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Sulphides represent only 3% of the mineralized rock by volume with 95% of the sulphides being pyrite-marcasite. Gold mineralization occurs within the Tertiary sediments, hydrothermal breccia and rhyolite on the hanging-wall of the Specogna fault (which have been the focus of past exploration efforts) and within quartz veins associated with rhyolite intruding the Haida Formation on the little explored foot-wall of the Specogna fault. On the hanging-wall of the fault gold occurs disseminated within the pervasive silica-adularia alteration and significant amounts of gold occur within quartz stockwork and banded quartz veins not only microscopically but at visible levels. Vein textures and the occurrence of visible gold associated with them indicate that both mixing of meteoric water with hydrothermal fluids and boiling events localized gold deposition.

Previous operators defined a gold resource of over 2.3 million ounces based on dominantly vertical drilling and lesser angled drilling towards the southwest on a wide spaced grid. Misty Mountain demonstrated, in 1995, through detailed sampling of the quartz veins and wall-rock in the 344 metre long adit that the quartz veins are: dominantly vertical and strike northeast at approximately 034 degrees, have grades three times that of the wall-rock and represent 20 percent of the rock volume in the drifts. Misty Mountain concluded that the gold resource could be upgraded by drilling at right angles to the veins. To that end a preliminary drilling program, of 49 holes, was undertaken from October, 1995 to March, 1996 totaling 10,000 metres. Holes were angled towards the southeast at 120 degrees with a -45° dip and drilled on 20 metre centres. Analysis of oriented core data has shown the veins to have a dominant strike orientation averaging 030 degrees with near vertical dips. Comparison of grades of old holes versus the 49 new holes within the same volume has shown a significant increase in gold grades associated with the new drilling. Based on these results Misty Mountain has continued its drilling program to upgrade and prove the resource in order to configure and calculate mineable reserves. To date 131 drill holes have been completed totaling 30,097 metres. Drilling is expected to continue into the first quarter of 1997.

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Rhy. hydroth. bx - 850m x 100m x 300m dip

but zone is 250m wide!

AN'n = 14Ma ± 0.5 my

Host Rhy. = 18Ma ± 2 my

Adularia = 14.8 Ma ± .3 my

(Kaitoko  
- Japan)

blading = boiling (+ Au)

Sinter: 2 layers = hot spring envin.  
- mud pots - long-lived system.

- alluvial fan envin. of top.  
- consid. gravity separation due to 'ubiquitous' native gold.

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