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# **Conversion Factors**

International System of Units to U.S. customary units



## **Abbreviations**

- Earth MRI Earth Mapping Resources Initiative
- PGE platinum group elements
- **REE** rare earth elements
- **USGS U.S. Geological Survey**

# **Chemical Symbols**





Zr zirconium

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## <span id="page-10-0"></span>**Abstract**

To define and prioritize focus areas across the United States with resource potential for 35 critical minerals in a few years' time, the U.S Geological Survey Earth Mapping Resources Initiative (Earth MRI) required an efficient approach to streamline workflow. A mineral systems approach based on current understanding of how ore deposits that contain critical minerals form and relate to broader geologic frameworks and the tectonic history of the Earth was used to satisfy this Earth MRI need. This report describes the rationale for, and structure of, a table developed for Earth MRI that relates critical minerals and principal commodities to the deposit types and mineral systems in which they are concentrated. The hierarchical relationship between systems, deposits, commodities, and critical minerals makes it possible to define and prioritize each system-based focus area once for all of the critical minerals that it may contain. This approach is advantageous because mineral systems are much larger than individual ore deposits and they generally have geologic features that can be "imaged" by the topographic, geologic, geochemical, and geophysical mapping techniques deployed by Earth MRI.

## <span id="page-10-1"></span>**Background**

The President and Secretary of the Interior issued orders (Executive Office of the President, 2017; U.S. Department of the Interior, 2017) that directed the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) to develop a plan to improve the Nation's understanding of domestic critical mineral resources. In response, a list of 35 critical minerals with a high risk for supply disruption were identified by the National Minerals Information Center (Fortier and others, 2018). The 35 critical minerals that were identified are aluminum (Al), antimony (Sb), arsenic (As), barite (BaSO<sub>4)</sub>, beryllium (Be), bismuth (Bi), cesium (Cs), chromium (Cr), cobalt (Co), fluorspar (CaF<sub>2</sub>), gallium (Ga), germanium (Ge), graphite (C), hafnium (Hf), helium (He), indium (In), lithium (Li), magnesium (Mg), manganese (Mn), niobium (Nb), platinum group elements (PGEs), potash (KCl), rare earth elements (REE), rhenium (Re), rubidium (Rb),

scandium (Sc), strontium (Sr), tantalum (Ta), tellurium (Te), tin (Sn), titanium (Ti), tungsten (W), uranium (U), vanadium (V), and zirconium (Zr).

In 2018, Congress allocated funds to the USGS Mineral Resources Program for the Earth Mapping Resources Initiative (Earth MRI), which is a partnership between the USGS, the Association of American State Geologists, and other Federal, State, and private-sector organizations. The goal of Earth MRI is to generate maps and data that aid in increasing the domestic inventory of critical minerals (Day, 2019). To reach this goal, focus areas with critical mineral resource potential must be defined and prioritized for new topographic, geologic, geochemical, and geophysical mapping; and funds must be allocated to States and contractors to conduct the work. The new maps of high priority focus areas are designed to (1) advance understanding of, or "image," the three-dimensional geologic framework, (2) stimulate exploration and development of domestic resources of critical minerals, and (3) decrease the Nation's reliance on foreign sources of critical minerals.

During Phase 1, focus areas with potential for REEbearing deposit types were targeted and classified by geologic environment (Dicken and others, 2019; Hammarstrom and Dicken, 2019). In 2019, funds were allocated to map the prioritized REE-focus areas and several studies were underway in 2020. During Phase 2, focus areas with potential for Al, C, Co, Li, Nb, PGE, Sn, Ta, Ti, and W were targeted and classified into mineral systems (explained in the "Mineral Systems" section) that generate ore deposits containing the aforementioned critical minerals. The plan for Phase 3 is to target and classify all or most of the remaining critical minerals  $(As, BaSO<sub>4</sub>, Be,$ Bi, CaF₂, Cr, Cs, Ga, Ge, He, Hf, In, KCl, Mg, Mn, Re, Rb, Sb, Sc, Sr, Te, U, V, and Zr).

## <span id="page-10-2"></span>**Problem and Solution**

To define and prioritize Earth MRI focus areas across the United States for 35 critical minerals in a few years' time, an efficient method was needed that minimized the number of focus areas and the number of times that each focus area was considered. Application of the commodity-based approach utilized for REE in Phase 1 to the remaining 34 critical minerals would be redundant and inefficient because, unlike REE and

a few other exceptions (Al,  $BaSO<sub>4</sub>, C, PGE$ ), critical minerals generally do not constitute the major part of any single mineral deposit. Instead, they are more commonly present as minor constituents in deposits mined for principal commodities, such as gold (Au), silver (Ag), lead (Pb), zinc (Zn), copper (Cu), molybdenum (Mo), nickel (Ni), iron (Fe), and phosphorus (P).

The solution to this problem, employed in Phases 2 and 3 of Earth MRI, was to take advantage of the hierarchical relationship that exists between mineral systems, ore deposits, principal commodities, and critical minerals (described in the "Table Rationale and Explanation" section) and define focus areas that correspond, more or less, to the footprint of mineral systems, and then prioritize each system-based focus area once for the entire suite of critical minerals that it may contain. An important advantage of this approach is that the scale of mineral systems is much larger than individual ore deposits and they generally have key geologic features that can be "imaged" by the Earth MRI mapping techniques described previously. The number of focus areas can be further reduced by prioritizing only the largest and most prospective systems in the United States because, in most (but not all) cases, small systems are unlikely to generate deposits that are large enough to contain significant quantities of critical minerals. Another way to minimize the number of focus areas is to group mineral systems that occur in clusters or belts into one focus area. Similarly, because well-endowed mineral systems are known to form in specific tectonic settings and during specific time periods of Earth history, such settings that have been identified in frontier areas or under cover can be designated as focus areas.

In the following sections, we describe mineral systems and the rationale for, and structure of, the systems, deposits, commodities, and critical minerals information compiled in table 1 (PDF file) and show how it can be used to streamline workflow for Earth MRI.

## <span id="page-11-0"></span>**Mineral Systems**

The mineral systems concept is based on current understanding of how ore deposits form and relate to broader geologic frameworks and the tectonic history of the Earth (for example, Wyborn and others, 1994; McCuaig and others, 2010; Huston and others, 2016; and Geological Survey of Western Australia, 2019). Mineral systems encompass all of the components required to form ore deposits (fig. 1). These components are (1) an optimum geotectonic setting, (2) energy to drive the system (heat, gravity), (3) source rocks for ligands and metals (igneous, metamorphic, or sedimentary rocks; preexisting mineralization), (4) a transport medium (melts, aqueous fluids-liquids-vapors, petroleum-natural gas), (5) transport pathways (channels, permeable structures and lithologies), (6) chemical and physical traps that concentrate metals to ore grades (deposits), and (7) distal expressions (mineral, chemical, or thermal anomalies) that extend to the limit of the system. In a given geotectonic setting, variations in these components, produce mineral systems and ore deposits of different types that are enriched in different principal commodities and byproducts, of which some are critical minerals.

Mineral systems with genetically related ore deposits generally form during an episode of magmatism, metamorphism, deformation, sedimentation, weathering, or erosion in specific geotectonic settings (fig. 1). The geotectonic setting includes the actual tectonic configuration as well as aspects of crustal evolution and (or) climatic conditions that are required for a system to produce significant deposits. If a setting lacks one or more key ingredients, such as dilatant structures, enriched source rocks, an arid climate, or appropriate physical or chemical conditions, a mineral system may operate without producing significant ore deposits. Systems generally require a trigger to get them started. Triggers can be sudden, such as volcanism above a mantle plume (for example, Ni-Cu-PGE deposits in a mafic magmatic system), or barely noticeable, such as formation of a peneplain in a tropical climatic zone (for example, bauxite deposits in a chemical weathering system).

The vertical and lateral extents of mineral systems are quite variable. For example, a system may have large vertical extents, as in porphyry Cu-Mo-Au systems that extend from the subduction zone to the surface (fig. 2*C*), or short vertical extents, such as chemical weathering systems that are restricted to the vadose zone between the surface and the water table. Mineral systems can have large lateral extents, as in basin brine path systems that extend from marine evaporite basins, across passive margins, to shelf-slope breaks where they discharge into the ocean (fig. 3). Other mineral systems can have small lateral extents, such as in carbonatites. Most systems are spatially zoned such that deposits with different commodities and critical minerals occur at different levels or in proximal to distal positions (for example, figs. 2*A* and 3). In some systems, critical minerals are enriched on the periphery of the system or deposit types within it, or they occur in unconventional deposit types (for example, alunite altered lithocaps). Some deposit types are mined for a single commodity, such as tungsten skarn deposits, whereas others are mined for several commodities, such as placer deposits mined for Au, REE, Ti, and Zr-Hf. In some deposit types, the principal commodity is a critical mineral, but in most cases critical minerals have been, or may only be, produced as byproducts of principal commodity deposits (Hayes and McCullough, 2018), such as REE from sedimentary phosphate deposits.

Detailed information on each system and deposit type is provided in the references cited in table 1.

## <span id="page-11-1"></span>**Table Rationale and Explanation**

Table 1 was populated with principal commodity and critical mineral information gathered from ore deposit models published by the USGS, other government organizations, and scientific journals. This information was classified into mineral systems using the concept outlined in the "Mineral Systems" section. This classification consisted of grouping deposit types

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**Figure 1.** Mineral system concepts. *A,* Modified from Knox-Robinson and Wyborn (1997). *B*, Modified from Geoscience Australia (2019). (≤, less than or equal; km, kilometer)

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**Figure 2.** Schematic cross sections of a porphyry copper (Cu)-molybdenum (Mo)-gold (Au) system (with critical minerals in blue) at various scales. *A* and *B*, Modified from Sillitoe (2010). *C*, Modified from Tosdal and others (2009). (Ag, silver; Al, aluminum; As, arsenic; Be, beryllium; Bi, bismuth; Co, cobalt; dissem., disseminated; Ga, gallium; Hg, mercury; In, indium; K, potassium; km, kilometer; Li, lithium; MASH, melting, assimilation, and homogenization; Mn, manganese; Pb, lead; PGE, platinum group elements; Re, rhenium; Sb, antimony; SLM, subcontinental lithospheric mantle; Sn, tin; Te, tellurium; W, tungsten; Zn, zinc)

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Figure 3. Schematic model of a basin brine path system (with critical minerals in blue), modified from Emsbo, 2009. (>, greater than; %, percent; Ba, barium; Bi, bismuth; Co, cobalt; Cs, cesium; Cu, copper; Fe, iron; Ga, gallium; Ge, germanium; In, indium; K, potassium; km, kilometer; km<sup>2</sup>, square kilometer; Li, lithium; Mg, magnesium; Mn, manganese; MVT, Mississippi Valley-type; Na, sodium; Pb, lead; PGE, platinum group elements; PO<sub>4</sub>, phosphate; Rb, rubidium; Re, rhenium; REE, rare earth elements; U, uranium; V, vanadium; Sb, antimony; Sr, strontium; TOC, total organic carbon; Zn, zinc)

that share a fundamental genetic relationship to geologic controls that are characteristic of each system type. Thus, if one part (for example, deposit type) of a system is identified, then the other parts (for example, other deposit types) of the system may be present nearby.

As table 1 was being constructed, it became clear that it could be simplified and made more useful for Earth MRI by (1) grouping deposit types with similar mineral assemblages that contain similar element suites, and (or) (2) splitting out deposit types with distinct mineralogies and elements. This decision was based on the common mineral associations that occur in certain deposit types and the typical element substitutions that occur in each mineral. For example, in porphyry Cu-Mo-Au systems (fig. 2*A–B*), polymetallic skarn, replacement, yein, and intermediate sulfidation (SRVIS) deposits all contain various proportions of Cu-, Zn-, and Pb-sulfides and As- and Sb-sulfosalts with variable proportions of the same principal commodities (Cu, Zn, Pb, Ag, Au) and critical minerals (Ge, Ga, In, Bi, Sb, As, W, Te). Thus, an overarching deposit name was devised to encompass them, "polymetallic SRVIS." In an analogous way, Cu-sulfides in porphyry and skarn copper deposits typically contain PGE, Te, and Bi; molybdenite in porphyry and skarn molybdenum deposits contains Re; pyrite in distal disseminated silver-gold deposits contains As and Sb; and alunite in lithocap deposits contains Al, K, and Ga. Placers are more complex because the assemblage of ore minerals that they contain reflects the assemblage of source rocks and mineralization exposed in the catchment area. Consequently, it is important to understand that the distinctions made in table 1 are idealized and that in nature the deposit types grade into, or overlap with, one another. Nevertheless, the deposit groupings and distinctions can be used to identify the parts or aspects of a mineral system that are likely to be enriched in specific principal commodities and critical minerals.

## <span id="page-15-0"></span>**Table Structure**

The table consists of six columns (with headers in bold type). The first is the "System name." In some cases, an established name was used, for example, "Placer." In other cases, a name was selected that emphasizes an aspect of the system that is characteristic of, and distinct from, the other systems, for example, "Chemical Weathering." One system was named after the principal deposit type within it, namely "Porphyry Cu-Mo-Au." In this case, it is important to realize that porphyry Cu-Mo-Au systems are much larger than porphyry Cu-Mo-Au deposits and encompass key aspects of the tectonic framework and all of the deposit types that occur within the system, as shown in figure 2. The second column is a brief "Synopsis" that provides information on the geotectonic setting of the system and a description of how it operates to form ore deposits containing various principal commodities and critical minerals. The third column is "Deposit types." As described in the previous section, in some cases, different deposit types were grouped together under an overarching deposit name because they

contain a similar assortment of principal commodities and critical minerals whereas those with distinct principal commodities and critical minerals were split out. The fourth column is a list of "Principal commodities" that generally are produced from, or explored for, in the deposit type. These are the commodities that govern the economics of mining and mineral processing. The fifth column is a list of "Critical minerals." Those that have actually been produced from the deposit type are highlighted in bold type (for example, **REE**), whereas those that are enriched in the deposit type, but have not yet been produced, are listed in italics (for example, *PGE*). Critical minerals that are principal commodities, are listed in both columns. The sixth column is "Reference(s)," which cites publications that contain detailed descriptions of the system and deposit types upon which the entries in table 1 are based.

## <span id="page-15-1"></span>**Table Use**

The hierarchical relationship between systems, deposits, commodities, and critical minerals in table 1 can be used to help define and prioritize Earth MRI focus areas for mapping projects in four ways.

First, if any part of a mineral system has been recognized by previous work, table 1 can be used to deduce the assortment of deposit types, principal commodities, and critical minerals that may be present in adjacent areas and under cover. Because information generally exists on the principal commodities and deposit types that are present in well-explored areas with a history of mining, table 1 can be used to infer the system type(s) and the critical minerals that may be present in mine waste, unmined resources, concealed deposit types under cover, or in deposit types that were removed by erosion. In areas with historical mining and exploration, these inferences have a higher degree of certainty because the known deposit types confirm that a mineral system actually operated in the area. The deposit types recognized at or near the surface also provide an indication of the level of exposure or tilting of the system.

Second, for system-based focus areas of the same type (for example, porphry Cu-Mo-Au), the attributes of each area can be compared to identify those that are well endowed and (or) would benefit the most from Earth MRI mapping techniques.

Third, in some parts of the country, systems of different types and ages occur in the same geographic area, such that the system-based focused areas overlap. These areas are highly prospective and may benefit the most from Earth MRI mapping efforts.

Fourth, in frontier areas (for example, Alaska) or areas with extensive cover (for example, U.S. mid-continent), if a geotectonic setting, or terrane, is recognized that is known to host mineral systems of a given type elsewhere in the world (for example, Mesoproterozoic magmatic provinces), table 1 can be used to infer the deposit types, principal commodities, and critical minerals that may be present. In this case, Earth MRI maps of such terranes may detect evidence of mineral systems and lead to new discoveries.

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1Elements in bold have been produced from some deposits, whereas those in italics are potential critical minerals.

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