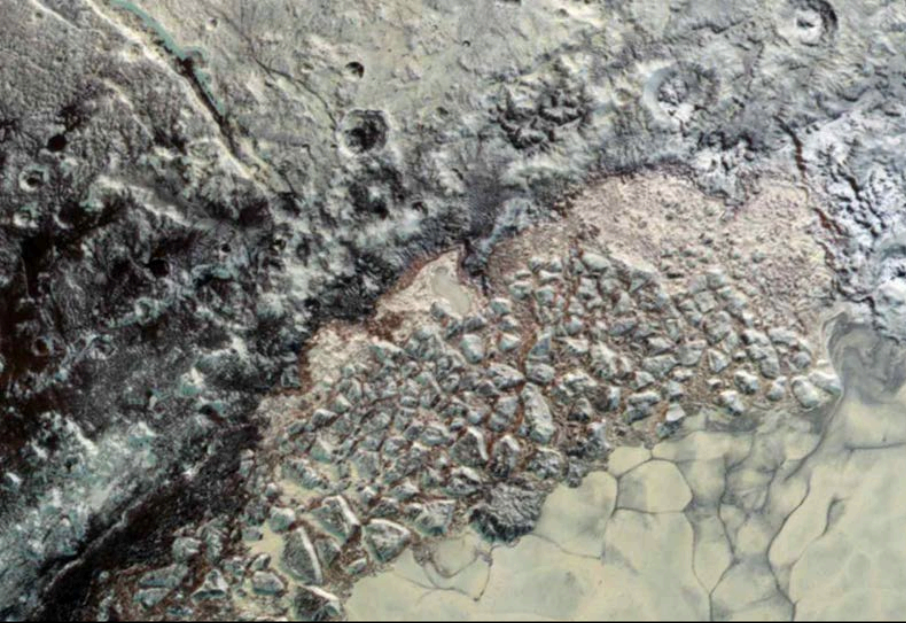


# New Horizons explores Pluto and the Kuiper Belt

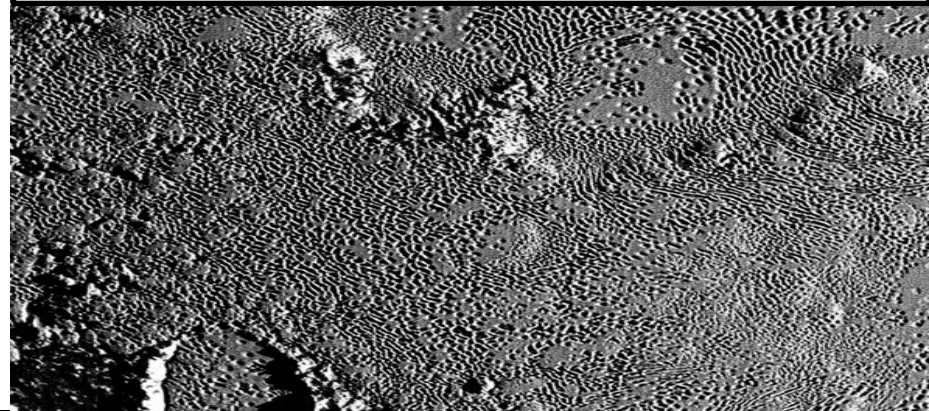
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Giant Icebergs (water blocks) floating in glaciers of hydrogen, methane, and other frozen gasses on the surface of Pluto.

As the highest resolution images continue to beam back from New Horizons, the mission is onto exploring Kuiper Belt Objects with the Long Range Reconnaissance Imager (LORRI) camera from unique viewing angles not visible from Earth. New Horizons is also beginning maneuvers to be able to swing close by a Kuiper Belt Object in the next year.

Sublimation pits from the surface of Pluto, potentially showing a geologically active surface.



The New Horizons mission and the exploration of Pluto were voted the People's Choice for Breakthrough of the Year for 2015 by Science Magazine as well as the top story of 2015 by Discover Magazine.