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Tectonic evolution of a continental magmatic arc from transpression in the upper crust to exhumation of mid-crustal orogenic root recorded by episodically emplaced plutons: the Central Bohemian Plutonic Complex (Bohemian Massif)

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The Central Bohemian Plutonic Complex (Bohemian Massif) consists of episodically emplaced plutons, the internal fabrics of which recorded tectonic evolution of a continental magmatic arc. The \sim 354-346 Ma calc-alkaline plutons were emplaced by multiple processes into the upper-crustal Teplá-Barrandian Zone, and their magmatic fabrics recorded increments of regional transpression. Multiple fabrics of the younger, ~346 Ma Blatná pluton recorded both regional transpression and the onset of exhumation of mid-crustal orogenic root (Moldanubian Zone). Continuous exhumationrelated deformation during pluton cooling resulted in the development of a wide zone of sub-solidus deformation along the southeastern margin of the Central Bohemian Plutonic Complex. Finally, syn-exhumation tabular durbachitic pluton was emplaced atop the intrusive sequence at ~343 Ma, and the Tábor syenitoid pluton intruded after exhumation of the orogenic root (\sim 337 Ma). We suggest that the emplacement of plutons during regional transpression in the upper crust produced thermally softened domain which then accommodated the exhumation of the mid-crustal orogenic root, and that the complex nature of the Teplá-Barrandian/Moldanubian boundary is a result of regional transpression in the upper crust, enhancement of regional deformation in overlapping structural aureoles, subsequent exhumation of orogenic root domain, and post-emplacement brittle faulting.