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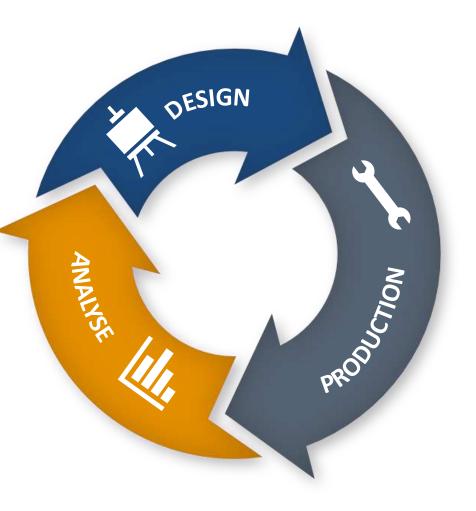
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**Core Analysis Instruments** 



### **Geotek Strategy for Geoscience Instrumentation**

A team of talented individuals at Geotek designs and builds instruments whilst, offering core analysis services with an unmatched level of expertise and experience.











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# **Core Analysis Equipment and Services that are Built on Experience**



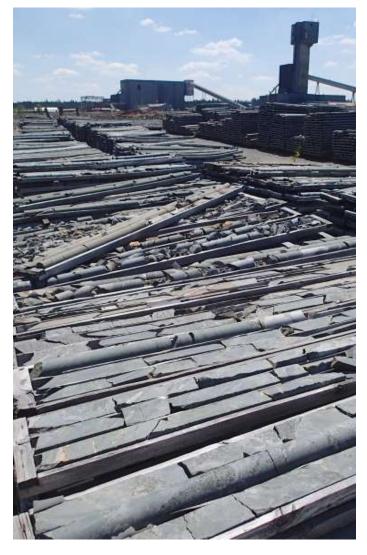
- Provision of Multi-Sensor Core Loggers (MSCL) and X-ray CT systems
- 25 years experience of providing core logging equipment
- Over 220 systems sold worldwide
- Offices in UK and USA

#### GEO TEK Why are Core Scanning Instruments Required?

- Drilling/sampling core material is expensive
- Basic or advanced laboratory testing is expensive
- Therefore there is a need:
- To maximise data recovery from every metre
- Understand core heterogeneity
- Identify key geological/engineering horizons

But...core analysis must be in a time-efficient and cost-effective way

# Under-Utilized Resource of Information



#### GEO TEK Where does Core Scanning fit into a Mine Evaluation?

Table 1. General mine value chain showing broad metallurgical-geometallurgical activities, inputs, and outputs.

Stage		Tactical Geometallurgy			
	<b>Exploration-Early Evaluation</b>	<b>Resource Definition Drilling</b>	Reserve Definition Drilling	Feasibility	Mining
Study	Scoping (SS)	Pre-feasibility (PFS)	~	Feasibility (FS)	Grade/ore control (Expansion studies)
Resources/Reserves	Inferred Mineral Resources	Inferred and Indicated Mineral Resources	Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves	Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves	Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves
Key activity	Develop orebody knowledge Drilling and sampling	Develop orebody knowledge Drilling and sampling Data analysis and modelling	Develop orebody knowledge Drilling and sampling Data analysis and modelling	Develop orebody knowledge Drilling and sampling Data analysis and modelling	Develop orebody knowledge Drilling and sampling Data analysis and modelling
Inputs	Core logging Develop proxy tests Mineralogy Geochemistry Metallurgical testwork Physical testing	Core logging Proxy tests Mineralogy Geochemistry Metallurgical testwork Physical testing	Core logging Proxy tests Mineralogy Geochemistry Metallurgical testwork Physical testing	Core logging Froxy tests Mineralogy Geochemistry Metallurgical testwork, incl. pilot or trial plant testing Physical testing	Core logging Proxy tests Mineralogy Geochemistry Metallurgical testwork Physical testing
Outputs	Establish database Preliminary characteristics of mineralisation Geological model; Geoenvironmental	Expanded database Domains Block model Preliminary mine plan Models Preliminary process design Geoenvironmental	Expanded database across all disciplines	Expanded database Domains Block model Mine plan Models Flow sheet Scenario analysis Economic analysis Geoenvironmental	Expanded database Domains Block model Mine planModels Economic analysis Forecasts Reconciliation Geoenvironmental
Potential number of data <sup>1</sup>	1000 s	1000–10,000 s	+1000 s	10,000–100,000 s	100,000–1,000,000 s
Resource uncertainty <sup>2</sup>	High	Moderate-High	Moderate	Low	Low
Expected accuracy <sup>3</sup>	$\pm 50\%$	±25%	-	$\pm 15\%$	±10%

<sup>1</sup> General estimate of number of data across grade, geochemistry, mineralogy, comminution, recovery, etc., actual highly deposit dependent; <sup>2</sup> epistemic uncertainty based on drill spacing, actual highly deposit dependent; <sup>3</sup> standard globally accepted accuracies for project studies.

#### **Core Analysis Instruments**



### **Geotek Core Analysis Instrumentation**

Standard Multi-Sensor Core Logger ( <b>MSCL-S</b> )	<ul> <li>Accepts nearly any form of core material</li> <li>Most flexible with respect to sensor arrangement</li> <li>Continuous core logging</li> </ul>	
XZ Multi-Sensor Core Logger ( <b>MSCL-XZ and</b> <b>MSCL-XZXRF</b> )	<ul> <li>Bench-top core logging platform</li> <li>Surface core measurements</li> <li>Main use for split or slabbed core samples</li> </ul>	
XYZ Multi-Sensor Core Logger ( <b>MSCL-XYZ and</b> <b>MSCL-XYZXRF</b> )	<ul> <li>Multiple core workstation</li> <li>Accepts core boxes</li> <li>Surface core measurements</li> <li>Main use for split or slabbed core samples</li> </ul>	
X-ray CT Machines ( <b>XCT,</b> <b>RXCT, VXCT, PXCAN</b> )	<ul> <li>Accepts nearly any form of core material</li> <li>High resolution (35 microns to 250 microns)</li> <li>Cabinet-based systems</li> </ul>	

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### **Available Sensor Technology for MSCL Systems**

Sensor	Compatible MSCL System	
Attenuated Gamma Density and Porosity	MSCL-S	
P-wave Transducers	MSCL-S	
Non-Contact Electrical Resistivity	MSCL-S	
Magnetic Susceptibility (loop* or point**)	MSCL-S* **, MSCL-XZ**, MSCL-XYZ**	
Spectral and Total Natural Gamma	MSCL-S	
Color Spectrophotometer	MSCL-S, MSCL-XZ, MSCL-XYZ	
Olympus Vanta XRF	MSCL-S, MSCL-XZ, MSCL-XYZ	
He-flushed Geotek XRF	MSCL-XZ, MSCL-XYZ	
VIS and VNIR/SWIR Point Sensor	MSCL-S, MSCL-XZ, MSCL-XYZ	
SpecCam 4 VNIR/SWIR Hyperspectral Camera	MSCL-S, MSCL-XZ, MSCL-XYZ	
Geotek linescan camera Visible and UV	MSCL-S, MSCL-XZ, MSCL-XYZ	

- Multiple sensors can be installed onto one MSCL system
- MSCL systems are modular and sensors can be added or removed as required
- MSCL systems can be upgraded with sensor technology in the future



MSCL-S with 9 sensors incl. XRF



## MSCL-S: Standard Multi-Sensor Core Logger

- Flexible geometry for whole and split cores
- Capable of logging lined and unlined cores
- Automated and Simple software control
- Cores are pushed passed sensors
- Multiple sensors (up to 9) can be installed
- Depth co-registration of data
- Data are collected simultaneously
- Variable acquisition resolution



Provision of continuous high resolution physical and geochemical stratigraphy



#### **Rock Core Set-up**

- Cores are logged
   exposed
- Whole or slabbed cores
- Up to 1.5 m in length
- 5 cm to 15 cm in diameter

#### Sediment Core Set-up

- Cores are logged through the liner
- Whole or split cores
- Up to 1.5 m in length
- 5 cm to 15 cm in diameter

#### Split/slabbed Core Set-up

- Accepts split sediment cores or slabbed rock cores
- Acquires both surface-based measurements (XRF and NIR) and physical measurements (e.g. gamma density)
- Perfect for logging/scanning of archived core material



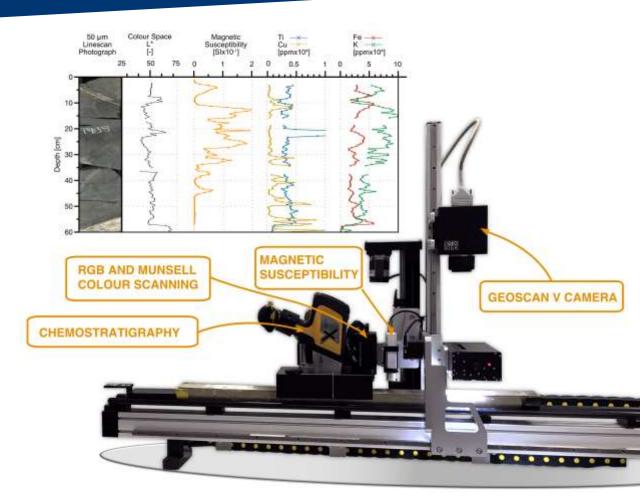






### **MSCL-XZ Benchtop Core Scanner**

- Automated core logging platform
- Sensor move over core surface and touch down
- Measurement geometry is constant
- Multiple sensors (up to 4) can be installed at once
- Depth co-registration of data
- Data are collected simultaneously
- Variable resolution
- Inclusion of X-ray fluorescence measurements





### **MSCL-XZ: Integration of Handheld XRF onto Benchtop Track**





## **MSCL-XYZ: Core Workstation**

- Integrated core workstation for large core laboratories and core volumes
- Multiple core sections or certain core boxes can be loaded into the system
- Data are **depth coregistered** and acquired **simultaneously**
- Sensors move over the core surface
- Can include Hyperspectral Core Imaging and XRF
   measurements

An **integrated** imaging and spectroscopy core analysis workstation for **mineralogical** and **chemostratigraphical** studies





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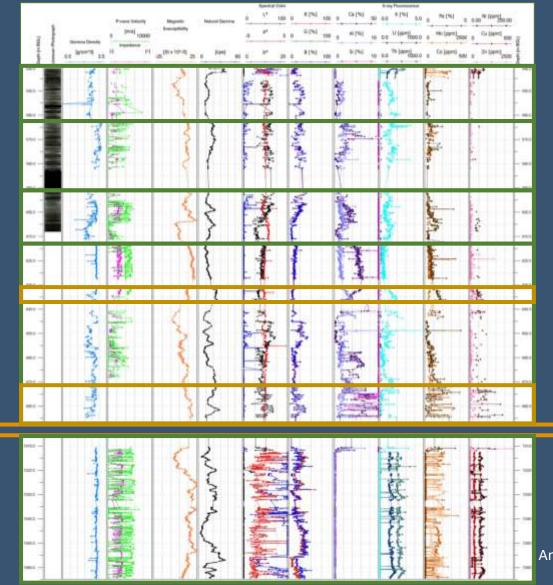
## **BoxScanner – Fit for purpose XRF Core Scanning**

- Dedicated core scanning system for automated HH XRF measurements
- Accepts all types of core boxes with simple core loading process
- Dedicated table or sits on a bench top
- Sensor technology available:
  - Olympus Vanta XRF
  - 2D Laser Profiler
  - 5K Geoscan V linescan camera (UV and VIS Light)
  - Point Magnetic Susceptiblity

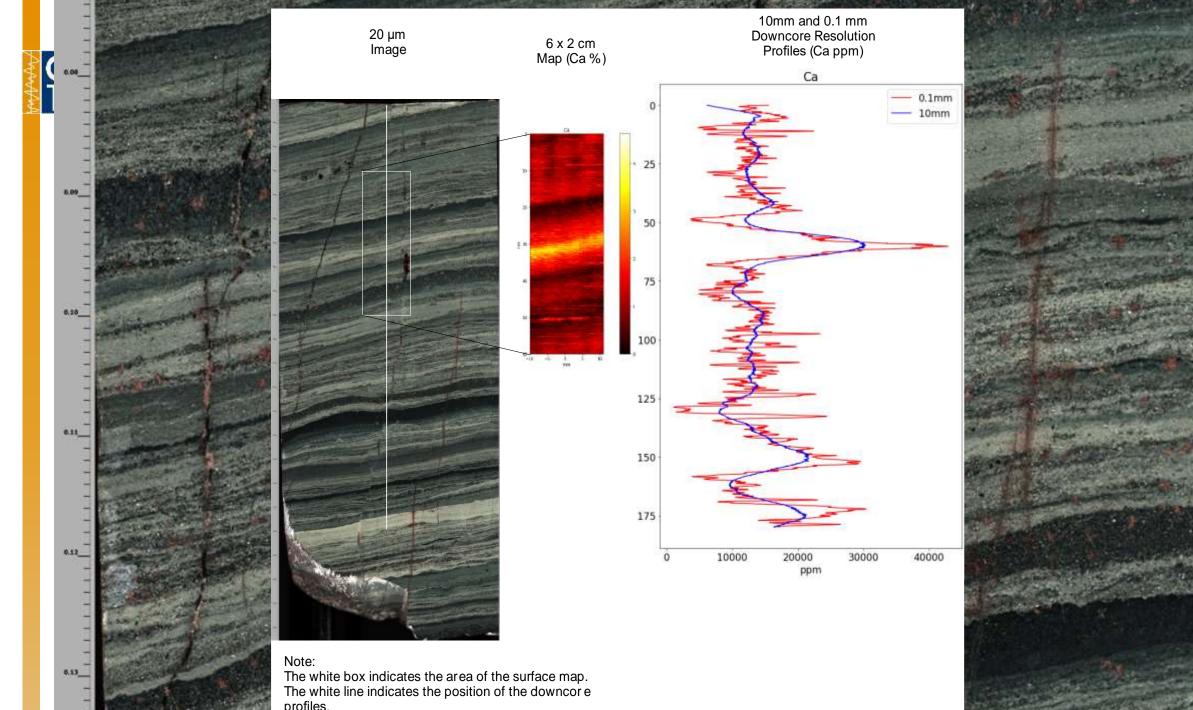




### **Continuous Profiles of Physical and Geochemical Parameters**



- Measurements are acquired nondestructively and simultaneously
- Data could be used
  - Utilised ahead of visual logging to guide geo's to key geological horizons or stratigraphy
  - Continuous and accurate density measurements
  - Model the geology or physical properties
  - Characterize hydrothermal alteration
  - Provide chemostratigraphic understanding



profiles.

### **GEO** VNIR and SWIR Hyperspectral Camera **IEK** Semi-Quantitative Mineralogical Maps

High resolution very near infrared (VNIR) and short wavelength infrared (SWIR)hyperspectral camera - SpecCam 4

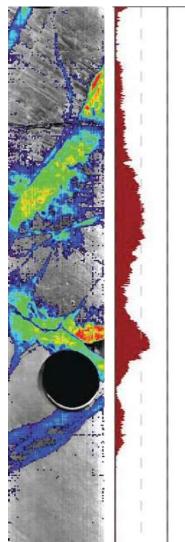
#### Hyperspectral MSCL can include: XRF, Mag. Sus., or ASD

Interpretation software **identifies**, **semiquantifies** to produce **mineral profiles or maps**:

- Specific mineral types
- Mineral chemistry
- Zones of mineral alteration
- Liquid and sold hydrocarbons
- Contaminants

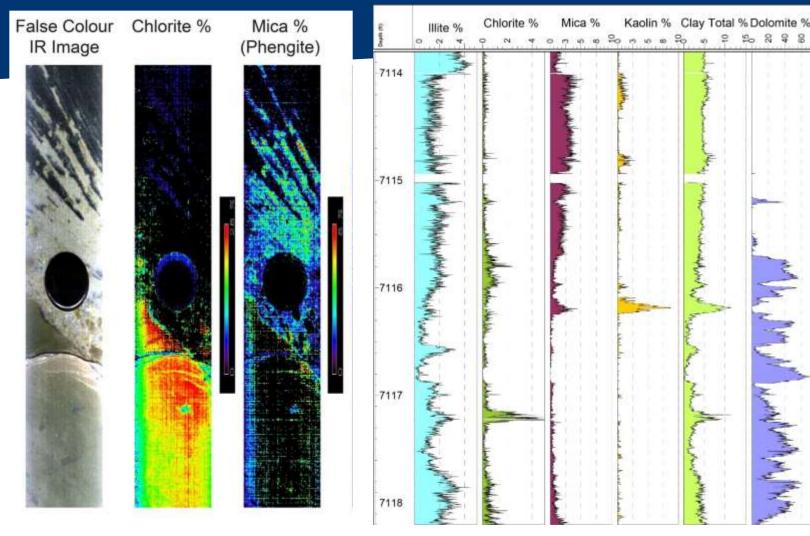
- Spectral range offered 400 nm to 2500 nm
- Electronically controlled wavelength separation for superior spectral resolution
- Continuous coverage high image resolution is (0.5 mm x 0.5 mm)
- Accurate % data derived for the minerals
- Can be used on chips and drillcore

#### Semi-Quantitative Mineral Maps and Log Profiles





### Hyperspectral MSCL Technology: Applications to the Minerals Industry



Multi-Sensor Core Scanning with a unique integration of mineralogy, elemental abundance and physical properties

- Identification of minerals and their polymorphs
- Identification of mineral assemblages
- Clay crystallinity
- Mineral abundances (%) calculated, which are comparable to other analytical methods



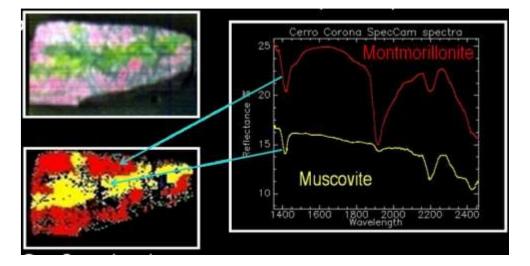
# Hyperspectral Case Study at Cerro Corona Mine, N Peru

#### **Project Aims**

- Assist in development of better defined clay model
- Improved and more precise clay definition for metallurgical processes
- Clay zone definition and quantification of suitable material for construction of tailings dam
- Assist pit design and geotechnical modelling

#### **Project Summary**

- Total of 43 km of core analysed
- Enhanced existing clay model with 17 clay minerals identified over the original 2 from visual observation alone
- Identification of Kaolin and various types of mica improved understanding of mineralised zones
- Identification of swelling clays to improve pit design and geotechnical logging



#### SpecCam 4 from 2 stockpile samples

- Top left image is a 3 band False Colour Composite (FCC)
- Bottom left image has each pixel colour coded if a particular mineral is present. Pixels are colour coded red if the spectrum is characteristic of montmorillonite or yellow if muscovite is present; spectral plots of each mineral are shown on right side.



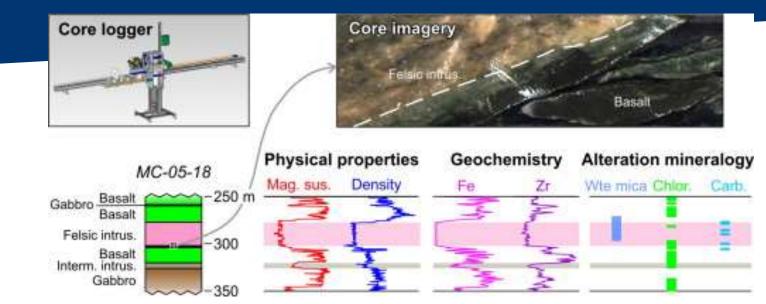
### Drillsite Deployable Core Scanning

- Often drillsites and/or core repositories are in remote locations, and it is difficult and expensive to move core – So take the logging to the core
- MSCL equipment can be installed into either 20ft or 40ft self-contained laboratories, or in trailers
- Ruggedized equipment and laboratories that are field-proven





# Institut National de la Recherche Scientifique - Canada





- Transported across Canada to undertake mineral exploration research
- MSCL system used undertake automated mesoscale ARDI evaluations, provide lithological discriminators, assess chemostratigraphy and provide necessary physical properties to evaluate resource





### Weatherford and Vale Long term lease in Brazil

- Geotek provided a 20ft containerised lab to the core repository in Belo Horizonte, Brazil
- Geotek trained Weatherford and Vale staff to operate the equipment and then supported remotely
- Iron-ore deposit, using the MSCL to identify new reserves and to help maximize the resource potential





Multi-Sensor Core Logger (MSCL) instruments to non-destructively acquire continuous physical and geochemical parameters from mineral exploration drill cores

Time is of the essence – scan the core at the drillsite with mobile core labs What more can we learn? – scan cores at the repository and rescue lost data from archived core



