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Lepidico is

the global leader in sustainable lithium mica processing, with technologies that deliver superior product quality and have excellent associated environmental & social credentials Lepidico is set to capture an earlymover advantage in the current cycle.





We are a verticallyintegrated producer

Our patented <u>L-Max®</u> and <u>LOH-Max®</u> technologies have been developed over 10 years. They extract lithium from lepidolite and other lithium micas, opening up a far less contested mineral supply than traditional sources. We deliver high purity lithium hydroxide or carbonate into the <u>supply chain</u>, as well as other indemand strategic, critical metals caesium and rubidium.

Our Phase 1 project is designed to produce ~5,000tpa LCE, being scaled to make an attractive economic return while managing technical and scale-up risk.



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Our technologies

L-Max®

The conversion solution for li-mica minerals

L-Max[®] utilises common use, inexpensive reagents, is energy efficient and utilises conventional equipment operated at atmospheric pressure and modest temperature

By-products include: Critical Minerals caesium and rubidium; potassium sulphate fertiliser (SOP); and amorphous silica

Sustainable; greenhouse gas emissions are c. 25% lower than a typical equivalent integrated spodumene operation and can be best in industry when green H2 is used; and no solid process waste is generated

Scale-up from pilot to Phase 1 is just c.200x for 5,000tpa LiOH; this will substantially mitigate scale-up risk to large scale, Phase 2 commercial production

Scalable; scoping study for a Phase 2 plant contemplates output of 10,000t to 20,000t pa LCE

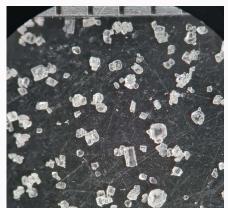


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Our technologies

LOH-Max®

A more sustainable lithium hydroxide solution



Large cubic shaped clean crystals d₅₀ ~320 µm

LOH-Max[®] has broad application including spodumene conversion; it produces high purity lithium hydroxide with excellent morphology from lithium sulphate without generating undesirable sodium sulphate

Material reductions for conventional spodumene converters in both capital cost – estimated at more than US\$50 million for 20,000tpa of lithium hydroxide – and operating costs should be achieved using LOH-Max®

Metallurgical recovery enhanced, with an estimated +4% increase in lithium recovery versus conventional spodumene processing

Modest energy consumption supports low greenhouse gas emissions

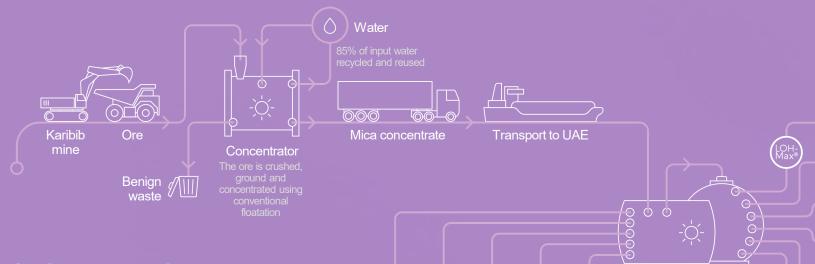
Benign gypsum rich residue – when combined with L- ${\sf Max}^{\sf B}$ – may be used as a construction or agricultural product

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Lithium hydroxide

Lepidico supply chain



Ore from the brownfield open-pit Karibib mines in Namibia will be processed using conventional flotation. The lepidolite rich concentrate is then transported to the UAE for conversion using our patented technologies. The lithium hydroxide will then be shipped to customers of Traxys under a binding offtake agreement.





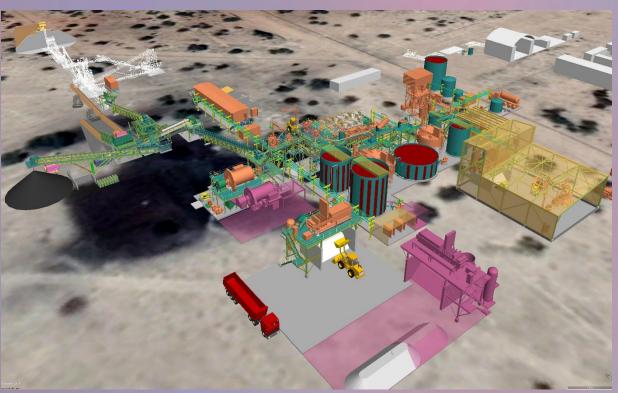
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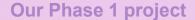
Our Phase 1 project

Vertical integration means that Phase 1 will reap the full <u>value chain benefits</u> – from ore mining to fine chemical manufacture – via our proprietary hydrometallurgical technologies that include L-Max[®] and LOH-Max[®].

We will produce and ship lepidolite concentrate from <u>Namibia</u> to the chemical conversion plant at KEZAD in the <u>United Arab Emirates</u>.

The hydrometallurgical conversion plant operates at modest temperature and atmospheric pressure, and has a concentrate capacity of 60,000tpa (tonnes per annum).





Namibia

- Brownfield re-development of Rubicon & Helikon mines; Ore Reserve 6.8Mt @ 0.46% Li₂O, 320ppm Cs, 0.23% Rb & 2.0% K
- Fully permitted: Granted 68km² Mining Licence
- Construction of 60,000tpa output concentrator
- Access to excellent existing regional infrastructure; 27km power line spur required
- Water rights in place to support 2x expansion
- Large ground position prospective for lithium, caesium & gold
- Mine closure plan will allow these previously abandoned mine sites to be rehabilitated and returned to agricultural use

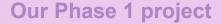


Timo Ipangelwa

General Manager Operations Namibia



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UAE

- Located in Khalifa Port Free Trade Zone,
 Abu Dhabi no corporate tax and duties;
 100% foreign ownership allowed
- 25-year land lease agreement signed 2021
- Abu Dhabi ESIA complete and environmental permit to construct in place
- Exceptional existing shared infrastructure through "plug and play" approach
- Stable and affordable energy, and other bulk consumables locally available
- Commercial green H2 and ammonia supply being fast-tracked for 2024-'26



Hans Daniels

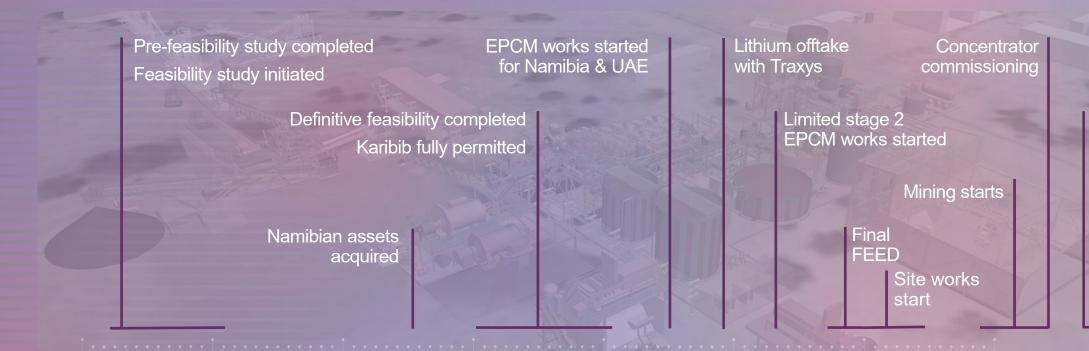
General Manager Operations UAE



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Our Phase 1 project



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Chemical plant commissioning

2017 2018 2019 2020 2021 2022 2023 2024

Phase 1 fundamentals¹



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Construction cost

(inc. 13% contingency)

US\$139m

Post tax

NPV₈ US\$221m

NPV₀

US\$521m

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from start of production

3 years

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US\$/t 1,656

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US\$/t 3,221

Average annual free cash flow³

(post ramp-up)

US\$49m

Lithium hydroxide production

4,879 tpa

potash production²

12,000 tpa

Caesium sulphate production²

240 tpa

Total LCE all products²

7,060 tpa

Project life

14 years

¹ ASX Announcement 28 May 2020: DFS delivers compelling Phase 1 Project results.

² Products at steady state operation expressed as a salt.

³ Cash flows based on Benchmark Mineral Intelligence Q1 2020 LiOH price forecast (US\$12,910/t long term).



Karibib Mineral Resources development program to extend Phase 1 life to +20 years in FY2023

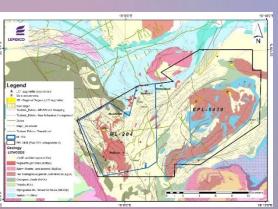
We are already planning a 2-4x scale-up for a Phase 2 project, with concentrate supply from our own assets as well as third-party mines.

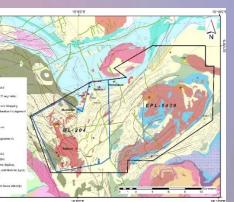
Excellent established infrastructure and water permit in place at Karibib for 2x expansion.

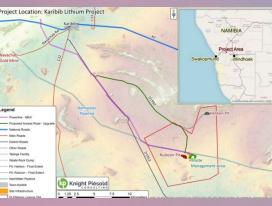
Capital efficient Karibib concentrator expansion leverages Phase 1 investment.

Globally, 20 lithium mica & phosphate deposits successfully tested for L-Max® amenability.

Royalty revenues from licensing of our proprietary tech to partners. One of these deals has already been completed.









Tom Dukovcic **GM** Geology

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ESG excellence



Water intensity

- 33m³/t LCE, 44% allocation to LiOH
- 20% Namibia/80% UAE for first 5 years
- 85% of concentrator water recycled



Competitive carbon intensity

- GHD reported "low" chemical plant emissions intensity vs other LiOH plants
- 8.8tCO₂-e/t LiOH.H₂O
 (10.0tCO₂-e/t LCE) for
 integrated project Scope 1 & 2
 emissions 90% in chemical
 plant, 10% mine &
 concentrator
- Renewable power and green hydrogen can lower emissions to just 3.0tCO₂-e/t LCE

Biodiversity

ESIAs identify no material impacts

Land use intensity

- 962Ha integrated project on predominantly industrial land
- Mine closure plan to return land to agricultural use
- No TSF required
- · No sodium sulphate produced
- UAE zero solid process waste

Governance

- Experienced board of directors with complementary skills
- All Namibian leadership team
- Diversity top 5% on ASX¹
- Sustainability & best practice ESG integrated with strategic planning

Social

- · Zero harm H&S track record
- Creation of 115 direct jobs and +800 indirect jobs in Namibia
- Creation of 119 direct jobs in UAE
- · Water supply to local farmers
- Medical equipment donations



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Partnerships and financials

Sustainable long-term relationships being established with all stakeholder groups to underpin growth strategy

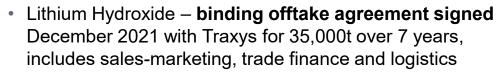


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David Hall
Marketing Consultant

Offtakes





 Terms sheets in advanced negotiation for back-to-back agreements into the EV supply chain

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- Caesium binding term sheets in advanced negotiation with multiple consumers; Traxys acting as agent
- Rubidium supply discussions ongoing with multiple groups
- Strong demand in UAE for all bulk products SOP, silica & gypsum – in environmental applications

Finance

- Formal mandate signed with the U.S. Government's International Development Finance Corporation for Karibib debt
- Commercial lenders engaged for UAE debt
- Lender due diligence advanced; commitments from December 2022
- Strategic partner process managed by Jefferies continues with multiple parties engaged
- Proforma cash at 30 September 2022 \$16.3 million & no debt



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- Chemical plant control estimate & revised Phase 1 economics on track for November 2022; concentrator FEED complete
- Phase 1 mine life extension December quarter 2022
- Binding lithium offtakes with consumers targeted for December quarter 2022
- Debt commitments from December 2022 with a Phase 1 Final Investment Decision targeted for March quarter 2023
- Strategic partner process well advanced; multiple opportunities
- Phase 2 Mineral Resource expansion program targeting highgrade additions at Helikon 2-5 & regional targets

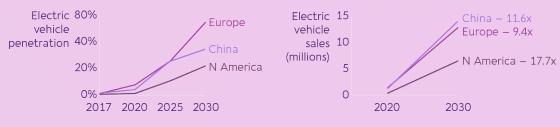
Accelerating EV adoption rates driving Li-prices

Tight market supply combined with rapidly increasing EV demand is expected to maintain elevated contract lithium prices throughout this decade

Lithium is the critical component



Secular changes in EV adoption are transforming demand for battery materials



Source: Jefferies Equity Research.



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Investment highlights

Delivering a new source of sustainable lithium: why Lepidico

Vertically integrated to optimize economics & ESG

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Pilot proven patented processes

Technical

Less contested lepidolite supply

No water overuse
Low greenhouse gases

ESG

No waste management issues

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Phase 1 to start commissioning in 2024

Delivery

Risk management driven design & scale

Economy of scale at 5,000tpa LCE

Economics

Scaleable via licensing
Phase 2 in planning

Multiple valuable products include 3 Critical Minerals