

Impact-Induced Dust Avalanches

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HiRISE has been imaging new dark features discovered by MRO's Context Camera, which are mostly new impact sites. In this scene we see what appears to be a new impact cluster and, extending downhill from the craters, new dark slope streaks. These slope streaks are formed by dry dust avalanches. (NASA/JPL/University of Arizona, less than 1 km across.)