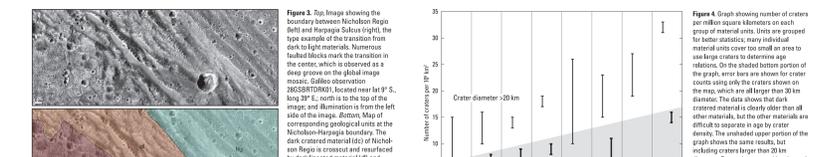
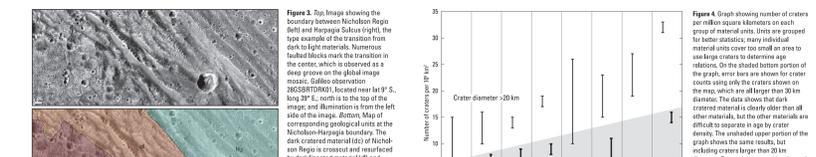
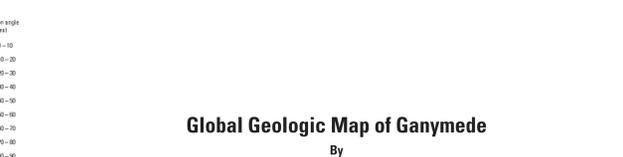
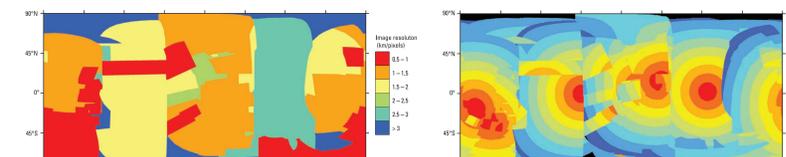


UNIT LABEL	UNIT NAME AND DESCRIPTION	INTERPRETATION	UNIT RELATIONS	TYPE EXAMPLE (NORTH POLAR REGION)	TYPE EXAMPLE (SOUTH POLAR REGION)
DESCRIPTION OF MAP UNITS					
LIGHT MATERIALS					
	Light groved material —Relatively high to moderate albedo material dominated by closely spaced groved structures. Groves are narrow, low-relief, parallel ridges and troughs, often oriented parallel to the equator. Groves are commonly spaced 100–200 m apart.	Formed by tectonic deformation of preexisting material units, which could have been light subalbed material or possibly dark material. Extensive material probably formed by extension of crust.	Light materials		
	Young light groved material —Light groved material consisting of intermediate light materials (B _g , L _g) and light materials (B _g , L _g).	Light material defined by groves during later part of Hesperian Period.	Light materials		
	Intermediate light groved material —Light groved material defined by groves during middle part of Hesperian Period.	Light material defined by groves during middle part of Hesperian Period.	Light materials		
	Old light groved material —Light groved material defined by groves during early part of Hesperian Period.	Light material defined by groves during early part of Hesperian Period.	Light materials		
	Light subalbed material —Relatively high to moderate albedo material characterized by smooth surface with faint lineaments. Lineaments show similar spacing and orientation within each area of light subalbed material. Lineaments of subalbed units commonly defined by groove structures.	May be formed by cryovolcanic extrusion of clean ice from the interior of Ganymede. Some subalbed areas may form through crustal spreading. Limited tectonic deformation compared to light groved material. May be dominated by internal forces. Lineaments may be related to extensional unroofing. This unit appears to be more typical of the early stages of light material formation.	Light materials		
	Young light subalbed material —Light subalbed material consisting of intermediate light materials (B _g , L _g) and old light materials (B _g , L _g).	Light material defined during later part of Hesperian Period.	Light materials		
	Intermediate light subalbed material —Young light materials (B _g , L _g) and intermediate old light materials (B _g , L _g).	Light material defined during middle part of Hesperian Period.	Light materials		
	Old light subalbed material —Light subalbed material defined by young light materials (B _g , L _g) and intermediate old light materials (B _g , L _g).	Light material defined during early part of Hesperian Period.	Light materials		
	Light irregular materials —Relatively high to moderate albedo material characterized by smooth surface and groves. Groves have irregular orientations and spacing. Light irregular units could be divided into smaller units of general and subalbed material, but smaller than minimum outcrop size at scale of map.	Complex history of deformation concentrated in small areas. Composed of smooth and subalbed units. Groves are more numerous in groved light material.	Light materials		
	Young light irregular material —Light irregular material consisting of intermediate light materials (B _g , L _g) and old light materials (B _g , L _g).	Light material defined and deformed by groves during later part of Hesperian Period.	Light materials		
	Intermediate light irregular material —Light irregular material defined by groves during middle part of Hesperian Period.	Light material defined and deformed by groves during middle part of Hesperian Period.	Light materials		
	Old light irregular material —Light irregular material defined and deformed by groves during early part of Hesperian Period.	Light material defined and deformed by groves during early part of Hesperian Period.	Light materials		
OTHER LIGHT MATERIALS					
	Light subalbed material —Relatively high to moderate albedo material characterized by smooth surface and groves. Groves have irregular orientations and spacing. Light irregular units could be divided into smaller units of general and subalbed material, but smaller than minimum outcrop size at scale of map.	Mixture of other light material units described above.	Light materials		
	Reticulate material —Material of highly convoluted, irregularly oriented, and discontinuous sets of topographic groves. Groves have irregular orientations and spacing. Reticulate material is associated with old light materials (B _g , L _g) and dark cratered material (DI).	Mixture of former high and dark material units. Reticulate material is defined in two directions.	Reticulate material		
	Dark linear material —Relatively low albedo material defined by sets of parallel or roughly parallel groves. Associated with old light materials (B _g , L _g) and reticulate material (DI).	Dark cratered material deformed by tectonic processes in early Hesperian. Groves are probably associated with extensional unroofing.	Dark materials		
	Dark cratered material —Relatively low albedo material with moderate to high crater densities. Includes smooth dark patches and higher basins and local ice. Suppressed by and crossed by all other units and features. Former structure may be formed on dark cratered material.	Older preserved surface on Ganymede. Extensively modified by impact basins and in places, cut by sets of furrows. Dark surface appears to be influenced by impact basins and subsequent tectonic displacement.	Dark materials		
	Dark subalbed material —Relatively low albedo material with moderate to high crater densities. Includes smooth dark patches and higher basins and local ice. Suppressed by and crossed by all other units and features. Former structure may be formed on dark cratered material.	Mixture of dark cratered material and dark linear material described above.	Dark materials		
IMPACT RELATED MATERIALS					
	Crater materials —Material making up rims, interiors, and visible continuous ejecta deposits of craters. Only craters greater than 20 km diameter are mapped. Discontinuous ejecta and low-relief rays are not mapped.	Formed by hypervelocity impacts of eucrasitic material into surface of Ganymede.	Impact related materials		
	Fresh crater material —Craters exhibiting bright, well-defined, and slightly raised rims. Craters have continuous ejecta deposits and radial halos.	Youngest and least degraded impact craters.	Impact related materials		
	Partially degraded crater material —Craters exhibiting bright, well-defined, and slightly raised rims. Craters have continuous ejecta deposits but lacking rays.	Impact craters of intermediate age, only moderately degraded.	Impact related materials		
	Degraded crater material —Craters with interior albedo matching surrounding terrain, and few or no rays or continuous ejecta deposits.	Older and more degraded impact craters.	Impact related materials		
	Undegraded crater material —Craters showing interior albedo lower than surrounding terrain, and few or no rays or continuous ejecta deposits.	Mixture of older crater material units described above.	Impact related materials		
	Basin materials —Material making up Gilgameshan basin.	Formed by impact impact on Ganymede's surface.	Impact related materials		
	Smooth basin material —Outer annulus of material surrounding center of Gilgameshan basin. Composed of homogeneously sized, punctuated by large impact craters, and smooth, concentric, discontinuous ridges. Outer boundary defined by large inward-facing scarp.	Continuum of impact deposits surrounding Gilgameshan impact basin.	Impact related materials		
	Rugged basin material —Inner annulus of material surrounding center of Gilgameshan basin. Composed of homogeneously sized, punctuated by large impact craters, and rugged, concentric, discontinuous ridges. Outer boundary defined by large inward-facing scarp.	Collapsed rim and interior of Gilgameshan impact basin.	Impact related materials		
	Basin interior plain material —Low dome of smooth material in center of Gilgameshan basin. Material defined by discontinuous inward-facing scarp.	Decals ice extruded from subsurface during modification stage of Gilgameshan impact basin.	Impact related materials		
	Pallimpsest materials —High to moderate albedo material with moderate to high crater densities. Interior system may be smooth to homogeneously sized, punctuated by large impact craters. Commonly displays internal concentric rings.	Large impact craters formed during time of high crater density. Interior system may be smooth to homogeneously sized, punctuated by large impact craters. Commonly displays internal concentric rings.	Impact related materials		
	Young pallimpsest material —Pallimpsest composed of light materials units. May also be simultaneously superposed on dark material.	Large impact craters formed during Hesperian Period and early Gilgameshan Period.	Impact related materials		
	Ancient pallimpsest material —Pallimpsest superposed on dark material units and associated by adjacent material.	Large impact craters formed during Neicholsonian Period.	Impact related materials		
	Undegraded pallimpsest material —Pallimpsest in contact with light material units, so relative age cannot be determined.	Mixture of young and ancient pallimpsest materials described above.	Impact related materials		
	Pallimpsest interior plain material —Roughly circular patches of smooth material occurring in centers of some pallimpsests.	Decals ice extruded from subsurface during modification stage of impact craters that formed pallimpsests.	Impact related materials		



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Figure 1. Map showing resolution of source images included in the base mosaic used for mapping Ganymede. Warm tones (red and orange) show areas covered by higher resolution images, cool tones (blue and green) show areas covered by lower resolution images. Figure 2. Map showing emission angle of source images included in the base mosaic used for mapping Ganymede. Warm tones (red and orange) show areas with near-normal viewing angles, cool tones (blue and green) show areas viewed obliquely near the limb. Figure 3. Image showing the boundary between the Nicholson Regio (left) and Hesperian Sulcus (right). The map shows the transition from dark to light materials, with numerous impact craters and features. Figure 4. Graph showing the number of craters per million square kilometers as a function of crater diameter. The graph shows two distinct populations of craters, one with smaller diameters and one with larger diameters. Prepared as part of the Planetary Geology and Geophysics Program, Solar System Observations, Office of Space Science, National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Edited by A.J. D'Arcy, copyright by Kathryn Hand. Manuscript accepted for publication November 12, 2012. USGS Science Center, Reston, Virginia. U.S. Geological Survey. 10/13/13