

A high-resolution image of a small impact crater on the surface of Mars. The crater is a dark, circular depression with a bright, white, central spot. Surrounding the crater are several distinct, radial rays of dark material, known as ejecta, which have been thrown out by the impact. The background is a textured, reddish-brown surface of the planet.

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*This particular impact took place on Mars sometime in the last 5 years. Although the crater is small, the rays of ejecta thrown out by the impact are easy to spot, stretching out almost a kilometer.*