

Bright Material along the Floor of a Trough in Noctis Labyrinthus

This image shows an example of the bright material commonly found along the floors of some of the Noctis troughs. Spectral data from the CRISM instrument, also onboard the MRO spacecraft, indicate the bright material is hydrated (i.e., contains water). The hydrated material may have formed when water upwelled into the low-lying depression or when ice within the trough melted due to heating from volcanic activity.

