

**NOTES ON BASE**  
A series of topographic maps covering the entire surface of Mars at a nominal scale of 1:5,000,000 was originally compiled from Mariner 9 data (Batson and others, 1979). This original series is now being revised and augmented with image data from Viking Orbiter.

**ADOPTED FIGURE**  
The figure of Mars used for the computation of the map projection is an oblate spheroid (flattening of 1/192) with an equatorial radius of 3393.4 km and a polar radius of 3375.5 km.

**PROJECTION**  
The Mercator, Lambert Conformal Conic, and Polar Stereographic projections are used for this map series. The scale of the series is 1:5,000,000 at the equator. The projections have common scales of 1:4,336,000 at lat  $\pm 30^\circ$  and 1:4,306,000 at lat  $\pm 65^\circ$ . Standard parallels for the Lambert Conformal Conic projection are at lat  $\pm 35.8^\circ$  and  $\pm 59.2^\circ$ . Longitude increases to the west in accordance with astronomical convention for Mars.

**CONTROL**  
Image placement is based on the 1978 control net (Davies and others, 1978). The first meridian passes through the center of a small crater, Airy O (lat.  $5.19^\circ$  S., long  $0^\circ$ ), located within the crater Airy.

**MAPPING TECHNIQUE**  
A series of mosaics of Mariner 9 pictures was assembled at 1:5,000,000 scale based on projections described above.

Shaded relief was portrayed by use of airbrush techniques detailed by Inge (1972) and photointerpretive methods described by Inge and Bridges (1976). Uniform sun illumination from the west was used throughout. Sizes, shapes, and positions of features were taken from the base mosaic. In the first edition of the map, various computer enhancements of many Mariner 9 pictures, besides those in the base mosaic, were examined in an attempt to portray the surface as accurately as possible. This revised edition was produced by incorporating information derived from various enhancements of higher resolution Viking images of the map area.

Original shaded relief analysis, representation, and reasons were made by Patricia M. Bridges.

**COLOR**  
No attempt was made on the map to duplicate precisely the color of the Martian surface although the color used may approximate it.

**NOMENCLATURE**  
Names on this sheet are approved by the International Astronomical Union (IAU, 1974, 1977, 1983, 1986 and 1988) except for the provisional name indicated by an asterisk. Double- and triple-letter designations for craters refer to position on the map and are derived from a grid based on equidistant meridians and parallels; the alphabet (Latin O omitted) runs in the direction of increasing longitude (W) and latitude (N). The complete designation of a crater is the name of the quadrangle followed by the double- or triple letters. The prefix THR (identifying the THARSIS quadrangle) is part of the complete designation but, for brevity, is not shown on most craters. Some craters have commemorative names; letter designations for these craters are shown in parentheses. Where craters lie mostly on an adjoining map, their letters are derived from the other map; where craters lie exactly on the boundary of two maps, their letters are derived from the eastern or southern map.

MC-9: Abbreviation for Mars Chart 9.

M 5M 15/112 RN: Abbreviation for Mars, 1:5,000,000 series, center of sheet, lat  $15^\circ$  N., long  $112^\circ$  W.

shaded relief map (R) with nomenclature (N).

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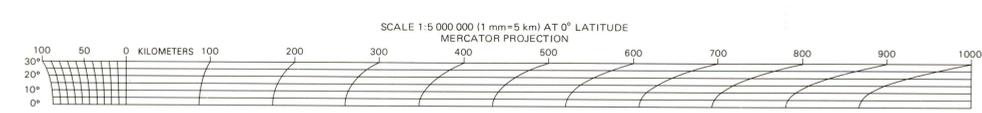
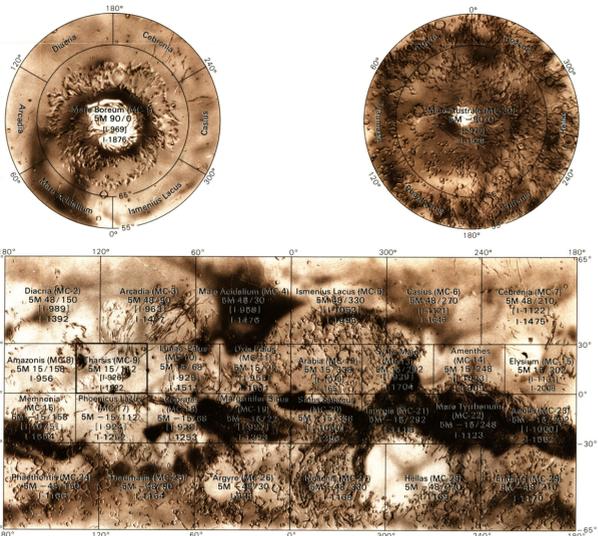
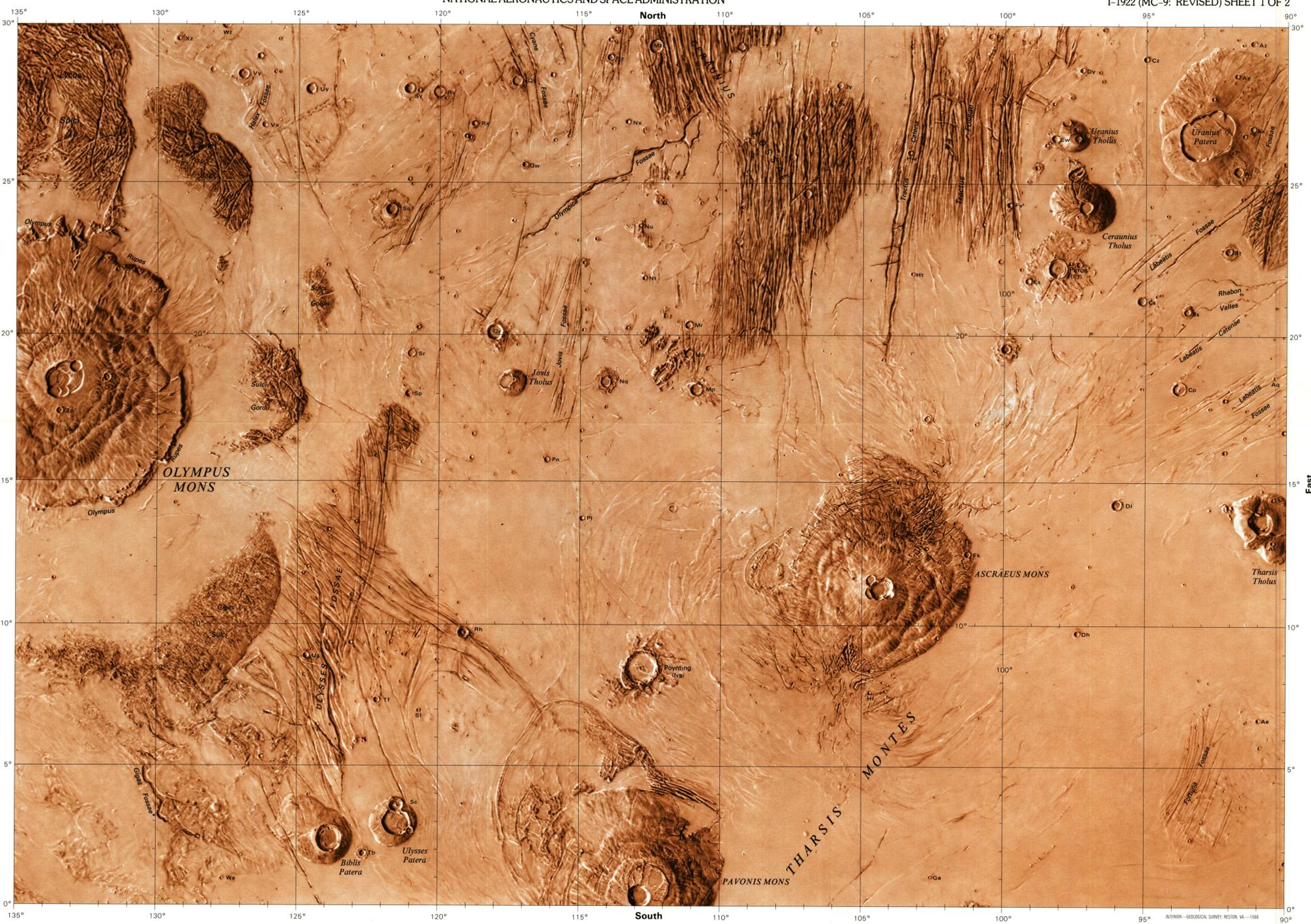
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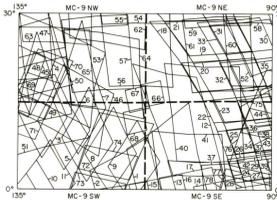
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**1:2,000,000-SCALE CONTROLLED PHOTOMOSAICS**

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**INDEX OF VIKING SOURCES**  
This shaded relief map has been revised by using 1:2,000,000-scale controlled photomosaics and the supplementary Viking pictures outlined above. Copies of various enhancements of these pictures are available from National Space Science Data Center, Code 601, Goddard Space Flight Center, Greenbelt, MD 20771.

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**SHADED RELIEF MAP OF THE THARSIS QUADRANGLE OF MARS**

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