



HUNGA VOLCANO ERUPTION, EARTHQUAKE AND TSUNAMI

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UNDERSTANDING THE GEOLOGICAL STRUCTURE

Post-caldera volcanism reveals shallow priming of an intra-ocean arc andesitic caldera: Hunga volcano, Tonga, SW Pacific

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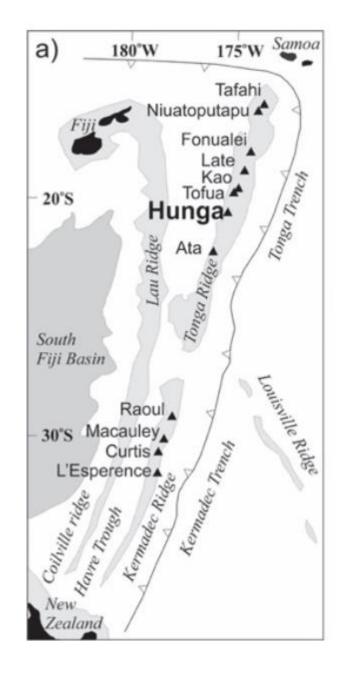
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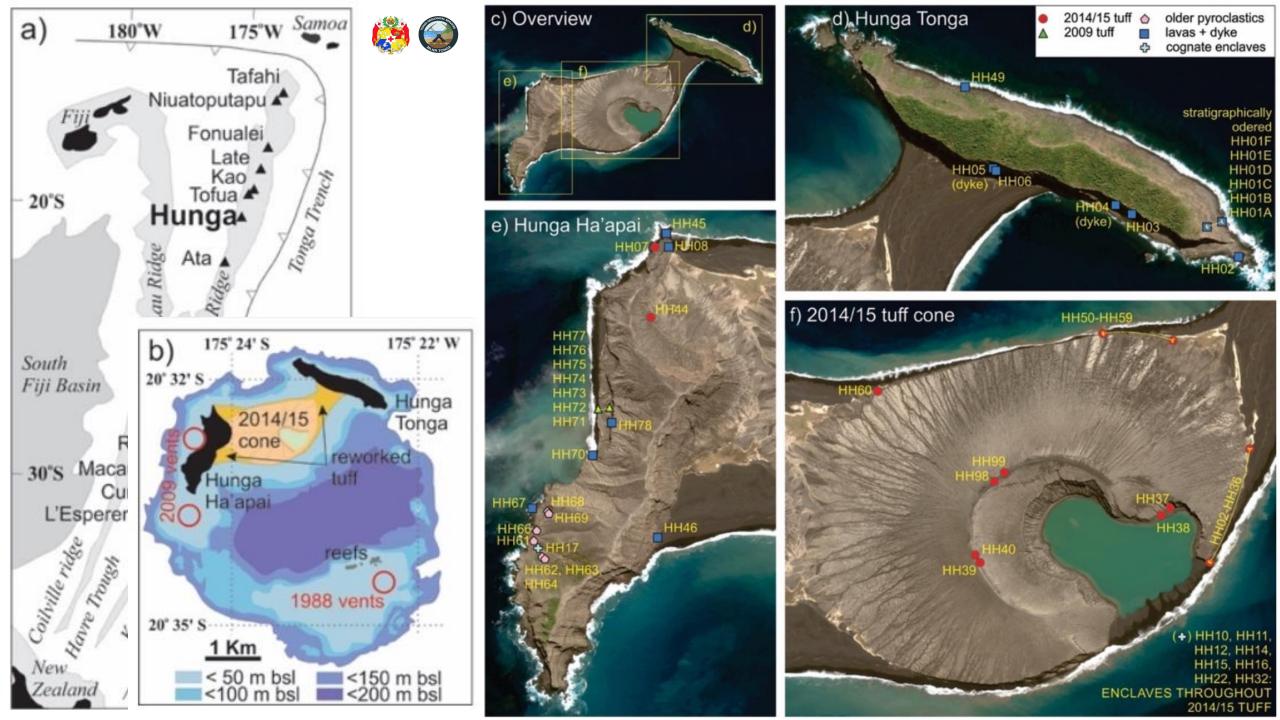
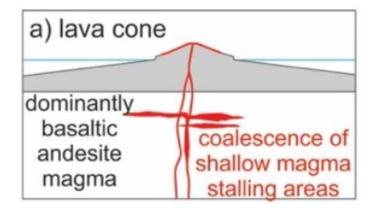








Figure 1. a) Regional geological setting of Hunga volcano in the central portion of the Tongan arc. b) Bathymetry of the summit area and caldera of the Hunga volcano modified from Cronin et al. (2017). c) satellite image of Hunga Tonga-Hunga Ha'apai taken in September 2015. d-f) detailed sampling localities on Hunga Tonga (d), Hunga Ha'apai (e) and the 2014/15 tuff cone (f).



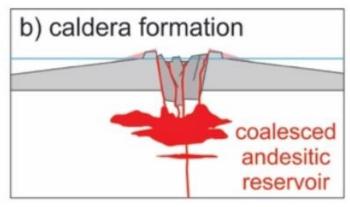
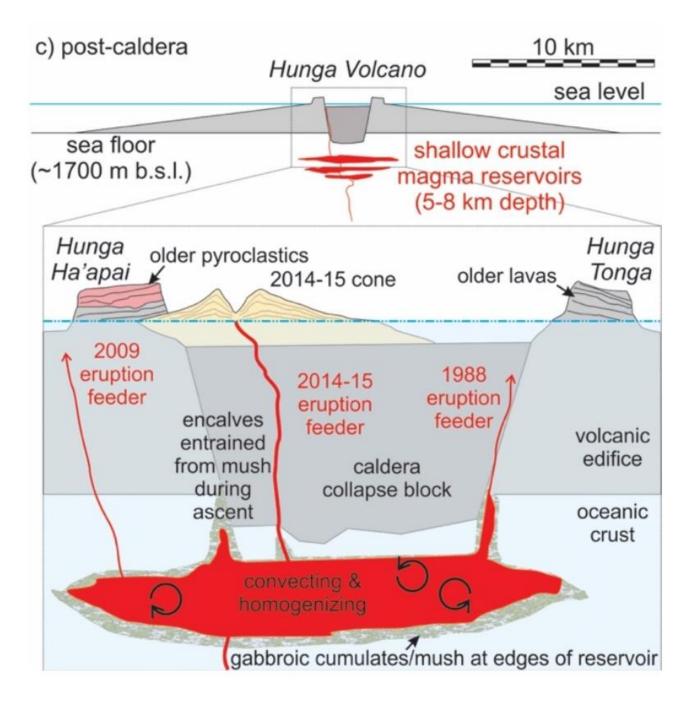
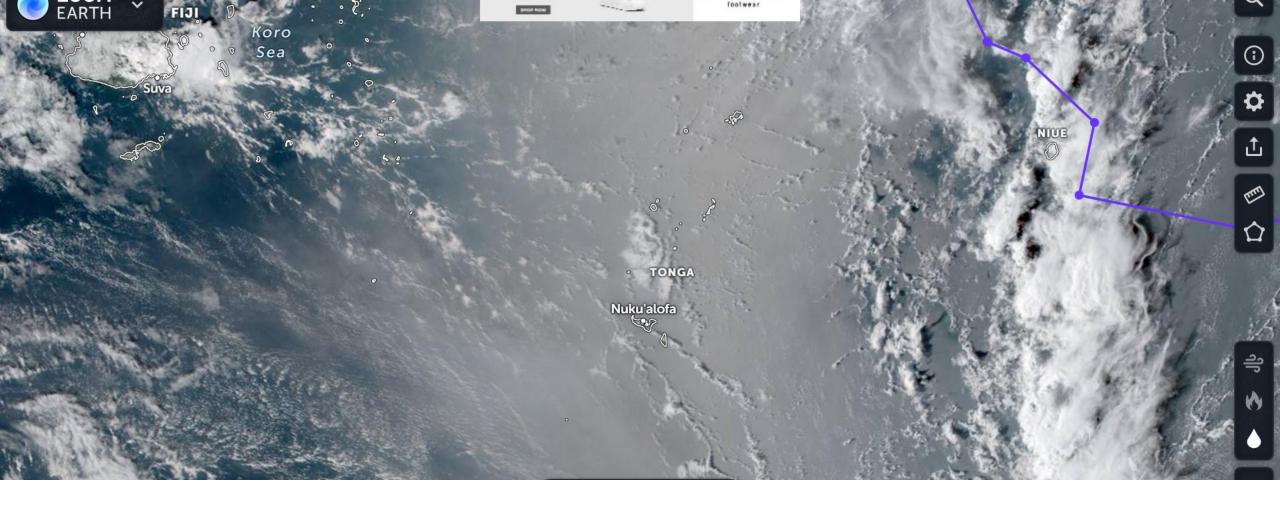


Figure 10. Conceptual model of Hunga volcano plumbing geometry. See text for details of the sequence of events and maturity of the plumbing system.



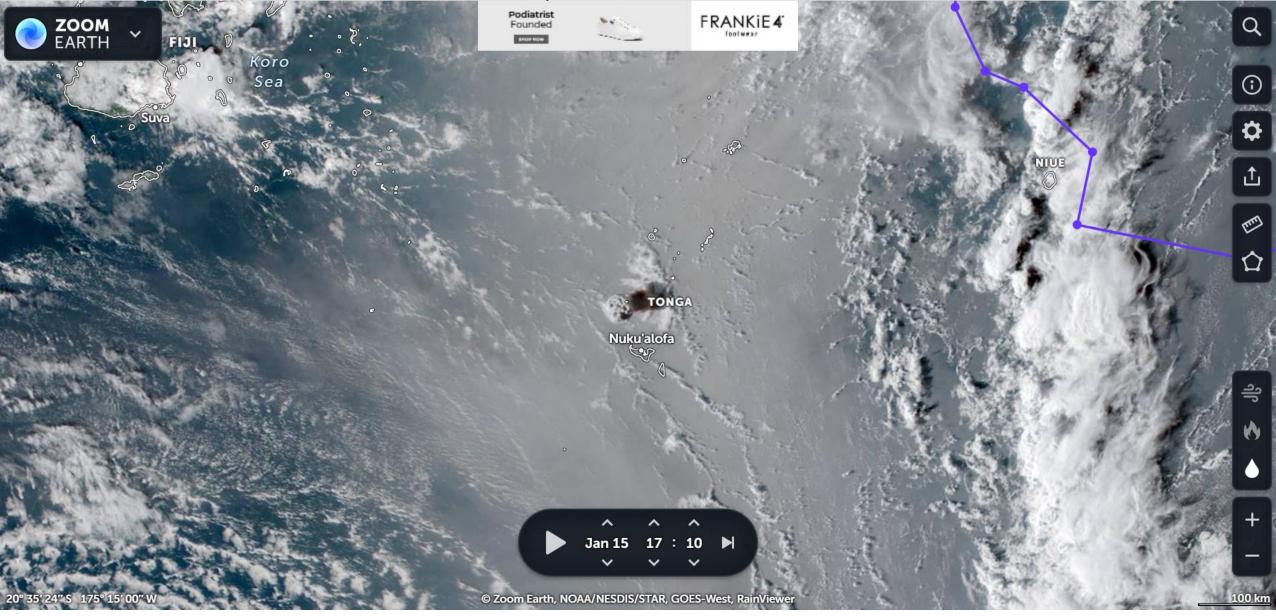




THE HUNGA ERUPTION

The eruption timeline

ERUPTION AT 5:07PM, 15 JAN 2022







ERUPTION AT TAUFA'AHAU ROAD, NUKU'ALOFA



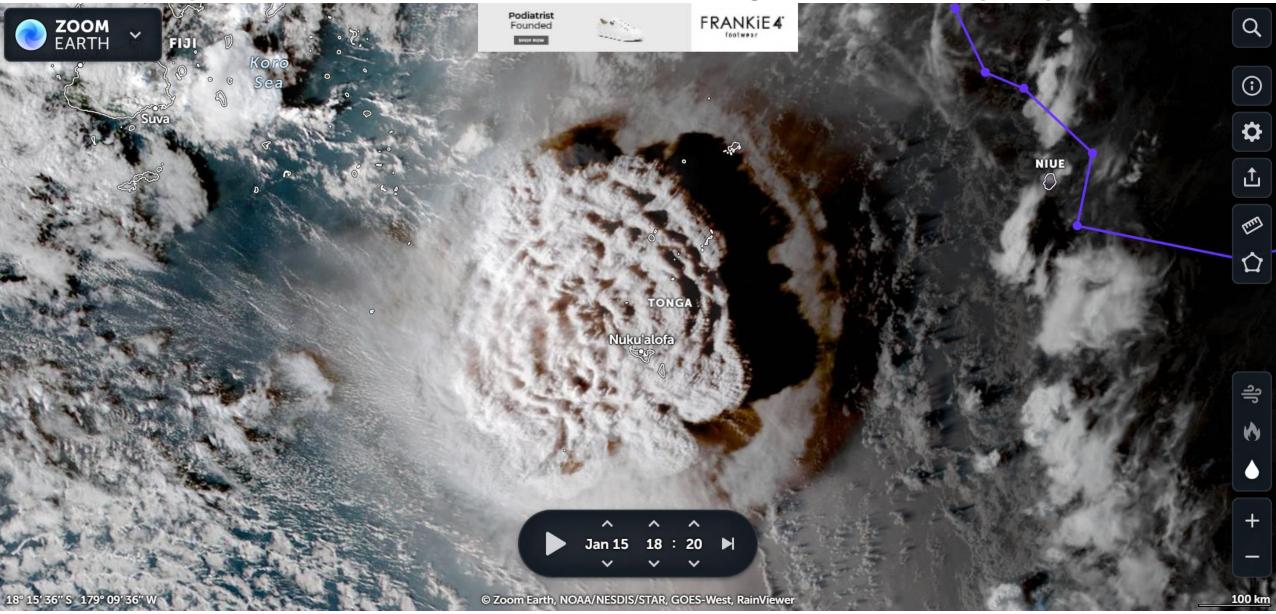


ERUPTION AT TAUFA'AHAU ROAD, NUKU'ALOFA





73MIN AFTER THE INITIAL ERUPTION AT 6:20PM













USGS All Earthquakes, Past Month

1 of 8975 earthquakes in map area.

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5.8

Volcanic Eruption 68 km NNW ...

2022-01-15 17:14:45 (UTC+13:00) 0.0 km

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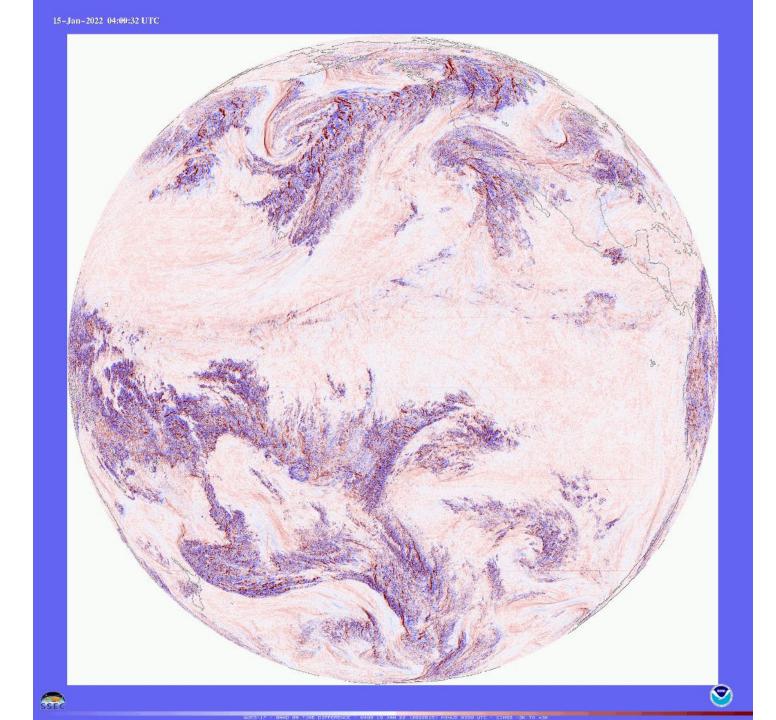
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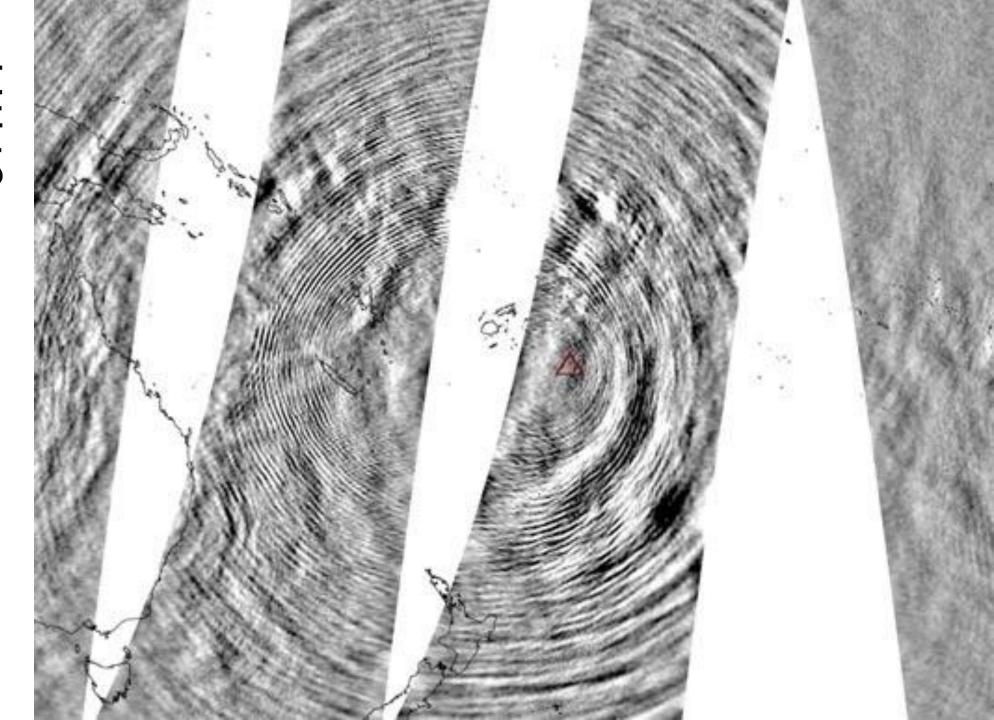
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RADIAL RIPPLE WAVES

Originating from Hunga Volcano





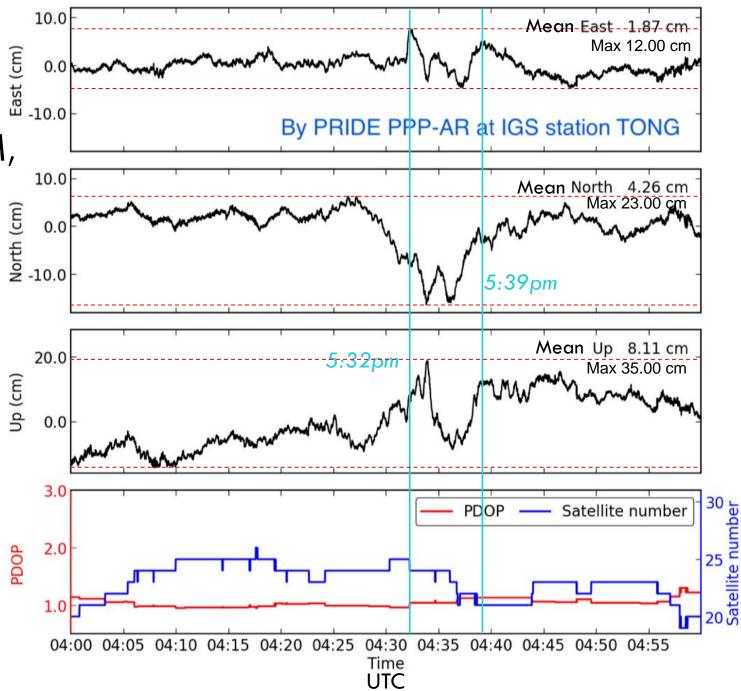








VERTICAL AND
HORIZONTAL
DISPLACEMENTS
5:00PM — 6:00PM,
15/01/2022



Tonga International Geodetic Station (IGS) at 'Apifo'ou College, Ma'ufanga, Tongatapu Island.





Early 2 Jan. 2022
with new HTHH
with protected
vent in crater
lake ... during
break in the
basal surges







DEM from Jan. 17, 2022 Hunga Tonga Maxar WV The island was obliterated by a series stereo of violent eruptions in early 2022. (NASA RRNES investigation By January 17, all that remained were two by Garvin, small landmasses, once again separated Slayback, Kula, by the sea. Tayor et al. 2022) Hunga Ha'apai Hunga Tonga-Hunga Ha'apai Australia New Zealand Elevation (m) 25 50 75 ≥100 500 m

HUNGA VOLCANO REMNANTS 20/01/2022

Hunga Ha'apai

Hunga Tonga

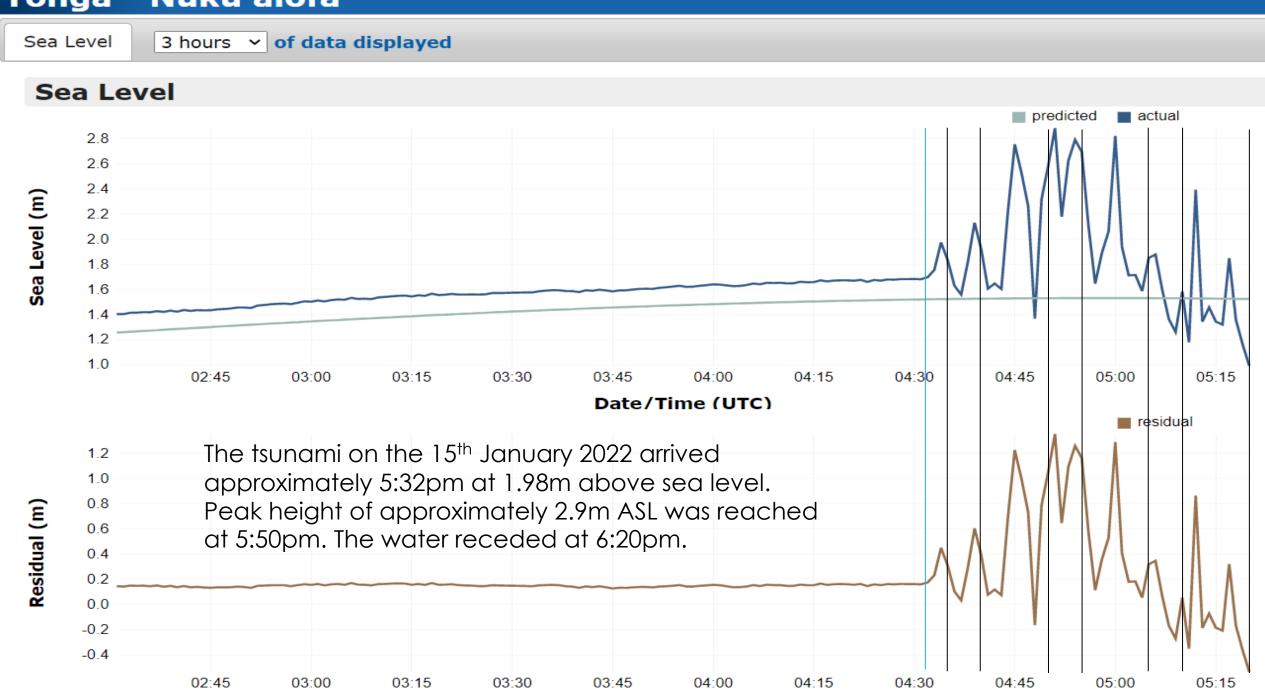




TSUNAMI IMPACT

'Ohonua Urban Center, 'Eua Island. Total damage on the coastal area destroying petroleum depot, cemetery, banks, police station, Court House, Government buildings, shopping centers, wharf, bridge, residentials, resort, accommodations, communications, roads, etc.

Tonga - Nuku'alofa







ON GOING MONITORING







