

HiWISH: THE HIGH RESOLUTION IMAGING SCIENCE EXPERIMENT (HiRISE) SUGGESTION TOOL



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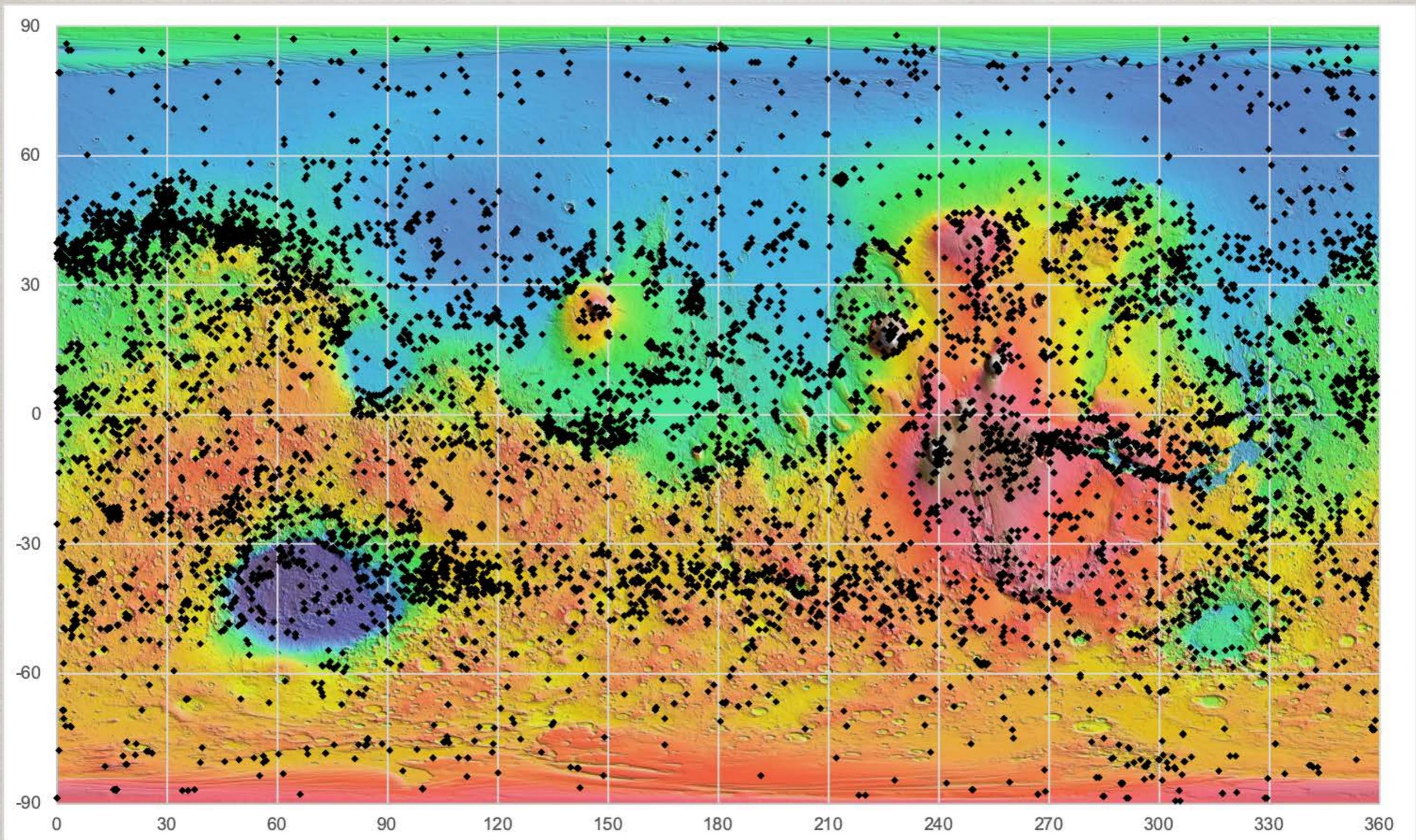
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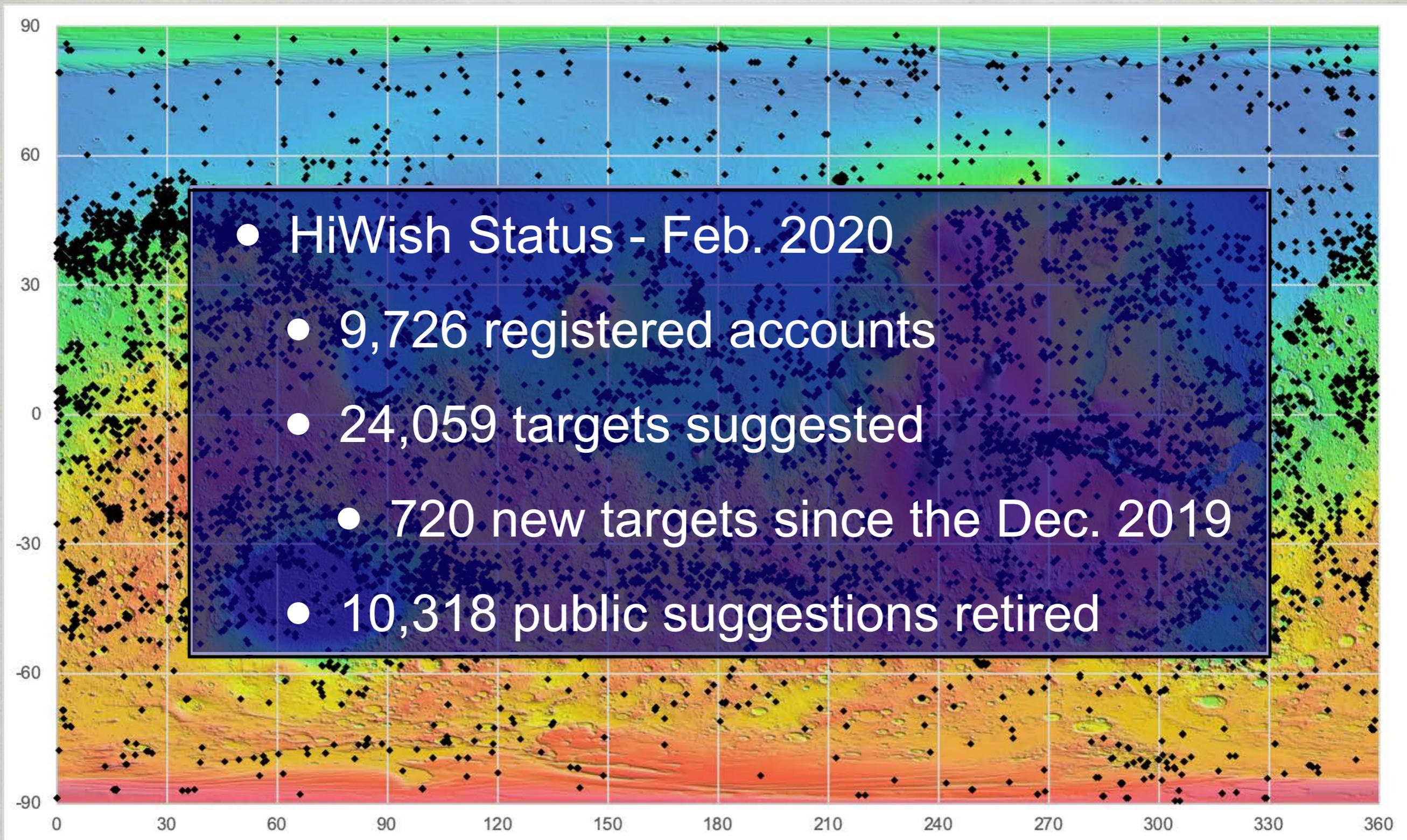
- ✿ Images and DTMs are released on a monthly cadence:
uahirise.org / PDS
- ✿ Targets entered in database by team members and the public.
- ✿ “Public” includes schoolchildren, scientific colleagues, and YOU.
- ✿ Additional updates regarding HiRISE, including instrument status, spacecraft health, and long-term prospects, are described in a blog post (McEwen 2019) at <https://www.uahirise.org/epo/2019-apr-23/>

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1. Time-independent Observation Planning

- Target suggestions (Regions of Interest/ROIs) entered in [HiWish](http://www.uahirise.org/hiwish/) (www.uahirise.org/hiwish/)—months or years before observation occurs
 - [create an account](#)
- Science Theme Leads (STLs) prioritize within their theme
 - E.g. [Impact Processes](#)

HiRISE Science Themes

- All suggestions need to be placed into an appropriate [Science Theme](#) (e.g., [Aeolian](#), [Impact Processes](#), [Polar Geology](#), [Tectonic Processes](#), [Future Landing Sites](#) etc.). Note that each theme page lists a description and [contact person](#) for that theme.

Science Theme (Required)

Primary Science Theme

[Glacial/Periglacial Processes](#)

Secondary Science Theme (optional)

[Geologic Contacts/Stratigr...](#)

HiRISE suggestions (and subsequent observations) are categorized by science themes. A suggestion **must** have a primary science theme, and may have a secondary science theme.

Science Themes

[Climate Change](#)
Targets that may provide evidence of a different or changing climate in the past.

[Aeolian Processes](#)
The study of landforms and processes formed, affected, or driven by wind and wind-blown particles.

[Fluvial Processes](#)
Images of channels, valleys, gullies, or other geologic features likely formed by erosion or deposition by water.

[Future Exploration/Landing Sites](#)
Attempts to locate known spacecraft, or to provide imagery for upcoming landed missions.

[Geologic Contacts/Stratigraphy](#)
Images of bedrock exposed within crater central peaks or pits that reveal the stratigraphy at depth, as well as geologic contacts between distinct units/materials that can be used to infer stratigraphic relationships, such as relative ages or processes of deposition.

[Glacial/Periglacial Processes](#)
Landforms associated with the deposition, movement, or loss of surface and subsurface ice outside the polar caps.

[Hydrothermal Processes](#)
Images of geologic features and deposits likely formed in association with warm water (heated by volcanoes, impact craters, or subsurface magma) flowing through and beneath the ground.

[Impact Processes](#)
Images primarily intended to inform us about the impact cratering process, typically young, well-preserved craters.

[Landscape Evolution](#)
Landforms and surfaces whose shape and juxtaposition records the processes responsible for their formation.

[Mass Wasting Processes](#)
Mass wasting is the downslope movement of loose rock, soil or other materials under the influence of gravity and includes features such as rockfalls, slumps, granular flows, landslides, and debris avalanches.

[Polar Geology](#)
Images of the icy polar deposits, which likely record the ancient climate history of Mars.

[Seasonal Processes](#)
Images in the seasonal processes theme study the sublimation and condensation of the seasonal polar cap and its affect on underlying terrain.

[Sedimentary/Layering Processes](#)
Images of layered bedrock typically exposed along canyon and crater walls, or layered deposits that could have been deposited by water activity.

[Rocks and Regolith](#)
Surface textures associated with soil deposits, rocks and boulders, and exposures of bedrock.

[Composition and Photometry](#)
Images intended to inform us about sites with interesting mineralogic or color properties.

[Tectonic Processes](#)
Images of rocks that have been folded, fractured, broken, or slid past each other.

[Volcanic Processes](#)
Features produced by molten rock, such as lava flows, ash beds, cinder cones, and volcanoes.

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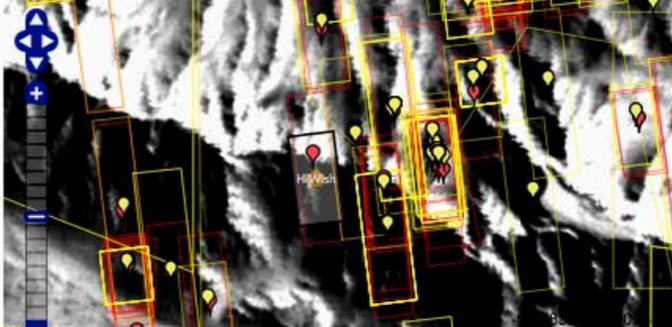
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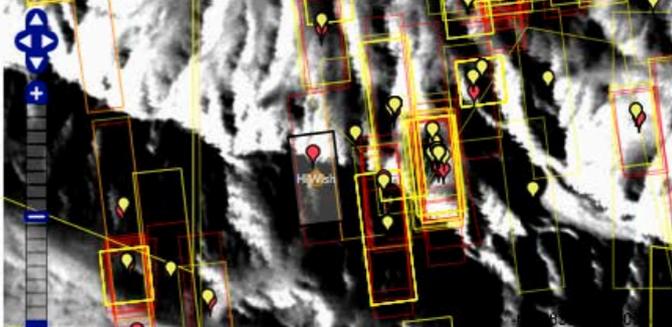
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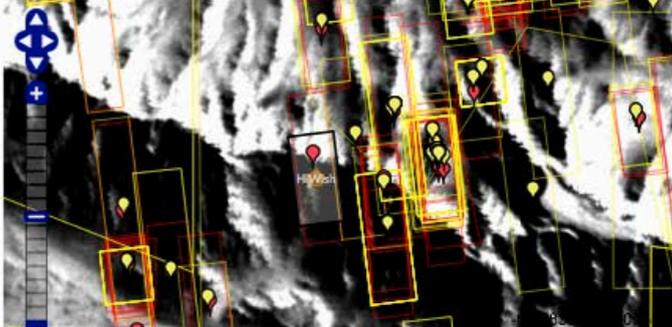
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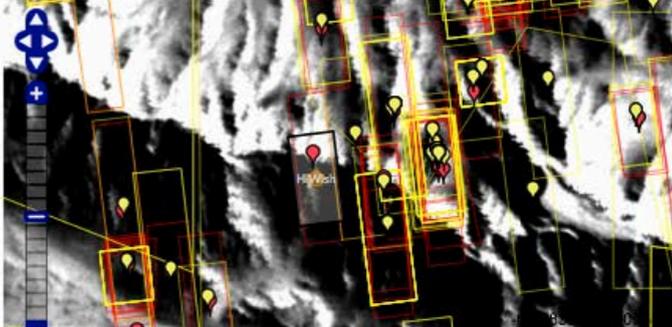
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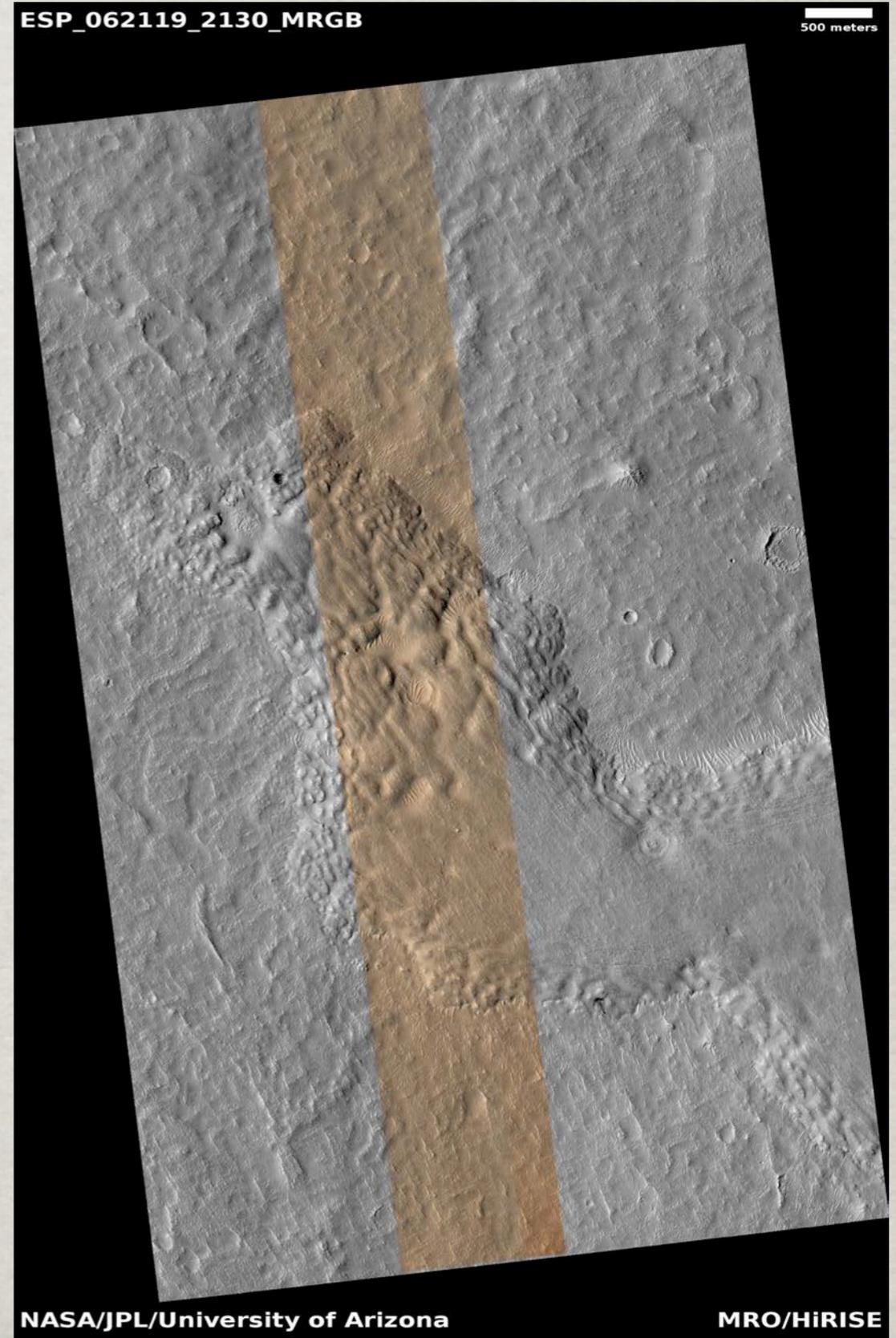
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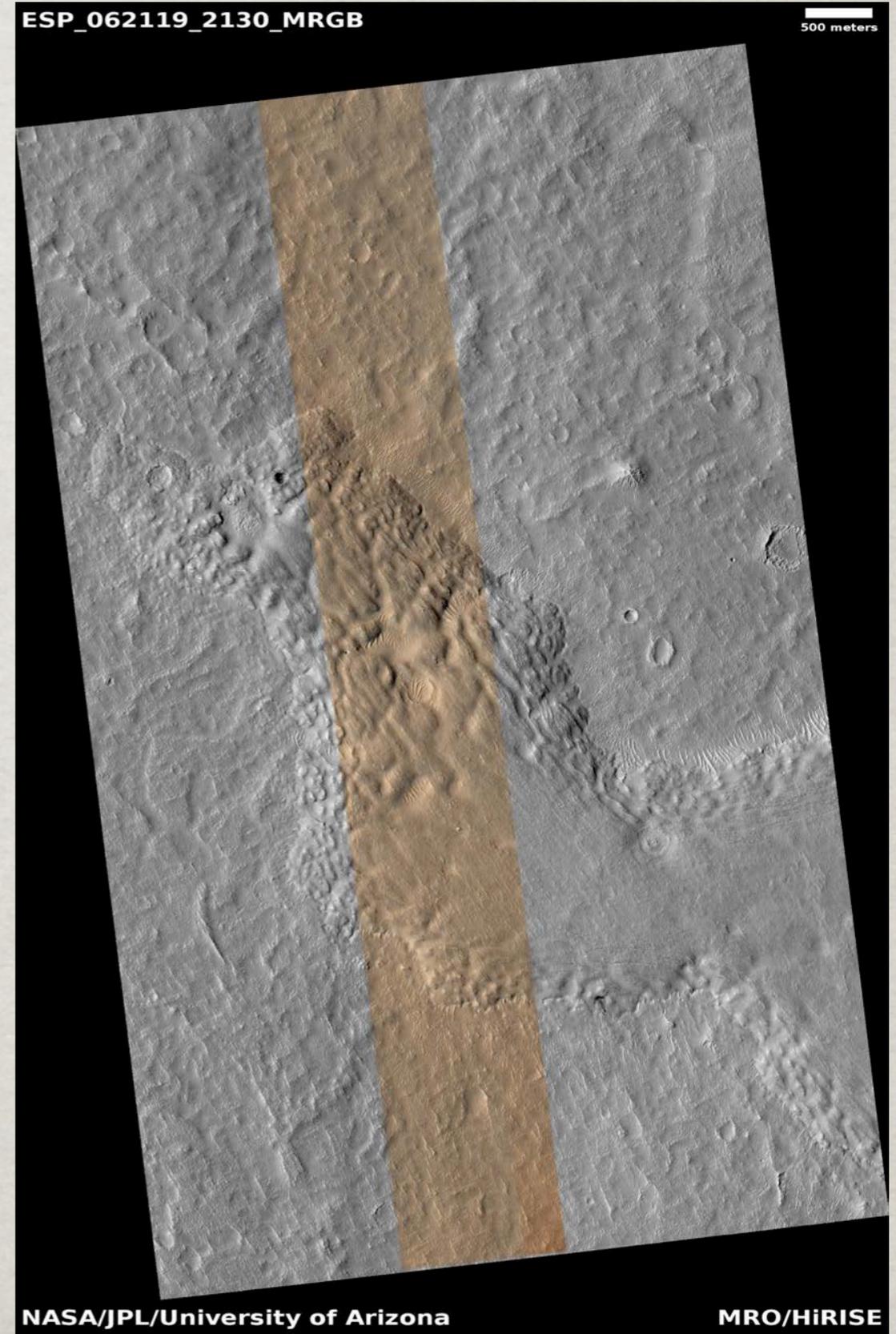
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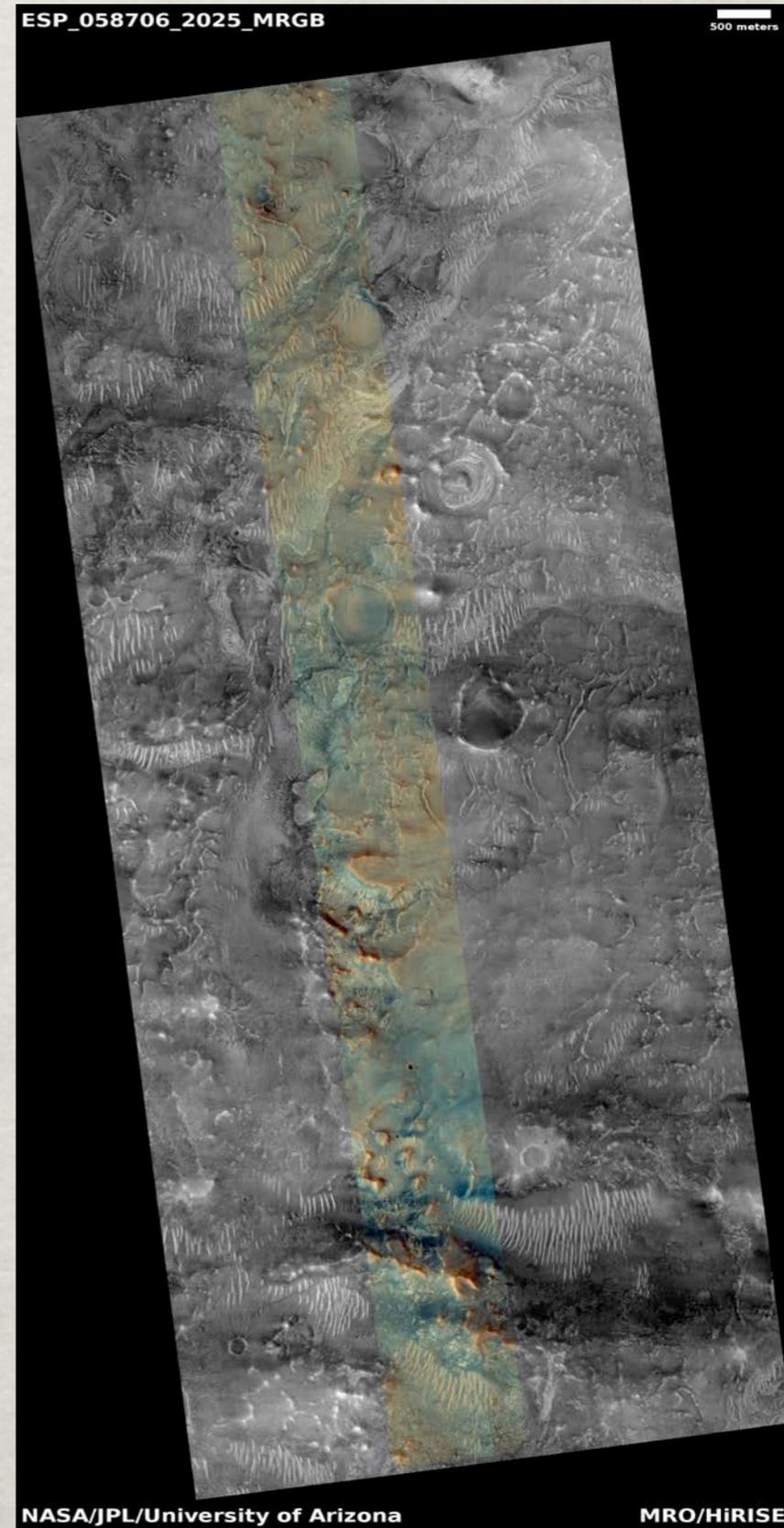
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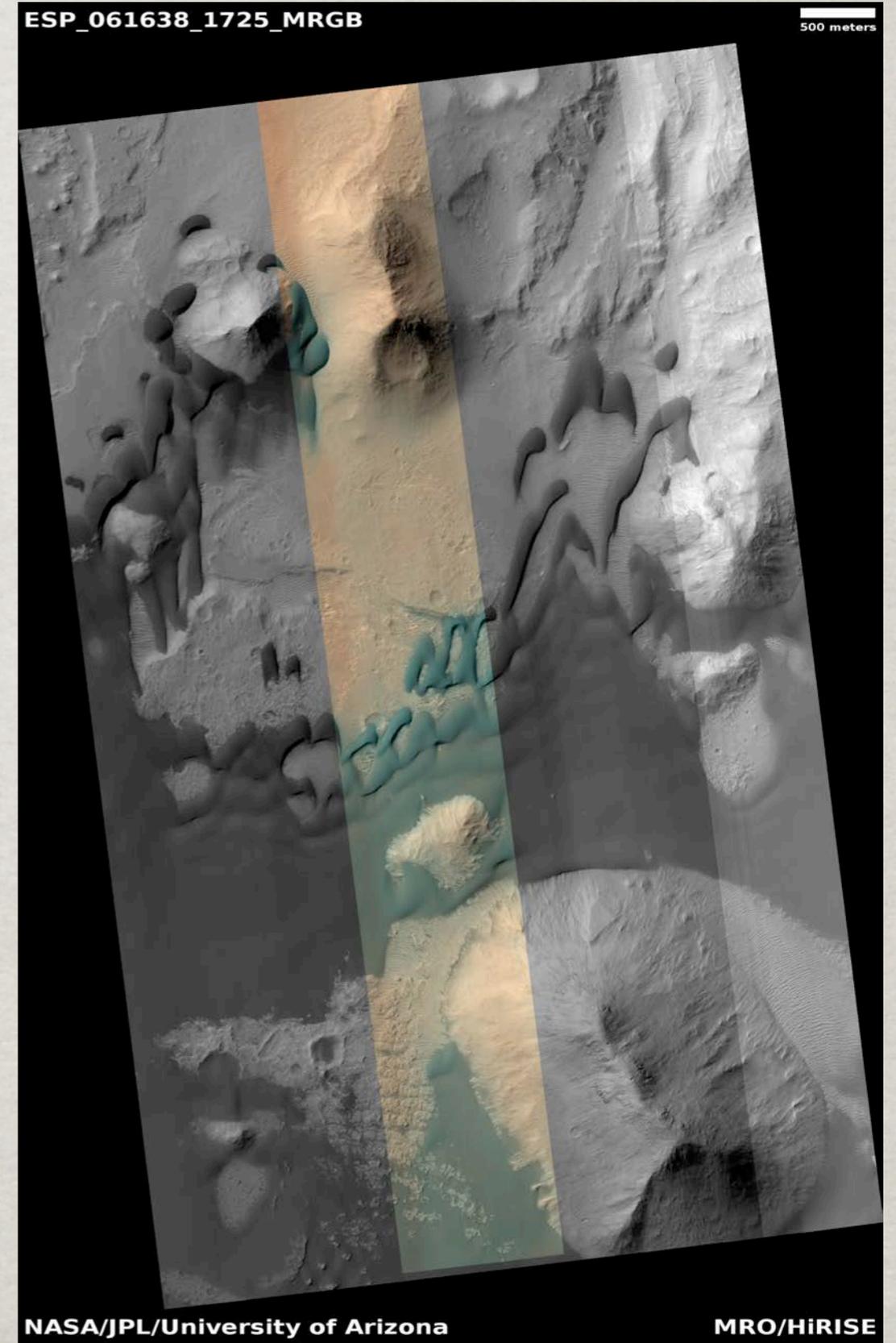
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- *Edwin Kite* - Constraints on the past atmospheric pressure of Mars are obtained if small ancient craters can be found (Vasavada et al. JGR 1993, Kite et al. Nature Geoscience 2014). and ESP_047471_2015 shows large ancient syn-sedimentary impact craters exist at this site. Hypothesis: Small craters exist too, meaning the atmosphere was thin at the time of sedimentation. Test: I have found that HiRISE anaglyphs are needed (and HiRISE DTMs are desirable) to confirm small ancient impact craters on Mars. Urgency: This image is to support first-year project of incoming first-year UChicago PhD-program student Alexandra (Sasha) Warren.



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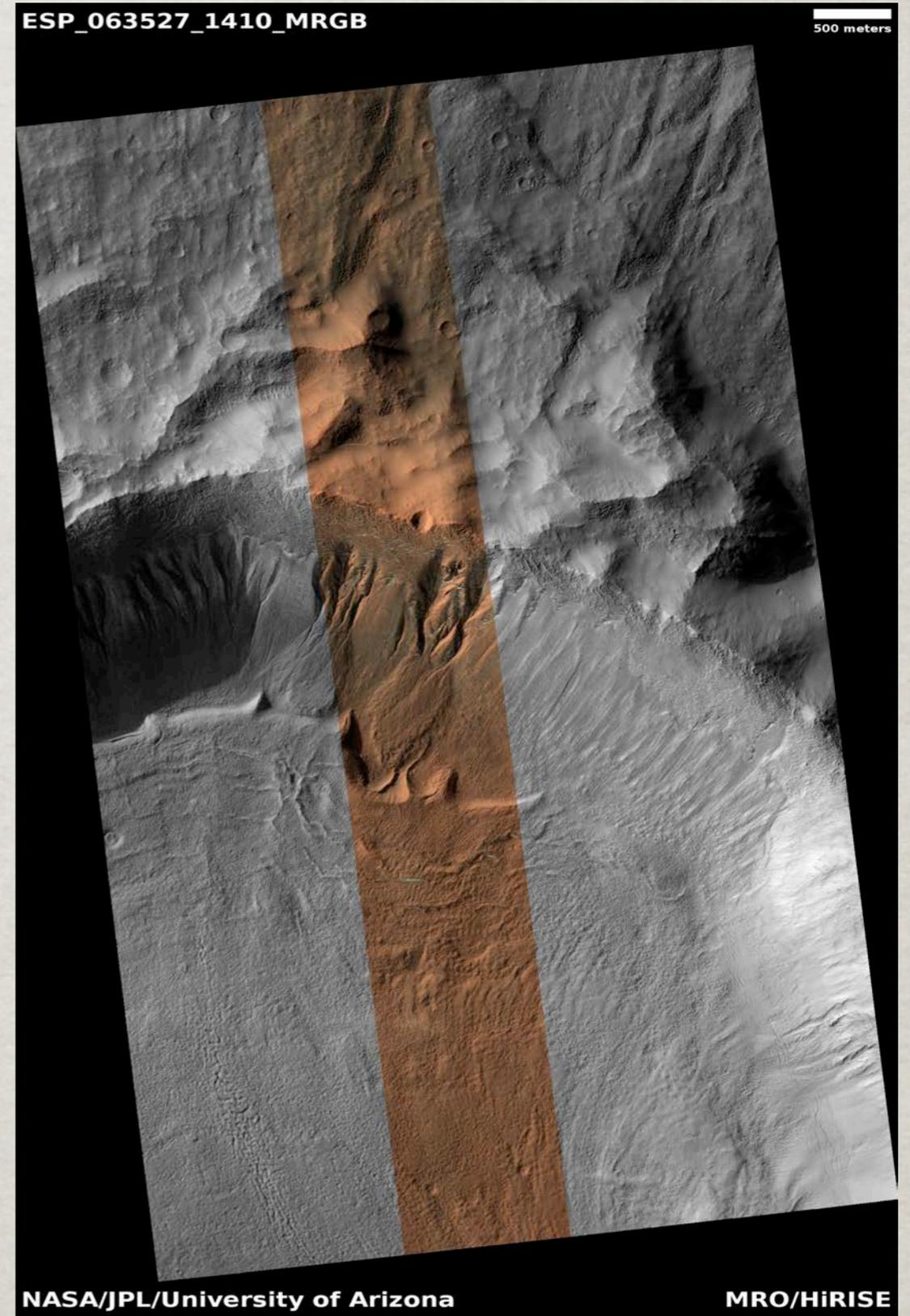
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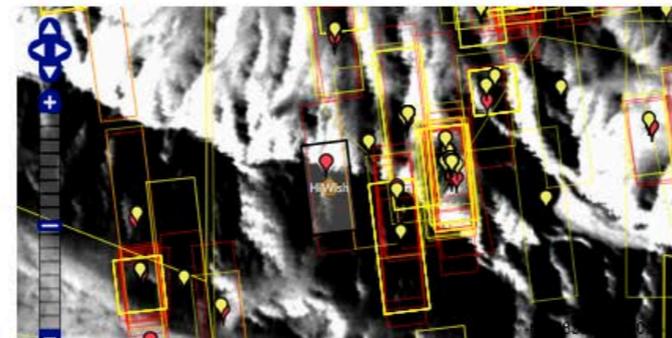
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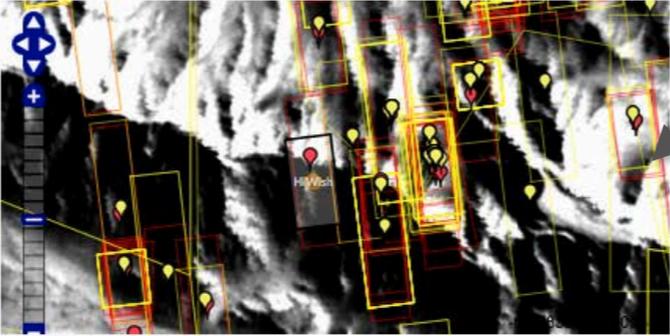
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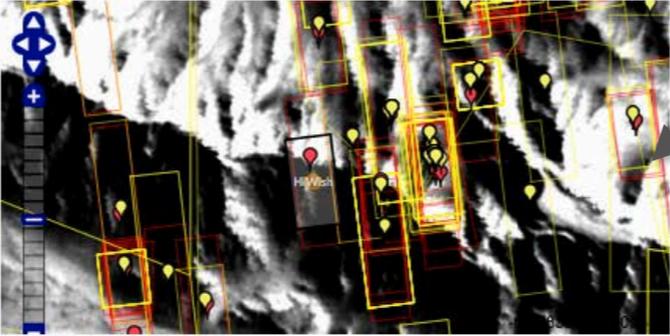
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Please make sure you have provided four things: a title, a science rationale, a region of interest on the map (rectangle with orange dot marker), and a science theme.

Title (Required)

The title provides a concise description of a suggestion. This is typically the name of the region and the type of feature targeted, for example *Crater In Meridiani Planum*. **It can only contain letters, numbers, dashes and underscores.**
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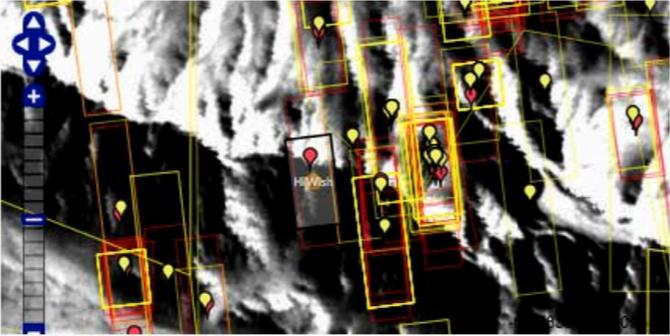
Science Rationale (Required, and IMPORTANT!)

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This should be a short explanation of the objective of this observation. It is important that you be descriptive here, tell the HiRISE team why this image should be taken. If your rationale here is too generic, this suggestion will not be given a high priority.
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Special Notes

893 characters remaining.
Additional notes to aid targeting specialists in planning the observation.
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Priority

Region Of Interest (Required)

Viewing -13.010°, 294.310°E
Mode: Pan & Zoom Move Edit Resize
Find
Background

Map Input	Action	Feature Input	Action
Double Click	Place/Move Target	Hover	Highlight Footprint
Single Click	Zoom In	Marker Click	Enable Drag
Drag	Pan	Marker Drag	Move Target
Scroll	Zoom		

Show:
 HiRISE suggestions
 CaSSIS suggestions
 HiRISE observations
 CTX observations
 MOC observations
 CRISM observations
Target located at -13.043°, 294.262°E
Locate a region by using the map controls, or by entering a value in the text box. The value may be a feature name (keep typing to narrow the list of choices). It

Placing your HiWish target

- The interactive map allows you to zoom in/out on various base-maps of Mars and locate a target region. If unsure about a region's location, enter its name into the *Find* field.
- Double clicking on the map places your initial target placement, then selecting it allows you to shift its location.
- Data footprints for various other instruments (e.g., CRISM, CTX, etc.) can be toggled on or off using controls below the map.
- Each of those instrument footprints links to the image in ASU's [Mars Image Explorer](#).

HiWish Submission

- The lower *HiWish* panel allows users to request advanced options such as stereo, seasonal targeting, high resolution, or potential CRISM targeting. These options may delay image acquisition.

Advance HiWish targets

Resolution

0.3 m/pixel (no binning) 

Default binning is 4x4. Choose a different resolution if needed.

[Help](#)

Justification for Resolution

25 cm/pix requested for change detection

959 characters remaining.

Please describe the resolution requirements for your image.

Stereo Desired

Yes Complete a Pair No

Choose this option to request stereo coverage.

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CRISM Desired

Yes No

Choose this option if an accompanying spectroscopic CRISM image is desired.

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Solar Longitude



Minimum Maximum Season 

If the target must be acquired during a specific Martian season, please provide range of L_s values, or choose a season from the dropdown.

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Number of Observations



Seasonal Constraints

If multiple observations are required (e.g. for change detection), please indicate the number and describe this requirement in the special notes. If each observation has specific requirements, check the Seasonal Constraints box and use the table to edit ranges.

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Minimum 0.0 Maximum 360.0 Season No Specific Season

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All	Adjust margins for all observations >>>		

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The screenshot displays the 'Advanced Options' section of the HiWish submission interface. It is divided into several panels:

- Resolution:** A dropdown menu is set to '0.3 m/pixel (no binning)'. Below it, a text box contains the justification: '25 cm/pix requested for change detection'. A 'Help' link is provided.
- Stereo Desired:** Radio buttons are set to 'No'. A 'Help' link is provided.
- CRISM Desired:** Radio buttons are set to 'No'. A 'Help' link is provided.
- Solar Longitude:** A horizontal slider is set to the full range. Below it, 'Minimum' is 0.0 and 'Maximum' is 360.0. A 'Season' dropdown is set to 'No Specific Season'. A 'Help' link is provided.
- Number of Observations:** A slider is set to 5. A 'Seasonal Constraints' checkbox is checked. A 'Help' link is provided.

At the bottom, there is a table for defining observation ranges:

Observation	Min	Max	Adjustment
0	0.0	72.0	
1	72.0	144.0	
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The screenshot shows the HiWish submission form with the following sections:

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- Stereo Desired:** Radio buttons for "Yes", "Complete a Pair", and "No" (selected). A "Help" link is below.
- CRISM Desired:** Radio buttons for "Yes" and "No" (selected). A "Help" link is below.
- Solar Longitude:** A horizontal slider is set to approximately 180. Below it, "Minimum" is 0.0 and "Maximum" is 360.0. A "Season" dropdown is set to "No Specific Season". A "Help" link is below.
- Number of Observations:** A horizontal slider is set to 5. A "Seasonal Constraints" checkbox is checked. A "Help" link is below.
- Observation Table:** A table with columns "Observation", "Min", "Max", and "Adjustment".

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- Repeat targeting may be requested by entering the *Number of Observations* and, if desired, checking the box for *Seasonal Constraints*.

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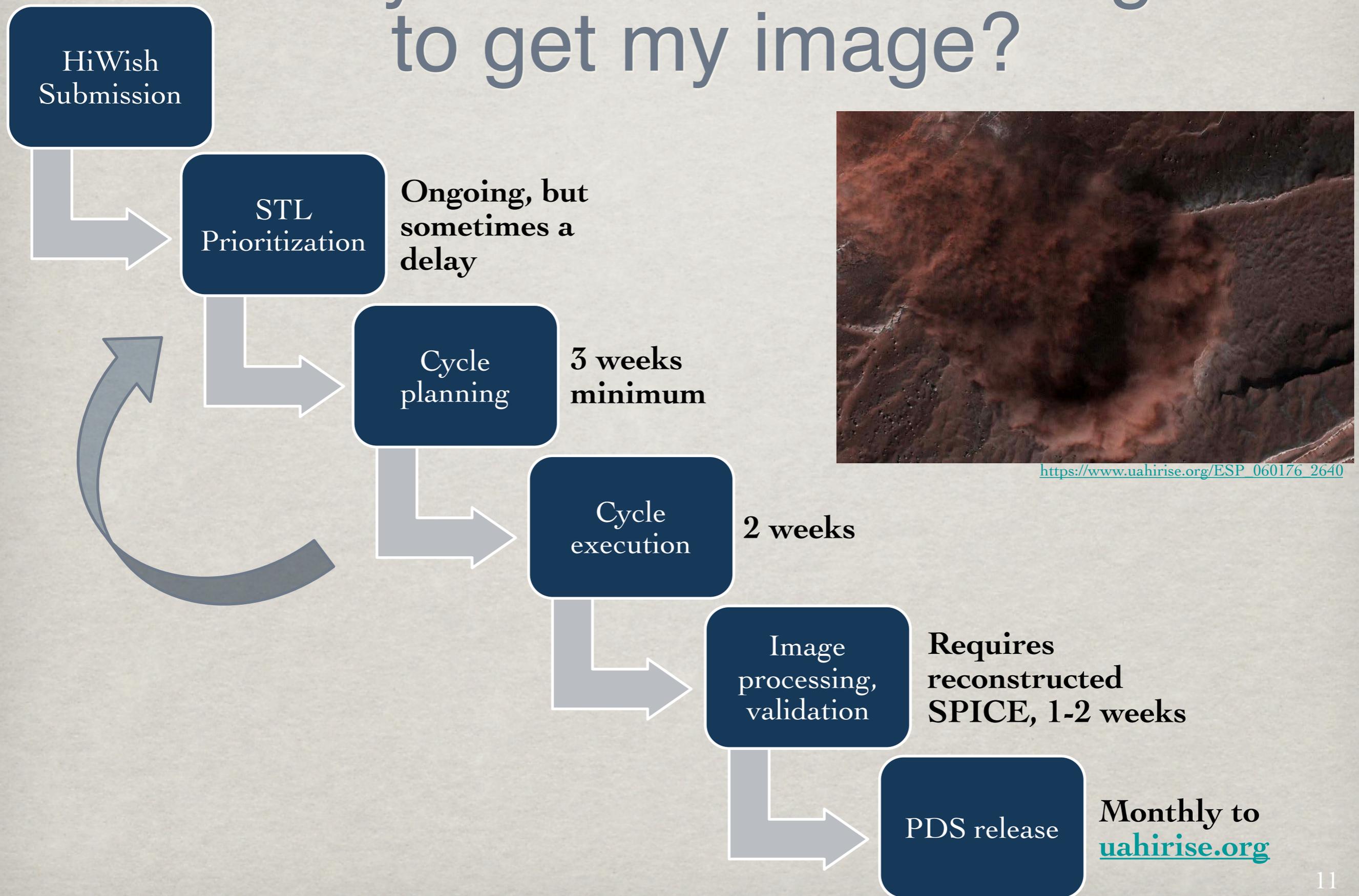
- Resolution:** A dropdown menu is set to '0.3 m/pixel (no binning)'. Below it, a text box contains '25 cm/pix requested for change detection' and '959 characters remaining'. A 'Justification for Resolution' section is also present.
- Stereo Desired:** Radio buttons for 'Yes', 'Complete a Pair', and 'No' are shown, with 'No' selected.
- CRISM Desired:** Radio buttons for 'Yes' and 'No' are shown, with 'No' selected.
- Solar Longitude:** A horizontal slider is shown, with 'Minimum' set to 0.0 and 'Maximum' set to 360.0. A 'Season' dropdown is set to 'No Specific Season'.
- Number of Observations:** A slider is shown, with a text box set to '5'. A 'Seasonal Constraints' checkbox is checked.
- Observation Table:** A table with columns for 'Observation', 'Min', 'Max', and 'Adjustment'. It lists five observations with their respective solar longitude ranges and adjustment sliders.

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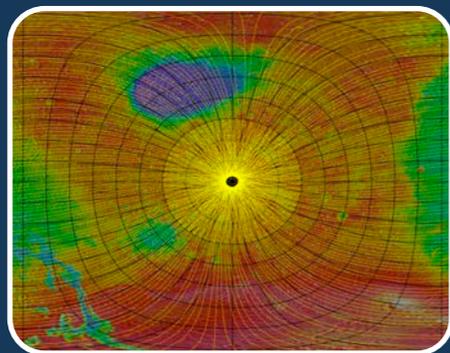
2. Time-dependent Observation Planning

- Mars Reconnaissance Orbiter (MRO) plans two-week cycles with requests from all instruments (e.g., CRISM, SHARAD etc.).
 - Planning starts ~3 weeks ahead of time
- One science team member works with one operations team member to plan entire 2 weeks of HiRISE observations
 - Operational constraints: what's visible, spacecraft keep out zones, downlink data volume, instrument temperature, other instruments observations and coordinated science...
 - Prioritization according to that science team member's preferences

Why does it take so long to get my image?

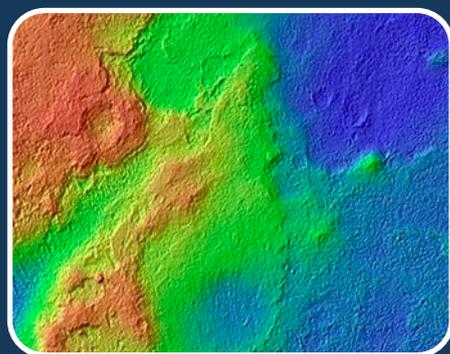


What makes it more difficult to acquire my image?



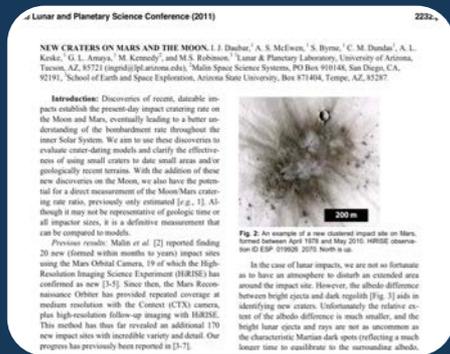
Location

- Competition from other targets nearby/same orbit
- Latitude – polar easier but only 1/2 year



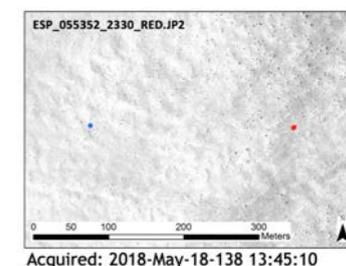
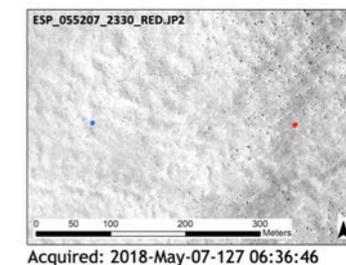
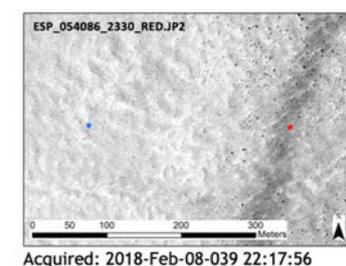
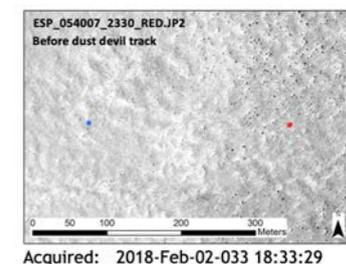
Using Advanced Options

- Stereo – requires 2 images, large rolls
- Seasonal constraints or repeats
- Limiting any viewing angles



Not Giving Enough Information

- Convince the STL and the science planners that you've thought about it and that it's interesting
- It helps if you're actively working on it

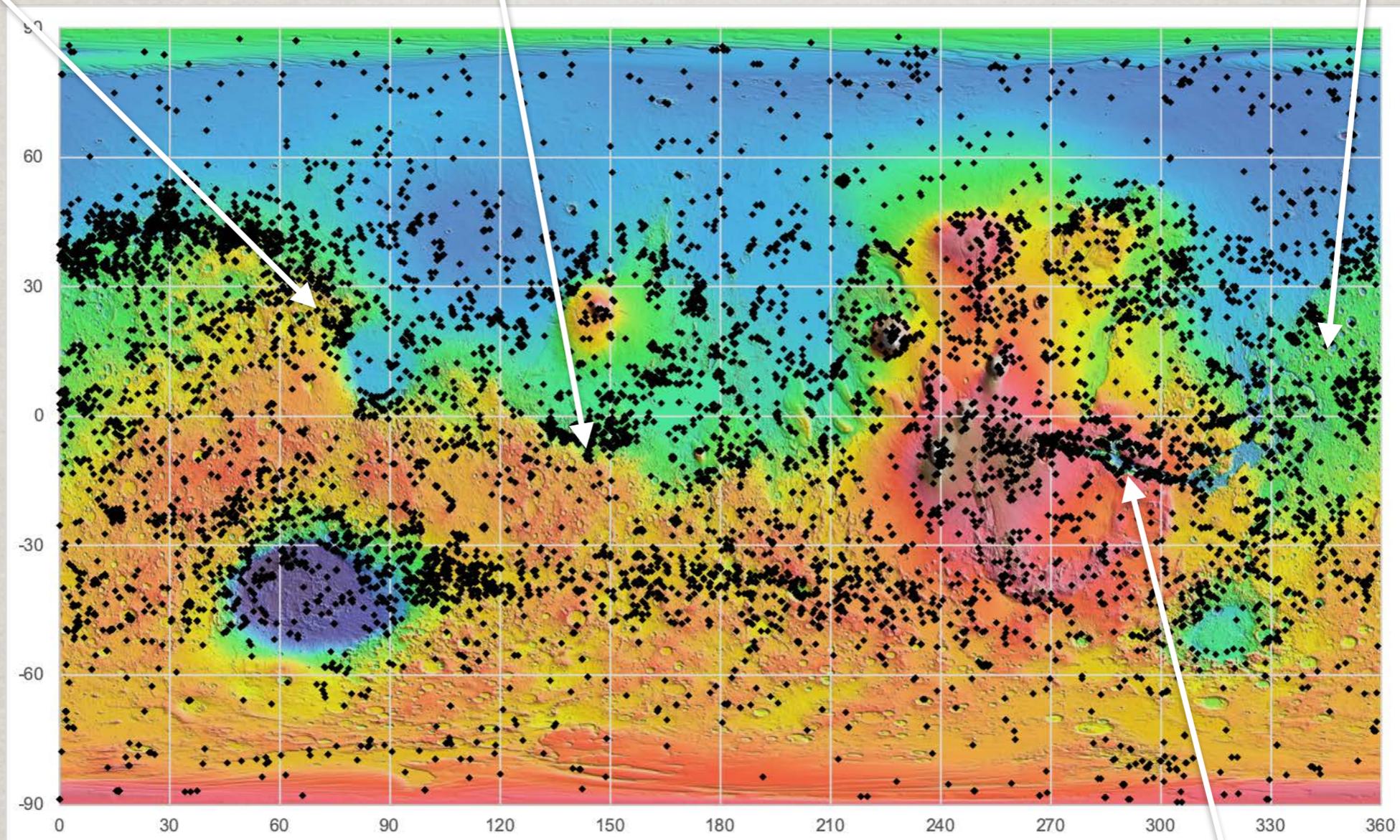


Competitive Regions

Syrtis Major/Jezero crater

Gale crater/InSight

Meridiani/ExoMars



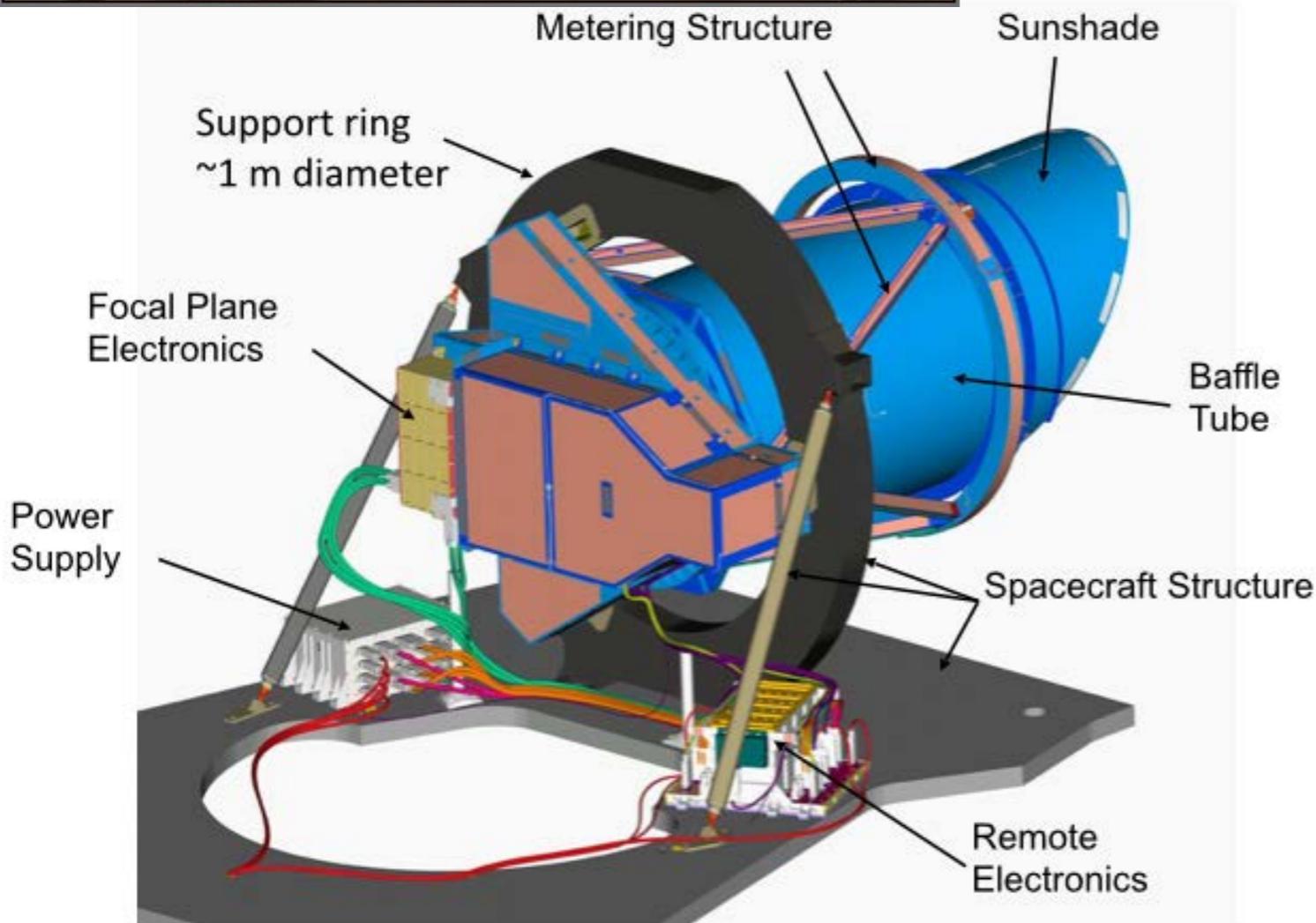
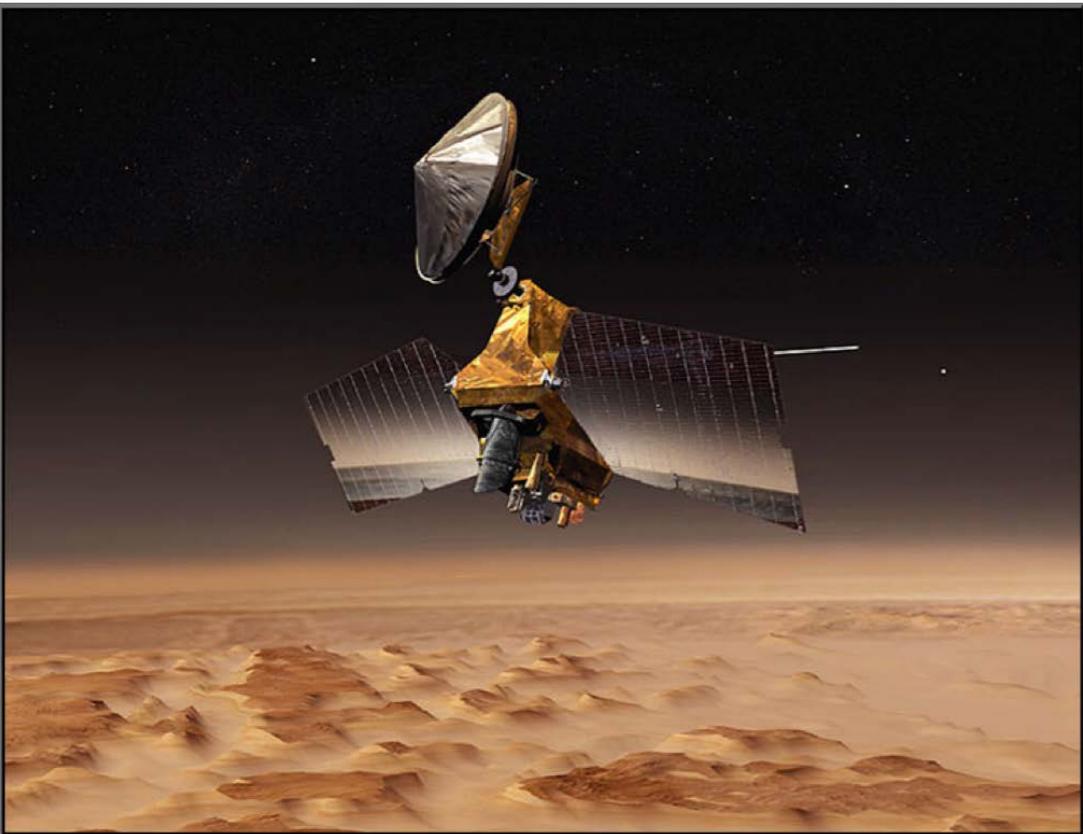
Valles Marineris

Other useful links and resources

- [HiRISE website](#)
- HiRISE [Digital Terrain Models](#) (DTMs) as well as [locations with DTMs](#).
- Database [for past suggested HiRISE images](#)
- [*Science Themes*](#)
- [HiWish: The High Resolution Imaging Science Experiment \(HiRISE\) Suggestion Tool](#). M. Chojnacki, A. S. McEwen, S. Byrne, C. Hansen, I. J. Daubar, R. Beyer, G. McArthur. LPSC (2020), Abstract #2095

BACKUP

Mars Reconnaissance Orbiter/HiRISE



- S/C orbital motion (Nadir) “pushes” sensor projection across ground
- Line integration timing is identically matched to orbital ground speed (~3.2 km/s or 19,200 mph!)
- 25-32 cm/pixel (1 foot)
- Sensor (linear array of pixels) integrates during motion of single pixel: ~0.0001 second!
- Launch date: August 12, 2005
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The Planning Cycle - why is it so Complex?

- ✦ Complex planning cycle that requires several iterations between instrument teams and project to come up with final plan for the cycle - why?
 - Must balance diverse science objectives of the instrument teams -> complex planning process!
 - Spacecraft rolls are a limited resource that the teams compete for (time to roll to off-nadir and back is really the limiting factor)
 - HiRISE, CTX, CRISM, & SHARAD all want the s/c to roll to their specific targets, while MCS and MARCI want the s/c to stay nadir-pointing
 - Coordinated science is extremely high priority
 - Allowing instruments to coordinate with each other and “ride-along” on observations of other instrument teams requires multiple target deliveries from instrument teams

Target Information

- ☀ Target information includes lat-lon, science theme, resolution, season, request for stereo, and science rationale
- ☀ Stored in a database used for planning, end-to-end traceability, and linked to final acquired observations