

# Keeping it REAL – new technology and science for discovery of new world metals



- Probability of discovery is 1-5% (at best) **luck is not a good strategy**!!
- Rather discovery is the <u>journey</u> of applying systematic science (usually with limited data and \$\$) over large prospective ground positions, using great people (geoscientists in small empowered teams) and typically by small nimble companies (~60-70% of all discoveries by juniors)...
- Probability of economic development of mineral deposits is declining...
  despite the need to discover and secure more metals (the energy
  transition)
- Discovery and Economic development of mineral deposits requires all the "planets to align"...
  - favourable regulatory regime
  - Stakeholder/shareholder support/engagement
  - enhanced value proposition for exploration (investability)



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# ALL THE METALS WE MINED IN 2021

The world produced roughly **2.8 billion tonnes** of metals in 2021. Here are all the metals we mined, visualized on the same scale.



**Keeping it Real – the context!** 

## What are New World Metals... fashionable today but will they be tomorrow?





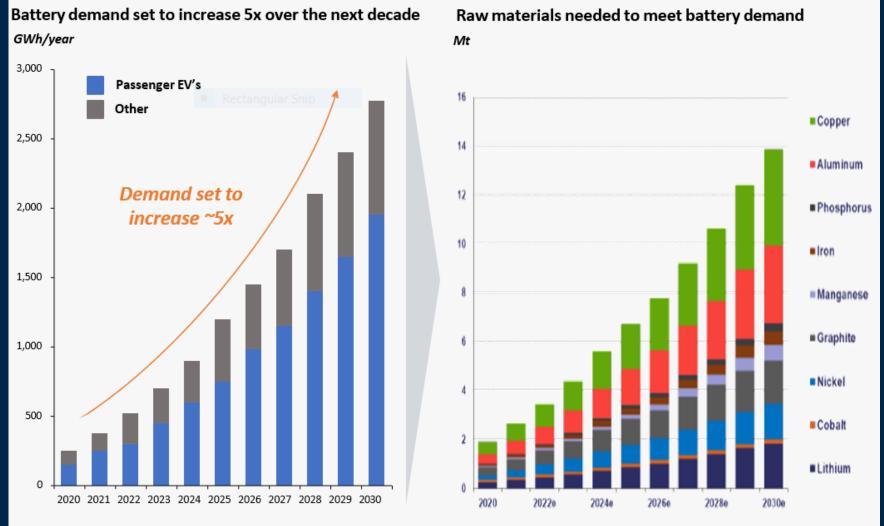






#### No electrification without commodities... but which ones?

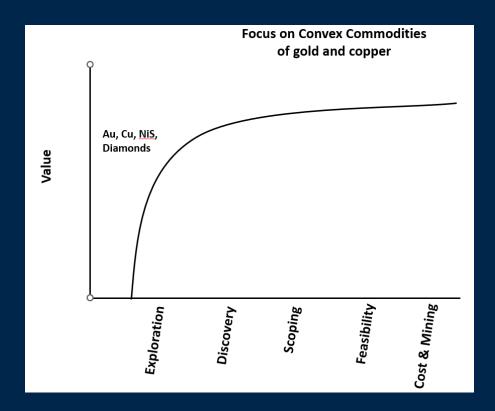




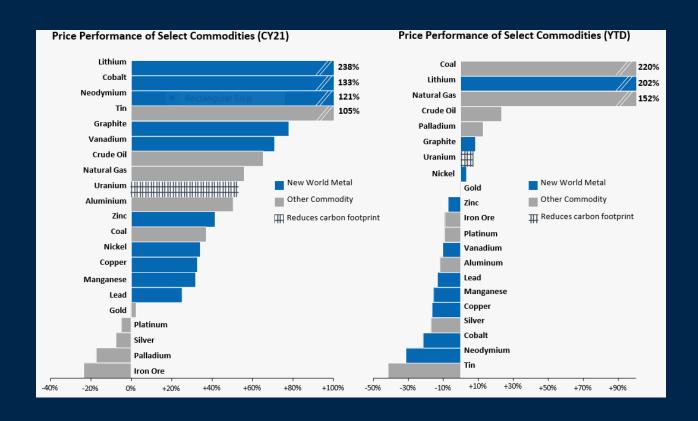


Keeping it REAL.....

Can we position exploration
for the New World Commodity Cycle?
And what does this cycle look like?



- Investment in Discovery is typically a long- **emmerson** time frame business requires metals that have a convex value chain.. Strategic approach
- Niche New World Metals present a challenge, with value eroded by changing technology... Opportunistic approach





Keep it REAL Rare but not well done!!







60 Rare Earth Element companies formed during the

2010-2012 boom

US\$10-15 Billion Raised

on the ASX/TSX/NYSE/LSE

Mt Weld **Mountain Pass** 

Two major mines Developed

Only one that

actually works

Mt Weld

#### Where to from here?

Magnet metals Neodymium, Praseodymium, Terbium & Dysprosium are forecast to be in short supply from 2023

Total Rare Earth Oxide (REO) global demand (250ktpa) is expected to double to 500ktpa by 2030

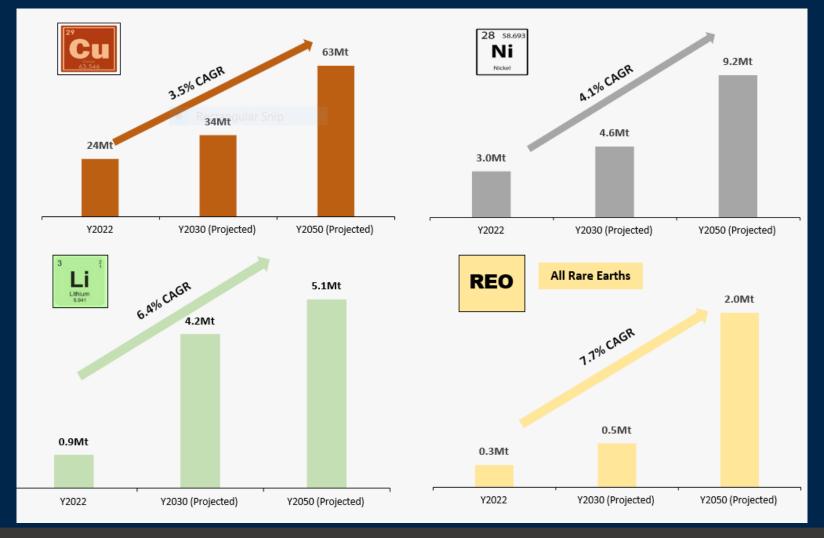
Independence from China is required but development of deposits is easier said than done

To meet demand, the equivalent of a new Lynas Mt Weld operation is required every 2 years

Mt Weld took approximately 29 years to be studied, developed and profitable as an REE mine (from commissioning to positive cashflow in ~7 years)

#### Significant growth in New World Metals... but which ones?

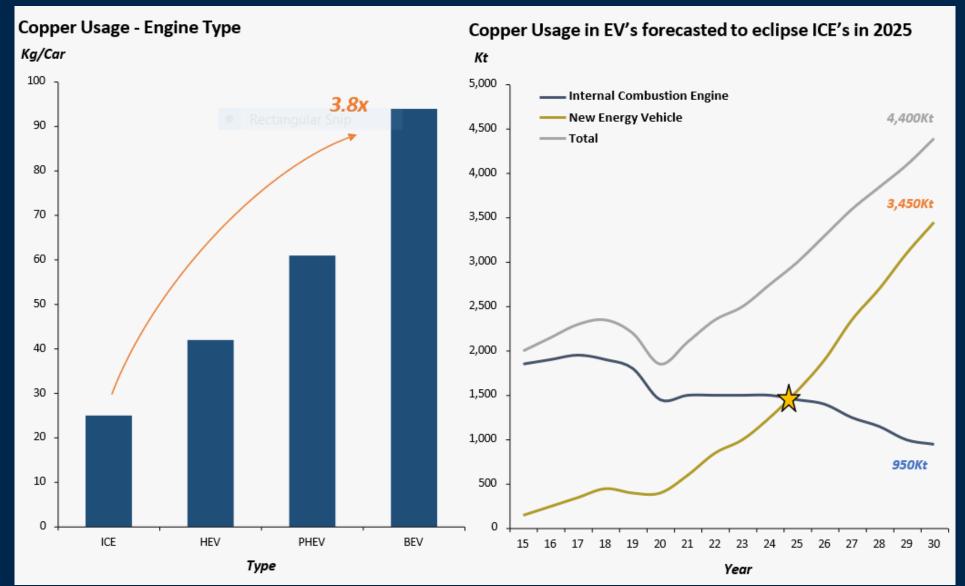




<u>Strategic</u> - long time-frame with investment in systematic, science-based discovery (the convex minerals traded on the LME)... <u>Opportunistic</u> – sitting on a discovery until it becomes economic or playing the market (short term)

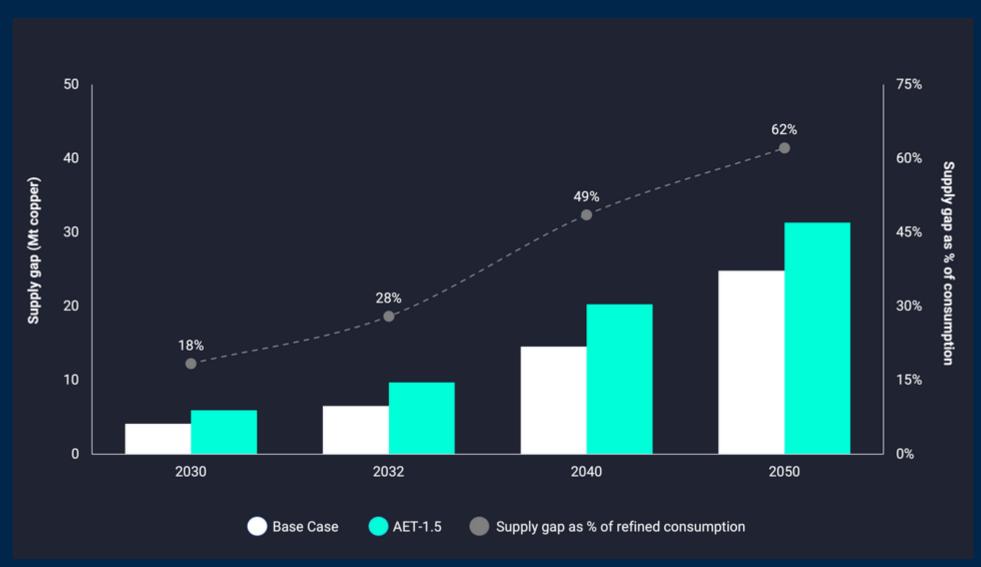
## Copper is KING... a new old-world LME metal!





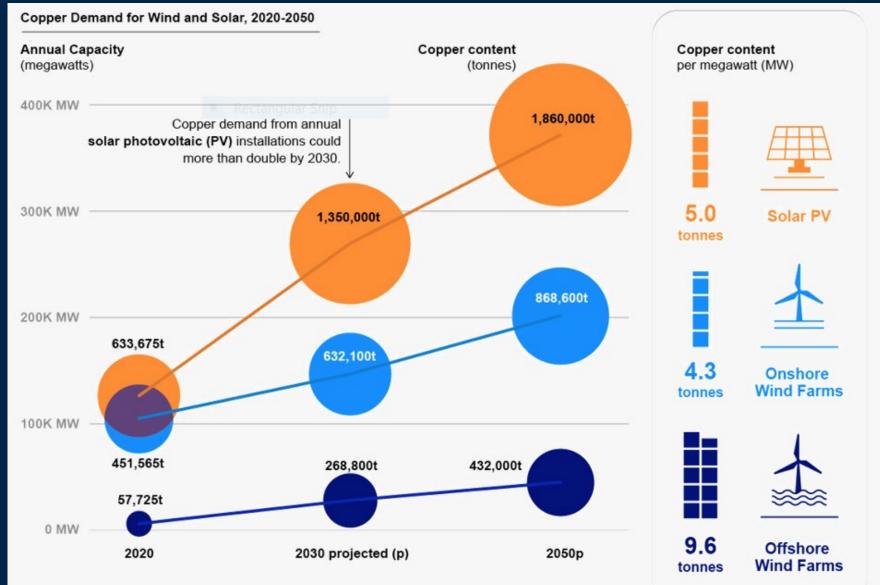
## Copper supply gap (under Energy Transition)





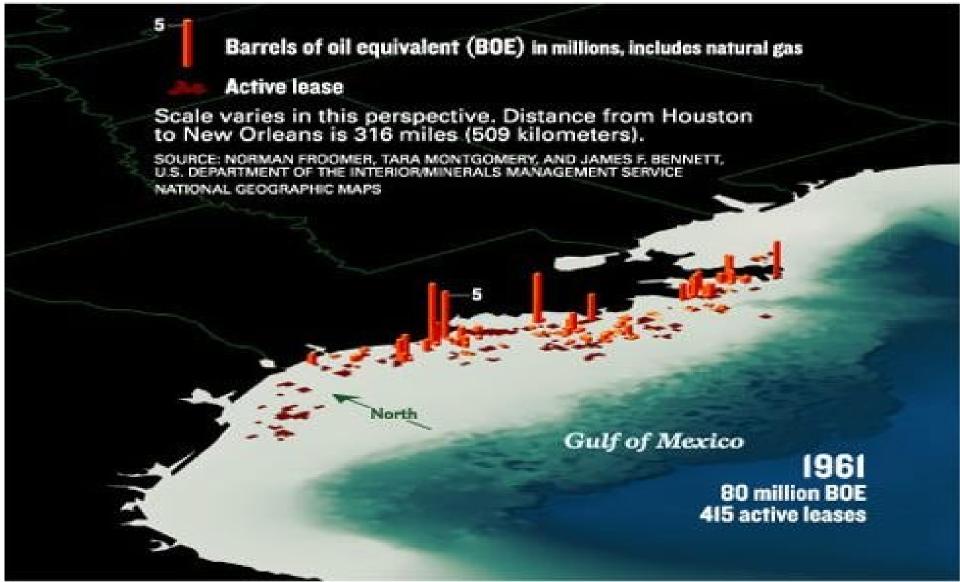
## Copper demand remains strong... but can we find enough?





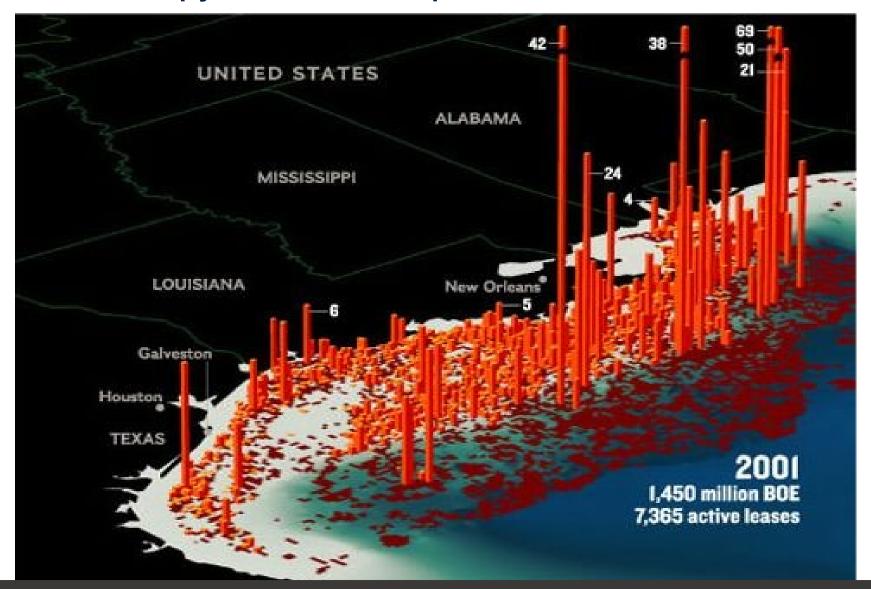
### The strategic approach... brownfields is the new greenfields





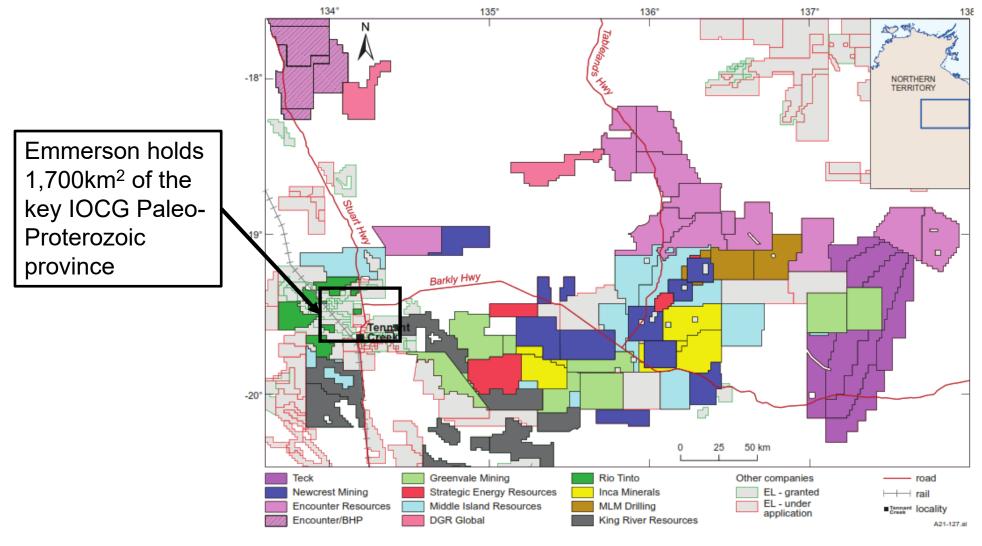
The prize... after 40 years of technology (3D seismic), science and improved deep water drilling and extraction... but not simply near well or mine exploration!





# The role and power of pre-competitive data - Tennant Creek Mineral Field (NT)



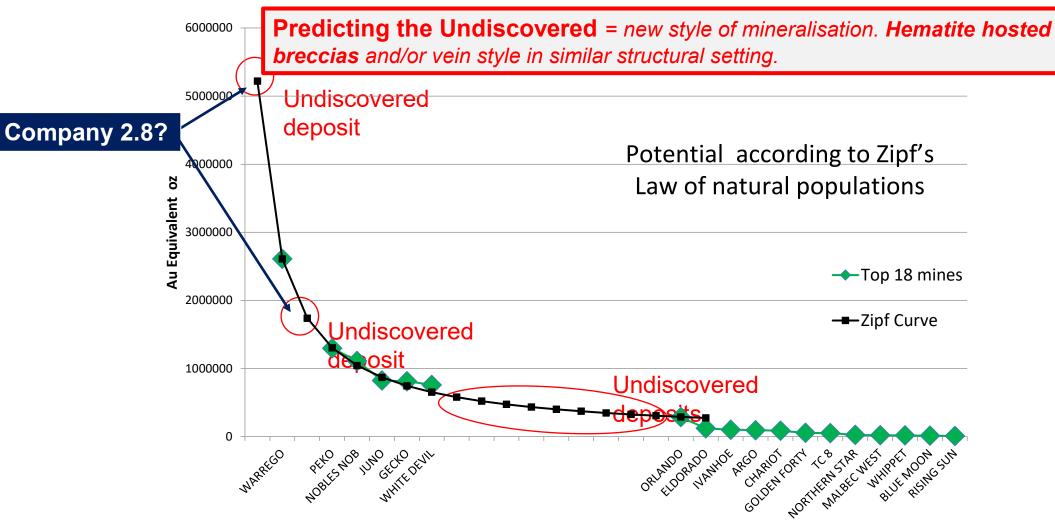


Map of exploration licences and application in the Barkly Tableland in March 2021, showing the distribution of tenure of selected exploration companied. Most highlighted licenses were applied for since 2019. (Map from AGES 2021).

### The undiscovered potential of the Tennant Creek Mineral Field

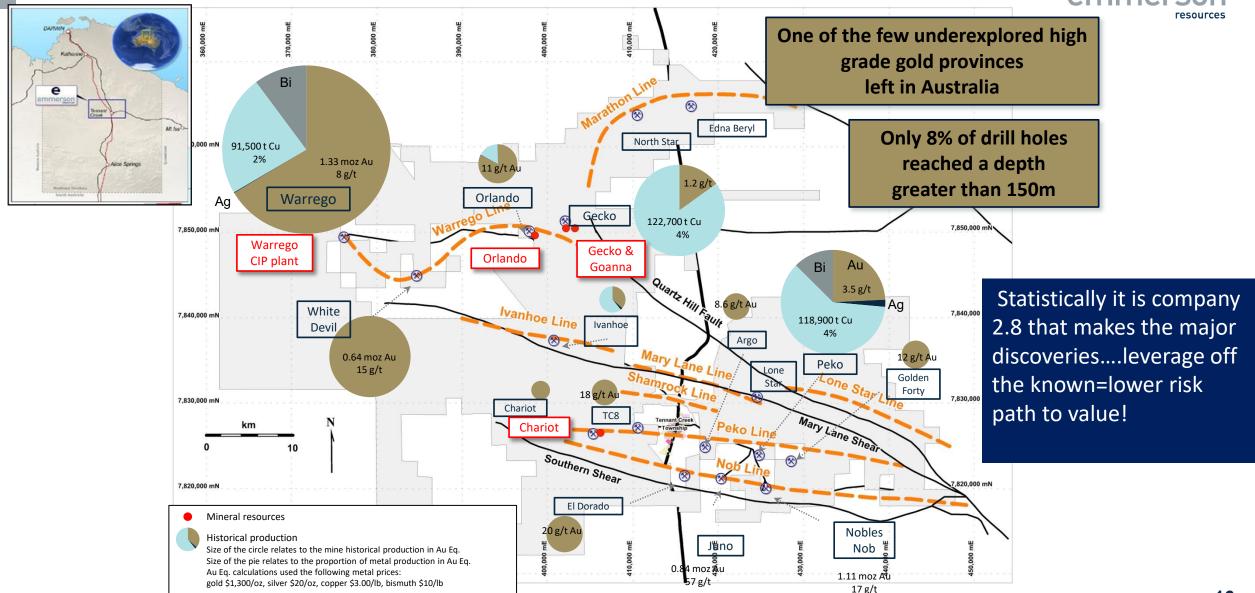


#### Missing: 1 deposit @ 5.2Mozs, 1 deposit @ 1.74Mozs, +++



### Tennant Creek – brownfields is the new green fields?





#### The business of exploration: First Predict... then Detect





Seabed

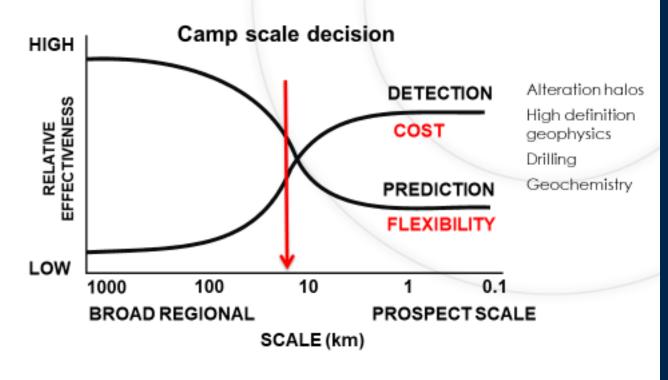
#### Getting the scale right...

where to focus the more detailed and expensive Detection Technologies



## Scale Dependent Targeting





Where do we focus the more systematic, detailed and expensive detection technologies?

#### The probability of success...

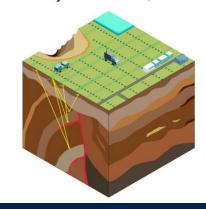


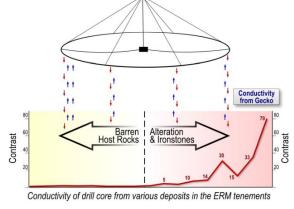
The business case for exploration and the confluence of land access, data, people, science...

# Precise Prediction and Detection Aiming to deliver: New greenfields targets & discoveries Underexplored brownfields targets to grow current resource base Weighted aggregation process\* "Unbiased, probability based New Targets

#### **Advanced Detection Technology**

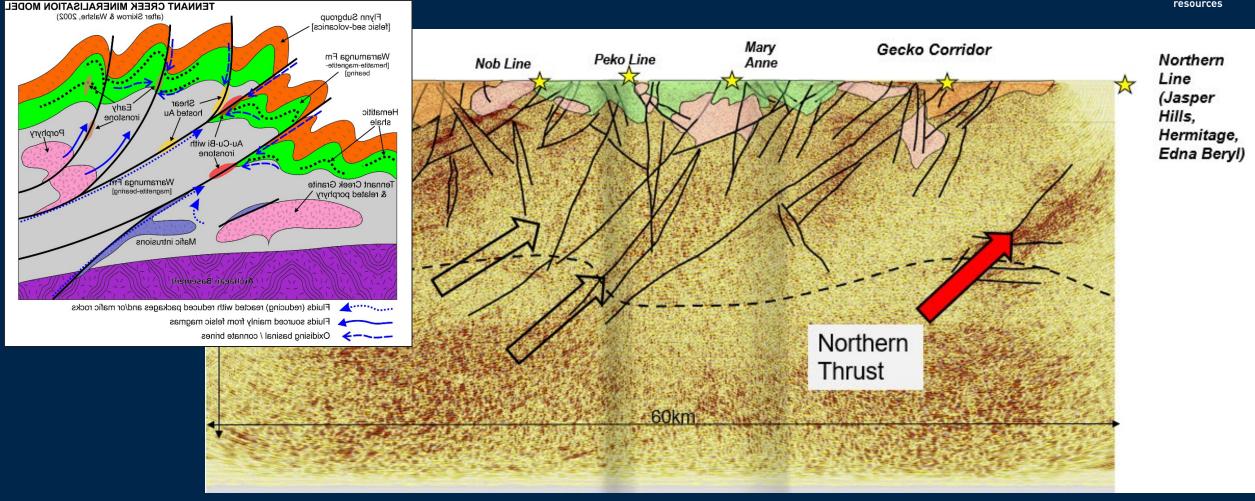
- ▶ Multiple (applicable) detection technologies increase the probability of discovery
- → Emmerson have pioneered the first use of high powered, airborne electrical geophysics in Tennant Creek (and discovered the Goanna Mineralisation)
- ▶ Emmerson and JV Partner, Evolution Mining have pioneered seismic geophysics in Tennant Creek (has highlighted the Edna Beryl mineralisation)





## Prediction from seismic... collaborative NTGS and ERM project



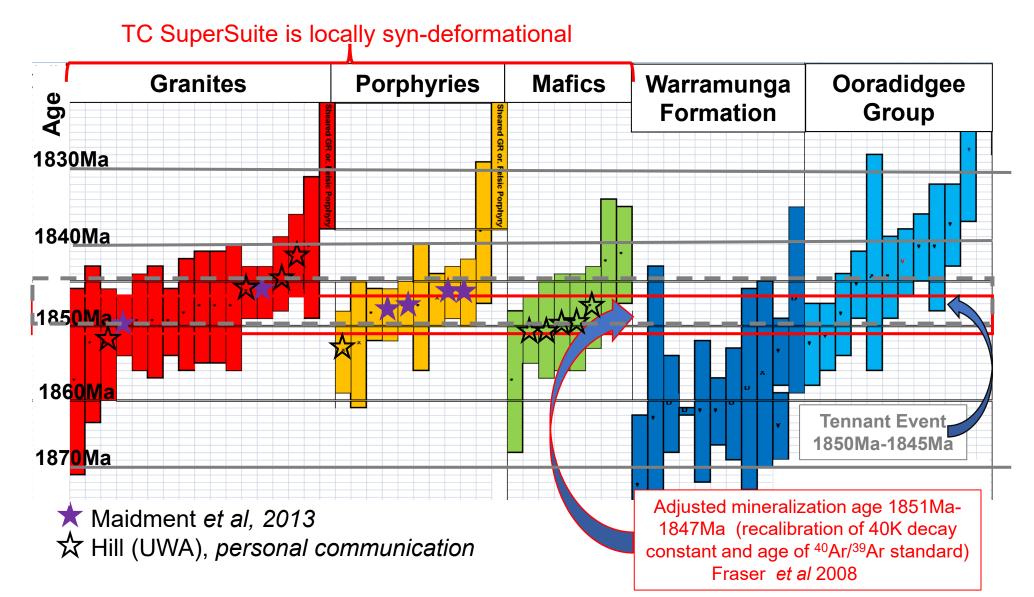


Gold and copper deposits in the TCMF occur along predictive D1 structural corridors, associated with deep seated thrust faults and the later intrusion (D2-D3) of the Tennant Creek Supersuite

#### The role of applied Research in predicting the undiscovered



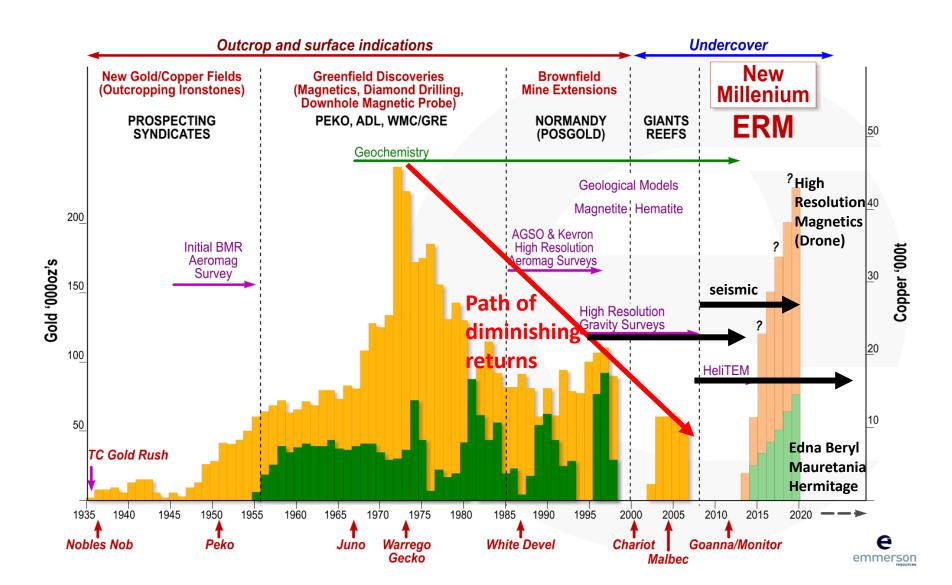
Mineralisation (D3) now synchronise with the main igneous event (1851 - 1846Ma)... ERM sponsored PhD



#### Discovery history of the Tennant Creek Mineral Field



New detection techniques + models = discoveries but no silver (or gold) bullet!!!

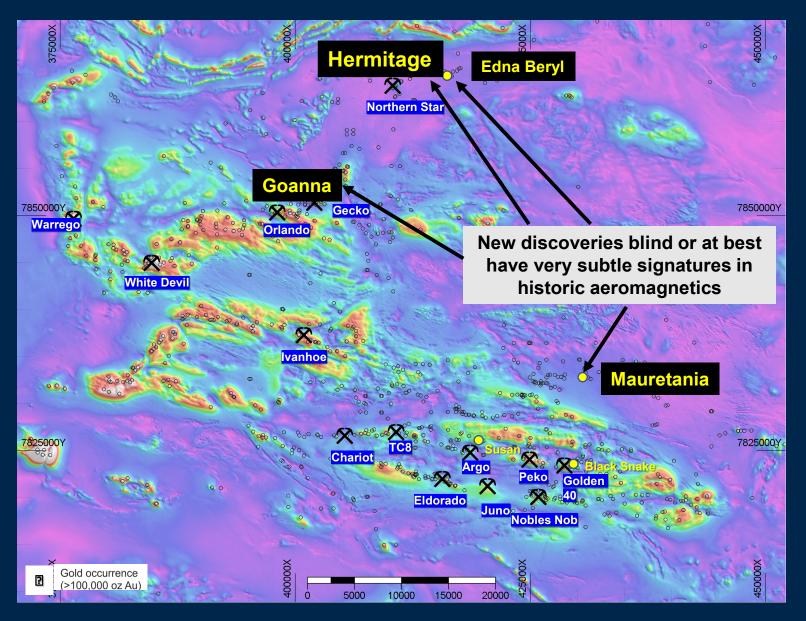


#### **Old Detection Technologies**

Fixed-wing aeromagnetics was very effective at that time... providing the mineralisation was hosted

in magnetite

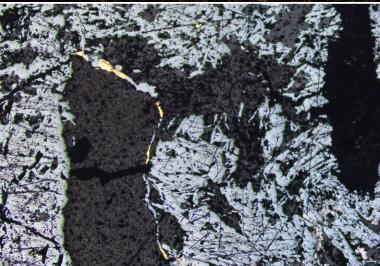


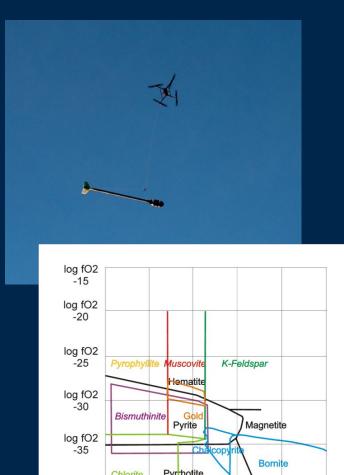


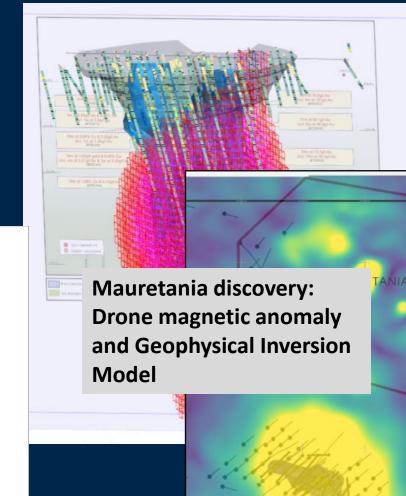
#### Mauretania Discovery – hematite hosted IOCG









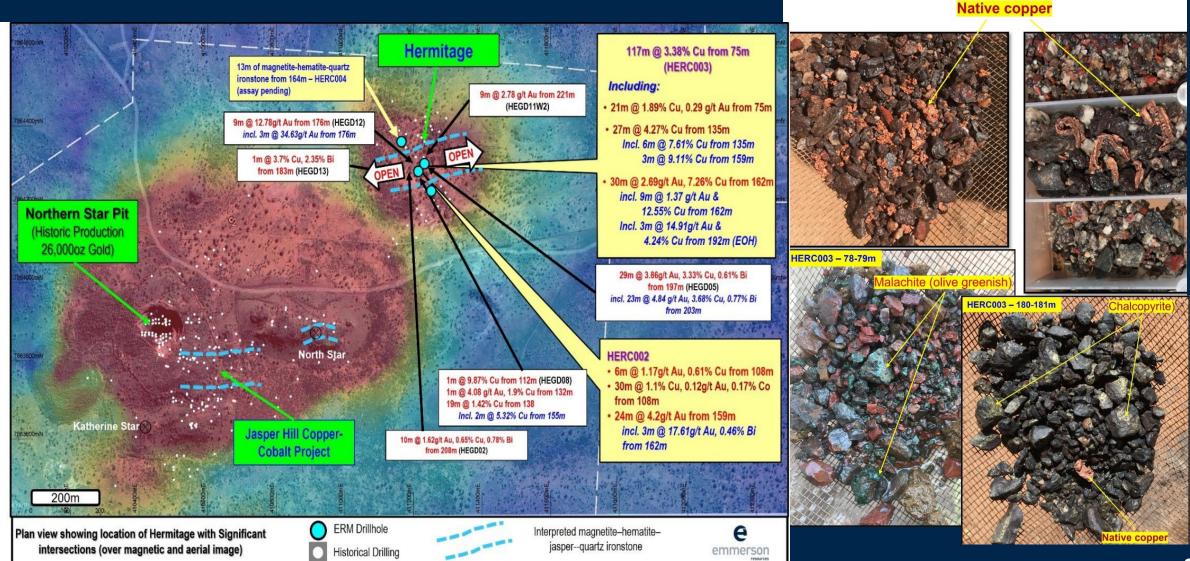


log fO2



#### ASX: Stunning 117m at ~3.4% copper at Hermitage



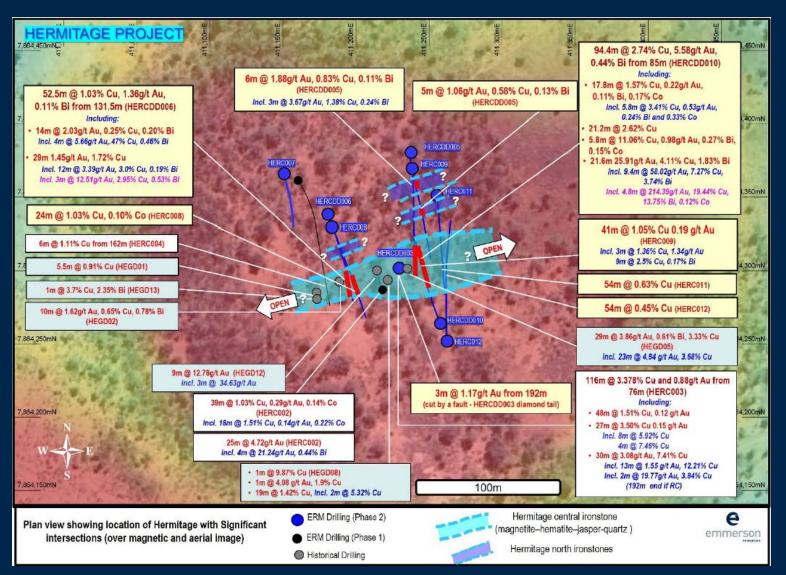


#### **IOCG** with some New World Metal credits



#### First diamond drill hole

- 94m @ 2.7% Cu, 5.6g/t Au and 0.4%
   Bi incl.
- Up to 19% Cu, 13% Bi, 0.3% Co and 214g/t Au



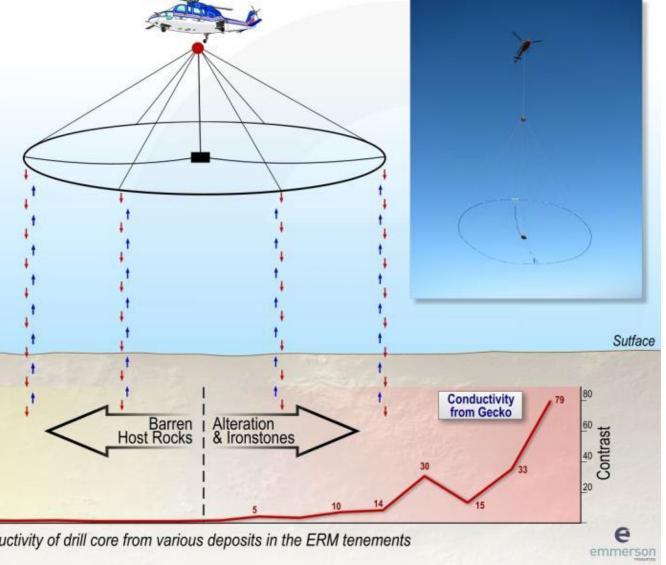
#### **New Tech and Ideas**



#### **HeliTEM:**

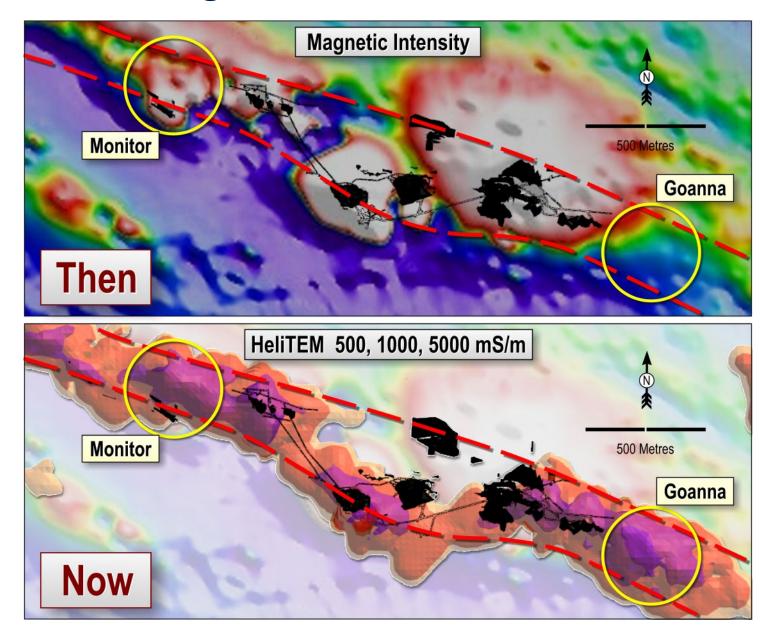
- Most powerful in the world
- Designed for deep exploration
- Only system with XYZ fields
- Flown on 100m lines, 30-50m above ground
- Measures electromagnetic field
- TC deposits variably conductive
- Barren host rocks resistive

Contrast



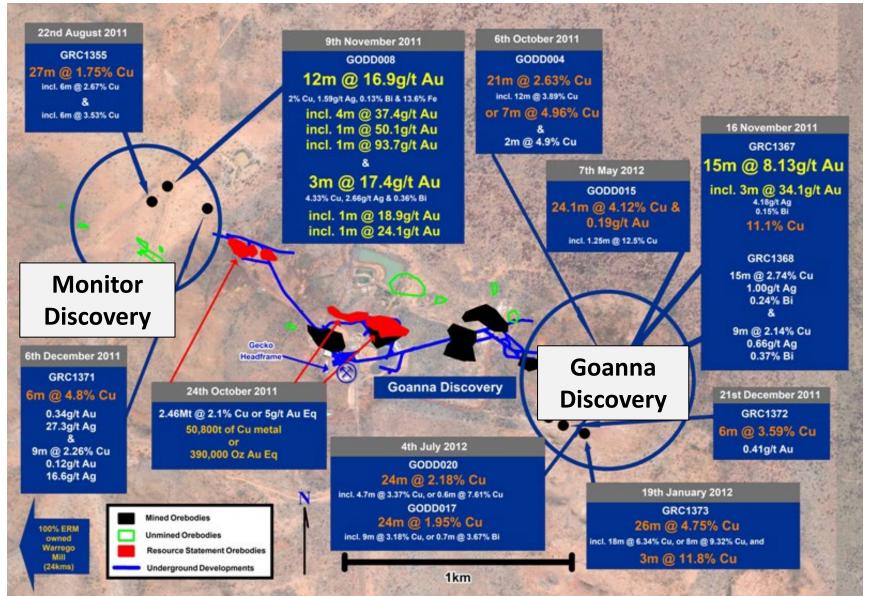
## Old versus New: Detecting the Undiscovered





#### The Undiscovered Discovered

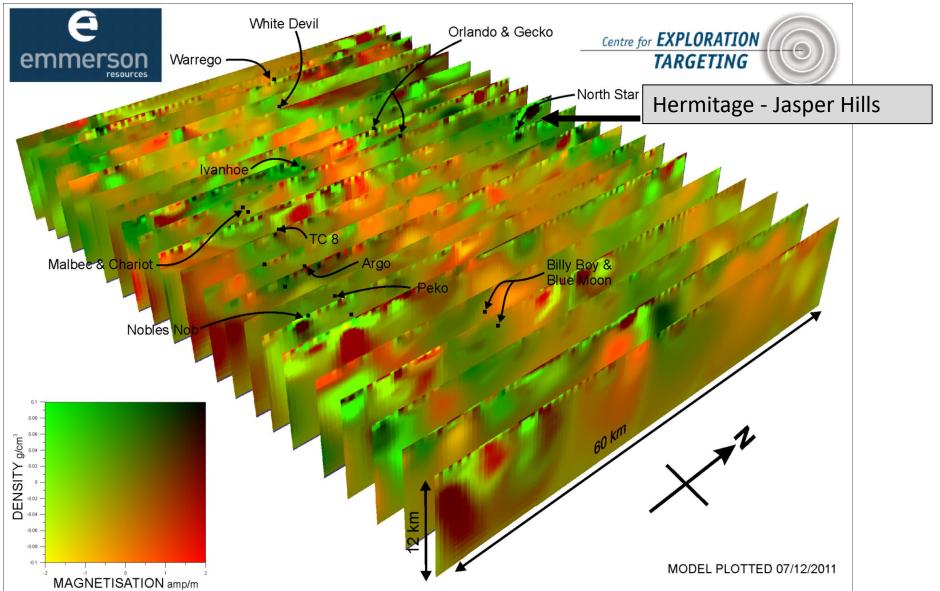




#### **Predicting the Undiscovered**

a new 4D model of the Tennant Creek Mineral Field





### Some froth but mostly substance... Keeping it Real!



- Systematic science-based exploration more suited to a durable business case based on LME traded metals. It must be investable over the requisite time horizon!!
- The brownfields is the new green fields... leveraging off known mineral systems.
- Invest in people! develop the intuitive mindset, visualize and work in 3D, embrace technology, applied research, upskilling via training/courses/conferences... add business acumen.
- Understand the 4D implications and crossover scale of Prediction and Detection... the MH370 issue
- GI not AI... Geological Intelligence not artificial intelligence! Working with independent and invariably incomplete datasets.
- Increase the probability of success keep it real (skim off the froth)!

