



High Pressure Grinding Rolls (HPGR)

In Comparison to SAG Milling Technology

Presented by: Hassan Ghaffari, P.Eng.
Raytcho Anguelov, P.Eng.
Jake Alexander, MBA

Organized by

The Canadian Institute of Mining, Metallurgy and Petroleum

In collaboration with













- HPGR Process/Overview
- HPGR vs. SAG
- The Manufacturers
- Mine Operations using HPGR
- Projects by Wardrop/Tetra Tech
- Economic Benefits
- Questions

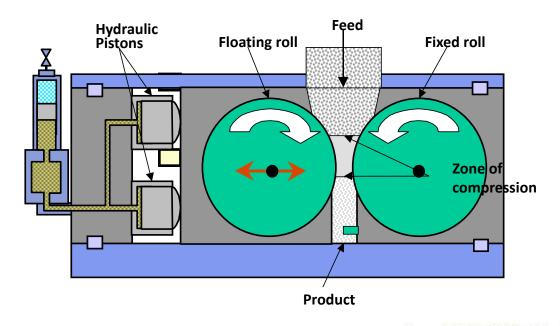




The Process

Major Parts:

- Counter-rotating Rolls
- One fixed roll, one moving roll

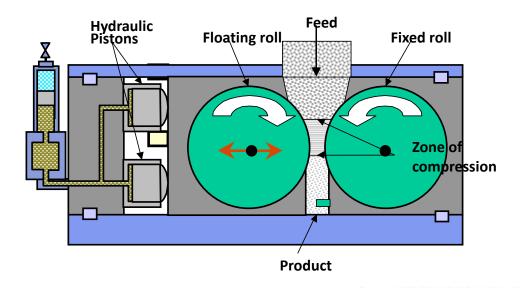




The Process

Major Parts:

- Hydraulic pressure applied
- Nitrogen accumulator provides optimum interparticle crushing pressure





Main Operating Parameters

- Press Force (N/mm²)
- Roll Speed (m/s)
- Moisture Content (%)
- Feed Particle Size Distribution

Specific throughput

 $M^* = throughput/D^*L^*V$ (ts/hm³)

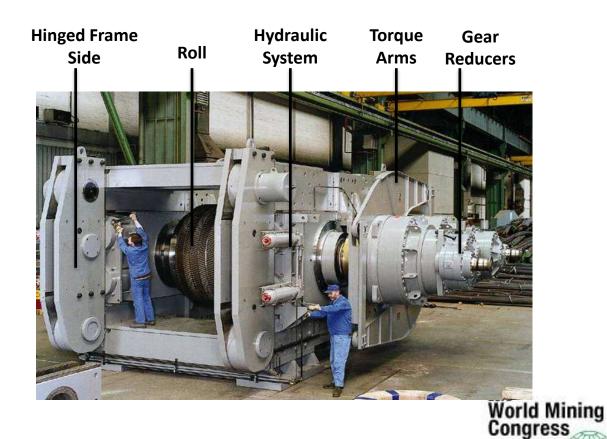
Flake thickness/strength in balance with the compressing force (floating roll situation)





HPGR Assembly from the workshop, view the

hydraulic side





HPGR Installations







Cerro Verde Maintenance Shop





The Manufacturers

Krupp Polysius (Germany)

- Favours a high aspect ratio design, i.e. large diameter, small width
- Use of studs for wear protection on rolls surface

KHD (Germany)

- Favours a low aspect ratio, i.e. small diameter, large width
- Use of studs for wear protection on rolls surface

Koppern (Germany)

- Favours a low aspect ratio, i.e. small diameter, large width
- Use of studs and hexadur wear protection linings

Others (Metso, FLS, Outotec, CITIC)





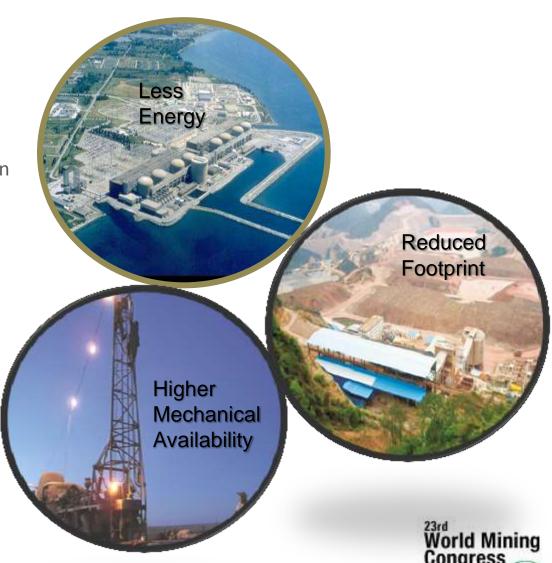
HPGR vs. SAG

Advantages

- Significant energy cost savings
- Reduced grinding media consumption
- Reduced overall operating costs
- Reduced footprint
- Higher mechanical availability
- Faster Equipment Delivery
- More Environmentally Friendly

Disadvantages

- Can increase initial capital costs
- Increased material handling
- Increased dust





Mine Operations Using HPGR

- Freeport McMoran, Cerro Verde, Peru
 - 2.4 m Dia x 1.7 m wide, 5 MW (2x2.5), processing 2,500 tph
- Freeport McMoran, Grasberg Mine, Irian Jaya, Indonesia
 - 2.0 m Dia x 1.8 m wide, 3.6 MW, processing 1,450 tph
- Nurkazgan Gold, Kazakhstan
 - 1.7 m Dia x 1.4 m wide, 2.3 MW, processing 1,000 tph
- Zapadnoe Gold, Russia
 - 1.0 m Dia x 0.9 m wide, 0.8 MW, processing 320 tph
- Newmont, Boddington Copper/Gold, Australia
 - 2.4 m Dia x 1.7 m wide, 5.6 MW (2x2.65), processing 2,100 tph
- Spinifex Ridge Moly/Copper, Australia
 - Three HPGR units (2x2.65 MW each)





Mine Operations Using HPGR

- Anglo Platinum, Mogalakwene Platinum Mine, South Africa
 - 2.2 m Dia x 1.6 m wide, 5.6 MW (2x2.8), processing 2,400 tph





Adanac Moly Corporation

Ruby Creek Project, Feasibility Study 20,000 tpd Moly Ore



Imperial Metals Inc.

Mount Polley Project, Scoping Study Expansion from 20,000 to 30,000 tpd Copper Gold Ore





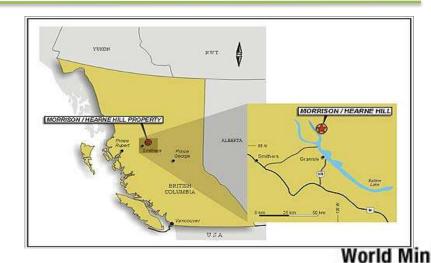
International Molybdenum PLC

Malmbjerg Project, Trade-off Study +
Feasibility Study
30,000 tpd Moly Ore



Pacific Booker Minerals Inc.

Morrison Project, Trade-off Study + Feasibility Study 30,000 tpd Copper/Gold/ Moly Ore





Russian Project, Trade-off Study 60,000 tpd Copper Gold Ore



Seabridge Gold Inc.

Courageous Lake Project
Trade-off Study
25,000 tpd Gold Ore





China Project

HPGR Study

40,000 tpd Copper/Gold Ore



Seabridge Gold Inc.

KSM Project
Trade-off Study + Pre-Feasibility
120,000 tpd Copper/Gold/ Moly Ore





Abacus Mining & Exploration Corp.

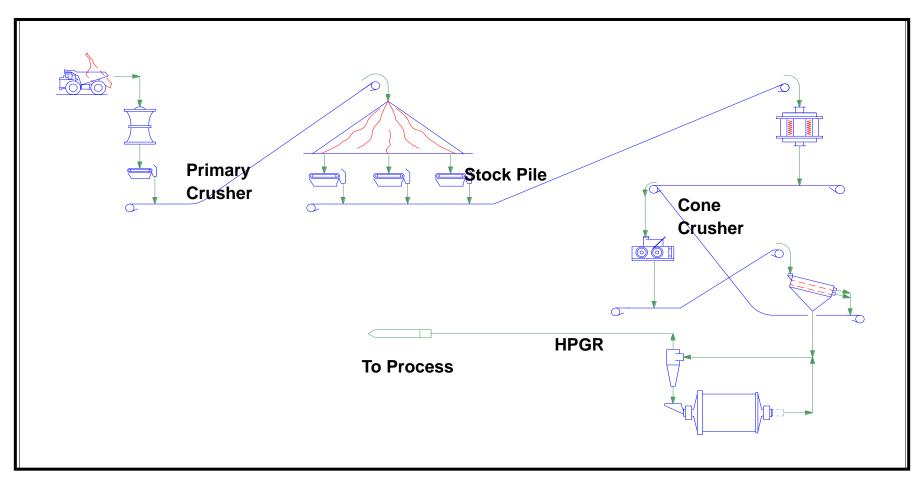
Ajax Project
Trade-off Study + Feasibility Study

60,000 tpd Copper/Gold Ore





HPGR

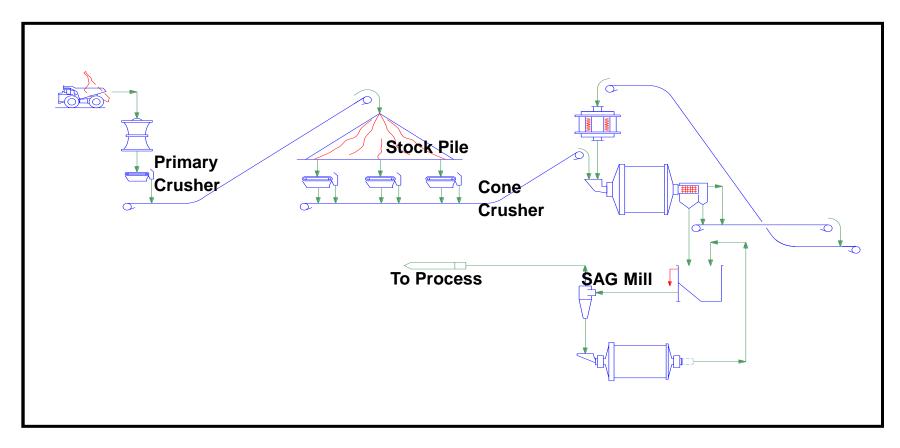


Ball Mill World Mining Congress

August 11-15, 2013 | Montreal, Canada



SAG Mill



Ball Mill





Economic Benefits

Power		SAG	HPGR	
•	Adanac Moly Corp	4.53 \$/t	3.83 \$/t	
•	Imperial Metals Inc.	n/a	0.13 \$/t*	
•	International Moly	2.35 \$/t	1.95 \$/t	
•	Russian Project	0.78 \$/t	0.53 \$/t	
•	Seabridge Gold Inc.	3.59 \$/t	2.47 \$/t	
•	Pacific Booker Minerals Inc.	0.63 \$/t	0.56 \$/t	
•	Abacus Mining & Exploration	0.60 \$/t	0.47 \$/t	

^{*} Additional costs for expansion project





Economic Benefits cont.'d

Consumables		SAG	HPGR
•	Adanac Moly Corp	0.77 \$/t	0.73 \$/t
•	Imperial Metals Inc.	n/a	0.55 \$/t*
•	International Moly	2.03 \$/t	1.29 \$/t
•	Russian Project	1.46 \$/t	1.10 \$/t
•	Seabridge Gold Inc.	1.39 \$/t	1.15 \$/t
•	Pacific Booker Minerals Inc.	2.03 \$/t	1.47 \$/t
•	Abacus Mining & Exploration	1.83 \$/t	1.38 \$/t

^{*} Additional costs for expansion project





Economic Benefits cont.'d

Overall Operating Costs		SAG	HPGR
•	Adanac Moly Corp	5.30 \$/t	4.56 \$/t
•	Imperial Metals Inc.	n/a	0.73 \$/t*
•	International Moly	4.66 \$/t	3.52 \$/t
•	Russian Project	2.24 \$/t	1.63 \$/t
•	Seabridge Gold Inc.	4.98 \$/t	3.62 \$/t
•	Pacific Booker Minerals Inc.	2.66 \$/t	2.03 \$/t
•	Abacus Mining & Exploration	2.48 \$/t	1.92 \$/t

^{*} Additional costs for expansion project





Capital Costs

• Adanac Moly Corp -6.4%

Imperial Metals Inc. \$35 mln*

SAG vs. HPGR

• International Moly -9.6%

• Seabridge Gold Inc. -8.2%

• Pacific Booker Minerals Inc. -9.6%

Abacus Mining & Exploration -10.2%

* Additional costs for expansion project





Power Consumption Greenland Project

Plant Concept	SAG Circuit	HPGR Circuit
Equipment	1 x SAG Mill 9.8 MW	1 x Secondary Crusher 750 kW
	1 x Pebble crusher 450 kW	1 x HPGR 4.0 MW
	2 x Ball Mills 5.6 MW each	2 x Ball Mills 5.6 MW each
	Screens and conveyors 0.5 MW	Screens and Conveyors 1.5 MW
Total drive capacity installed	21.95 MW	17.45 MW



Power Savings

In	stalled Power Savings	MW
•	Adanac Moly Corp	4.1
•	Imperial Metals Inc.	-4.4
•	International Moly	4.5
•	Seabridge Gold Inc.	8.1
•	Pacific Booker Minerals Inc.	4.0
•	Abacus Mining & Exploration	14.0





Environmental Benefits

Estimation of CO₂ reduction based on EIA*

Reduction of	TP'	Υ,	CO_2
--------------	-----	----	--------

• Adanac Moly Corp 21,000

Imperial Metals Inc.

• International Moly 23,000

Seabridge Gold Inc.
 41,000

Pacific Booker Minerals Inc.
 20,000

Abacus Mining & Exploration 71,000



^{*} Energy Information Administration

^{**} Based on data for EIA USA, IMWH = 0.606 t CO₂



Thank You