



Einstein and Mars

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In February 1917, Albert Einstein wrote in a letter: “It is a pity that we do not live on Mars and just observe man’s nasty antics by telescope.” We do have a telescope at Mars, but we use it to image Mars rather than Earth, such as this image of bizarre landforms in Gorgonum Basin. This basin may have contained an ancient lake, with channels draining into the lake from the sides.