

Kootenay intercepts 809 gpt silver over 2.63 meters within 354 gpt silver over 9 meters in the F Vein at Columba project, Mexico

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VANCOUVER, May 25, 2021 - [Kootenay Silver Inc.](#) (TSXV: KTN) (the "Company" or "Kootenay") is pleased to announce high-grade silver results from the Company's 5,000 meter core drill program currently underway at its Columba silver project ("Property") located in Chihuahua State, Mexico.

James McDonald, President & CEO reports, "CDH-21-94 and 96 continue to hit consistent and high-grade results in the F Vein. These results are particularly important. They encountered excellent grades to 985 gpt and 425 gpt silver, respectively, within wide zones of high and moderate grades in a large area of the vein with no previous drilling."

Augmenting the high-grade, in some areas, are thick zones of mineralization coming into the high-grade such as hole CDH-20-41 where over 30 meters of continuous mineralization averaged 86 gpt silver. A number of other areas within the F Vein show thick intervals coming into the high-grade such as holes CDH-20-41 (39.9 meters of 159 gpt silver), CDH-20-47 (15.65 meters of 166 gpt silver), CDH-20-51 (36 meters of 72 gpt silver), CDH-20-52 (42.43 meters of 61 gpt silver), CDH-20-53 (34 meters of 112 gpt silver) and CDH-21-89 (70.5 meters of 112 gpt silver). These thick zones of silver mineralization preceding the high-grade indicate the potential to add significantly to the amount of silver within the F Vein.

Drill Highlights - Holes CDH-21-091 to 096:

CDH-21-091

- 271 gpt silver over 0.85 meters within 189 gpt silver over 1.55 meters in the F Vein

CDH-21-092

- 368 gpt silver over 0.94 meters within 217 gpt silver over 2.44 meters in the Hanging-wall structure
- 439 gpt silver over 1.14 meters within 321 gpt silver over 2.94 meters in the F Vein
- 255 gpt silver over 2.9 meters within 130 gpt silver over 8.0 meters in the Footwall
- Hit 3 different Vein sets in the Hanging-Wall Vein, F Vein and a Footwall Vein.

CDH-21-094

- 985 gpt silver over 1.5 meters and 809 gpt silver over 2.63 meters within 354 gpt silver over 9 meters in the F Vein
- CDH-21-94 tested an area about 200 meters from the old shaft in a large undrilled segment.

CDH-21-096

- 425 gpt silver over 2.37 meters within 230 gpt silver over 9 meters and 86 gpt silver over 30 meters in the F Vein
- Hole CDH-21-096 is about 50 meters along strike and 30 meters deeper than CDH-21-94 and also tested a large area of the vein with no previous drilling.
- CDH-21-95 hit a fault and thus missed the F Vein.

Click the following links to view: [Plan Map](#), [Long Section](#) and [Cross Sections](#) for holes CDH-21-091 to CDH-21-096.

Detailed Drill Results - Holes CDH-21-091 to CDH-21-096

Detailed results for all drill holes completed to date at the Columba high grade silver project can be viewed by clicking the following link: [Columba Drill Results](#)

Drill Results Table

Hole ID	From (meters)	To (meters)	Interval (meters)	Silver (gpt)	Pb (%)	Zn (%)	Geologic Intersection
CDH-21-091	50.15	51.7	1.55	189	0.07	0.21	F Vein
Includes	50.15	51	0.85	271	0.093	0.28	F Vein
	62	63	1	104	0.03	0.08	Footwall Vein
CDH-21-092	25.56	28	2.44	217	0.08	0.14	Hanging-Wall Vein
Includes	25.56	26.5	0.94	368	0.15	0.17	
	74.7	77.64	2.94	321	0.22	0.57	F Vein
Includes	75.7	77.64	1.94	428	0.3	0.73	
Includes	75.7	76.5	0.8	413	0.3	0.57	
Includes	76.5	77.64	1.14	439	0.29	0.84	
	145	153	8.0	130	0.07	0.24	Footwall system
Includes	145	147.9	2.9	265	0.15	0.54	
Includes	146.4	147.9	1.5	339	0.2	0.77	
CDH-21-093	118.95	123.75	Hit old workings				Mine Stope
CDH-21-094	90.95	92.9	1.95	104	0.1	0.15	Hanging-Wall Vein
	175	184	9.0	354	0.11	0.36	F Vein
Includes	175	181	6.0	481	0.153	0.35	
Includes	176.9	179.53	2.63	809	0.3	0.45	
Includes	176.9	178.4	1.5	985	0.47	0.5	
Includes	178.4	179.53	1.13	576	0.06	0.4	
CDH-21-095	38.65	39.09	0.44	218	-	0.1	Hanging-Wall Vein
CDH-21-096	182	212	30.0	86	-	0.04	F Vein
Includes	182	196	14.0	164	-	0.07	
Includes	186	195	9.0	230	-	0.11	
Includes	186	187	1.0	194	-	0.06	
Includes	187	189.37	2.37	425	-	0.23	

Notes: All widths are drilled widths. At this time, it is estimated true widths will range from 55 to 94% of drilled widths depending on dip of the vein and inclination of the hole. All silver composites rounded to the nearest whole number.

Drilling continues at Columba within the JZ Vein area, located 700 meters east of the F Vein. Previous drilling in this region confirmed the discovery of a broad zone of high grade hydrothermal breccias that encompasses a low to medium grade quartz stockwork system at the J-Z Zone. Results in the JZ Area are highlighted by hole CDH-20-030 (415 gpt silver over 11.15 meters including 721 gpt silver over 4.07 meters) and hole CDH-20-060 (132 gpt silver over 64 meters including 361 gpt silver over 11 meters including 608 gpt silver over 5 meters, and 1,160 gpt silver over 1 meter all within 229 gpt silver over 22 meters).

Qualified Persons

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Sampling and QA/QC at Columba

All technical information for the Columba exploration program is obtained and reported under a formal quality assurance and quality control ("QA/QC") program. Samples are taken from core cut in half with a diamond saw under the direction of qualified geologists and engineers. Samples are then labeled, placed in plastic bags, sealed and with interval and sample numbers recorded. Samples are delivered by the Company to ALS Minerals ("ALS") in Chihuahua. The samples are dried, crushed and pulverized with the pulps being sent airfreight for analysis by ALS in Vancouver, B.C. Systematic assaying of standards, blanks and duplicates is performed for precision and accuracy. Analysis for silver, zinc, lead and copper and related trace elements was done by ICP four acid digestion, with gold analysis by 30-gram fire assay with an AA finish. All drilling reported is HQ core and has been contracted to Globexplore Drilling from Hermosillo, Mexico.

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