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Ticker: CTM AU	Net cash: A\$28m	Project: Jaguar	
Market cap: C\$200m	Price : A\$0.61/sh	Country: Brazil	
RECOMMENDATION (unc): BUY	TARGET PRICE(unch): A\$0.90/sh	RISK RATING: HIGH	

From this weeks drilling, **Jaguar Central** is now exhibiting shallow-plunging shoots, which bodes well for being both open-pittable with a low-strip starter pit, with eastern extensions continuing beyond the 45m @ 1.4% Ni released this week (Figure 1A). **Jaguar North** saw a similar trend, with 400m of strike (100m beyond resource envelope) now extending to 200m depth, and remaining open to the NW where 11.3m @ 1% was reported this week (Figure 1B). **Onca Rosa** is providing remarkably consistent high-grades at depth for a potential underground with 6m @ 3.2% Ni drilled immediately under 9m @ 3.1% (Figure 1C) over 100m of strike. **We maintain our BUY rating and A\$0.90/sh PT** which is based on $0.5xNAV_{7\%-14,000}$ for 15Mt @ 1.5% Ni with no underground, milling at 1.5Mtpa for 18ktpa nickel production. Given a) the ongoing broad near-surface hits, b) high grades at depths at the Onca's supportive of a future underground and c) published company targets of '>20ktpa', we see potential to lift to a 25-35Mt mining inventory. This could support \geq 2.5Mtpa on a larger ~1% low-strip operation with bolt-on underground(s) at the Onca deposits. With five rigs now drilling multiple step-downs, step-outs and regional targets, we think there is very good potential to lift the global resource also. Stepping back, in the last two weeks we have seen more than one Australian junior adding up to \$45-50m with narrow lower-tenor hits and visuals than the vast majority of results today alone, a simple valuation arbitrage opportunity.



Figure 1. Jaguar (A) Central, (B) North, and (C) Onca Rosa cross sections with new drilling

Source: Centaurus Metals

Centaurus hits multiple >2%Ni intercepts at Jaguar, ~A\$28m in cash

Centaurus has release 21 holes from Jaguar in Brazil. Highlights from **Onca Rosa** include 6.3m @ 3.25% Ni, from 311m, from **Jaguar Central** include 45m @ 1.36% Ni (incl. 10m @ 2.2%) from 128m confirming downdip extensions, and 45m @ 1.1% Ni on in-fill drilling. At **Jaguar North** highlights include 15m @ 1.14% Ni and 6.0m @ 1.32% from both infill and step out. Five rigs are on site, with A\$27m cash. A resource update and scoping study are both scheduled for 1Q21.

Why we like Centaurus Metals

- 1. Metal in the ground dwarfs peers
- 2. Potential for open pit and underground operations
- 3. Good logistics with rail nearby in a well-known mining jurisdiction
- 4. FLEM targeting means strong resource growth per metre drilled
- 5. Top quality low As, low Mg product

Catalysts

- 4Q20: Regional exploration at high priority targets
- 1Q21: Updated resource and scoping study
- 2020: Expected commencement of PFS pending internal scoping study
- 2Q21: Lodge environmental license

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Ticker: CTM AU Author: B Salier / C Tonkin	Price / m Rec/0.5x	kt cap: NAV7% PT		/ A\$200m A90c/sh		•	0.39x A\$1.06c/sh		Country: Asset:	Brazil Jaguar	
Commodity price	CY20E	CY21E	CY22E	CY23E	CY24E	Resource/Inventory	Mt	Ni %		Mt	Ni %
Ni price (US\$/t)	14,000	14,000	14,000	14,000	14,000		2Q20			SCP inv	
Ni price (US\$/t, payable)	10,500	10,500	10,500	10,500	10,500	- M&I	11.5	1.29%	-	15.0	1.509
1xNAV project valuation*		A\$m	o/ship	NAVx	A\$/sh	Inferred	36.4	1.01%			
Jaguar NPV (build start)		498	100%	0.5x	0.68	Total	48.0	1.08%	Tota	15.0	1.5%
UG expln (4% in-situ ex SCP	mined)	41	100%	1.0x	0.11	Funding: uses			Funding:		
Cash 3Q20	,	26.9	100%	1.0x	0.07	Capex (A\$m)	225		-	Q20 (A\$m)	26.9
Cash from ITM options		6.0	100%	1.0x	0.02	Drilling/FS cost (A\$m)	14.3			debt (A\$m)	135.
1XNAV A\$ @ 4Q20		A\$572m	100/0	210/1	0.88	Working capital (A\$m)	-	SCPe DES		spot (A\$m)	12.0
*Build start, ex fin. cost + G&A,	dil for ont		р/л	IAV today:	0.39x	G&A and fin. cost (A\$m)	7.2		. , =	rem. (A\$m)	112.
Asset value: 1xNPV proje					0.33X	Total uses: group (A\$m)	246.9	JCre equ		rces (A\$m)	286.
	11,500		14,000		16,500		Basic	FD		,	280.
Asset NPV (A\$m)		12,750	-	15,250		Share data (m)			3Q22 (FF	FUJ	
9.0% discount	187	309	431	553	676	Shares (m)	325.8	366.2	497.1	01/225	C)/2/
7.0% discount	230	364	498	631	765	Ratio analysis	CY20E	CY21E	CY22E	CY23E	CY24
5.0% discount	279	427	574	722	869	Shares out (m)	325.8	325.8	497.1	497.1	497.
Ungeared project IRR:		28%	35%	42%	48%	EPS (Ac/sh)	-	-	-	-	-
Asset NPV @ 1.5% (A\$m)	10.0Mt	12.5Mt	15.0Mt	17.5Mt	20.0Mt	CFPS before w/c (A\$/sh)	-	-	-	-	-
US\$12,750/t	230	297	364	430	497	EV (A\$m)	187.1	194.6	305.0	307.3	434.
US\$14,000/t	320	409	498	587	675	FCF yield (%)	-	-	-	-	-
US\$15,250/t	409	520	631	743	854	PER (x)	-	-	-	-	-
Avg production (Kt Ni pa):	12.0	13.2	14.4	15.6	16.8	P/CF (x)	-	-	-	-	-
Asset NPV @ 15Mt (A\$m)	1.00%	1.25%	1.50%	1.75%	2.00%	EV/EBITDA (x)	-	-	-	-	49.3
US\$12,750/t	(31)	166	364	560	757	Income statement	CY20E	CY21E	CY22E	CY23E	CY24
US\$14,000/t	59	278	498	717	936	Revenue (A\$m)	-	-	-	-	33.3
US\$15,250/t	148	390	631	873	1,114	COGS (A\$m)	-	-	-	-	23.4
Avg production (Kt Ni pa):	18.0	21.0	24.0	27.0	30.0	Gross profit (A\$m)	-	-	-	-	9.9
*Project level NPV, excl finance	costs and	central SGA	, discounted	l to build sta	rt	G&A (A\$m)	1.5	1.6	2.1	2.5	1.0
SOTP company valuation	4Q20	4Q21	4Q22	4Q23	4Q24	Exploration (A\$m)	6.6	6.0	3.0	-	-
Jaguar NPV	415	444	477	597	805	Finance costs (A\$m)	-	-	-	-	11.8
Centra G&A and finace cost	(46)	(41)	(37)	(37)	(22)	Tax (A\$m)	_	-	-	-	0.6
Net cash prior quarter	15.1	7.6	1.4	36	(113)	Other (A\$m)	0.2	0.2	0.4	(0.0)	2.6
Cash from ITM options	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	Net income (A\$m)	(8.3)	(7.9)	(5.4)	(2.5)	(6.1
NAV (A\$m)	390	416	447	603	676	Cash flow statement	CY20E	CY21E	CY22E	CY23E	CY24
	366	366	497	497	497	EBITDA (A\$m)			(5.5)		8.8
FD share count (m)					1.36	Add share based (A\$m)	(8.4) 0.3	(8.0)		(2.9)	0.1
1xNAV7%/sh FF FD (A\$/sh)	1.06	1.14	0.90	1.21				0.4	0.4	0.4	
ROI (% pa)		85%	21%	25%	22%	Net change wkg cap (A\$m)	-	-	-	0.3	10.3
Exit value: 1xNAV/sh <i>con</i>						Cash flow ops (A\$m)	(8.0)	(7.5)	(5.0)	(2.4)	(13.
1xNAV (A\$/sh)	11,500	12,750	14,000	15,250	16,500	PP&E - build + sust. (A\$m)	0.4	-	-	112.7	113.
9.0% discount	0.68	0.97	1.26	1.55	1.84	PP&E - expl'n (A\$m)	-	-	-	-	-
7.0% discount	0.75	1.05	1.36	1.66	1.97	Cash flow inv. (A\$m)	(0.4)	-	-	(112.7)	(113.
5.0% discount	0.82	1.15	1.47	1.80	2.12	Share issue (A\$m)	12.3	-	-	112.7	-
Production (Y1 from 3Q2	CY24	CY25	CY26	CY27	CY28	Debt draw (repay) (A\$m)	-	-	-	-	135.
Jaguar production (000kt Ni	2.3	18.0	18.0	18.0	18.0	Cash flow fin. (A\$m)	12.3	-	-	112.7	135.
C1 cost (US\$/t Ni)	1,946	5,803	5,803	5,803	5,803	Net change in cash (A\$m)	3.5	(7.5)	(5.0)	(2.4)	8.0
AISC cost (US\$/t Ni)	2,040	5,991	5,991	5,991	5,991	Balance sheet	CY20E	CY21E	CY22E	CY23E	CY24
AISC = C1 + sustaining cape	x + centra	I G&A, C3	= AISC + d	epreciation		Cash (A\$m)	13.2	5.7	0.7	(1.6)	6.3
20kt -					8,000	Acc rec. + invet. (A\$m)	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.1	18.0
						PP&E & expl'n (A\$m)	3.7	3.7	3.7	116.3	227.
15kt	$ \rightarrow $	0	0		6,000	Total assets (A\$m)	17.2	9.7	4.7	114.8	251.
						Debt (A\$m)	-	-	-	-	135.
10kt					4,000	Accounts payable (A\$m)	0.6	0.6	0.6	-	7.7
						Others (A\$m)	13.5	6.0	1.0	(1.6)	24.3
5kt					2,000	Total liabilities (A\$m)					
							1.1	1.1	1.1	0.5	143.
Okt		_			-	Shareholders' equity (A\$m)	141.1	141.5	141.9	255.0	255.
CY24 CY2	5 C	Y26	CY27	CY28		Reserves (A\$m)	(6.6)	(6.6)	(6.6)	(6.6)	(6.6
🔲 Jaguar prod'n (LHS, 000t	Ni) -		RHS, US\$/t	t Ni)	Retained earnings (A\$m)	(118.4)	(126.3)	(131.7)	(134.2)	(140
						Liabilities + equity (A\$m)	17.2	9.7	4.7	114.8	251.

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