

Development of submicron CHIME dating

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CHIME (U-Th-total Pb Chemical Isochron Method) dating[1][2][3] provides an U-Th-Pb age in microvolume using electron probe microanalyzer (EPMA). It is impossible to analyze submicron grain or domain because of X-ray generation volume at the normal analytical conditions ($E_0 = 15 - 25$ keV). Submicron CHIME dating has been developed to perform dating of submicron size grain or domain using smaller energy of incident electron.

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