_3	ThO ₂	UO ₂	PbO	Total	Th	U	Pb	ThO ₂ *	Age	±2σ
RZ29-4	0.34	30.29	19.01	1.17	9.61	19.85	2.62	9.85	1.77	1.30	2.27	0.456	0.036	99.02	1.99	0.402	0.034	3.740	230	164
RZ29-8	0.15	29.50	1.75	2.16	12.87	27.76	3.52	13.75	2.60	1.89	3.14	0.816	0.051	100.56	2.76	0.720	0.047	5.770	210	106
RZ29-m2-1	0.13	29.68	1.35	1.95	12.67	27.47	3.46	13.76	2.55	1.91	3.70	0.920	0.071	100.25	3.25	0.811	0.066	6.671	254	92
RZ29-m2-10	0.16	29.51	1.51	1.89	12.99	27.39	3.41	13.54	2.47	1.78	4.15	0.762	0.065	100.25	3.64	0.672	0.060	6.607	233	93
RZ29-m2-11	0.16	29.77	1.35	1.93	12.83	27.47	3.51	13.66	2.60	1.81	3.87	0.846	0.061	100.49	3.40	0.746	0.056	6.596	219	93
RZ29-m2-9	0.20	29.68	1.29	2.01	12.61	27.34	3.53	13.94	2.65	1.87	3.51	0.911	0.075	100.28	3.09	0.803	0.069	6.462	274	95
RZ31-m1-12	0.21	29.61	1.33	1.68	12.58	28.04	3.19	12.72	2.61	2.30	3.35	0.802	0.091	99.15	2.94	0.707	0.085	5.963	363	103
RZ31-m1-13	0.69	29.42	2.48	1.62	12.60	27.06	3.03	12.23	2.40	2.10	3.59	0.915	0.084	98.81	3.15	0.806	0.078	6.554	302	94
RZ31-m1-4	0.15	28.48	1.66	0.34	12.74	29.07	3.24	12.96	2.40	1.57	3.42	0.888	0.059	97.60	3.01	0.783	0.054	6.287	221	98
RZ31-m1-5	0.13	29.69	0.92	0.54	13.33	30.01	3.49	13.92	2.78	1.80	2.75	0.635	0.044	100.68	2.42	0.560	0.041	4.803	220	128
RZ31-m1-6	0.17	29.43	1.12	1.17	12.98	28.42	3.22	12.95	2.73	2.29	3.57	0.684	0.068	99.46	3.14	0.603	0.064	5.788	280	106
RZ31-m1-7	0.15	29.43	1.32	1.44	12.71	28.13	3.11	12.74	2.80	2.26	3.81	0.998	0.083	99.72	3.34	0.879	0.078	7.037	281	87
RZ31-m1-8	0.17	29.34	1.43	1.49	12.45	27.43	3.14	12.70	2.77	2.38	3.94	1.146	0.080	99.27	3.46	1.011	0.074	7.644	248	80
RZ31-m10-12	0.34	29.31	1.12	0.85	13.82	29.17	3.47	13.31	2.45	1.55	3.28	0.961	0.062	100.33	2.88	0.847	0.057	6.380	230	96
RZ31-m10-13	0.34	29.17	0.89	0.09	14.52	30.67	3.52	14.10	2.40	1.33	2.85	0.514	0.042	100.89	2.50	0.453	0.039	4.503	220	136
RZ31-m12-4	0.13	29.61	1.23	1.72	12.87	28.40	3.41	13.53	2.51	1.90	3.36	0.881	0.081	100.23	2.95	0.777	0.076	6.219	310	99
RZ31-m12-6	0.27	29.66	1.24	1.31	12.81	28.54	3.44	13.77	2.58	1.88	3.32	1.163	0.083	100.73	2.92	1.025	0.077	7.087	279	87
RZ31-m14-1	0.13	29.71	1.34	1.48	13.47	28.70	3.41	12.87	2.29	1.86	3.32	0.871	0.078	100.14	2.92	0.767	0.073	6.146	303	100
RZ31-m4-19	0.19	29.38	1.54	0.21	13.53	29.44	3.39	13.03	2.42	1.41	4.22	0.915	0.078	100.37	3.71	0.806	0.072	7.181	257	85
RZ31-m5-4	0.26	29.92	1.49	1.85	12.51	27.45	3.25	12.76	2.60	2.27	3.31	1.068	0.081	99.54	2.91	0.941	0.075	6.774	284	91
RZ31-m9-2	0.20	29.40	1.47	1.59	12.74	27.92	3.40	13.66	2.81	2.39	2.67	0.919	0.054	99.98	2.35	0.810	0.051	5.636	229	109
RZ42-m1-1	0.21	29.50	1.05	0.46	14.18	29.25	3.63	14.38	2.58	1.54	3.94	0.660	0.075	101.46	3.46	0.582	6.077	0.069	291	101
RZ42-m1-2	0.20	29.32	0.88	1.02	14.27	29.45	3.73	14.15	2.54	1.58	3.46	0.210	0.044	100.85	3.04	0.185	4.136	0.041	251	148
RZ42-m10-3	0.17	29.40	1.11	0.65	14.00	28.93	3.48	14.32	2.62	1.65	4.22	0.553	0.072	101.17	2.47	0.408	4.309	0.044	284	102
RZ42-m10-4	0.28	29.14	1.43	0.25	14.17	29.17	3.57	14.09	2.61	1.44	4.13	0.593	0.061	100.93	5.30	0.345	7.304	0.080	238	102
RZ42-m12-4	0.18	29.24	0.84	1.01	14.22	28.65	3.52	13.81	2.94	2.45	2.18	1.202	0.071	100.32	2.97	0.199	4.112	0.041	278	101
RZ42-m13-11	0.22	29.11	0.91	0.38	14.44	29.72	3.64	14.14	2.51	1.35	3.56	0.640	0.060	100.67	3.62	0.605	6.346	0.071	255	109
RZ42-m13-12	0.27	29.31	1.04	0.23	14.38	29.23	3.64	14.26	2.60	1.41	4.26	0.619	0.085	101.33	3.71	0.488	6.009	0.067	322	98
RZ42-m13-8	0.13	29.29	1.20	0.62	14.00	28.73	3.59	13.98	2.47	1.46	4.20	0.837	0.092	100.62	3.63	0.523	6.043	0.056	313	88
RZ42-m14ig2	0.25	29.27	1.36	1.11	12.92	27.70	3.48	13.57	2.65	2.08	4.79	1.056	0.105	100.34	1.15	0.375	2.687	0.024	302	75
RZ42-m15-3	0.18	29.39	1.34	0.12	14.24	29.20	3.53	13.69	2.39	1.09	4.62	1.054	0.098	100.96	1.92	1.060	6.072	0.066	289	76
RZ42-m4-4	0.12	29.38	0.83	0.68	14.74	30.06	3.65	14.20	2.65	1.56	2.81	0.462	0.048	101.19	3.13	0.564	5.628	0.056	263	142
RZ42-m5-1	0.26	29.18	1.46	0.52	13.68	28.46	3.55	13.49	2.43	1.24	6.04	0.391	0.086	100.79	3.74	0.545	6.271	0.079	279	84
RZ42-m6-1	0.26	29.17	0.97	0.46	15.08	29.62	3.61	13.67	2.39	1.38	3.85	0.599	0.075	101.13	3.70	0.738	6.924	0.085	306	106
RZ42-m7-1	0.26	29.10	1.03	0.36	14.49	29.25	3.62	13.91	2.54	1.40	4.12	0.687	0.077	100.83	4.06	0.929	8.039	0.091	287	97
Madmon-18	3.15	25.07	0.14	0.98	7.91	25.20	4.01	15.96	4.64	2.24	10.92	0.383	0.262	100.98	9.59	0.344	0.242	12.195	504	15

