

Applications of Hyperspectral Imagery and Spectroscopy on ImpactMin and beyond

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Airborne Hyperspectral

- Excellent way to identify surface clues and elements on a wider area, or inaccessible area
- Improvement on portability, technology and ease of use make it more acceptable and in-line with other geophysical methods (e.g. airborne magnetics)
- ImpactMin had used hyperspectral imagery over certain European regions for the first time

Prospecting

Hyperspectral imaging is commonly used in prospecting for new mineral deposits with considerable success

Catman District, Epithermal, Volcanic-Hosted, Vein-Gold











Sites Described

- Mostar (revisited), BH
- Red Muds: Mostar, BH and Ajka, Hungary
- Zenica Steel Works, BH
- Rosia Montana, Romania (pseudo hyperspectral)



Mostar



Brief overview of previous discussion on Vihovici

Mostar

(Geotechnical Hazards)







700







ematite



Good degree of correlation between different datasets in addressing complex problems



Mutually supporting data from different datasets

Mostar





Devecser, Hungary

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Zenica, Bosnia and Herzegovina







- Steelworks by Acelor-Mittal (no filters)
- Main deposition area for slag and other waste at Raca – considerable problem
- Over 300% increase in cancer rates since 2006

Increased radioactivity measured





About 4 times the normal







Rosia Montana, Romania

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Sampling for pseudo-HSI in Rosia Montana

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Celiste Pit – 134 stations

e Blide□ti

Abrud tailings dam – 50 stations

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Abrud-Sat

sir 46.294890° duž 23.096499° podizanje 2812 ft

Visina pogleda 17769 ft 🔘

Google earth

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Samples were GPS marked, measured and labeled in the field and measured with ASD spectrometer in the laboratory conditions for the presence of acid-minerals







Abrud tailings dam



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Concentration of sulfate minerals (jarosite), presents those problematic areas where active weathering of sulfide minerals is taking place in reducing conditions and possibility of leaching and remobilization of heavy metals



Ternary Diagram







Merging Data





Combining pseudo-hyperspectral data with UAV imagery and derived DEM



Celiste Pit









Ternary Diagram







Concluding Remarks

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- ImpactMin's lessons learned and data acquisition have opened up new ways for investigating sites of interest in the Western Balkans
- Hyperspectral imaging is a valuable tool in indicating surface mineral occurrences, but also pollutants in soil, water, air as well as vegetation stress
- Created useful baselines for other follow-up projects, longterm monitoring and elements for possible future interdisciplinary programs (e.g. Horizon 2020)
- In process of submitting articles on Mostar/Hungary red muds, Zenica pollution and Rosia Montana investigation – contribution to science and input to GEOS.