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Project Title: Investigation into error rates for distance estimation work

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CONSENT FORM FOR PARTICIPANTS

This consent form will be retained for a period of 6 years at ESR Ltd. This consent form will be stored in a secure location separate from the research data, only accessible to Jessie Davys (third-party representative).

- I have had the details of this research presented to me in the participant information sheet (PIS) and I fully understand what it says.
- I have been given sufficient time to consider my participation in this study.
- I understand that my participation is completely voluntary, and I may withdraw from this study at any time before the thesis submission date (June 2025) without it affecting my relationship with The Institute of Environmental Science and Research Ltd. (ESR).
- I understand that I cannot participate if my organisation does not also consent.
- Any questions or concerns have been answered with sufficiency and I understand that I may ask questions at any time during this study.
- I understand that the data I provide will only be used for this study and will not be used in future research.
- I understand that the total time required for me to participate in this study may take more than one business day.
- I understand the physical risks associated with the tasks I am being asked to carry out, notably the handling and discharge of firearms, the mitigation of lead toxicity, and other health and safety risks found within my workplace. I have a full comprehension of my laboratory protocols and hazards.
- In any adverse event, I will seek assistance from my relevant health and safety representatives, and I will inform the research team as soon as possible.
- I understand that the data obtained during this research could be presented in a thesis, in the publication of scientific papers in peer-reviewed journals or presented at conferences.
- I understand that my identity will not be published, linking me to the data I provided. My identity will only be known to the third-party representative, Jessie Davys.

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- I understand that the signed consent form will be kept in secure storage at ESR for a period of 6 years, when they will be destroyed following ESR destruction protocol.
- I understand that all raw data obtained will be kept indefinitely at ESR on a secure server with restricted access to protect my identity.

I provide my full and informed consent, and I agree to take part in this research under the conditions outlined in the PIS.

Participant's Name:	
Participant's Signature:	
Date (DD/MM/YYYY):/	
Contact Email (if you wish to be informed about the study results):	
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