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Aurelius Minerals Discovers New Mineralized Zones at Aureus East Project - Drills 0.30 Metres at 113.5 g/t Gold within 5.80 Metres at 7.4 g/t Gold in Hole AE-20-003 and 0.35 Metres at 58.3 g/t in Hole AE-20-002

Toronto, ON - Aurelius Minerals Inc. (TSX.V: AUL) (the "Company" or "Aurelius") is pleased to report assay results for a portion of the first three drill holes from its Aureus East Project located in Nova Scotia, Canada. The Company commenced a combined 10,000 metre (m) drill program at the Aureus Gold Project. These are partial assay results for the first elements of the 6,000m underground program at the Aureus East Project. The goal of the program is to extend mineralization at depth and along strike as we look to define mineral resources. The initial assays confirm the presence of multiple gold bearing saddles to a depth of 560m below surface, and we await assays on the balance of the hole which identified additional mineralized saddles to a depth of 900m where the hole was stopped due to equipment limitations. This drilling is the deepest to date at the Aureus Gold Project. All drill holes intersected mineralization and in addition to demonstrating the high grade mineralization characteristic of saddle reef deposits, our current protocols of assaying the complete hole demonstrate the presence of broadly mineralized halos in the sediments surrounding the saddle reef veins.

Highlights from Aureus East initial drill program

Hole AE-20-003

- **Intersected 4.50m @ 6.8 grams per tonne (g/t) gold, from 29.50 to 34.00m**
 - Including 2.35m @ 12.4 g/t gold, from 30.70 to 33.05m
- **Intersected 5.80m @ 7.4 g/t gold, from 216.20 to 222.00m**
 - Including 0.30m @ 113.5 g/t gold, from 216.70 to 217.00m
 - Including 0.60m @ 11.1 g/t gold, from 219.90 to 220.50m
- **Intersected 3.25m @ 6.3 g/t gold, from 271.90 to 275.15m**
 - Including 1.75m @ 10.7 g/t gold, from 273.40 to 275.15m
- **Intersected 1.85m @ 7.1 g/t gold, from 397.05 to 398.90m**

Hole AE-20-002

- **Intersected 4.80m @ 4.5 g/t gold, from 214.20 to 219.00m**
 - Including 1.00m @ 20.7 g/t gold, from 217.00 to 218.00m
- **Intersected 0.35m @ 58.3 g/t gold, from 386.35 to 386.70m**

Mark N.J. Ashcroft, P.Eng, President and CEO of Aurelius stated, “We are incredibly pleased with the first set of drill results out of Aureus East. These saddle deposits are notoriously difficult to drill, and our Exploration team deserves immense credit for this initial success. They have achieved our goal of identifying the presence of continued mineralization at depth and have confirmed a significant system of mineralization including expected high-grade intervals, and the broader mineralization not previously associated with the sediment host rock. As our understanding of the system improves, we will adjust our ongoing drilling to further refine our exploration program of discovery. Hole AE-20-003 is the deepest hole drilled on our project, amongst the deepest drill holes in the Meguma, and the system remains open in all directions. We have moved the underground drill to Pad Two and await further assays from the initial three holes and our ongoing drilling.”

Drill results from Aureus East confirm multiple stacked saddle reef quartz veins and mineralized wall rock. As represented in Figure 1, the challenges of intersecting the saddles and limbs of the system are greatly influenced by the positions of the drills, which are sometimes limited by existing infrastructure, geographical placement and other logistical issues. The veins are sub horizontal and shallow dipping toward the east. Mineralization has been traced to over 1.6km along strike to the east and remains open in all directions notably at depth. Company practice is to sample the complete hole as we look to identify mineralization in both the quartz veins and the traditionally, unsampled, sediment horizons. This is a direct result of the information obtained in sampling and assaying the historical unsampled core identified at site.

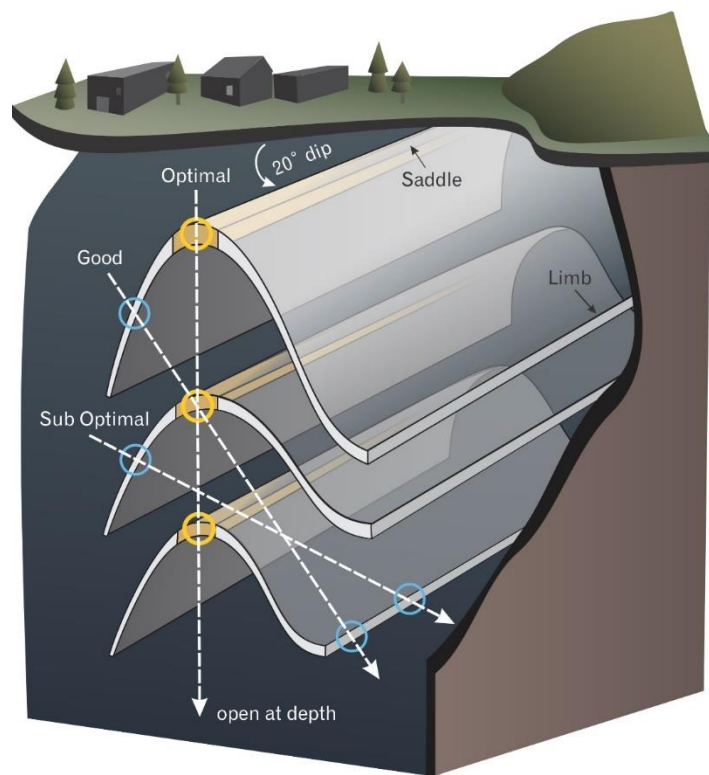


Figure 1: A schematic representation of the saddle vein system of the Aureus East project, prepared by Aurelius Gold. (Optimal, Good, and Sub-Optimal refer to positioning and direction of the diamond drill)

The Company's initial 6,000m underground drill campaign, part of the overall 10,000m Phase One program, is ongoing with the drill currently working at the second location and drilling the fourth hole of the program. The Company completed three holes at the first underground location.

To provide some colour to the reader, we have included pictures from a recent site inspection by Aurelius management. Figures 2 and 3 provide photographs of the underground drill setup at the second location at the Aureus East project.



Figure 2: A look at the underground diamond drill setup at the second drill pad at the Aureus East project taken by Aurelius Minerals



Figure 3: A closer look at the underground diamond drill setup at the second drill pad at the Aureus East project taken by Aurelius Minerals

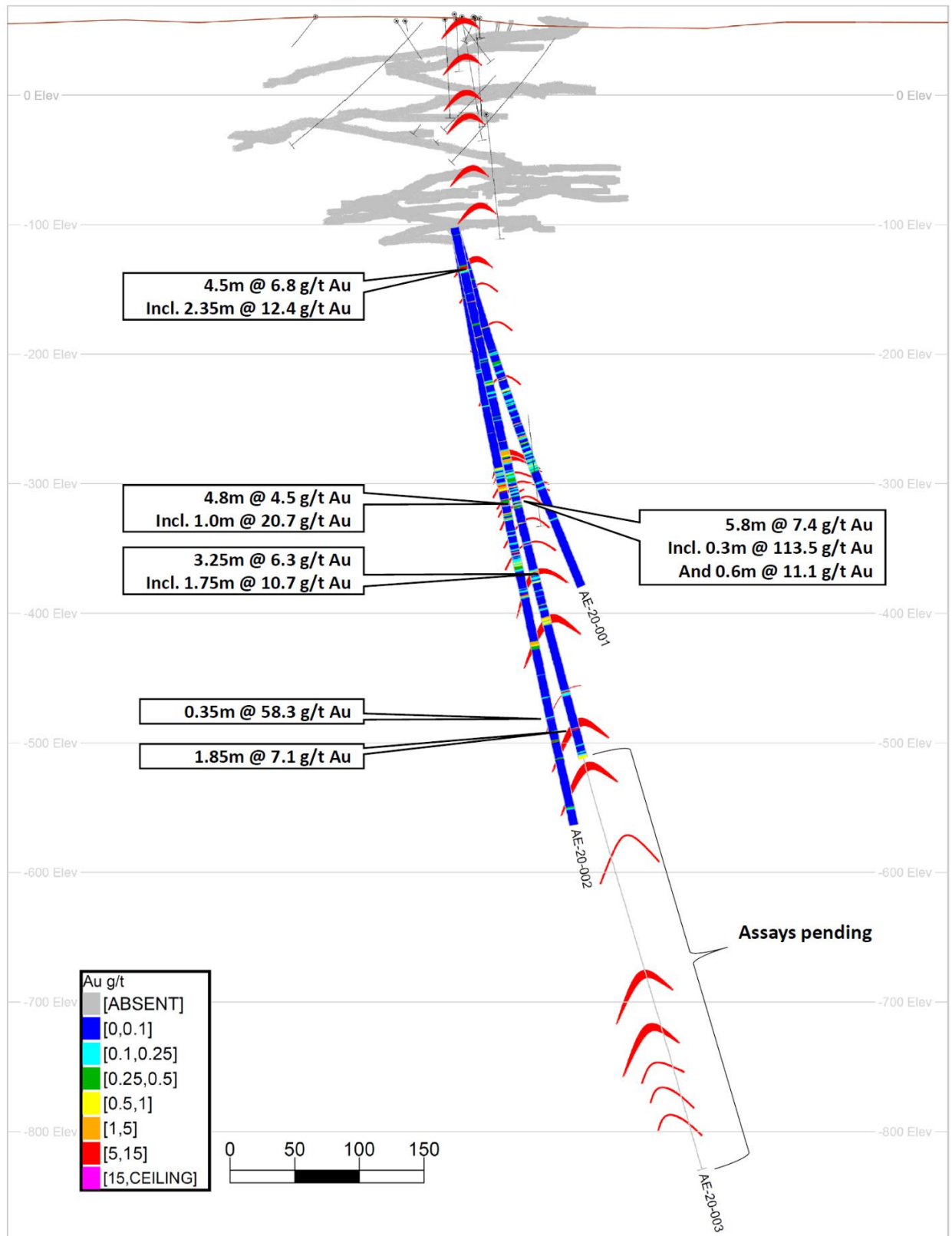


Figure 4: Aureus East orthogonal section showing current drillhole traces and reported holes with gold intercepts, mineralized saddle reef veins and existing workings

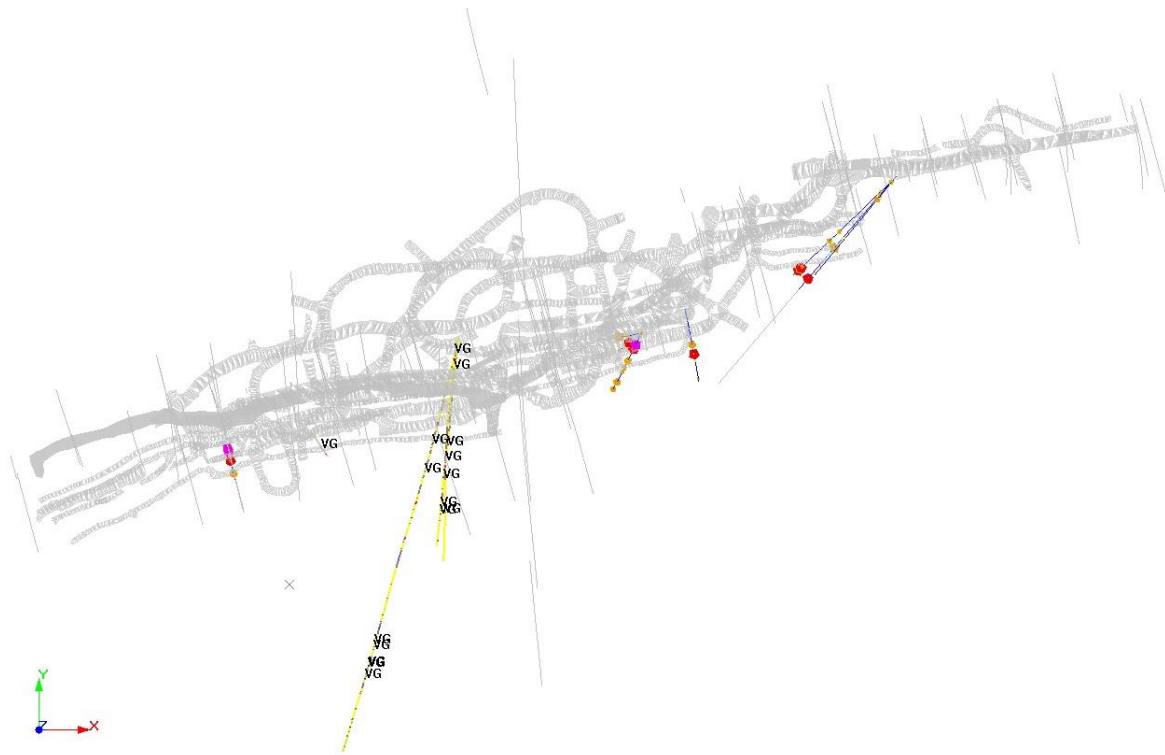


Figure 5: Aureus East plan view showing current drill hole traces and reported holes with gold intercepts, mineralized saddle reef veins and existing workings

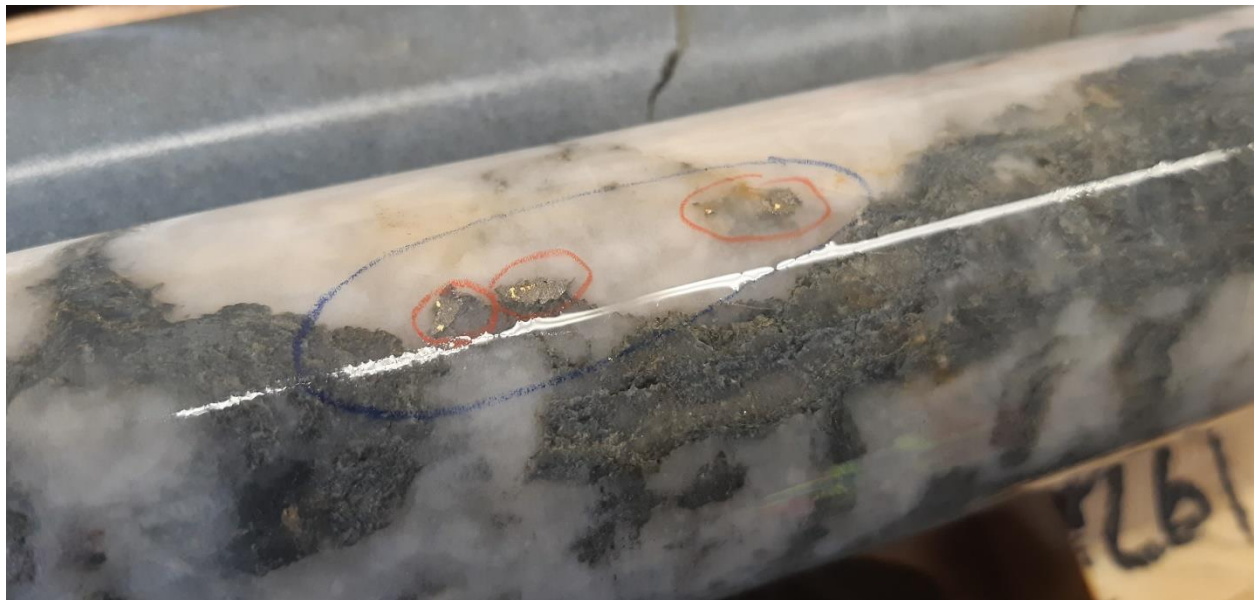


Figure 6: A representative example of core showing visible gold in Hole AE-20-002 at 256.8m, which intersected 0.3m @ 31.8 g/t gold

Table 1. Gold intersections from Aureus East

Drillhole	From	To	Length (m)	Au (g/t)	Note
AE-20-001	27.00	28.00	1.00	0.68	Aureus East
AE-20-001	48.65	49.10	0.45	3.77	
AE-20-001	80.10	81.15	1.05	2.38	
AE-20-001	121.40	123.45	2.05	0.43	
AE-20-001	130.50	132.50	2.00	0.57	
AE-20-001	158.50	159.50	1.00	2.50	
AE-20-001	169.00	170.50	1.50	1.22	
AE-20-001	174.20	175.65	1.45	0.39	
AE-20-001	182.40	183.00	0.60	0.68	
AE-20-001	188.50	189.10	0.60	2.50	
AE-20-001	192.70	193.70	1.00	0.52	
AE-20-001	198.00	198.80	0.80	0.48	
AE-20-002	5.65	6.30	0.65	0.97	Aureus East
AE-20-002	32.45	34.10	1.65	2.75	
including	32.45	33.00	0.55	6.63	
AE-20-002	53.50	55.15	1.65	2.60	
including	53.50	53.85	0.35	11.6	
AE-20-002	160.83	161.15	0.32	3.57	
AE-20-002	188.05	194.00	5.95	0.84	
including	188.40	189.00	0.60	2.44	
including	193.00	194.00	1.00	2.22	
AE-20-002	200.00	207.85	7.85	2.61	
including	202.00	203.00	1.00	6.57	
including	207.25	207.85	0.60	13.4	
AE-20-002	213.20	213.70	0.50	2.06	
AE-20-002	214.20	219.00	4.80	4.53	
including	217.00	218.00	1.00	20.7	
AE-20-002	224.00	226.30	2.30	0.64	
AE-20-002	227.55	230.00	2.45	0.83	
AE-20-002	241.25	241.55	0.30	0.88	
AE-20-002	254.60	270.00	15.40	1.14	
including	255.00	255.60	0.60	5.21	
including	256.60	256.90	0.30	31.8	*Figure 6
AE-20-002	288.40	291.00	2.60	2.48	
including	288.40	288.90	0.50	11.0	
AE-20-002	325.00	331.50	6.50	1.00	
including	326.70	327.40	0.70	3.48	
AE-20-002	386.35	386.70	0.35	58.3	
AE-20-002	402.70	405.00	2.30	1.54	
including	403.90	404.45	0.55	5.39	
AE-20-003	29.50	34.00	4.50	6.81	Aureus East

including	30.70	33.05	2.35	12.4	
AE-20-003	58.00	58.50	0.50	3.01	
AE-20-003	85.95	87.20	1.25	0.69	
AE-20-003	121.90	124.00	2.10	0.88	
AE-20-003	168.85	169.15	0.30	1.05	
AE-20-003	176.40	222.00	45.60	1.38	
AE-20-003	176.40	185.70	9.30	1.51	
including	179.00	180.00	3.60	2.60	
AE-20-003	194.30	201.00	6.70	0.38	
AE-20-003	204.15	205.50	1.35	0.96	
AE-20-003	209.50	210.10	0.60	0.83	
AE-20-003	216.20	222.00	5.80	7.39	
including	216.70	217.00	0.30	113.5	
including	219.90	220.50	0.60	11.1	
AE-20-003	233.50	234.00	0.50	0.64	
AE-20-003	249.75	251.00	1.25	9.70	
including	249.75	250.10	0.35	12.3	
including	250.50	251.00	0.50	15.7	
AE-20-003	271.90	275.15	3.25	6.30	
including	273.40	275.15	1.75	10.7	
including	273.40	273.65	0.25	48.2	
AE-20-003	280.45	281.30	0.85	0.72	
AE-20-003	298.80	299.10	0.30	12.2	
AE-20-003	308.50	314.25	5.75	0.93	
AE-20-003	368.00	369.00	1.00	7.96	
AE-20-003	397.05	398.90	1.85	7.13	
including	398.00	398.90	0.90	14.0	

Gold grades are not capped and may not reflect true width.

Table 2. Hole location, final depth and orientation for reported holes

Drillhole ID	Easting	Northing	Length (m)	Azimuth	Dip	Notes
AE-20-001	547947	4979944	294	190	-74	Aureus East
AE-20-002	547947	4979944	470	190	-80	Aureus East
AE-20-003	547947	4979944	751.5	190	-77.5	Aureus East

Aureus West Update

The Company is concurrently drilling from surface at Aureus West with three holes completed to date. The drill has moved to its second pad locations. Samples have been prepared and delivered to the assay facilities. Results will be released as they become available.

COVID-19 Precautions

Aurelius has developed and implemented compliant precautions and procedures that are in line with guidelines for the Province of Nova Scotia. Protocols were put in place to ensure the safety of our employees and contractors, thereby reducing the potential for community contact and spreading of the virus.

Mr. Jeremy Niemi, P.Geol. and Vice President, Exploration of Aurelius and the Company's Qualified Person as defined by National Instrument 43-101, has reviewed and approved the technical information in this release.

Individual drill core samples are labeled, placed in plastic sample bags and sealed. Groups of samples are then placed into durable rice bags and then shipped by courier for analyses to ALS Geochemistry, Moncton, New Brunswick. Sample preparation occurs at ALS in Moncton where samples are weighed, dried, crushing one kilogram to 70 percent less than two millimeters and then pulverized to create a one-kilogram sample with 85 percent less than seventy-five microns. Potential high-grade gold samples are sent for metallic screen fire assay and remaining material is assayed for 50-gram fire assay and samples grading more than 10 parts per million have a gravimetric finish performed. The remaining coarse reject portions of the samples remain in storage if further work or verification is needed. The Company inserted control samples (accredited gold standards, blanks and duplicates) at least every 20 samples and monitors the control samples inserted by ALS.

About Aurelius

Aurelius is a well-positioned gold exploration company focused on advancing its recently acquired and renamed Aureus Gold Properties, including Aureus East and West, the Tangier Gold Project and the Forest Hill Gold Project located in Nova Scotia and described in detail in the Company's press release of November 18, 2019.

Aurelius is also focused on advancing two district-scale gold projects in the Abitibi Greenstone Belt in Ontario, Canada, one of the world's most prolific mining districts; the 968-hectare Mikwam Property, in the Burntbush area on the Casa Berardi trend and the 12,425-hectare Lipton Property, on the Lower Detour Trend.

The Company has a sound management team with experience in all facets of the mineral exploration and mining industry who will be considering additional acquisitions of advanced staged opportunities in Nova Scotia, the Abitibi and other proven mining districts.

On Behalf of the Board

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