

## Drilling in Progress at Odienne Project, Côte d'Ivoire

## HIGHLIGHTS

- 6,500m drilling campaign is now underway at the Odienne Project in northwest Côte d'Ivoire
- Current phase of work is comprised of diamond drilling and auger with reconnaissance tests including;
  - 1,000m diamond drilling planned in 5 holes on 400m spaced lines to follow-up open gold mineralisation highlighted in preliminary air core programmes completed in late 2023
  - o 4,000m of auger across three priority gold-in-soil anomalies over more than 20km extent
  - 1,500m of auger in first follow-up test of surface gold-in-soil anomalism on a 6km long, subparallel structure 11km northeast of previous drilling
- The current campaign comprises reconnaissance drilling across an aggregate 26km extent of gold anomalism on two sub-parallel structural trends associated with the flexure in the high-strain corridor proximal to the margin of the Archean Man craton
- High strain corridor targeted is on trend with the 5.4Moz Au Bankan Project (ASX: PDI), the 2.16Moz
  Au ABC project (LSE: CEY) and is a contiguous land position with the Awalé Resources (TSXV: ARIC) /
  Newmont joint venture which is host to multiple recent high-grade gold and copper discoveries

Many Peaks Minerals Limited (Many Peaks or the Company) (ASX: MPK) is pleased to advise drilling has commenced at its Odienné Gold Project (Odienne) located in northwest Côte d'Ivoire. The company has initiated a campaign of concurrent diamond drilling and auger sampling. This follows the recent completion of the Company's acquisition of 100% ownership of CDI Holdings (Guernsey) Ltd from Turaco Gold Ltd and Predictive Discovery Ltd, which holds the right to acquire an 85% interest in four mineral permits totalling a 1,275km2 land package in Cote d'Ivoire, with recent gold discoveries and over US\$4 million in prior exploration expenditure (refer to ASX release dated 8 May 2024)

## Many Peaks' Executive Chairman, Travis Schwertfeger commented:

"Through our board's depth of West African operational experience, we have established an experienced technical team and have quickly advanced to a drill-ready stage at the Odienné Project. We are very excited about follow-up work across the extensive anomalies at Odienné and the opportunity to leverage off quality work by previous explorers generating systematic exploration datasets including high-resolution geophysics and surface geochemistry.

Previous work in combination with the current drilling and geochemical campaign positions Many Peaks to advance an aggressive exploration campaign at Odienné over the coming year, with results of the current campaign expected to define multiple prospects for continued drilling at Odienné to dovetail with commencement of drilling activities at the highly prospective Ferké Project in the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of the year."

At Odienne, diamond drilling is in progress with a 1,000m programme following up better gold intercepts from an initial air core drilling campaign, completed in late 2023, targeting a 1km extent of surface gold anomalism in the southeast of the Odienne Project (refer to ASX release dated 26 March 2024) The targeted anomaly is located approximately 10km northwest and along trend of the BBM prospect where ongoing drilling is being completed by the Awalé Resources / Newmont joint venture on the adjoining permit to the south (Figure 1).

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The recent air core drilling at Odienne intersected gold mineralisation in a predominantly clay-weathered profile, with only limited information that could be inferred about the mineralisation's style and key structural controls. The current diamond drill holes will represent the first drilling into fresh rock within the extensive anomalous corridor at the Odienne permit.

In addition to the diamond drill programme, over 5,500m of planned auger drilling is anticipated to increase the resolution of geology and surface geochemistry datasets and enhance the target vectoring of follow up drilling planned for the second half of the year. Three auger rigs with Sahara Geoservices have been mobilised, with extensive auger coverage initiated across an approximately 26km extent of gold-in-soil anomalism on two sub-parallel structural corridors. It is anticipated to be completed over the next four weeks.

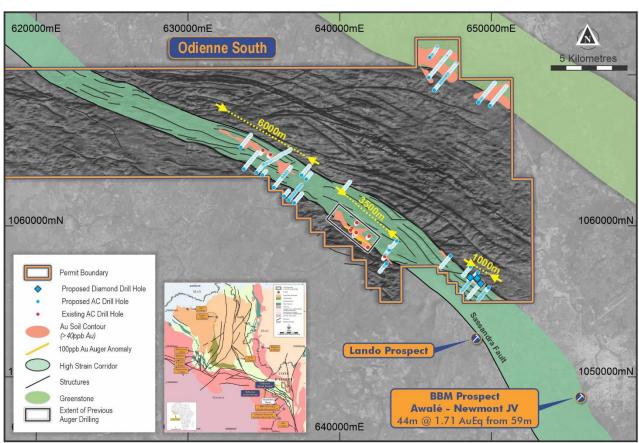


Figure 1 | Odienne South Permit with gold in soil and auger anomalism outlines, previous air core drilling locations, with proposed diamond drilling and auger sampling locations.

## **Odienne Project**

The Odienne Project, comprising two granted exploration permits, cover an aggregate 758km<sup>2</sup> in the north-western region of Cote d'Ivoire. The permits are held under an earn-in agreement between Many Peaks' wholly owned Ivorian subsidiary and a local entity, under which Many Peaks has already earned into a 65% interest in the projects and holds the right to earn an 85% interest by sole funding exploration to feasibility study.

Geologically, the Odienne South permit area lies on the regional scale Sassandra fault which marks the boundary between the Archean Man craton and the Paleoproterozoic Baoule-Mossi domain (Figure 2). Despite hosting comparable stratigraphy to Guinea's prolific, gold bearing Siguiri basin, the Odienne region remains largely unexplored. However, recent exploration success in the local area include Centamin Mining's 2.2Moz ABC gold discovery (refer to Centamin PLC (TSX:CEE) announcement dated 19 December 2023 and available on SEDAR+ - Landing Page (sedarplus.ca) and the emerging gold discoveries contiguous with Odienne South by Awalé Resources (Awalé) (TSXV: ARIC) operating in joint venture with Newmont Corporation.

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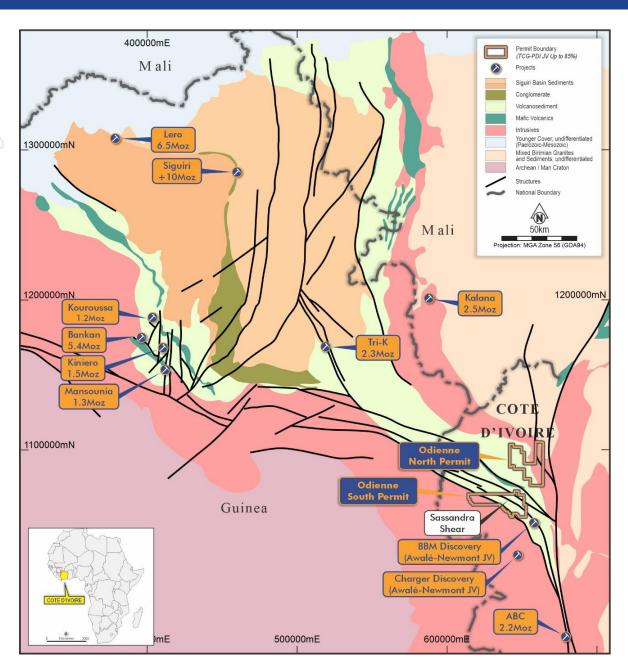


Figure 2 | Project Location

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