Non-toxic leaching and recovery of gold using thiosulfate based lixviant and Selmext metal separation technology

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Goals of the project

- Prove the thiosulfate-Selmext[™] gold leaching concept
- Make readily available, modular cost-effective non-toxic gold leaching technology • Focus future business towards environmentally aware small to medium size gold
- producers (globally)
- Impacting: higher safety for worker, lower consequence upon accident, and compete with illegal gold leaching techniques



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Project Plan



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Au Leaching and Recovery with **Thiosulfate-Selmext**[™]

Gold flotation concentrate 50-100 ppm

Thiosulfate leaching



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Scaling up leaching



5 g (start) **Prior work**

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Scaling up leaching



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Project results so far

- 3 pilot batches conducted
- Pilot and laboratory results are comparable
- Leaching recovery 54-87%
- Selmext recovery 95%
- Cementation 98% recovery
- Inhibiting factors in the material itself are being investigated by LTU. ullet
- The project is on time and on budget



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Dissemination

Project results is currently in focus.



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Next Steps

Post SMI

- Begin work to scale-up equipment
- Work on business model
- Best scenario: 3 years to first mining implementation



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