

# Imaging of internal density structure of volcanoes: past and recent works

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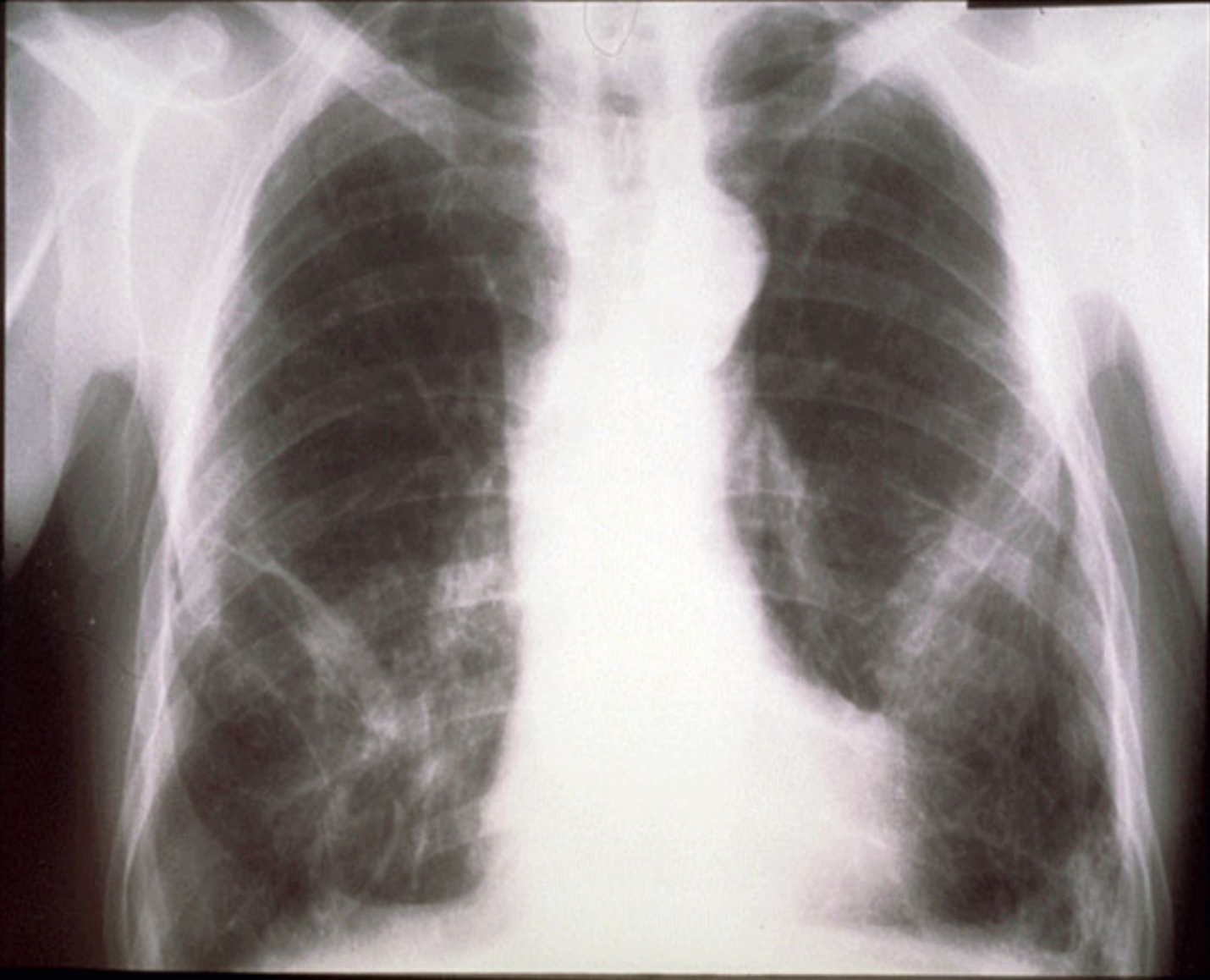
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# OVERVIEW

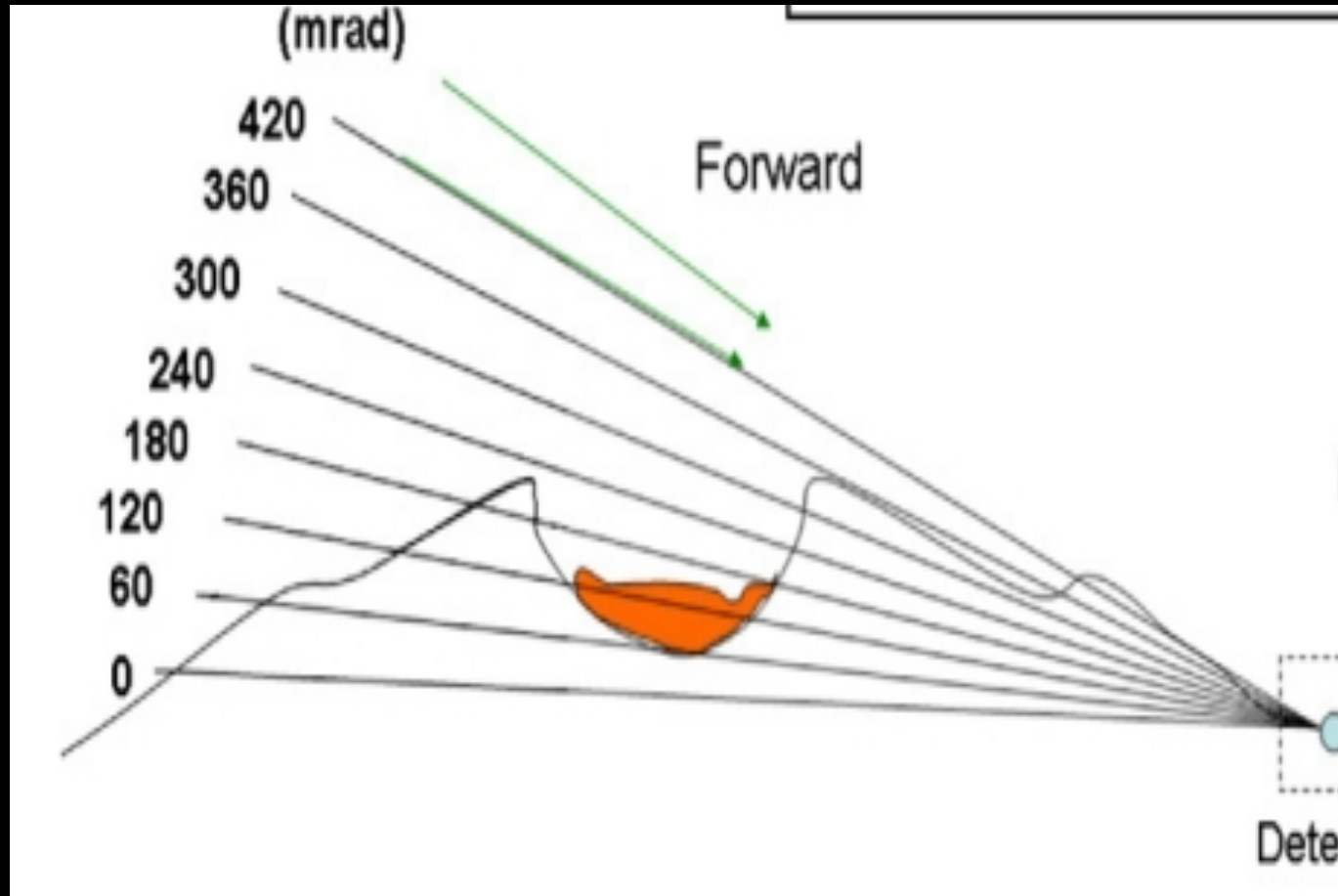
- The basic principle of muon-radiography
- Muon detectors
- Past and recent works
- Going-on projects
- Summary

# PRINCIPLE

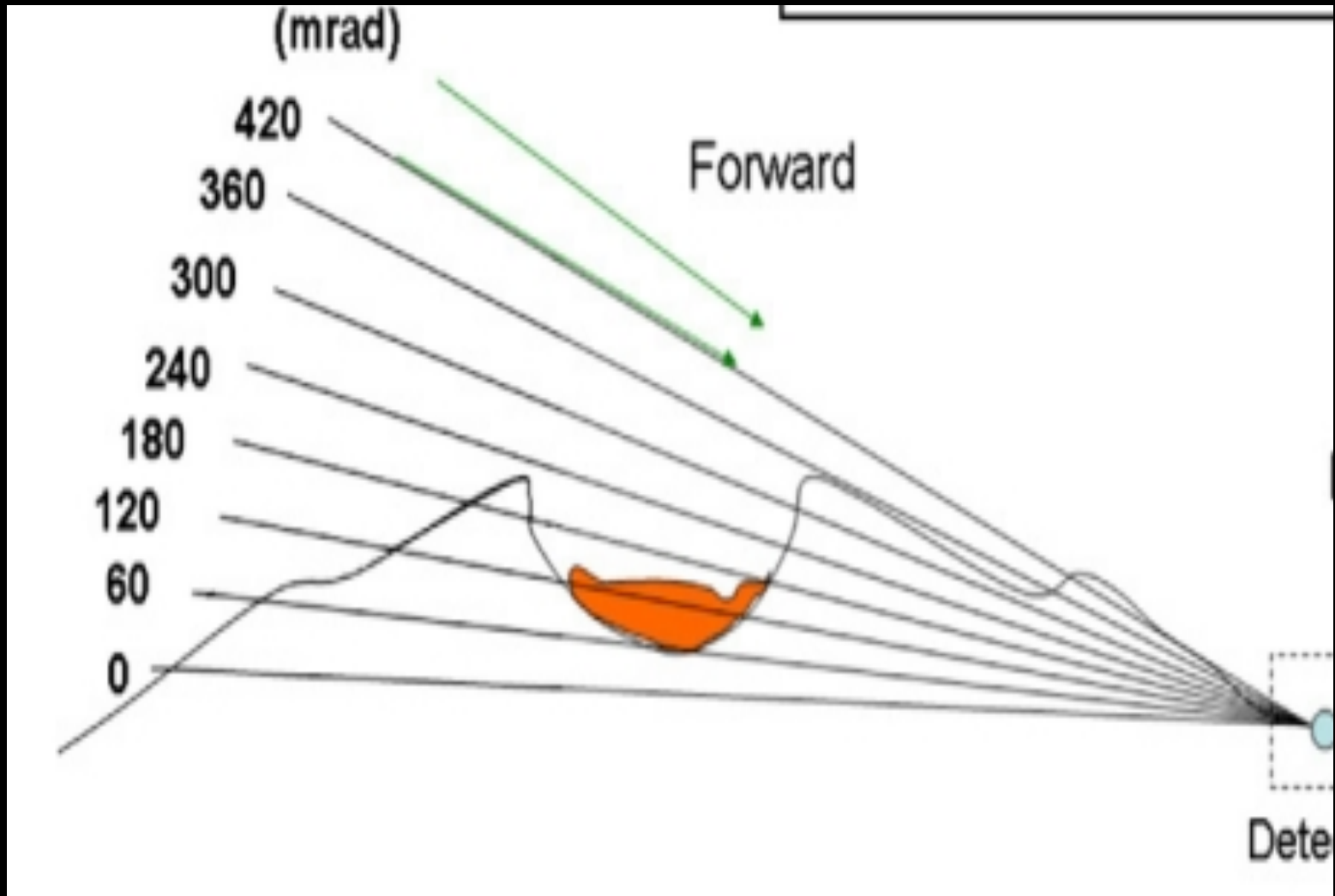


# PRINCIPLE

- Beam source : X-ray ↔ cosmic-ray muon
- Detector : X-ray film ↔ muon detector
- Target : Human body ↔ Volcano
- Dense Part: Our bone ↔ Magma Rock

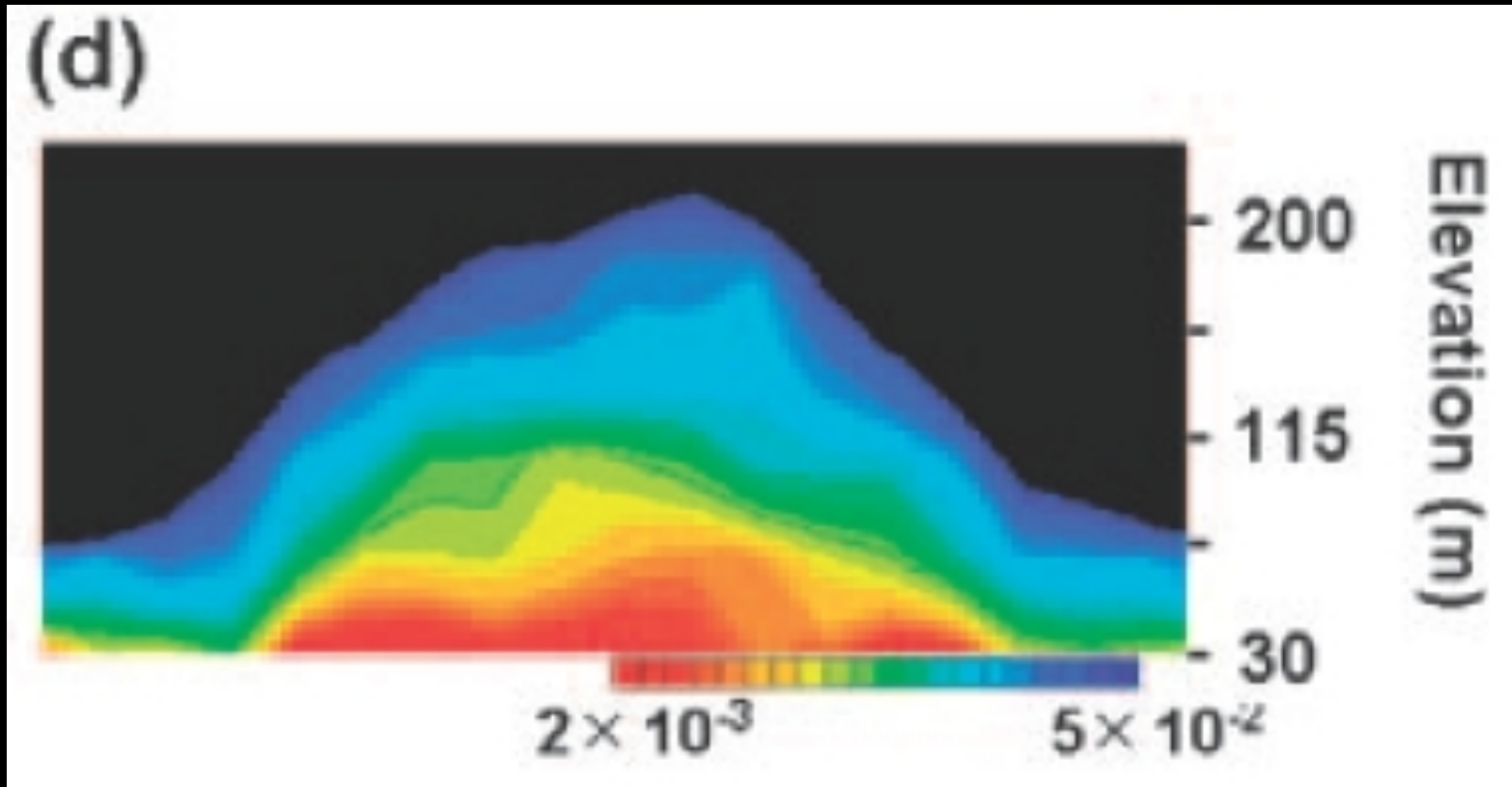


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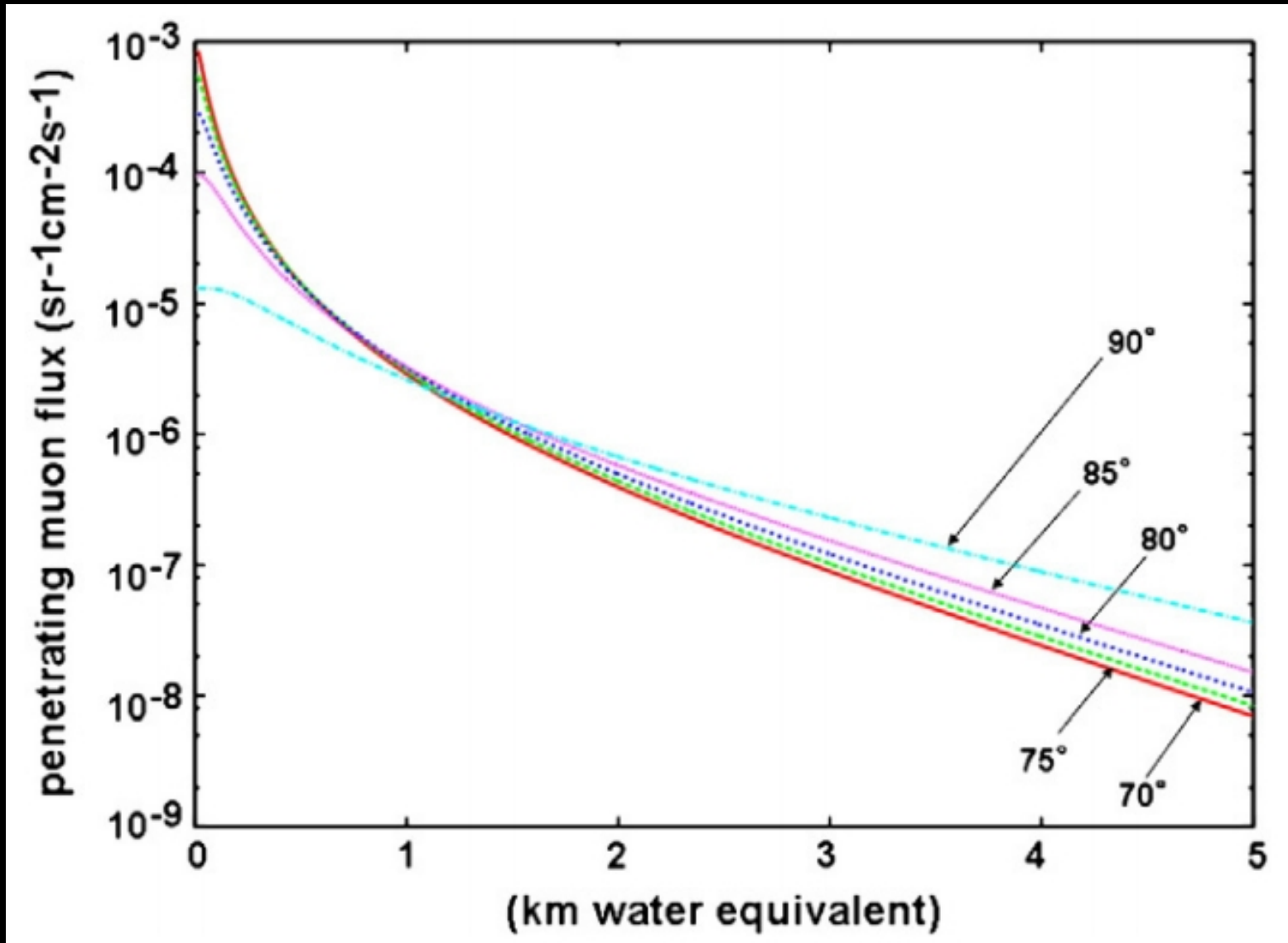
- Calculate the thickness of rock from observation point by using topographic Digital Elevation Map(DEM) data.

# PRINCIPLE



- Measure the muon attenuation ratio for each zenith angles and phi angles.

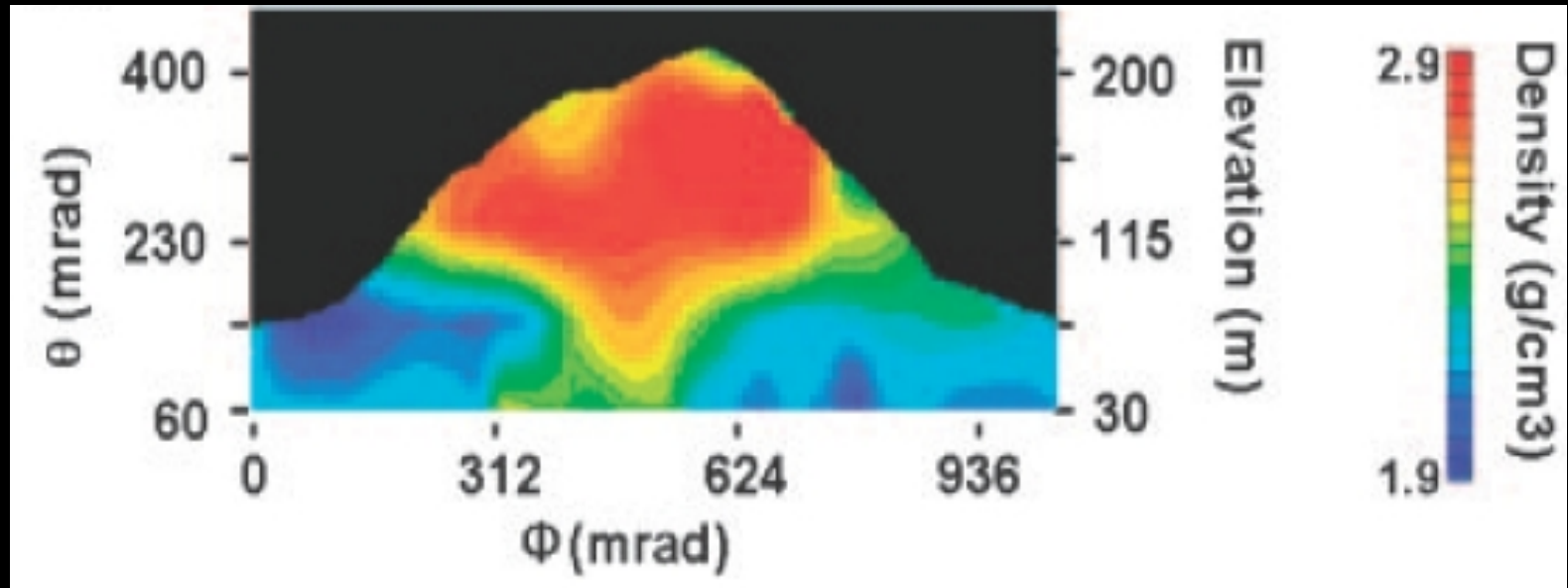
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- The “Density x length” is determined.

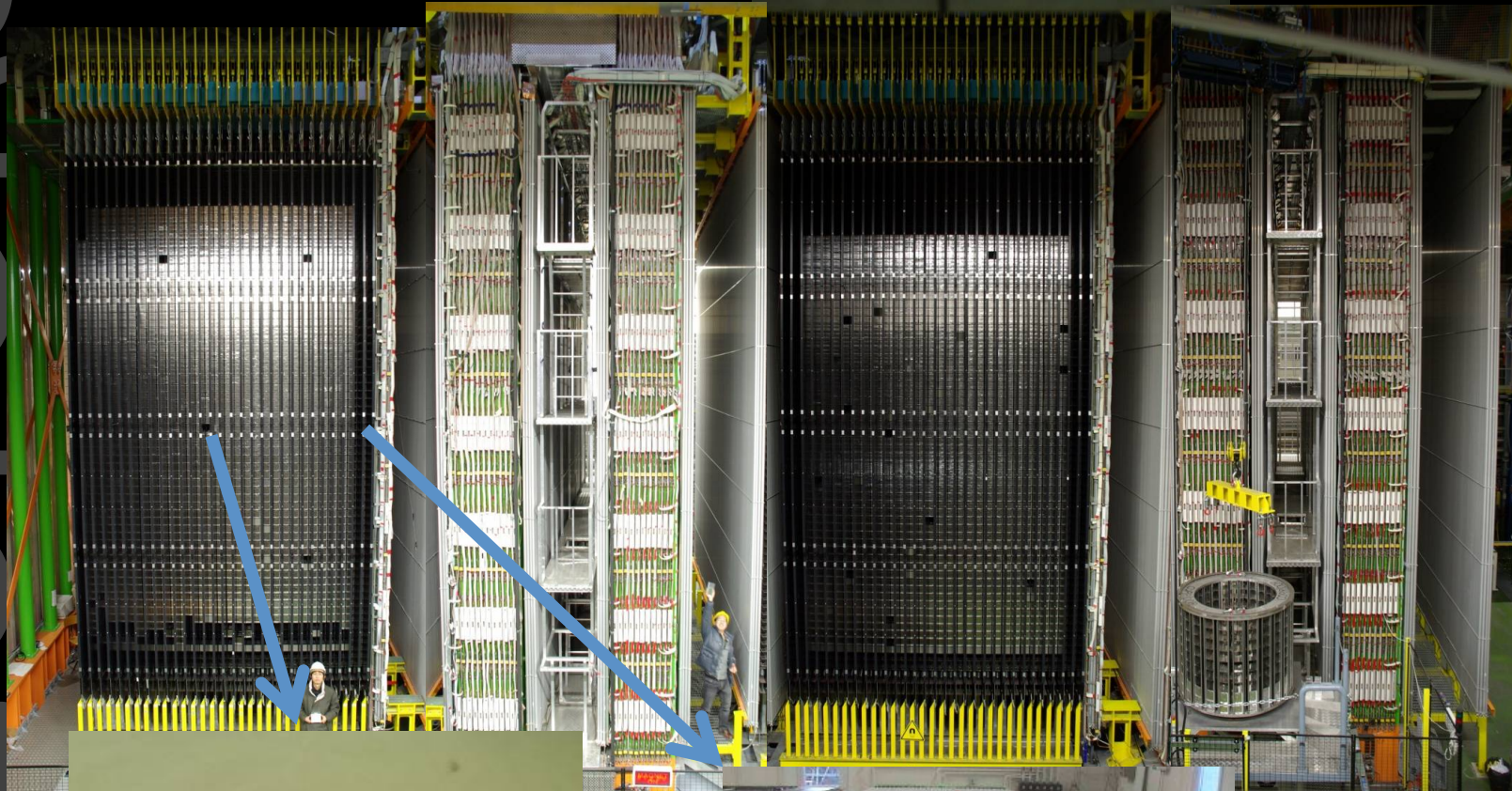
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- Average density  
= (“Density x Length” ) / Rock Length.

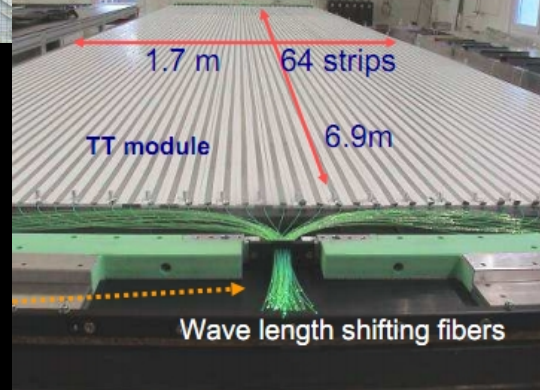




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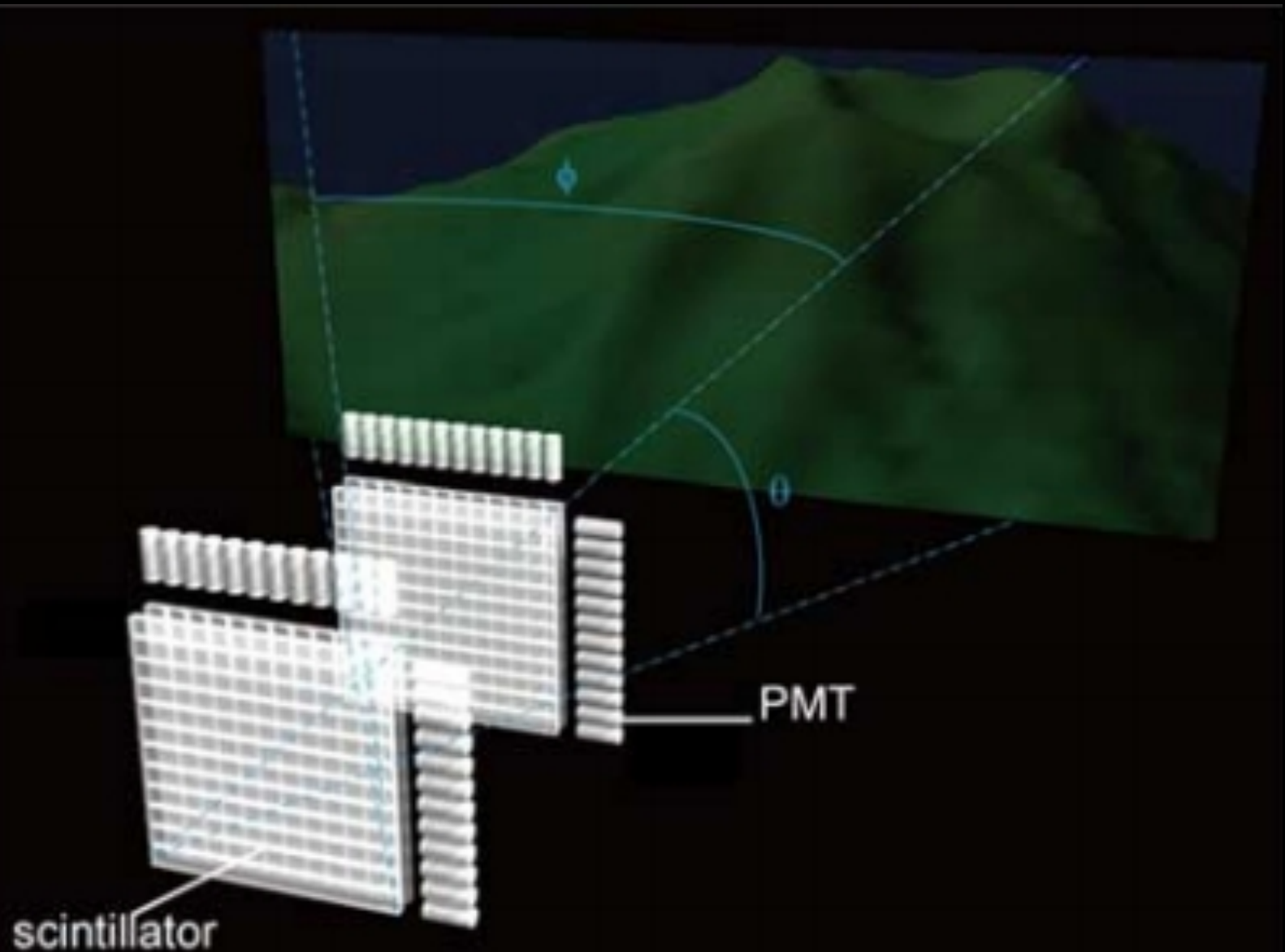


- Nuclear Emulsion film

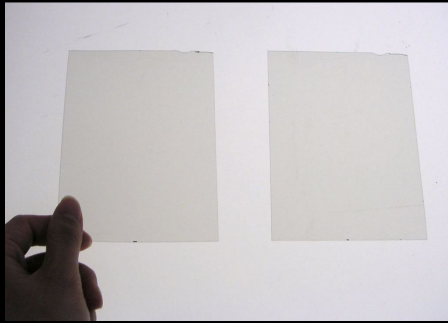


- Scintillator bar array and PMT

## Scintillator bar array + PMT

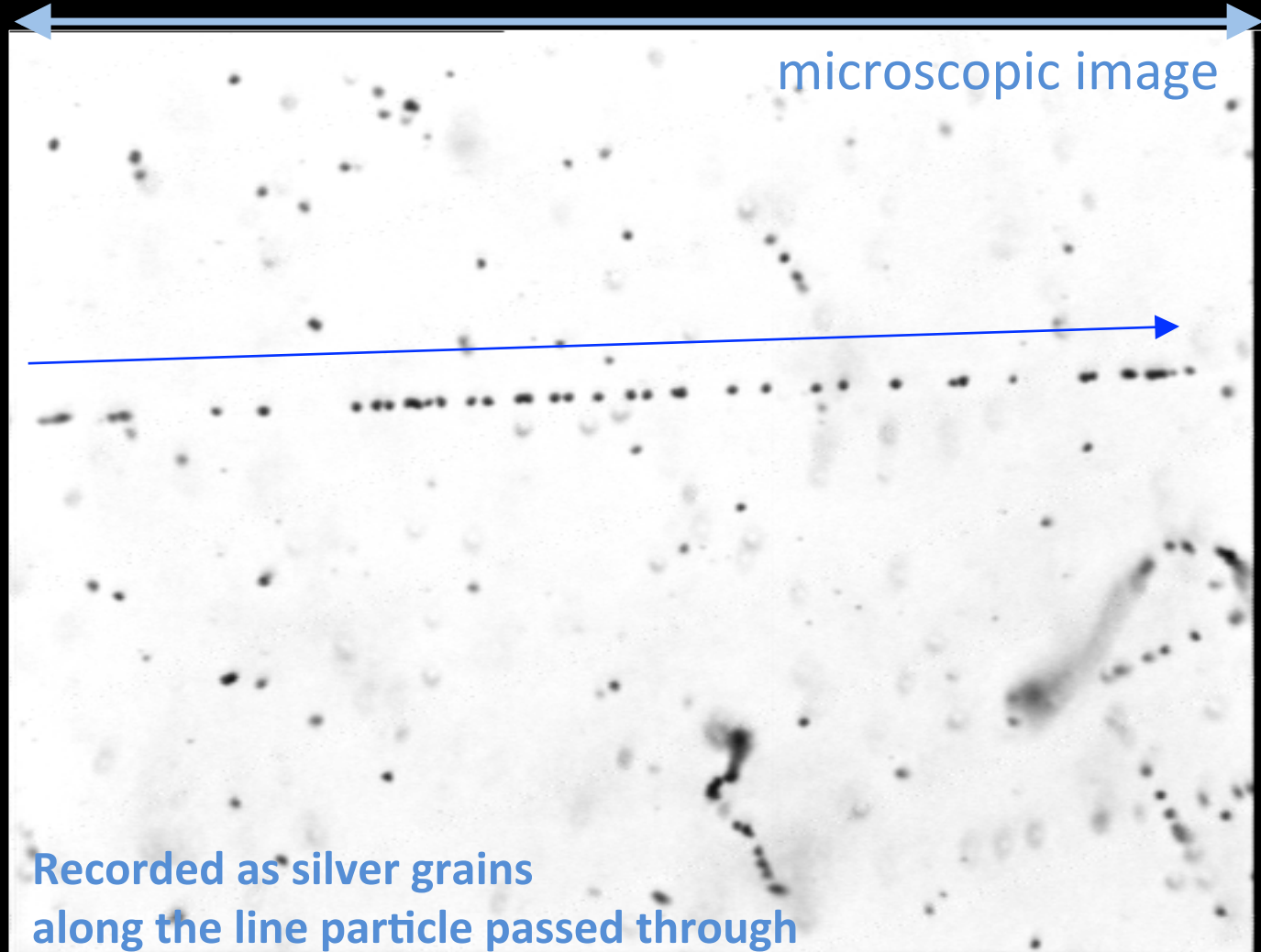


# DETECTORS



## Nuclear emulsion film

150 micron



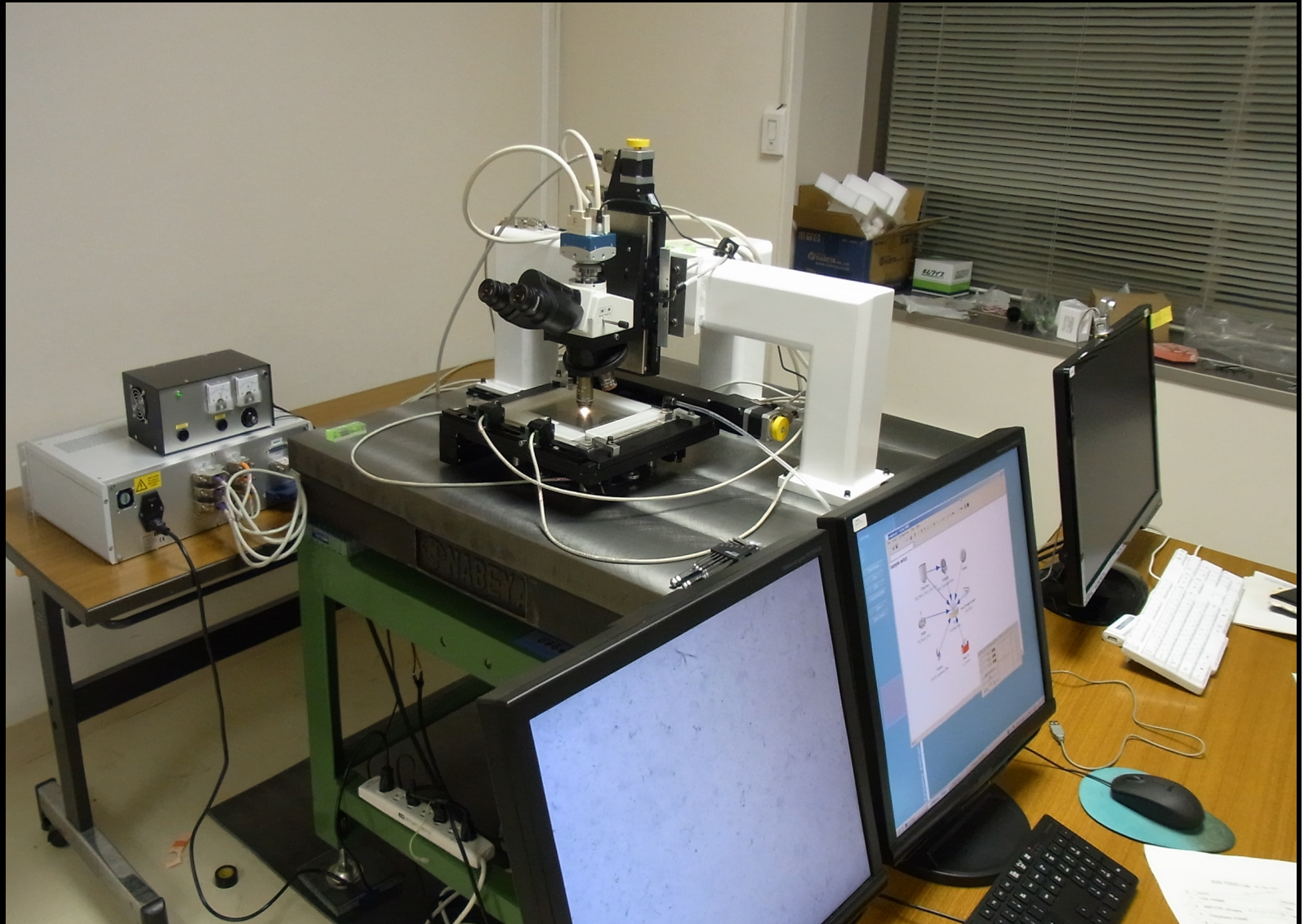
microscopic image

Recorded as silver grains  
along the line particle passed through

# DETECTORS

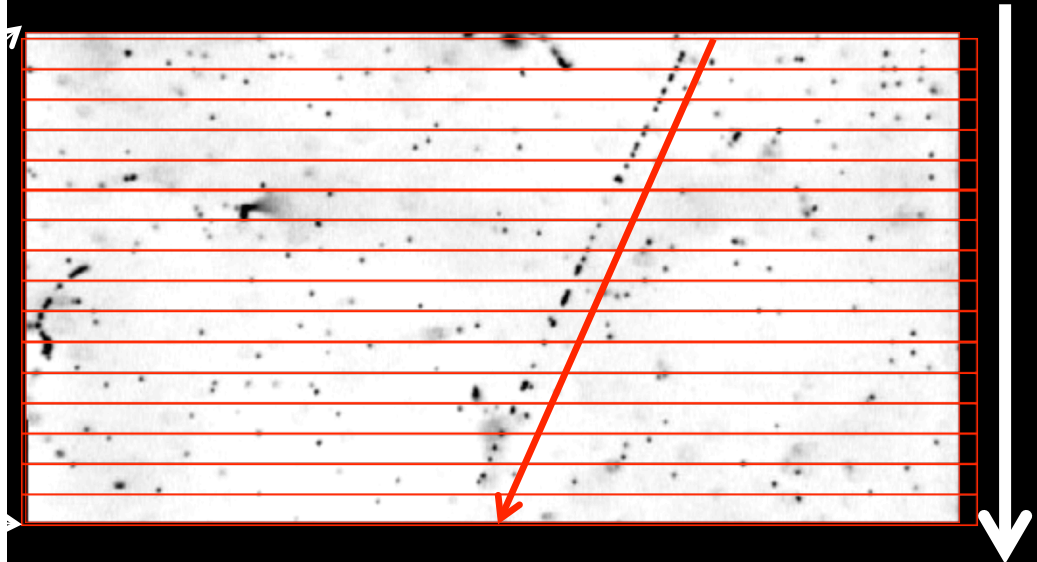
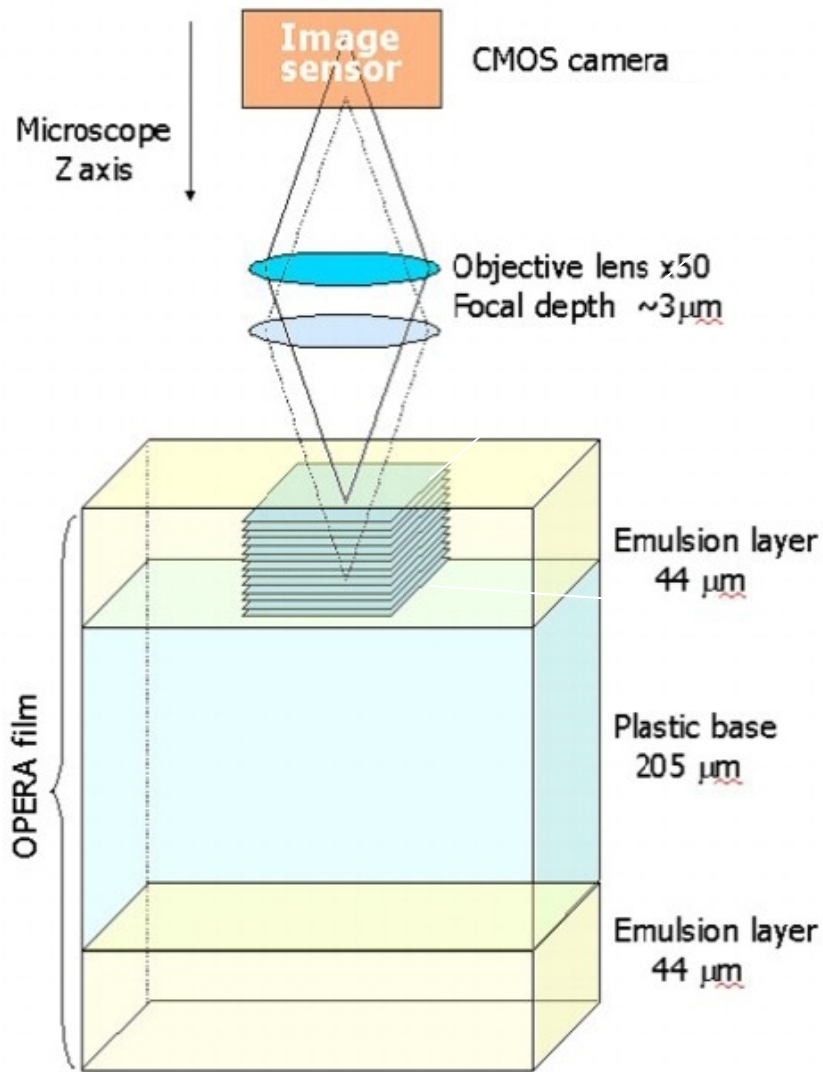
	Emulsion film	Scintillator + PMT
Power supply	Do not need	Need power supply
portability	Light and compact	Need large space
Stability for the environment	Very stable for the shock, water, dust and cold temperature, but temperature must be less than ~25 deg. Celsius	Need protection for the water and shock.
DAQ	Need Development & Additional analysis by automated readout system is need	Real-time monitoring is available
Spread of the technology	Miner	Major

# DETECTORS



- Scanning speed :  $0.27 \text{ m}^2$  /month/system. Two is working.
- Next year scanning speed will be updated to  $1.3\text{m}^2/$

# The flow of image acquisition



Synchronization of Z axis movement and camera shutter and acquisition of 16 tomographic images

-> Recognition of track by Linear fitting

# PAST WORKS

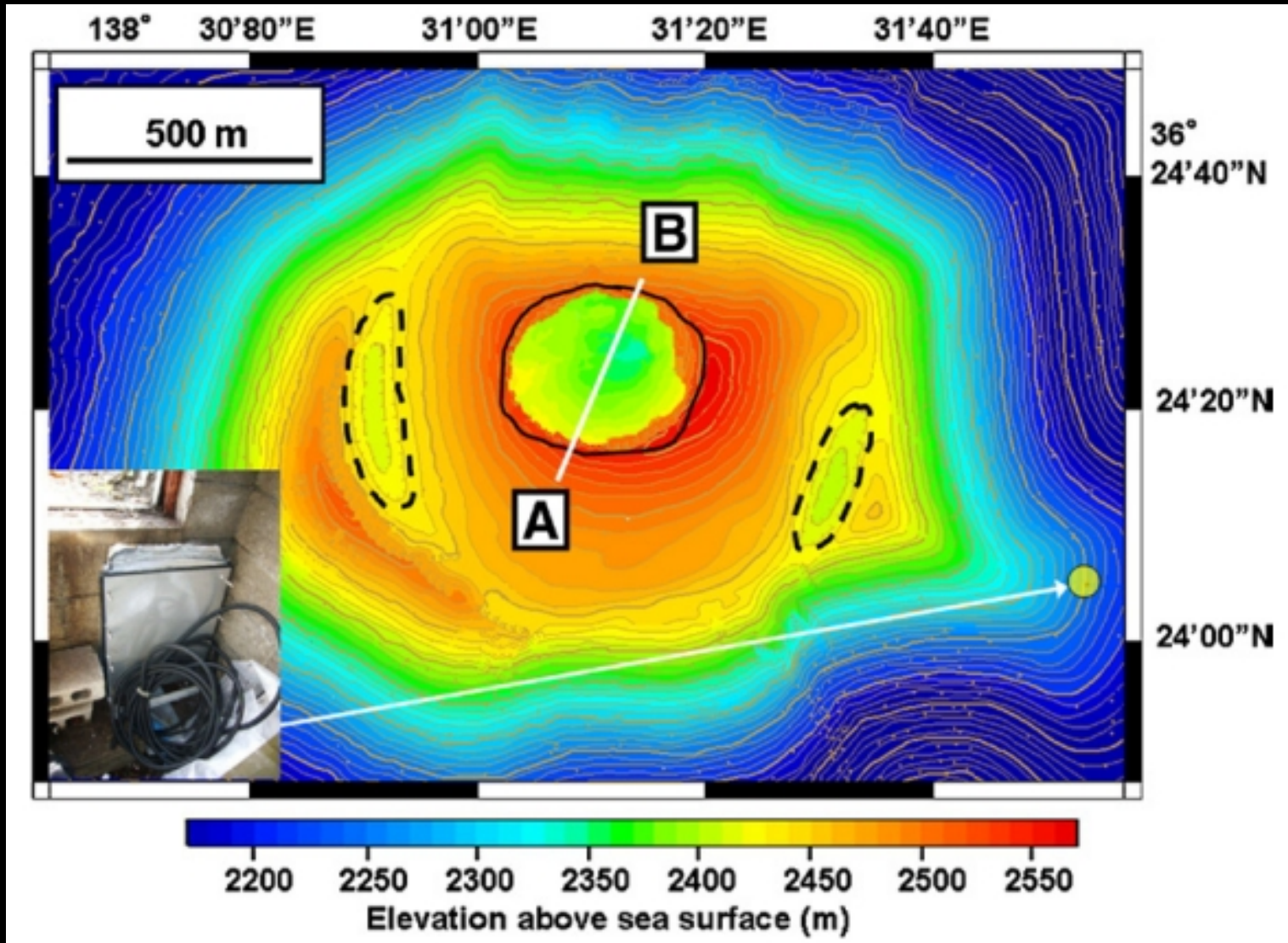
- The original idea is very old :  
e.c. ) L. W. Alvarez tried to find hidden room in Pyramid in 1969 .
- Unfortunately his team couldn't find any new rooms.
- Any other people continue to find anything ,  
but no significant results until in 2006.

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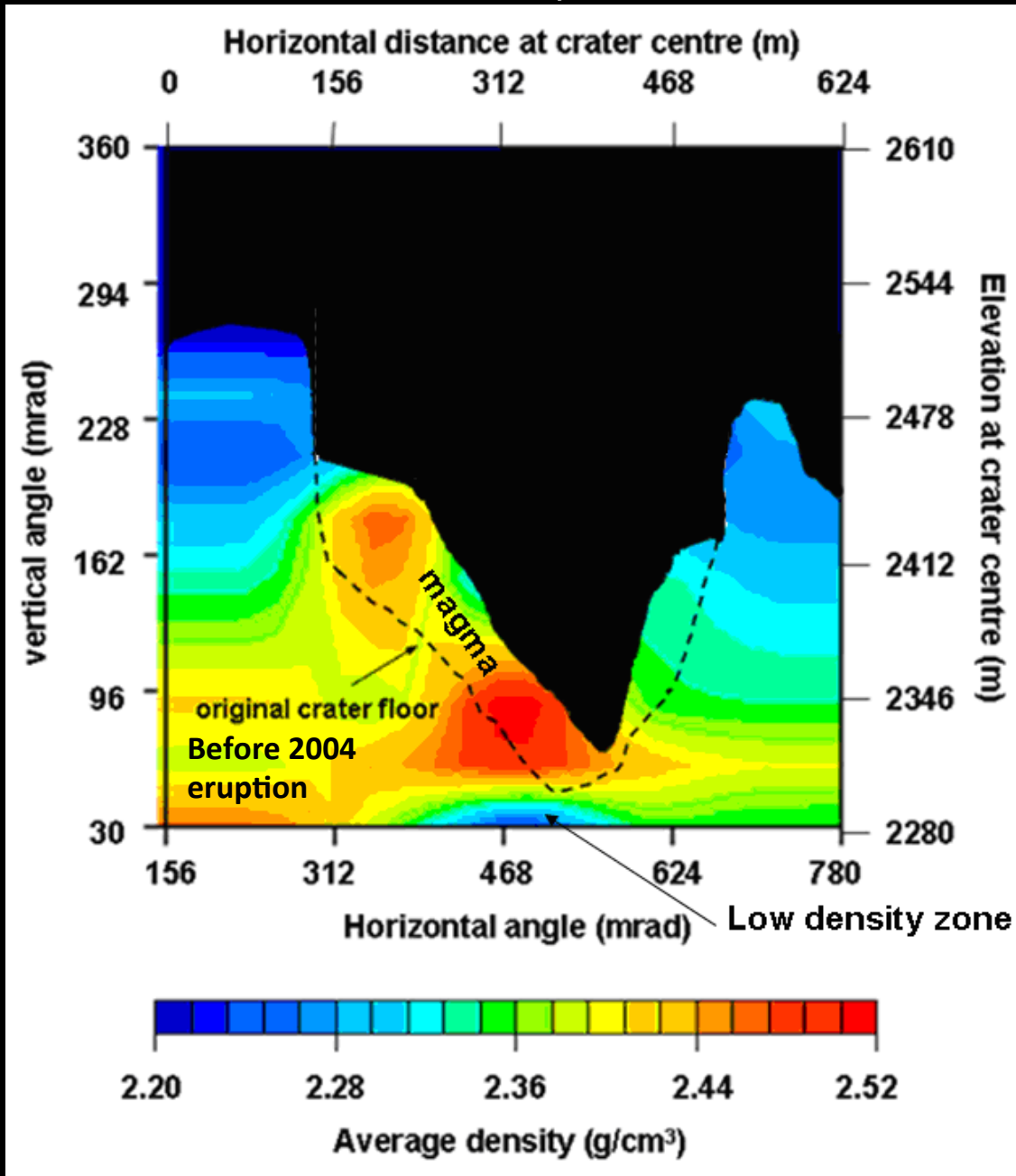




- Mt. Asama 2006-



- Mt. Asama 2006 , detector: emulsion film



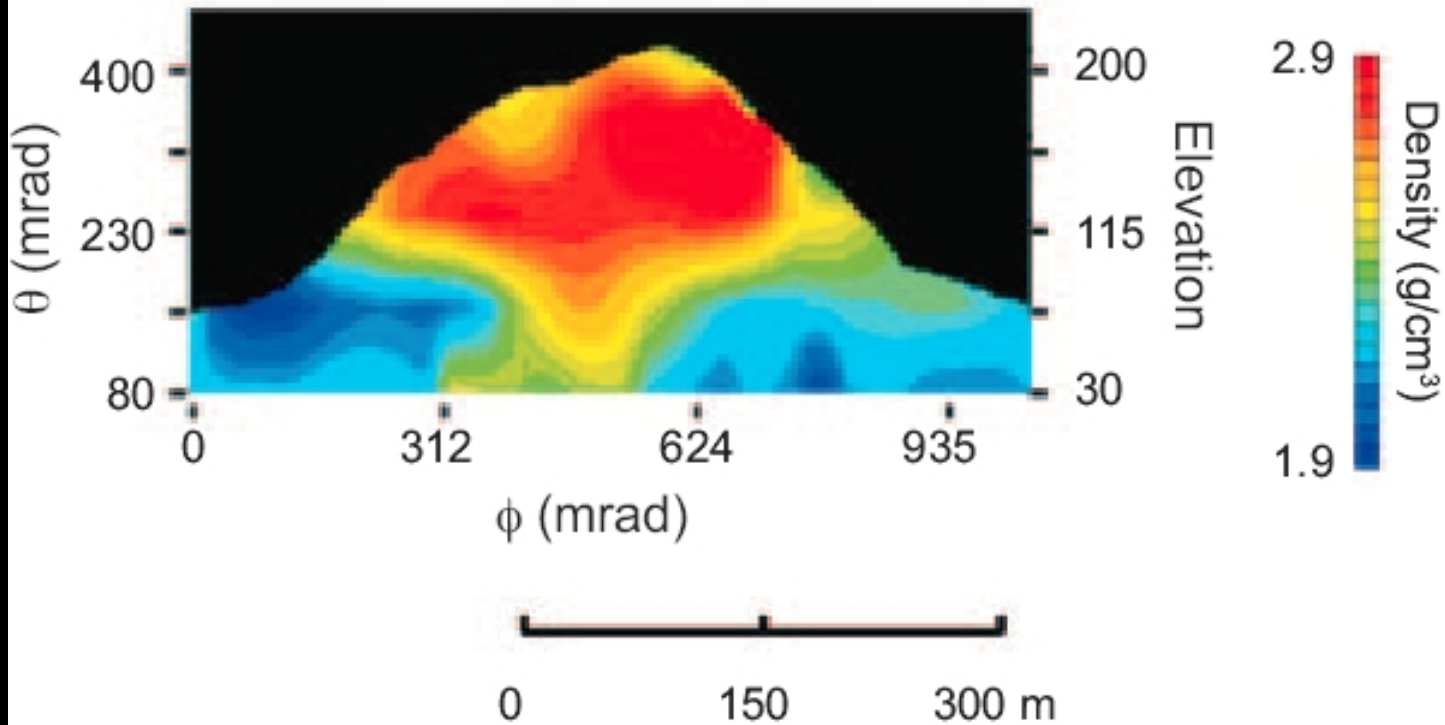
- 0.2 m<sup>2</sup>
- 2 months
- 120m x 60m resolution
- +/-0.07 g/cc error



**Showa-Shinzan**

**0.12m<sup>2</sup> emulsion  
3month  
Exposure**

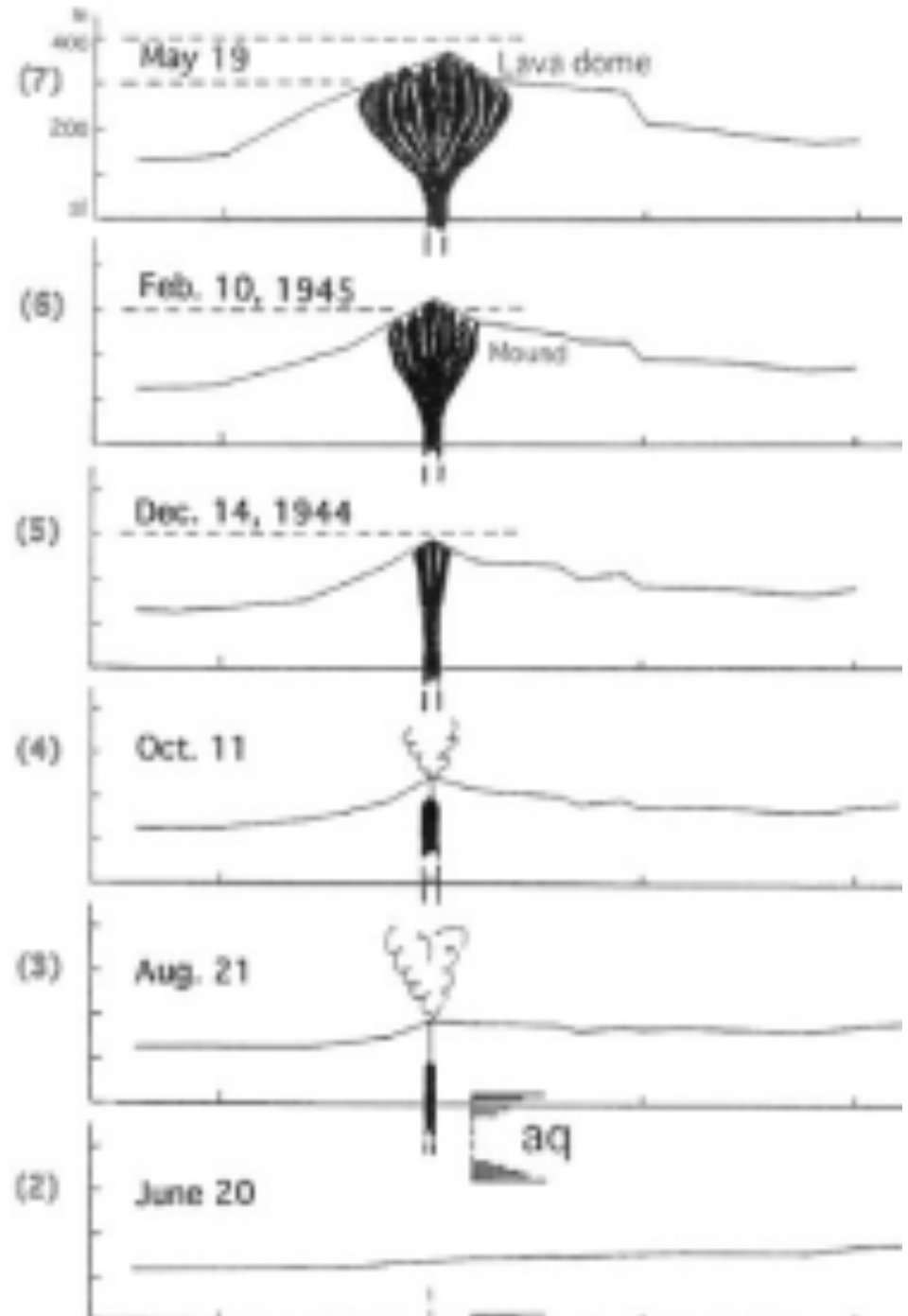
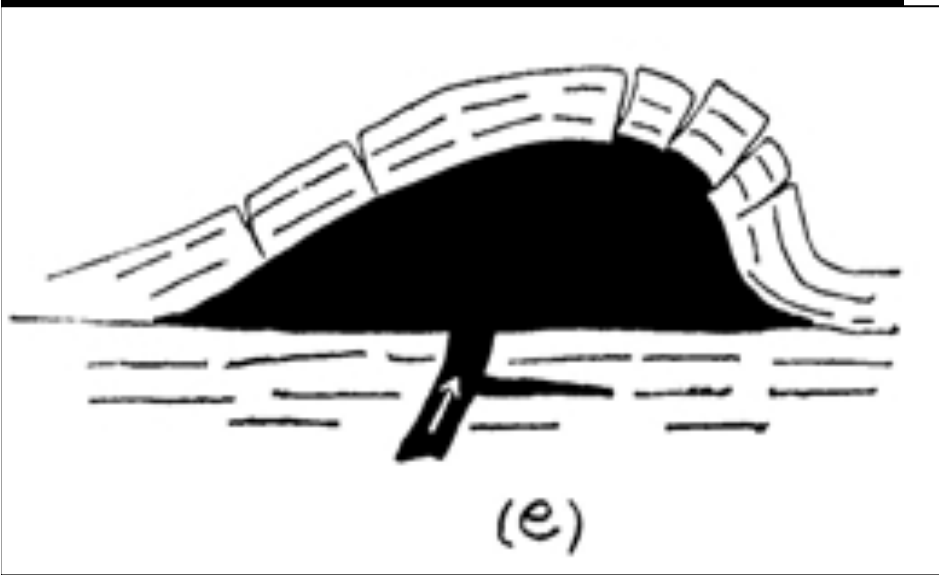
**30m x 30m  
resolution**



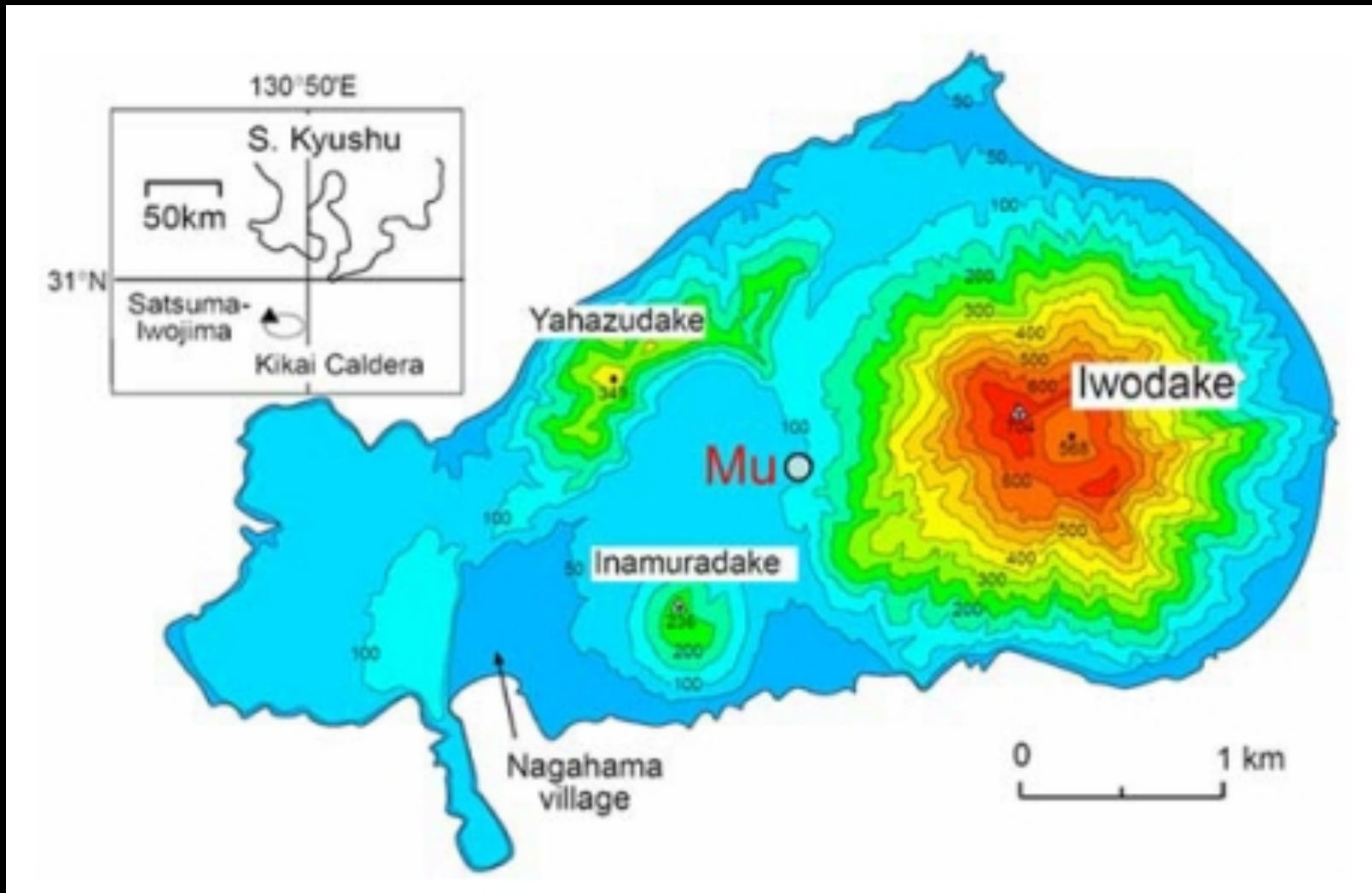
**H.K.M.Tanaka, T.Nakano et. al.,**

**American Journal of Science, Vol. 308, Sep, 2007, P. 843–850.**

# Showa-shinzan lava dome growth models before this work

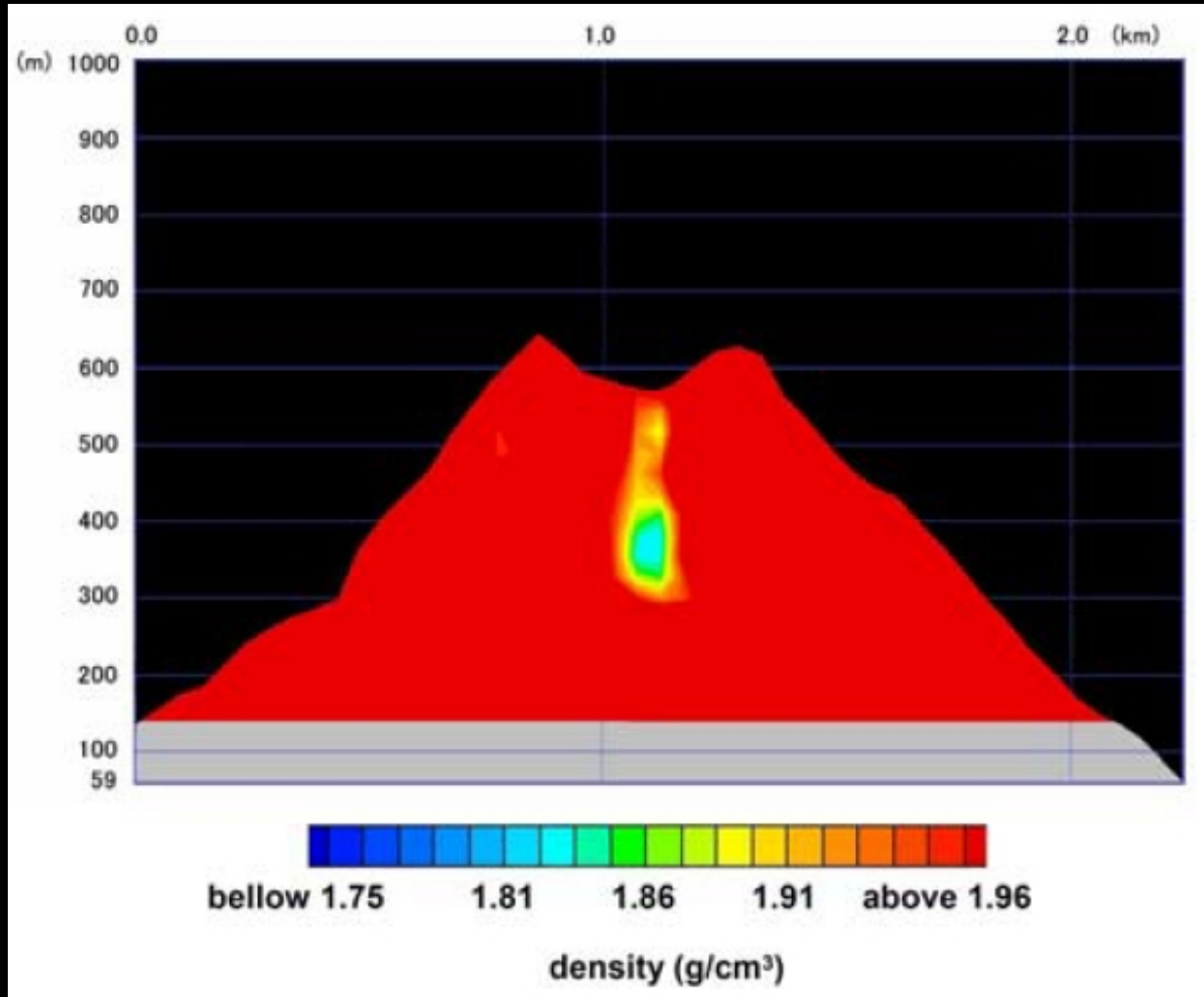


- Satsuma-Iwojima (2008)



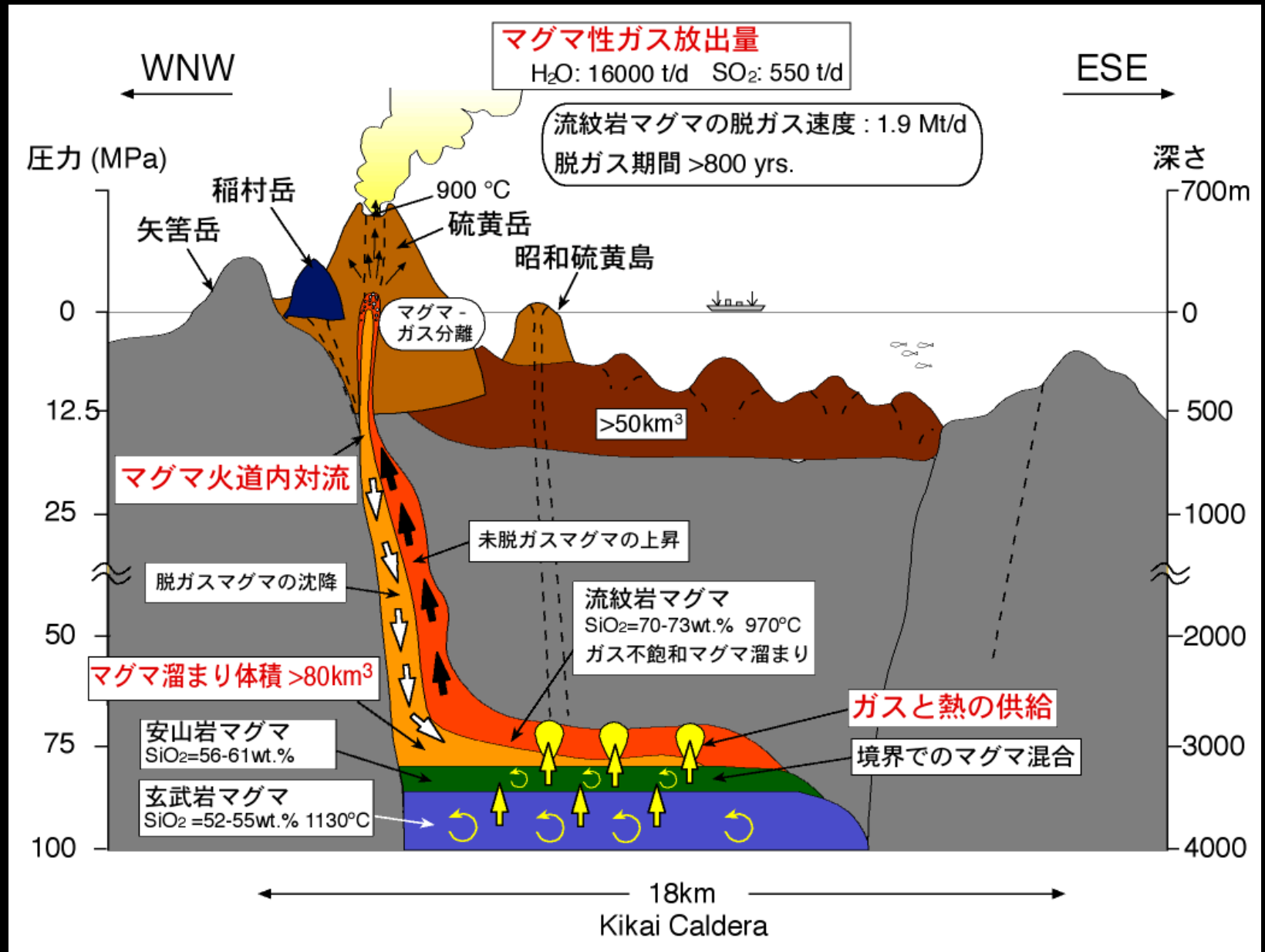
- Continuous emission of volcanic gas for about 1,000 years.

- Satsuma-Iwojima (2008)
- detector: Scintillator array

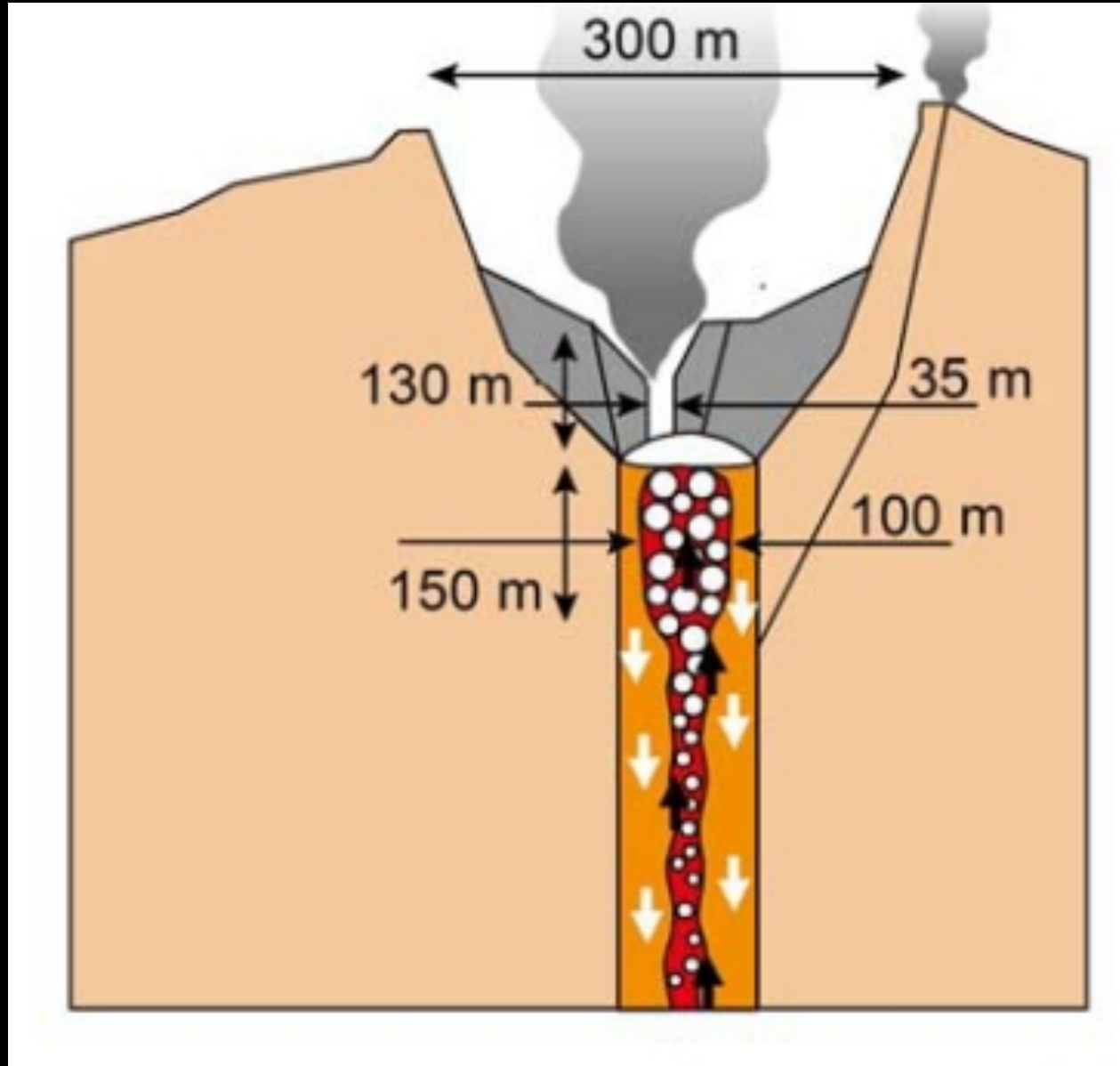


- 1.0 m<sup>2</sup>
- 1 months
- 50m x 50m resolution
- +/-0.06 g/cc error

• Magma Convection model in Mt. Satsuma-Iwojima

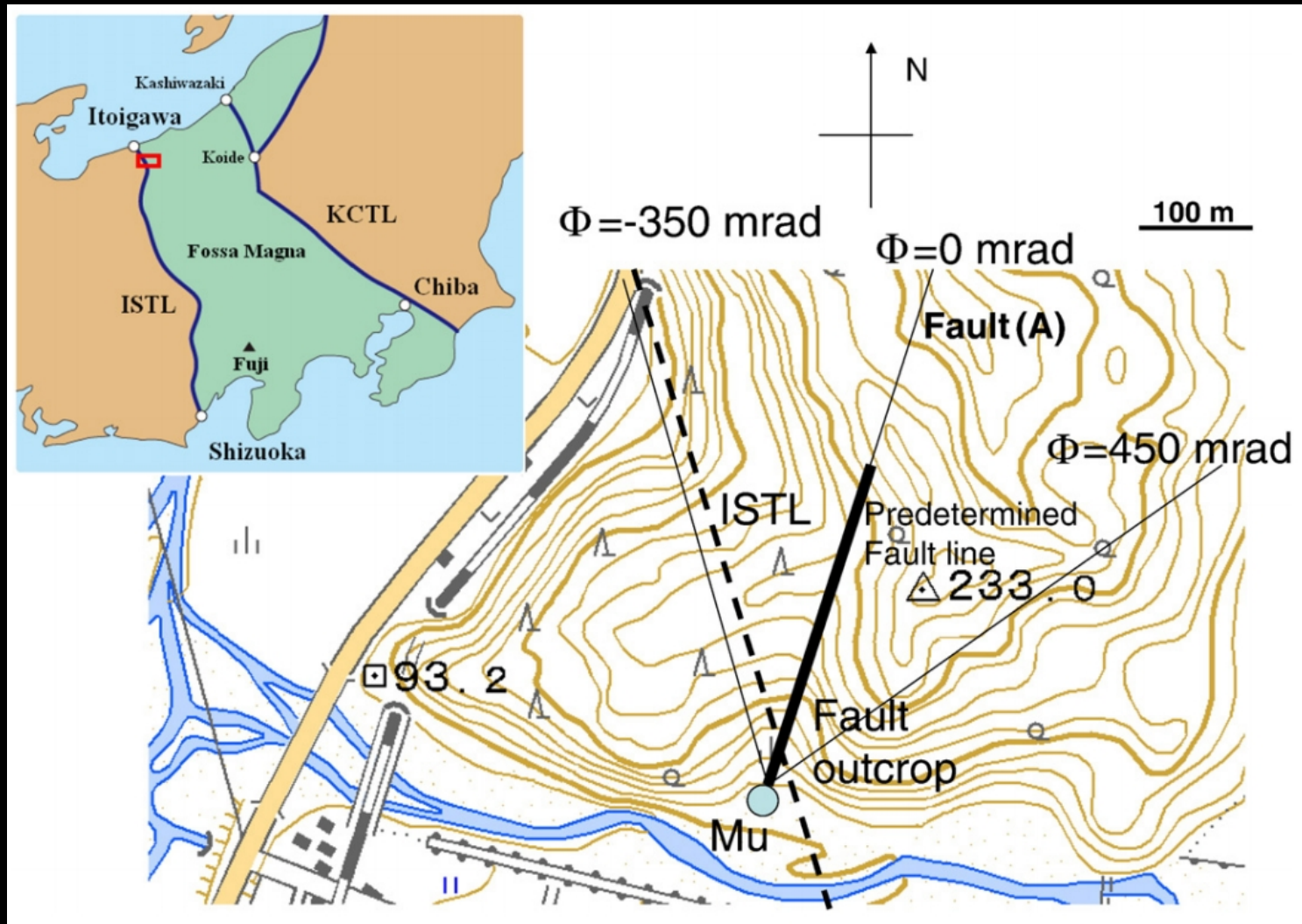


# RECENT WORKS

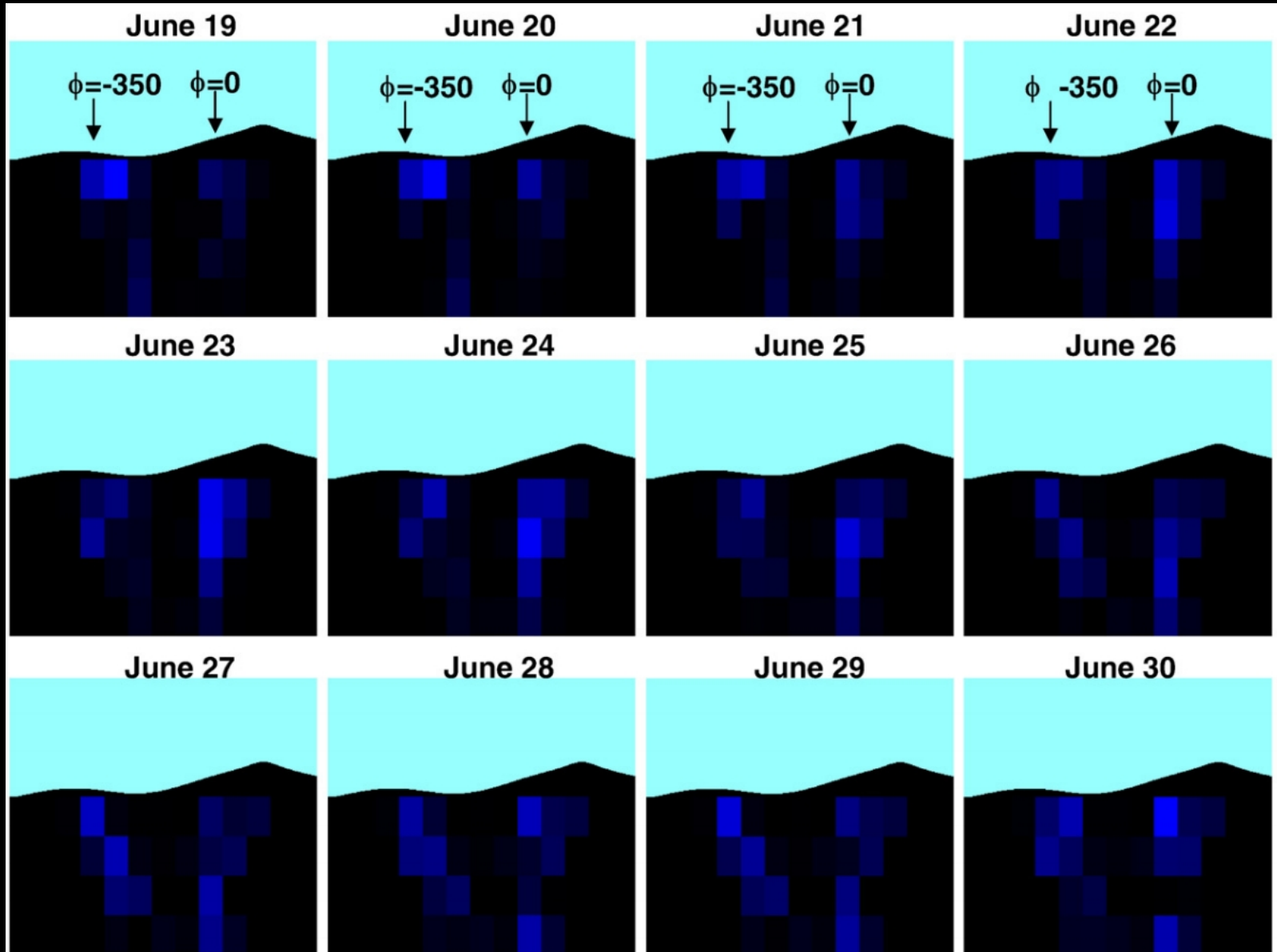
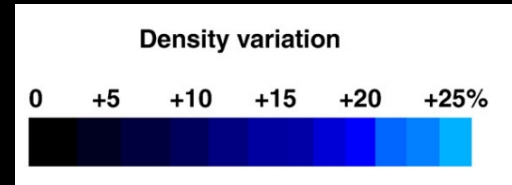




- Nigata Seismic Fault (2011)
- detector: Scintillator array, 0.4m<sup>2</sup>



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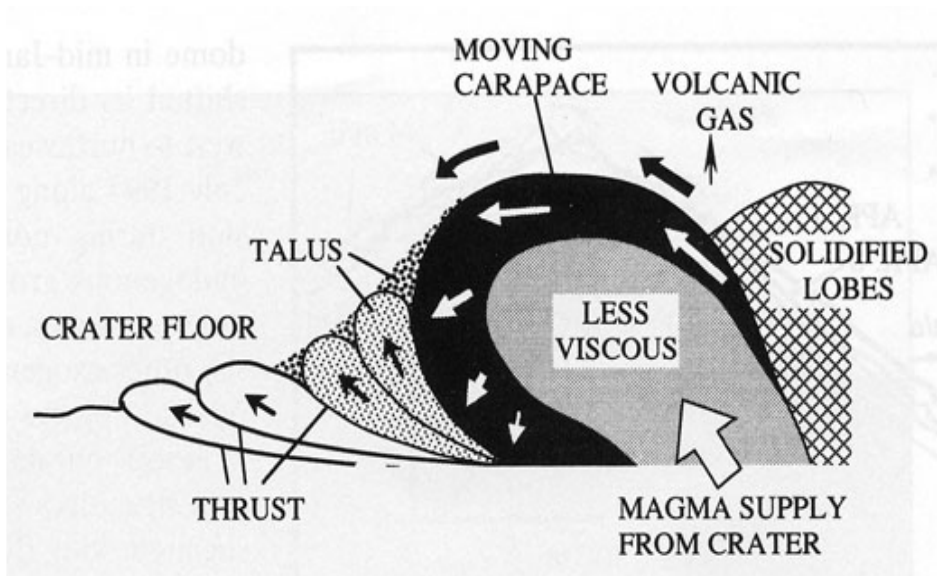


# Unzen eruption in 1991



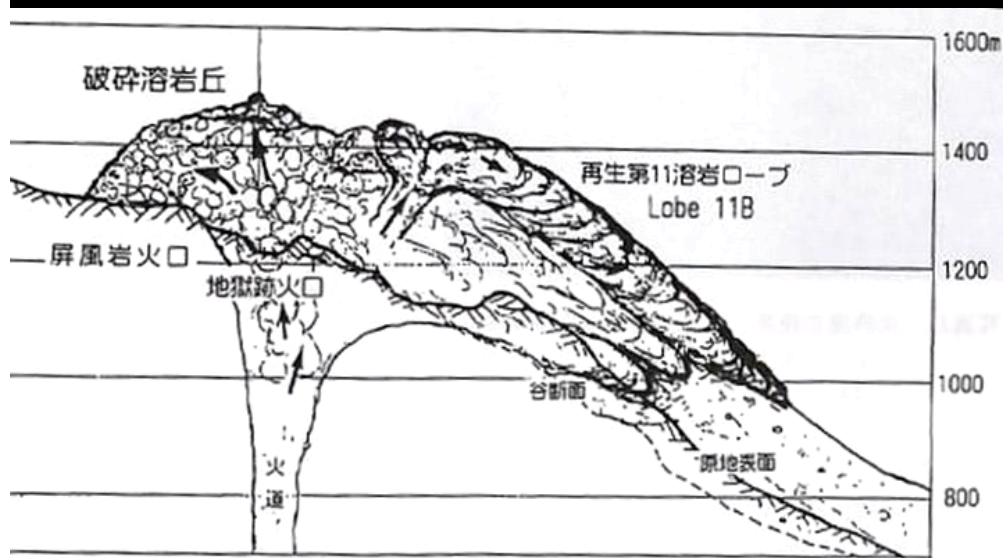
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By Terai, Nakada



S. Nakada et al. (1995) *Geology* 23, 157-160

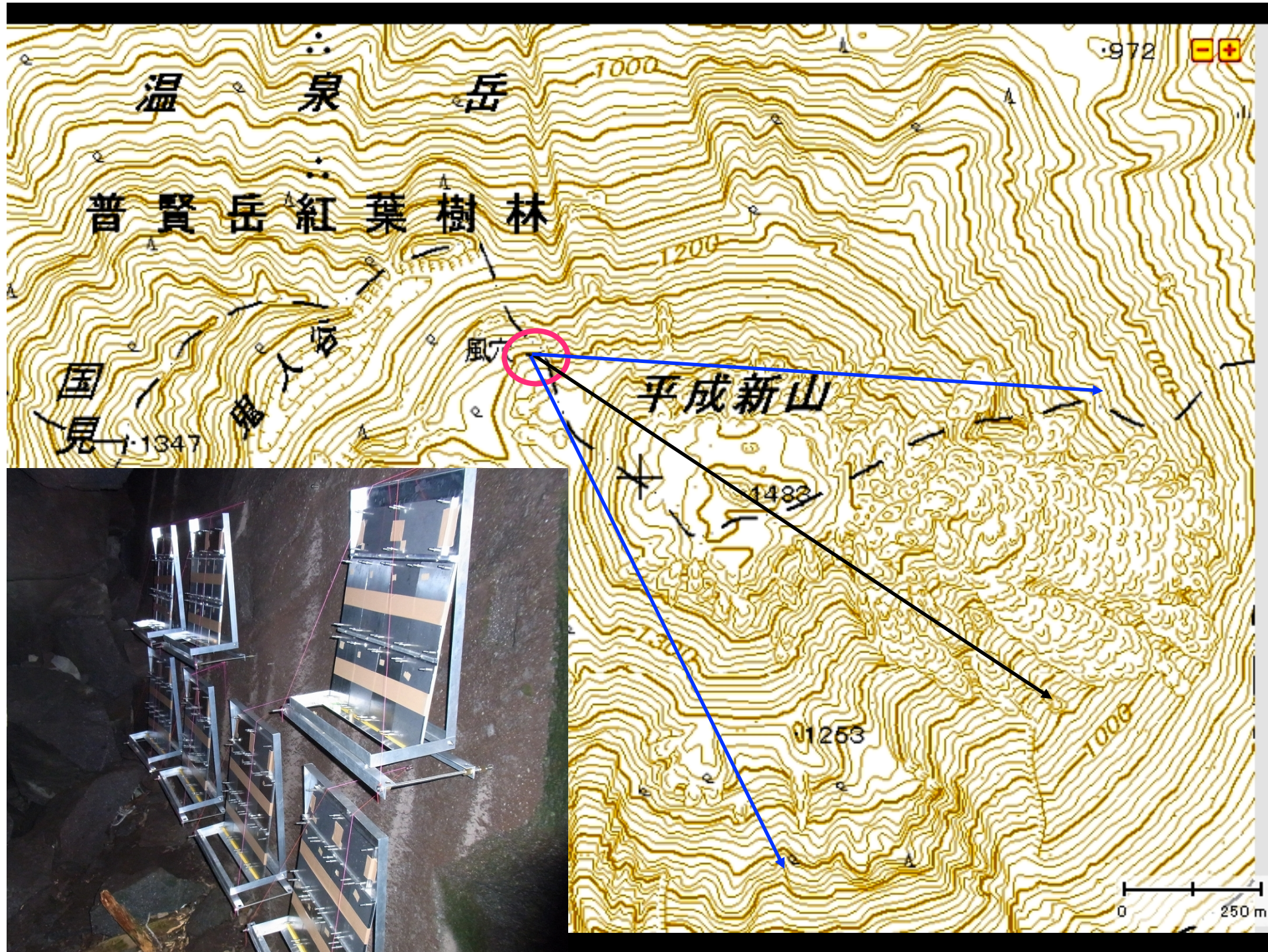
- Feb, 1991 : Lava dome started to grow. Huge pyroclastic flow killed 43 people.
- The Unzen lava dome density map will clear :



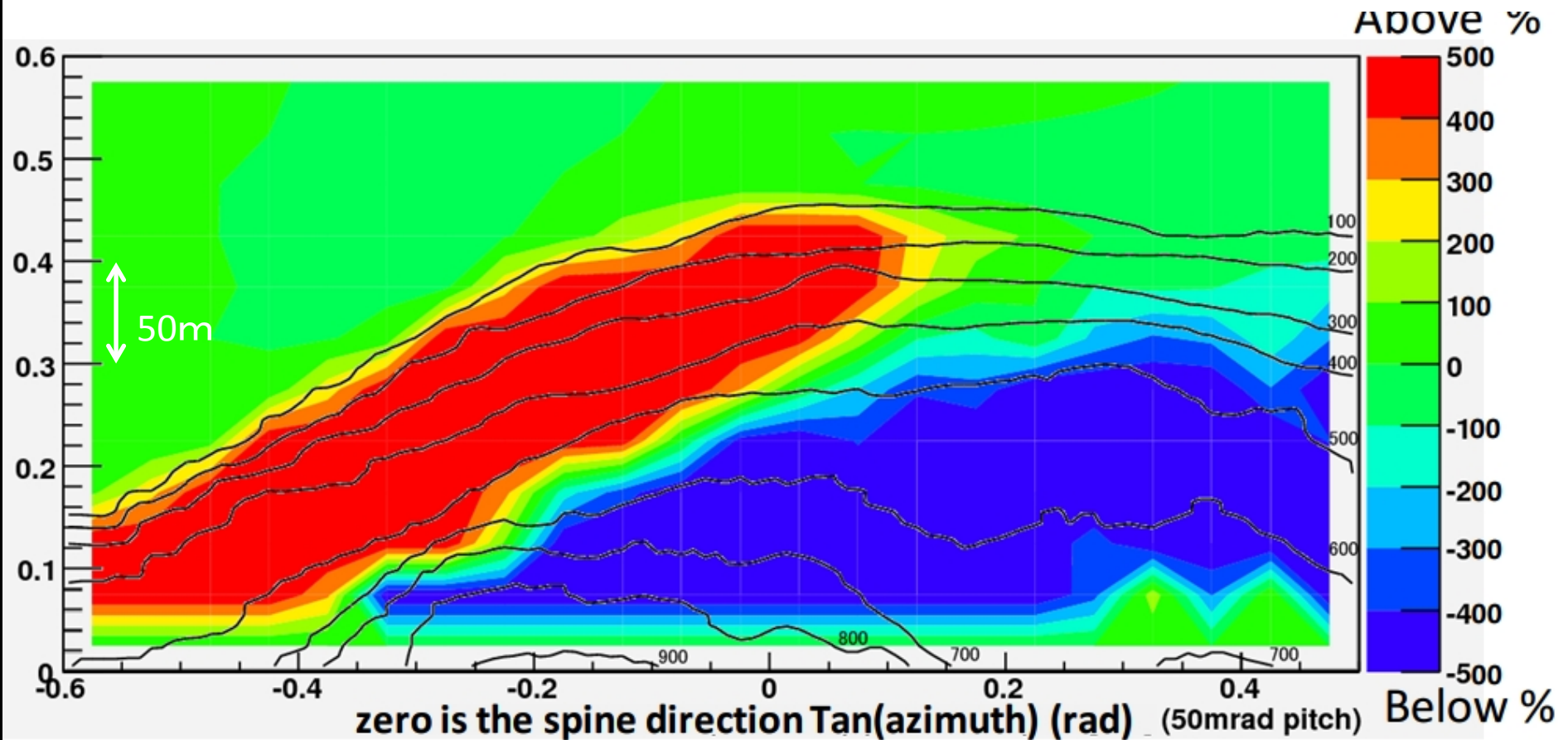
( i ) Mechanism of lava dome growth model .

( ii ) where part is easy to happen mudslides.

K. Ohta 地熱 vol.33 No.4 1996



# Preliminary results (0.16m<sup>2</sup>)



- $(\text{observed \# of muons} - \text{expected muons}) \div (\text{expected muons})$  when we assume mountain density  $2.5\text{g/cm}^3$   
Red : More muons than expected    Blue : Less muons than expected
- Not enough statistics where the rock thickness is more than 400m .  
→ we'll add the other emulsion data.
- Systematic error -> under studying : Free sky region is about 15%.

# Stromboli Italy



The imaging of conduit is critical for the eruption dynamics model

The exposure was already finished. Under scanning.



# SUMMARY

- We can see the internal density structure of volcano by using cosmic muons .
- The muon detection technologies have been developed in the experiment of particle physics .
- We will continue to apply this method to various target and also improve the muon detection technology.



Thank you for listening

**Backup slides**

## Density determination errors

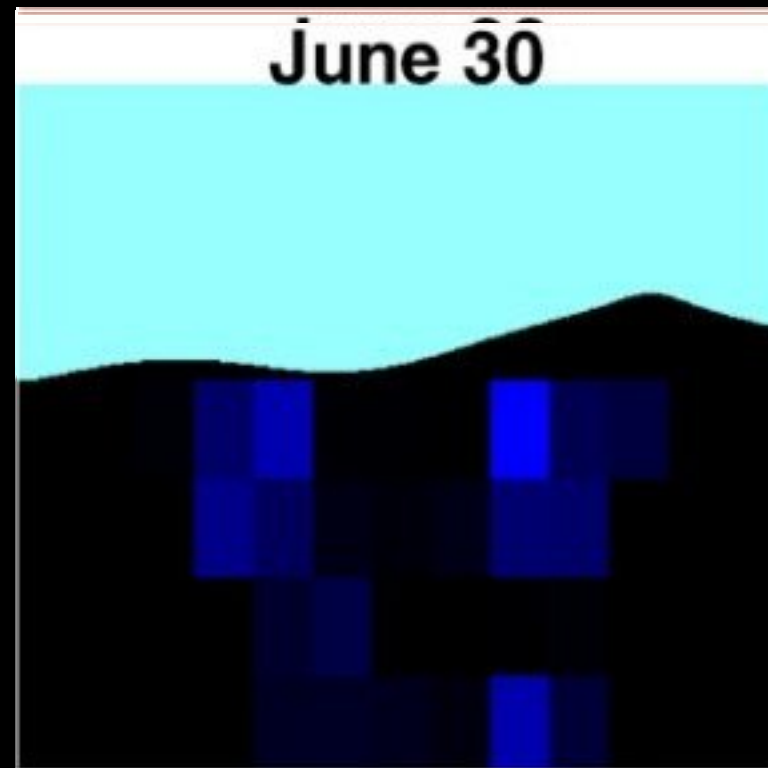
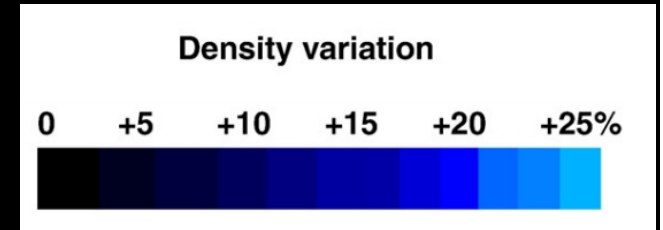
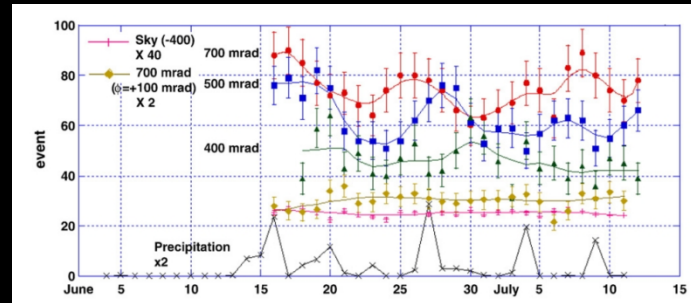
- Systematic : the resolution of topographic map
- Statistical : the number of muon, for each angular bin.
- Systematic : Muon detection efficiency estimation
- Systematic and statistical : Back ground noise estimation
- Systematic : the uncertainty of CR flux
- Systematic : the uncertainty of  $dE/dX$  of muon,
- especially  $>$  several hundred GeV

# How to reconstruct the density image ?

- Calculation the rock length from topographic map
- The measurement of the number of penetrating muon for each angular bin.
- Attenuation of cosmic ray flux
  - → Energy cut off
  - → typical range of muon
  - → water equivalent
- $\text{Water equivalent}(\theta, \phi) = \text{rock length}(\theta, \phi) * \text{density}(\theta, \phi)$

# RECENT WORKS

- Nigata Seismic Fault (2011)
- detector: Scintillator array



# HOW TO CALC

$$dE/dX = a + bE$$

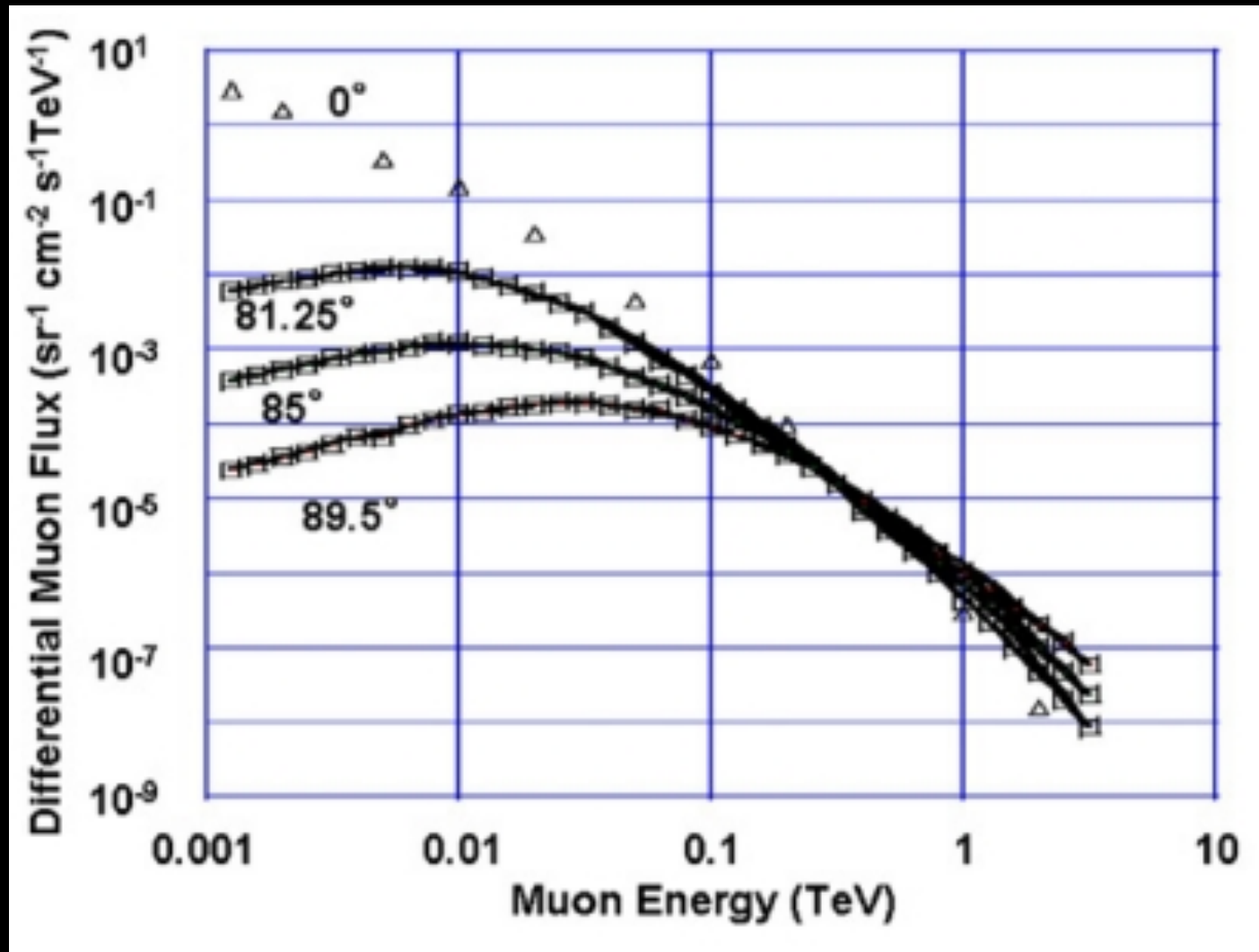
Table 1  
Muon range  $R$  and energy loss parameters calculated for standard rock

$E_\mu$ (GeV)	$R$ (km.w.e)	$a$ (MeV g <sup>-1</sup> cm <sup>2</sup> )	$b$ (MeV g <sup>-1</sup> cm <sup>2</sup> )
10	0.05	2.15	1.91
100	0.41	2.40	3.12
1000	2.42	2.58	4.01
10,000	6.30	2.76	4.40

Range is given in km-water-equivalent.

- Calculation the Average “Density x Length” from muon attenuation.

# SOURCE



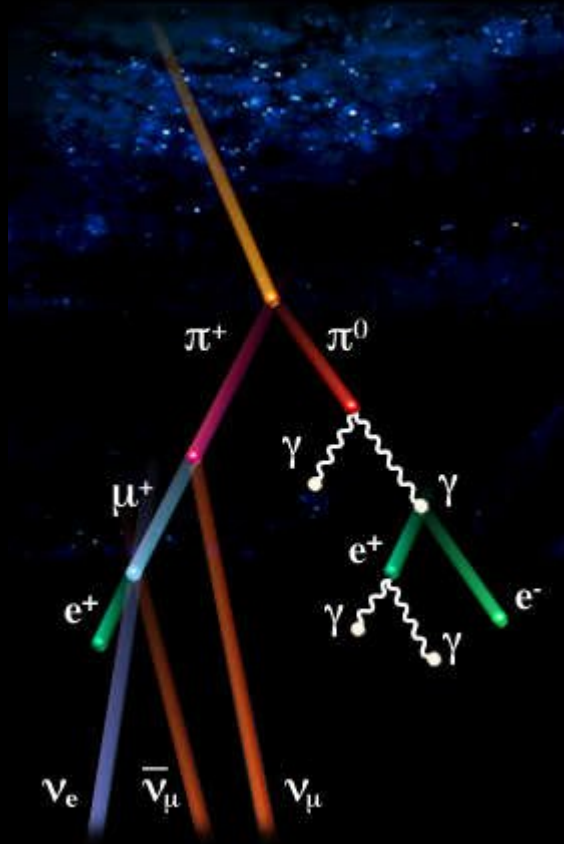
- Cosmic muon flux on the various altitude is well measured.

# PRINCIPLE



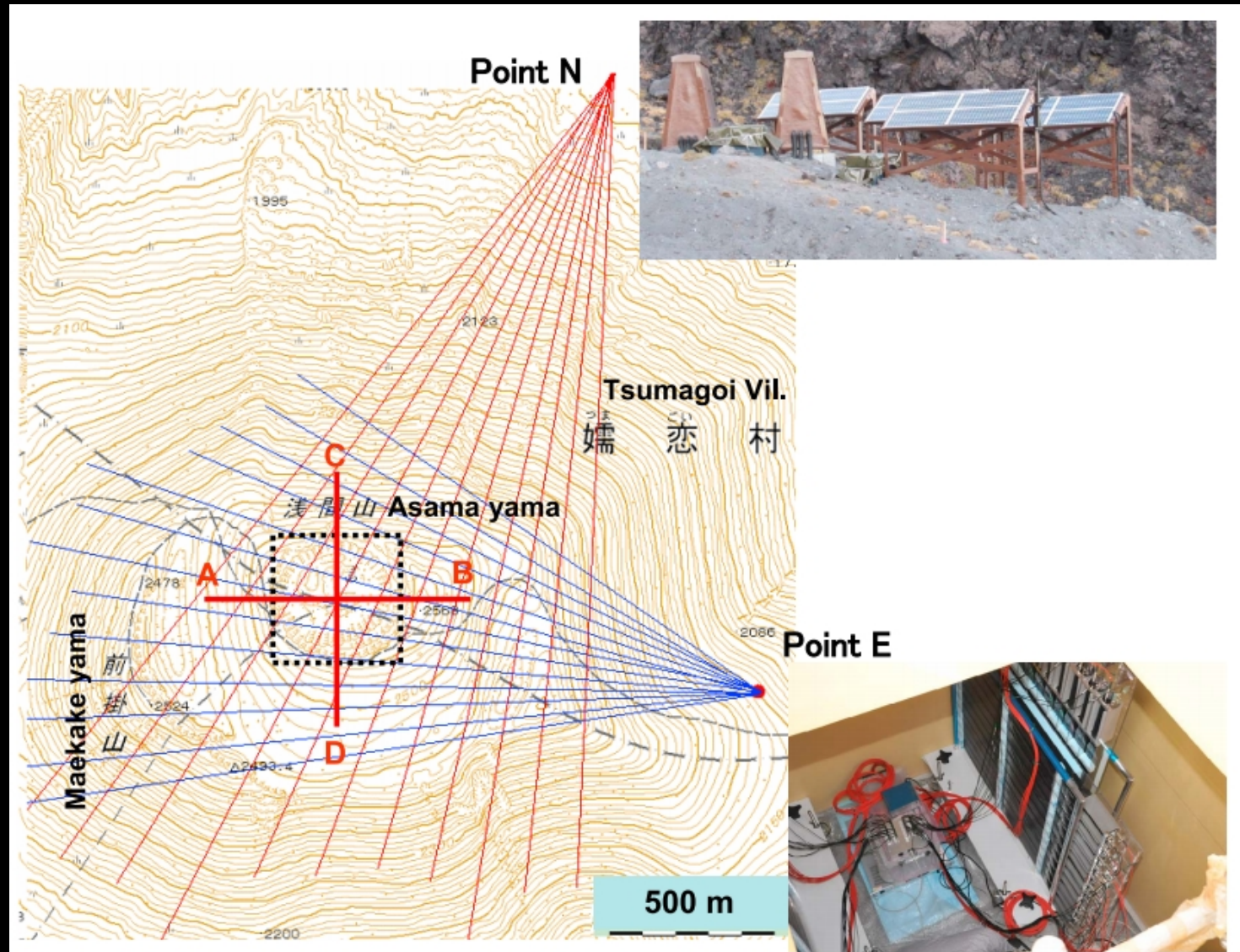


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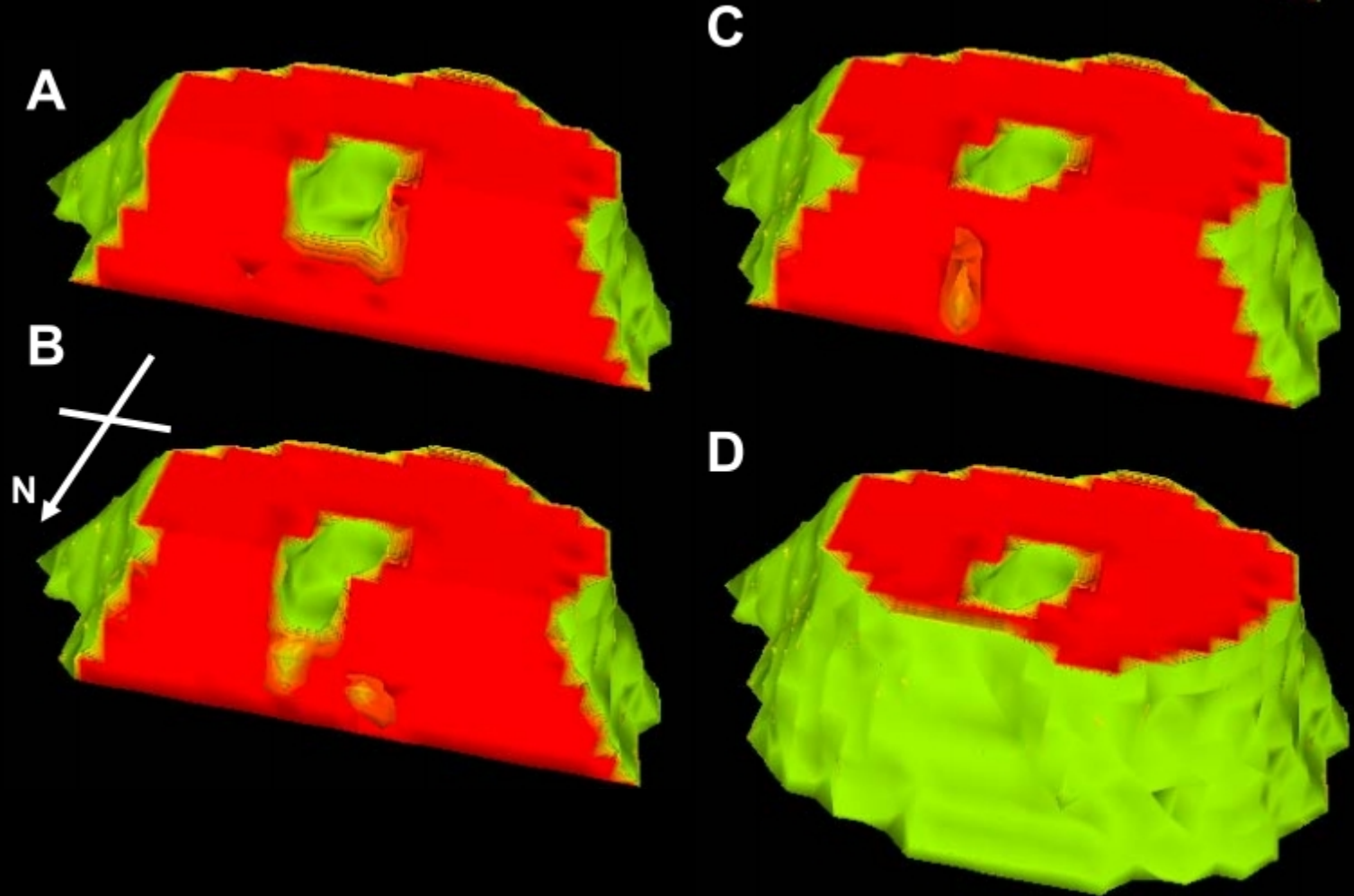
- High energy proton or Helium from outer space
- Interaction with atoms in atmosphere
- Creation of pions ( $E=mc^2$ )
- Pion decay into muon
- About 1 muon / sec hand
- Muons have very high energy -> it can penetrate several km Rock !

- Mt. Asama Stereo (2010)
- detector: Scintillator array

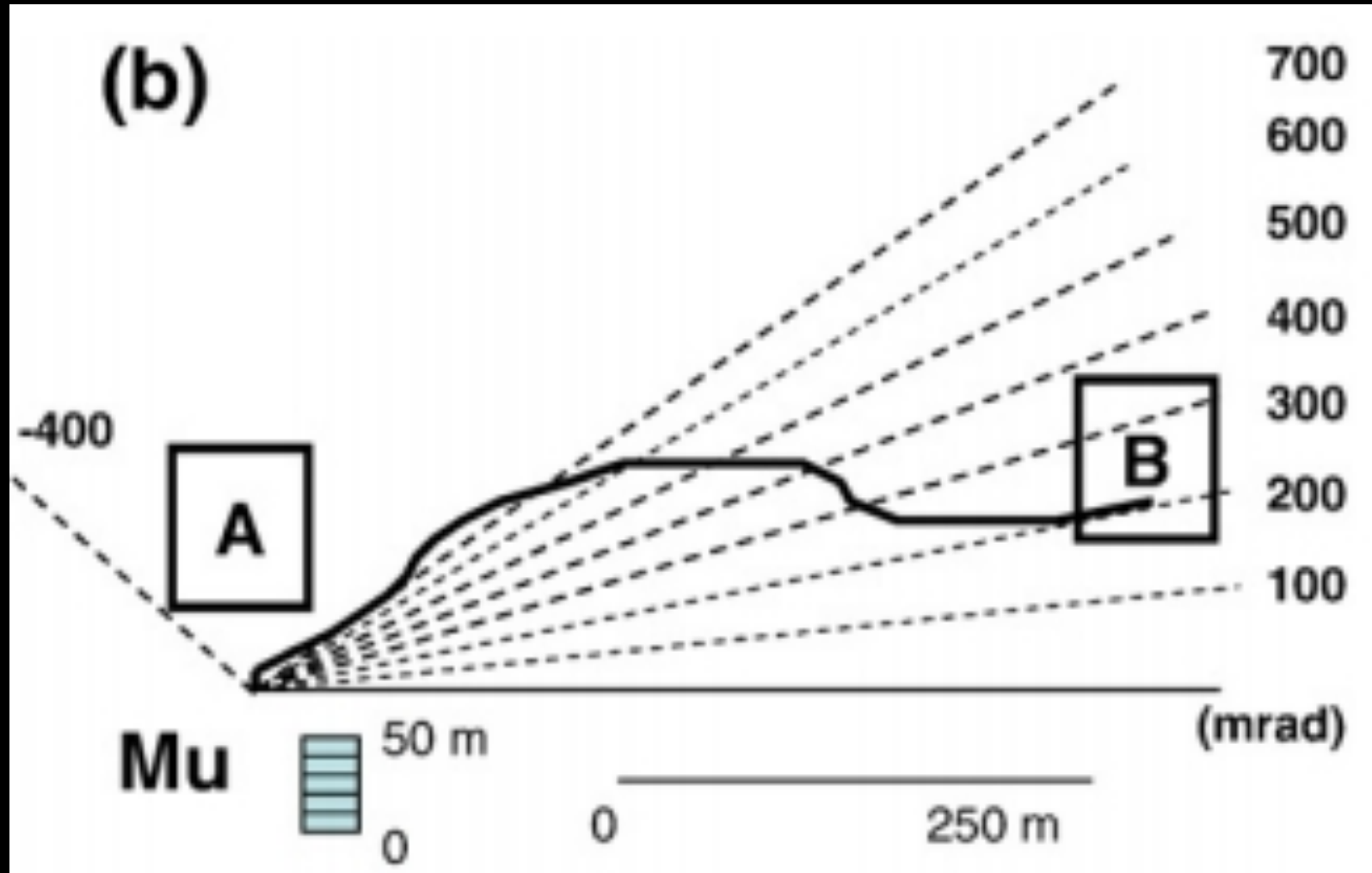


# RECENT WORKS

- Mt. Asama Stereo (2010)
- detector: Scintillator array



- Nigata Seismic Fault (2011)
- detector: Scintillator array , 0.4m<sup>2</sup>,



- Fault Width = ~ 20m

- Nigata Seismic Fault (2011)
- detector: Scintillator array , 0.4m<sup>2</sup>,

