

New Found Intercepts 61.50 g/t Au over 5.20m at Keats 65m Step-Out, Extends High-Grade Zone to 530m Down Plunge

Vancouver, BC, October 14, 2021: New Found Gold Corp. ("New Found" or the "Company") (TSXV: NFG, OTC: NFGFF) is pleased to announce recently received assay results from eleven holes drilled at the Keats Zone ("Keats"), located along the Appleton Fault Zone. These holes were completed as part of the Company's ongoing 200,000m diamond drill program at its 100% owned Queensway Project ("Queensway"), located on the Trans-Canada Highway 15 km west of Gander, Newfoundland.

Highlights

• Highlight intervals are summarized below. Additional results are provided in Table 2.

Hole No.	From (m)	To (m)	Interval (m)*	Au (g/t)	Zone
NFGC-21-242	49.80	52.10	2.30	10.83	Keats Main
NFGC-21-312	150.10	156.60	6.50	17.59	Keats Main
Including	154.30	156.60	2.30	47.50	
NFGC-21-341	203.00	205.40	2.40	22.20	Keats Main
NFGC-21-351	147.50	150.75	3.25	63.92	Keats Main
And	169.10	175.35	6.25	9.10	
Including	169.10	171.35	2.25	14.56	
NFGC-21-360	260.80	266.00	5.20	61.50	Keats Main
Including	260.80	263.50	2.70	117.15	

^{*} Note that the true width of the mineralization is uncertain, but host structures are interpreted to be steeply dipping implying true widths in the range of 85% to 95% of reported intercepts. Intervals are calculated at a 1 g/t Au cut-off grade and minimum width of 2m; grades have not been capped in the averaging.

- The Keats Main Zone now extends 530m down-plunge, an increase of 65m from the previously reported distance of 465m defined by the furthest intercept to date in NFGC-21-360 grading 61.50 g/t Au over 5.20m.
- Intercepts of 17.59 g/t Au over 6.50m in NFGC-21-312 as well as 63.92 g/t Au over 3.25m and 9.10 g/t Au over
 6.25m in NFGC-21-351 continue to demonstrate the high-grade up-dip continuity with robust widths above the core dilatational zone towards surface.



• Starting at surface the multiple high-grade zones at Keats now cover an overall footprint of approximately 250m in width x 490m along strike x 307m vertical depth and are open in all directions.

Greg Matheson, COO of New Found, stated: "The high-grade continuity over a distance of 530m in a down-plunge direction is impressive but what's truly encouraging is seeing this continuity continue above the core dilatational zone up-dip towards surface adding significant volume to the high-grade mineralization. In addition, the recently announced results from NFGC-21-238 yielding 88.53 g/t Au over 3.35m in the Keats Footwall has presented multiple exploration fronts as we continue to see the footprint of Keats expand in all directions. All of our drills at Keats and along the Appleton Fault are currently focused on expansion of these high-grade gold systems."

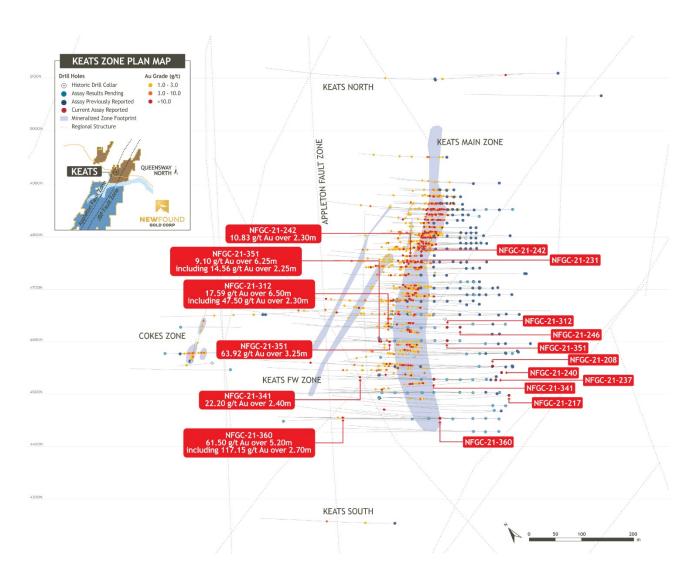


Figure 1. Keats Plan View



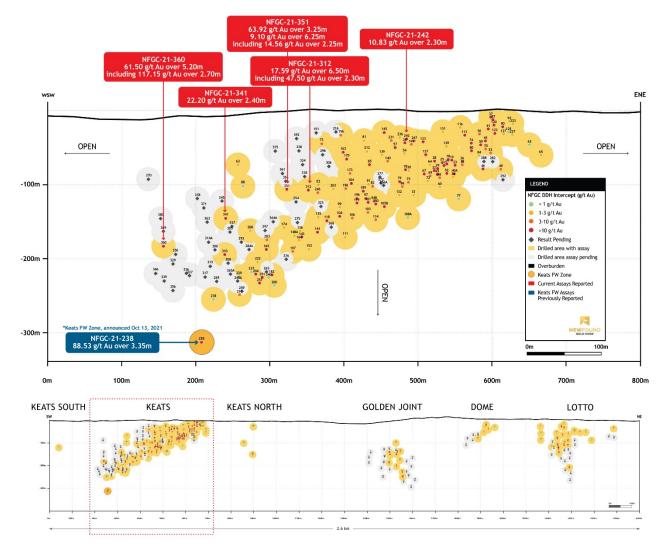


Figure 2. Keats Long Section (Drill hole NFGC-21-238 Plotted off section in Footwall Zone)



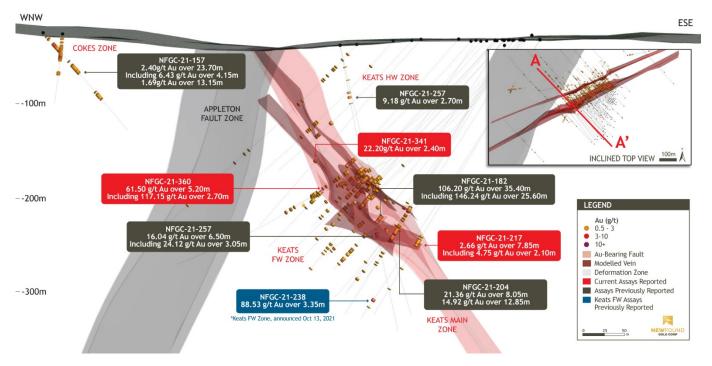


Figure 3. 3D Keats Composite Cross-Section (A to A' looking northeast, 175m clipping)

Discussion

- The Keats Main Zone is hosted within a faulted domain, the Keats-Baseline Fault, that contains a network of quartz veins that strike to the east-northeast and dip moderately to the southeast at approximately 55° as shown in Figure 3. The massive high-grade gold bearing quartz veins within this structural corridor are dominantly parallel to the orientation of the Keats host structure and drill hole structural data suggests some areas contain high-grade stockwork and spur type veins with a variety of orientations.
- Continued step-out drilling will work to expand mineralization south and up-dip of the core dilatational zone within the Keats Main Zone.



Drill Hole Details

Hole No.	From (m)	To (m)	Interval (m)*	Au (g/t)	Zone
NFGC-21-208	258.30	264.00	5.70	1.12	Keats Main
And	275.65	277.80	2.15	1.80	
And	311.00	314.80	3.80	1.48	
And	355.60	357.75	2.15	1.67	Keats FW
NFGC-21-217	288.00	290.00	2.00	1.55	Keats Main
And	295.00	302.85	7.85	2.66	
Including	298.30	300.40	2.10	4.75	
And	334.40	336.40	2.00	1.24	Keats FW
NFGC-21-231	53.00	55.25	2.25	3.63	Keats Main
And	110.50	114.05	3.55	1.19	Keats FW
And	136.60	144.30	7.70	3.23	
Including	137.55	139.90	2.35	7.24	
NFGC-21-237	359.75	362.00	2.25	1.66	Keats FW
NFGC-21-240		Keats Main			
NFGC-21-242	49.80	52.10	2.30	10.83	Keats Main
NFGC-21-246	153.90	155.90	2.00	1.00	Keats Main
And	166.45	170.45	4.00	3.91	
Including	166.45	168.75	2.30	6.09	
And	188.00	192.00	4.00	1.21	Keats FW
NFGC-21-312	150.10	156.60	6.50	17.59	Keats Main
Including	154.30	156.60	2.30	47.50	
And	160.00	163.20	3.20	1.14	
NFGC-21-341	203.00	205.40	2.40	22.20	Keats Main
NFGC-21-351	147.50	150.75	3.25	63.92	Keats Main
And	169.10	175.35	6.25	9.10	
Including	169.10	171.35	2.25	14.56	
NFGC-21-360	260.80	266.00	5.20	61.50	Keats Main
Including	260.80	263.50	2.70	117.15	
And	275.00	277.00	2.00	1.39	Keats FW

Table 2: Summary of results reported in this release

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Hole No.	Azimuth (°)	Dip (°)	Length (m)	UTM E	UTM N
NFGC-21-208	299	-45.5	515	658148	5427215
NFGC-21-217	297	-55.5	401	658148	5427151
NFGC-21-231	299	-46.5	171	658125	5427448
NFGC-21-237	295	-55.5	380	658141	5427190
NFGC-21-240	297	-55.5	379	658157	5427196
NFGC-21-242	300	-45.5	233	658136	5427467
NFGC-21-246	299	-45.3	272	658131	5427312
NFGC-21-312	299	-46.5	209	658110	5427324
NFGC-21-341	299	-45.5	311	658038	5427250
NFGC-21-351	299	-45.5	239	658097	5427302
NFGC-21-360	299	-45.5	359	658011	5427180

Table 3: Details of drill holes reported in this release

Photos of Drill Core



Figure 5. Photos of mineralization from NFGC-21-312, approximately 156m down hole depth Note that these photos are not intended to be representative of gold mineralization in hole NFGC-21-312.



Queensway 200,000m Drill Program Update

Approximately 51 percent of the 200,000 meters have been drilled to date with approximately 24,000 meters of core pending assay results. Nine core rigs are currently operating, with a tenth scheduled to commence shortly.

Sampling, Sub-sampling and Laboratory

True widths of the intercepts reported in this press release have yet to be determined but are estimated to be 85% to 95% of reported core lengths. Infill veining in secondary structures with multiple orientations crosscutting the primary host structures are commonly observed in drill core which could result in additional variability in true width. Assays are uncut, and calculated intervals are reported over a minimum length of 2 meters using a lower cut-off of 1.0 g/t Au. All HQ split core assays reported were obtained by either complete sample metallic screen/fire assay or standard 30-gram fire-assaying with ICP finish at ALS Minerals in Vancouver, British Columbia, or by entire sample screened metallic screen fire assay at Eastern Analytical in Springdale, Newfoundland. The complete sample metallic screen assay method is selected by the geologist when samples contain coarse gold or any samples displaying gold initial fire assay values greater than 1.0 g/t Au. Drill program design, Quality Assurance/Quality Control and interpretation of results is performed by qualified persons employing a Quality Assurance/Quality Control program consistent with National Instrument 43-101 and industry best practices. Standards and blanks are included with every 20 samples for Quality Assurance/Quality Control purposes by the Company as well as the lab. Approximately 5% of sample pulps are sent to secondary laboratories for check assays.

Qualified Person

The technical content disclosed in this press release was reviewed and approved by Greg Matheson, P. Geo., Chief Operating Officer, and a Qualified Person as defined under National Instrument 43-101. Mr. Matheson consents to the publication of this news release dated October 14, 2021, by New Found. Mr. Matheson certifies that this news release fairly and accurately represents the information for which he is responsible.

About New Found Gold Corp.

New Found holds a 100% interest in the Queensway Project, located 15 km west of Gander, Newfoundland, and just 18 km from Gander International Airport. The project is intersected by the Trans-Canada Highway and has logging roads crosscutting the project, high voltage electric power lines running through the project area, and easy access to a highly skilled workforce. The Company is currently undertaking a 200,000m drill program at Queensway. With a current working capital balance of approximately \$105 million, New Found is well funded for this program.

Please see the Company's website at www.newfoundgold.ca and the Company's SEDAR profile at www.sedar.com.

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