

# CDN Resource Laboratories Ltd.

# **Certificate of Analysis**

# **REFERENCE MATERIAL: CDN-GS-7Q**

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	6.46 gpt	±	0.39 gpt	30 g Fire Assay, ICP or AA finish	
Gold	6.46 gpt	±	0.37 gpt	Fire Assay, gravimetric finish	Certified value
	6.69 gpt	±	0.27 gpt	Gamma ray- photon assay instrument	

**Note 1:** Standards with an RSD of near or less than 5% are certified; RSD's of between 5% and 15% are Provisional; RSD's over 15% are Indicated. Provisional and Indicated values cannot be used to monitor accuracy with a high degree of certainty.

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#### **ORIGIN OF REFERENCE MATERIAL:**

Standard CDN-GS-7Q was prepared from ore that became available to CDN from Amaruq gold project, Kivalliq District of Nunavut Territory, Canada. Mineralization styles identified at these sectors include pyrrhotite-amphibole-carbonate injections and replacement in iron formation, along with silica-flooding in association with arsenopyrite-pyrrhotite in chert-rich units. The deposits also feature discordant shear zones comprising quartz, carbonates, sulfide, and native gold.

#### **METHOD OF PREPARATION:**

Reject ore material was dried, crushed, pulverized, and then passed through a 270-mesh screen. The +270 material was discarded. The -270 material was mixed for 5 days in a double-cone mixer. Splits were taken and sent to participating commercial laboratories for round robin assaying.

### **Assay Procedures:**

Au: 30 gr. fire assay pre-concentration, AA or ICP finish.

Au: Fire assay pre-concentration, gravimetric finish.

Au: Gamma ray- photon assay instrument

### **Statistical Procedures:**

The final limits were calculated after first determining if all data was compatible within a spread normally expected for similar analytical methods done by reputable laboratories. Data from any one laboratory was removed from further calculations when the mean of all analyses from that laboratory failed a T- test of the global means of the other laboratories. The means and standard deviations were calculated using all remaining data. Any analysis that fell outside of the mean ±2 standard deviations was removed from the ensuing database. The mean and standard deviations were again calculated using the remaining data. This method is different from that used by Government agencies in that the actual "between-laboratory" standard deviation is used in the calculations. This produces upper and lower limits that reflect actual individual analyses rather than a grouped set of analyses. The limits can therefore be used to monitor accuracy from individual analyses, unlike the Confidence Limits published on other standards.

#### **Quality Assurance and Quality Control Procedures:**







**Screening Test:** After completion of homogenization, three samples, 300g each of homogenized material was randomly collected and was re-screened by a testing sieve. Over size material of this standard and based on CDN's screening test was ~%1.5.

### **Homogeneity Test:**

15 samples were selected selectively throughout the batch and were sent to an independent assay Laboratories for Homogeneity testing following directions of Annex B, Homogeneity and Stability of proficiency test items, ISO 13528:2015 Guidelines.

Assay results went through a statistical work-up by checking the mean, standard deviation, and %RSD. Based on performed statistical works outlined by ISO 13528; CDN-GS-7Q is statistically homogenized (Appendix III).

### **LEGAL NOTICE:**

This certificate and the reference material described in it have been prepared with due care and attention. However, CDN Resource Laboratories Ltd. nor Barry Smee accept any liability for any decisions or actions taken following the use of the reference material. Our liability is limited solely to the cost of the reference material.

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### **APPENDIX I:**

Whole rock analysis and 30 element ICP analysis (4-acid digestion) were also conducted on 3 samples.

## APPROXIMATE CHEMICAL COMPOSITION (by whole rock analysis):

Analyte	Percent	Analyte	Percent		
SiO₂	59.6	Na₂O	0.3		
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	5.3	MgO	8.9		
Fe₂O3	14.1	K2O	1.0		
CaO	3.8	TiO <sub>2</sub>	0.2		
MnO	0.3	LOI	3.8		
Total S	1.8	Total C	0.9		

### Fire Assay Participating Laboratories: (not in same order as table of assays)

Activation Labs, Ancaster, Ontario, Canada	ALS Canada, North Vancouver, BC, Canada
Activation Labs, Thunder Bay, Ontario, Canada	Bureau Veritas, Vancouver, BC, Canada
AGAT, AB, Canada	MS Analytical, Langley, BC, Canada
ALS, Brisbane, Australia	SGS Lakefield, ON, Canada
ALS Lima, Peru	SGS, Vancouver, BC, Canada
ALS, Loughrea, Ireland	
ALS, Perth, Australia	
ALS, Val d'Or,QC, Canada	

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ALS, Thunder Bay, Ontario, Canada	MSA, Val D'Or, QC, Canada		
MSA, Prince George, BC, Canada	Paragon, Langley, BC, Canada		
MSA, Timmins, Ontario, Canada			







# **APPENDIX II: Results from round-robin assaying:**

	Lab 1	Lab 2	Lab 3	Lab 4	Lab 5	Lab 6	Lab 7	Lab 8	Lab 9	Lab 10	Lab 11	Lab 12	Lab 13
	Au by Fire Assay, 30g sample size and Instrumental finish												
	6.58	6.68	6.52	6.24	6.30	6.52	7.20	6.19	6.57	6.317	6.388	6.68	6.64
	6.12	6.61	6.14	6.36	6.51	6.61	6.64	6.38	6.49	6.309	6.580	6.72	6.36
۲	7.15	6.60	6.13	6.46	6.74	6.77	6.47	6.48	6.14	6.220	6.858	6.32	6.48
GS-7Q	6.39	6.42	6.04	6.59	6.59	6.50	6.52	6.70	6.80	6.146	6.645	6.40	6.28
9	6.31	6.45	6.48	6.54	6.73	6.58	6.42	6.53	6.71	6.555	7.025	6.64	6.41
	6.64	6.61	6.52	6.41	6.61	6.24	6.24	6.76	6.74	6.049	6.725	6.44	6.50
	6.47	6.25	6.29	6.68	6.33	6.44	6.59	6.58	6.24	6.575	6.268	6.37	6.31
	6.21	6.00	6.26	6.28	6.41	6.58	6.49	6.85	6.77	6.499	6.654	6.66	6.30
	7.13	6.10	6.89	6.35	6.42	6.54	6.45	6.36	6.22	6.211	6.591	6.44	6.33
	7.04	5.93	5.98	6.29	6.27	6.40	6.48	6.42	6.56	6.247	6.536	6.54	6.51
Mean	6.60	6.37	6.33	6.42	6.49	6.52	6.55	6.53	6.52	6.313	6.627	6.52	6.41
Std. Dev	0.38	0.28	0.28	0.15	0.17	0.14	0.25	0.20	0.25	0.18	0.22	0.15	0.12
% RSD	5.77	4.35	4.40	2.26	2.65	2.16	3.85	3.10	3.77	2.81	3.26	2.23	1.83
			Au by	/ Fire Ass	say, 30g	sample	size and	Gravime	etric finis	sh			
	6.38	6.18	6.6	6.55	6.80	6.48	6.58	5.96	6.42	6.60	6.9	6.74	6.5
	6.90	6.54	6.4	6.39	6.52	6.54	6.43	6.07	6.44	6.39	6.5	6.68	6.7
	6.50	6.55	6.0	6.44	6.56	6.54	6.42	6.19	6.54	6.28	6.7	6.76	6.6
	7.06	6.29	6.3	6.53	6.45	6.78	6.44	6.37	6.71	6.02	6.7	6.39	6.6
GS-7Q	6.03	6.33	7.8	6.20	6.47	6.68	6.50	5.91	6.63	6.19	6.7	6.45	6.4
GS-	6.13	6.40	5.8	6.36	6.54	6.84	6.47	6.68	6.61	6.46	6.8	6.61	6.6
	6.33	6.24	5.6	7.15	6.24	6.47	6.26	6.15	6.41	6.29	6.4	6.34	6.4
	6.50	6.15	5.4	6.46	6.68	6.72	6.70	6.48	6.45	6.51	6.5	6.47	6.4
	6.29	6.20	6.7	6.41	6.57	6.51	6.72	7.44	6.55	6.64	6.4	6.42	6.2
	6.10	6.08	6.4	6.43	6.28	6.60	6.60	5.89	6.15	6.55	6.7	6.26	6.2
Mean	6.42	6.30	6.3	6.49	6.51	6.62	6.51	6.31	6.49	6.39	6.6	6.51	6.5
Std. Dev	0.34	0.16	0.68	0.25	0.17	0.13	0.14	0.47	0.16	0.20	0.17	0.17	0.17
% RSD	5.24	2.54	10.79	3.86	2.57	1.98	2.15	7.47	2.41	3.09	2.57	2.68	2.65





	Lab 14	Lab 15	Lab 16	Lab 17	Lab 18					
	Gamma ray- photon assay instrument									
	6.36	6.828	6.676	6.649	6.92					
ď	6.54	6.756	6.867	6.696	6.83					
GS-7Q	6.45	6.475	6.650	6.911	6.72					
	6.67	6.788	6.731	6.745	6.44					
	6.66	6.724	6.625	6.714	6.84					
	6.63	6.521	6.880	6.600	6.61					
	6.55	6.682	6.738	6.719	6.73					
Mean	0.13	0.15	0.11	0.11	0.18					
Std. Dev	1.92	2.21	1.64	1.59	2.62					
% RSD	6.36	6.828	6.676	6.649	6.92					

#### Notes:

Highlighted results were removed for failing the t-test or poor precision.

### **APPENDIX III: QAQC**

### Table below illustrates percentages of over size (+275 mesh) material in CDN-GS-7Q

Standard	Study Date	Total weight Screened (g)	Total weight Over size (g)	Percentage	
GS-7Q			4.0	1.3%	
	4/10/2025	300 g	5.0	1.7%	
			5.0	1.7%	





### Table below shows homogeneity test results of CDN-GS-7Q

	Au Original	Au Repeat	Between Sample Variance Wt	Sample Avg. Xt	Stdev of Sample Avg	Within-Sample Std.
	6.582	6.608	0.026	6.595	0.011	0.001
	6.745	6.862	0.117	6.804	0.011	0.014
	6.493	6.542	0.049	6.518	0.032	0.002
	6.597	6.522	0.075	6.560	0.019	0.006
	6.602	6.338	0.264	6.470	0.052	0.070
ď	6.493	6.517	0.024	6.505	0.037	0.001
GS-7Q	6.670	6.962	0.292	6.816	0.014	0.085
	6.914	6.684	0.230	6.799	0.010	0.053
	6.456	6.530	0.074	6.493	0.042	0.005
	6.660	6.830	0.170	6.745	0.002	0.029
	6.872	6.759	0.113	6.816	0.014	0.013
	6.643	7.056	0.413	6.850	0.023	0.171
	6.863	6.884	0.021	6.874	0.031	0.000
	6.922	6.794	0.128	6.858	0.026	0.016
	6.782	6.745	0.037	6.764	0.004	0.001
	Statistics		Gavg	SX	:	ss
Mean	6.686	6.709	6.698	0.153	0.	125
SD	0.1564	0.1972	С	C SQRT		
RSD	2.339	2.939	0.0507	0.23		
Proof of Homogeneity	Based on Statistical proced If "SS is < square root of C"		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		tistically homoge	nous

#### **APPENDIX IV: General Notes**

#### **Intended Use**

This Certified Reference Material fits for use as a control sample in routine assay laboratory quality control when inserted within runs of test samples and measured in parallel to test samples. This material can also be used for method development, use as independent calibration verification check standard or for validation of accuracy in a method validation exercise.

This CRM can also be used to assess inter-laboratory or instrument bias and establish within-laboratory precision and within-laboratory reproducibility. The certified concentrations and expanded uncertainty for this material are property values based on an inter-laboratory measurement campaign and reflect consensus results from the laboratories that took part in the exercise.

### Handling

Do not use if the seal is broken or there are any signs of contamination.

The material is packaged in either Tin Tie envelopes, foil envelopes or jars that must be shaken before use.

### **Storage information**

The material should be stored in a dry place, in such a way that it does not compromise the integrity of the CRM. The material should be stored in conditions which will ensure it does not absorb moisture.

Certificate is not valid if re-packaged by a third party.

### **Metrological Traceability**

The values quoted herein are based on the consensus values derived from statistical analysis of the data from an interlaboratory measurement program. Traceability to SI units is via the standards used by the individual laboratories, all of which are accredited to the ISO17025 general requirements for the competence of testing and calibration laboratories and who have maintained measurement traceability during the analytical process.







### **Period of Validity**

The certified values are valid for this product, while still sealed in its original packaging, until notification to the contrary. The material's stability will undergo regular testing every five years throughout its inventory duration. Should product stability become an issue, all customers will be notified and notification to that effect will be placed on the <a href="http://www.cdnlabs.com/">http://www.cdnlabs.com/</a> website.

### **Minimum Sample Size**

Most of the laboratory's reporting used a 0.5g sample size for the ICP and a 30g sample size for the fire assay. Our certified gold values are based on 30 g Fire Assay determinations. For optimal results, we strongly recommend you assay our standards with similar methods using "at least" 30 g of material. Using a smaller sample weight may result in erratic values. These are the recommended minimum sample sizes for the use of this material.





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