

Deep Borehole Field Test - Site Geosciences Integration

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■ Objectives for DBFT Site Geoscience

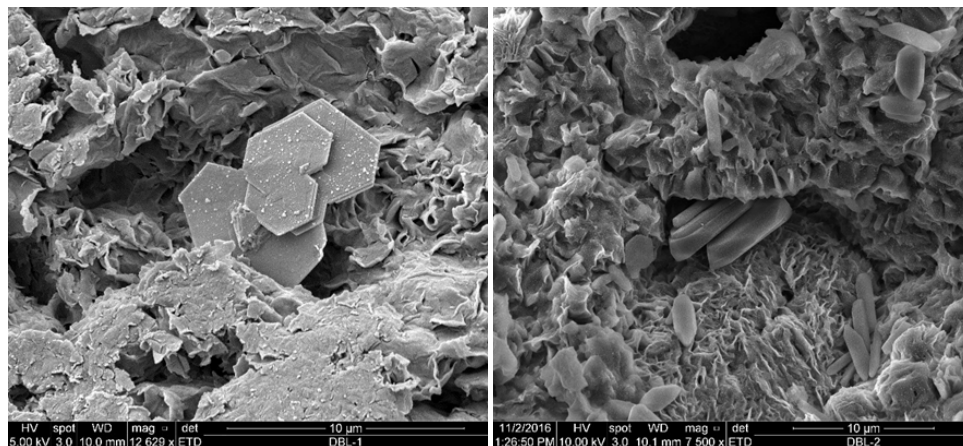
- Support the DOE procurement and contracting process
- Integrate existing geoscience data with DBFT collected data
 - *Evaluate thermal-hydro-mechanical-chemical (THMC) conditions at depth*

■ Accomplishments

- Supporting four contracts awarded by DOE (Phase 1)
 - AECOM - Texas (Pecos Cty) - <http://www.texasdbft.com/>
 - ENERCON - New Mexico (Quay Cty) - <http://dbftscientific.com/>
 - RE/SPEC - South Dakota (Haakon Cty). - <https://drilldeepersd.com/>
 - TerranearPMC - New Mexico (Otero Cty) - <https://saltbasinproject.com/>
- Geologic framework model (GFM: F. Perry, R. Kelley, LANL)
 - *Example GFM*
 - *Available data for sites*
- Analyses for generic fluid-rock reaction systems in crystalline basement
 - *Evaluate mechanisms in the crystalline basement to form deep, isolated brines*
 - Reaction path models for granite mineral reactions with seawater
 - **Alteration mineralogy – hydrous phases (H₂O sinks)**
 - **Evolved brine compositions (major elements, Cl, Br)**
 - Fluid inclusion contributions (soluble salts)
 - Calculating leachate compositions from Black Forest crystalline basement rocks

Accomplishments (Continued)

- Experiments on seals materials (F. Caporuscio, K. Norskog, LANL)
- 3 separate runs: 8 weeks in Rocking Autoclaves
 - 2 molal NaCl; CaCl₂; and
 - 2 molal Cs-Ca-NaCl equimolar
- 150°C and 300 bar
- Growth of Pyrrhotite and Prehnite



- Co-convended/organized Goldschmidt 2017 Session (Paris, France, Aug. 13-18)
 - 19d: Mineralogy and Geochemistry for the Safe Management of Nuclear Waste
 - A. Navrotsky - Keynote Speaker
 - 23 oral presentations (morning and afternoon)
 - Poster session (evening)
 - Co-convener: S. Finkeldei (Fz-Juelich), F. Heberling (KIT)
 - Abstracts
 - Clay Seals Mineralogy in Deep Borehole Repository. (Caporuscio, Norskog, & Jove-Colon)
 - Fluid-Rock Processes Driving Isolation of Crustal Fluids in Crystalline Basement Systems. (Sassani, Brady, Kuhlman, Jove-Colon, & Lopez)

■ Site Geoscience Data Evaluation- SF-17SN01030604

- Continue support to the DOE procurement and contracting process for 4 sites
 - *Phase 2 (permitting)*
- Complete generic thermochemical fluid-rock reaction analyses
 - *Evaluate reaction rates vs fluid flux/transport rates (diffusive/advective)*
- Geologic framework model prototype
- Experiments on seals materials
- Goldschmidt 2017 (August)
- Milestones
 - **9/15/2017** - *Integrated Geoscience Data and Evaluation of Geologic Conditions for DBFT Site (M2SF-17SN010306041)*
 - **7/28/2017** - *Geologic Framework Model for the Deep Borehole Field Test (LANL M4)*
 - **8/25/2017** - *Hydrothermal Experiments on DBFT Seal Materials (LANL M4)*