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Advantages of Overhauser with GPS over Cesium Magnetometers

Overhauser magnetometers take advantage of key phenomena – the ability to use radio frequencies (RF) signals to excite both protons and electrons contained in a mixture of proton-rich solvent and electron-rich free radicals, and the fact that electrons can be induced to add their net (higher) energy to that of protons. The Overhauser technology has a number of advantages over cesium magnetometers:

- 1. Sensitivity adequately matches cesium magnetometers (0.015 nT for Overhauser compared with 0.010 for cesium) providing sensitivity required for most surveys
- 2. Signficantly lower cost with high quality data for enhanced return on investment
- 3. Overhauser provides raw data without filtering so that data manipulation is at the discretion of the professional rather than the instrument (some Cesium devices)
- 4. Omnidirectional sensors for superior operation in low fields without orientation
- No dead zones for high quality data with no "drop-outs" or missing field values
- 6. Minimal or no heading errors as compared with +/- 1.0 nT for Cesium to deliver more consistent and reasonable results
- 7. No warm-up time prior to surveys for increased survey efficiency
- 8. Wide temperature range of operation (from -40 to 55 degrees Celsius standard and -55 to 60 degrees Celsius optional) for maximum usability in all climate types
- 9. Rugged design for maximum reliability and lifespan

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- 10. Virtually maintenance-free in comparison with Cesium magnetometers which require periodic and unpredictable servicing, particularly in optical components
- 11. High absolute accuracy enabling interchangeability of sensors as well as repeatability of measurements
- 12. Rapid speed of operation (up to 5 readings per second) for effective surveys at walking pace
- 13. Very low power consumption for maximum time of operation in the field (8 to 10 hours in comparison with 3 to 6 hours for Cesium)
- 14. High operating range (10,000 to 120,00) in comparison with Cesium (17,000 to 100,000) for complete confidence that data values will not exceed range
- 15. Gradient tolerance suitable for the range of targets encountered in geologic prospecting for maximum versatility and range in data
- 16. Simplicity of design for fewer and less costly repairs over the instrument's lifetime
- 17. Internet upgrades available via Internet for maximum protection of investment and containment of shipping costs with new magnetometer releases

GEM also delivers a range of GPS and DGPS systems that enable customers to perform magnetic surveys with a variety of positioning accuracies, according to their application needs and budgets.

GEM is the only commercial magnetometer manufacturer to offer builtin GPS / DGPS. The advantages of this approach include a truly seamless and integrated positioning solution that minimizes weight and simplifies survey procedures.



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Some other advantages are:

- 1. GPS surveying eliminates the need to provide a grid prior to surveying for more efficient project work
- Specially designed non-magnetic GPS is available in two options - built-in and external - for the greatest range of solutions and choices available today:
 - a. Internal GPS positions available in real time using WAAS with DGPS available through post-processing
 - b. External GPS provides DGPS values in real time using subscription service, such as Raycal or Omnistar
- 2. Internal GPS delivers <1.5m survey resolution (suitable for mineral exploration surveys) at lower cost than with cesium systems
- 3. Internal GPS eliminates cabling for greater reliability in the field
- 4. Internal GPS provides outstanding performance even in challenging environments (foliage, canyons) according to manufacturer's specifications
- 5. Both internal and external GPS provides onscreen navigation automatically without using light bar components for lower investment than Cesium units
- 6. Survey waypoints can be preprogrammed (up to 1000) prior to performing field work for highly efficient field operation
- 7. Implementation of custom GPS datums as required by customer to provide maximum survey precision and accuracy