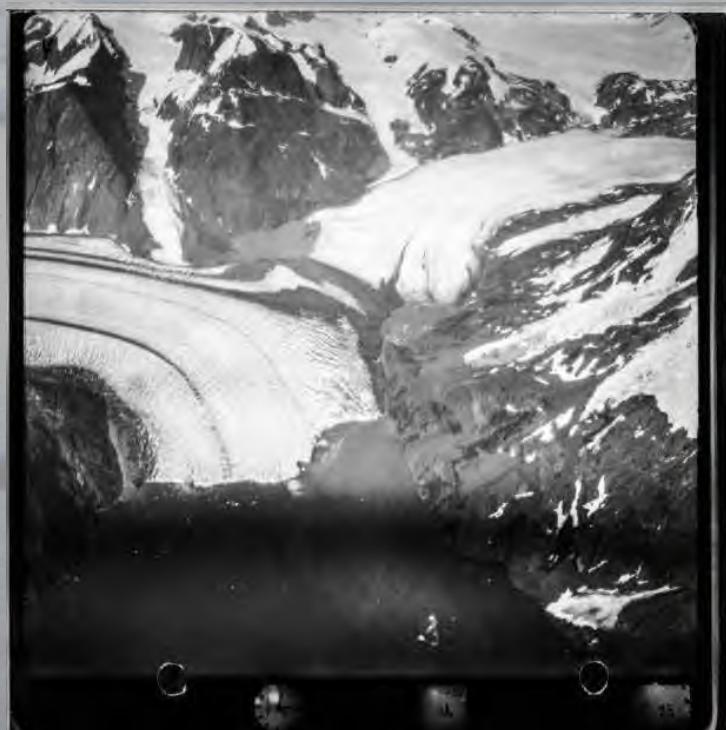


Multibeam Mapping of Remote Fjords in Southeast-Greenland



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Thrym Glacier in Inner Skjoldungen Fjord



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Project:

- Greenland Ice Sheet over the Past Millenium
PI: Kurt H. Kjaer
- Centre for GeoGenetics
Natural History Museum, Univ. of Copenhagen
- Aim: Better Understanding of Interplay Between
Climate Change and Ice Sheet Dynamics
- funded by:
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Field Work "onshore"

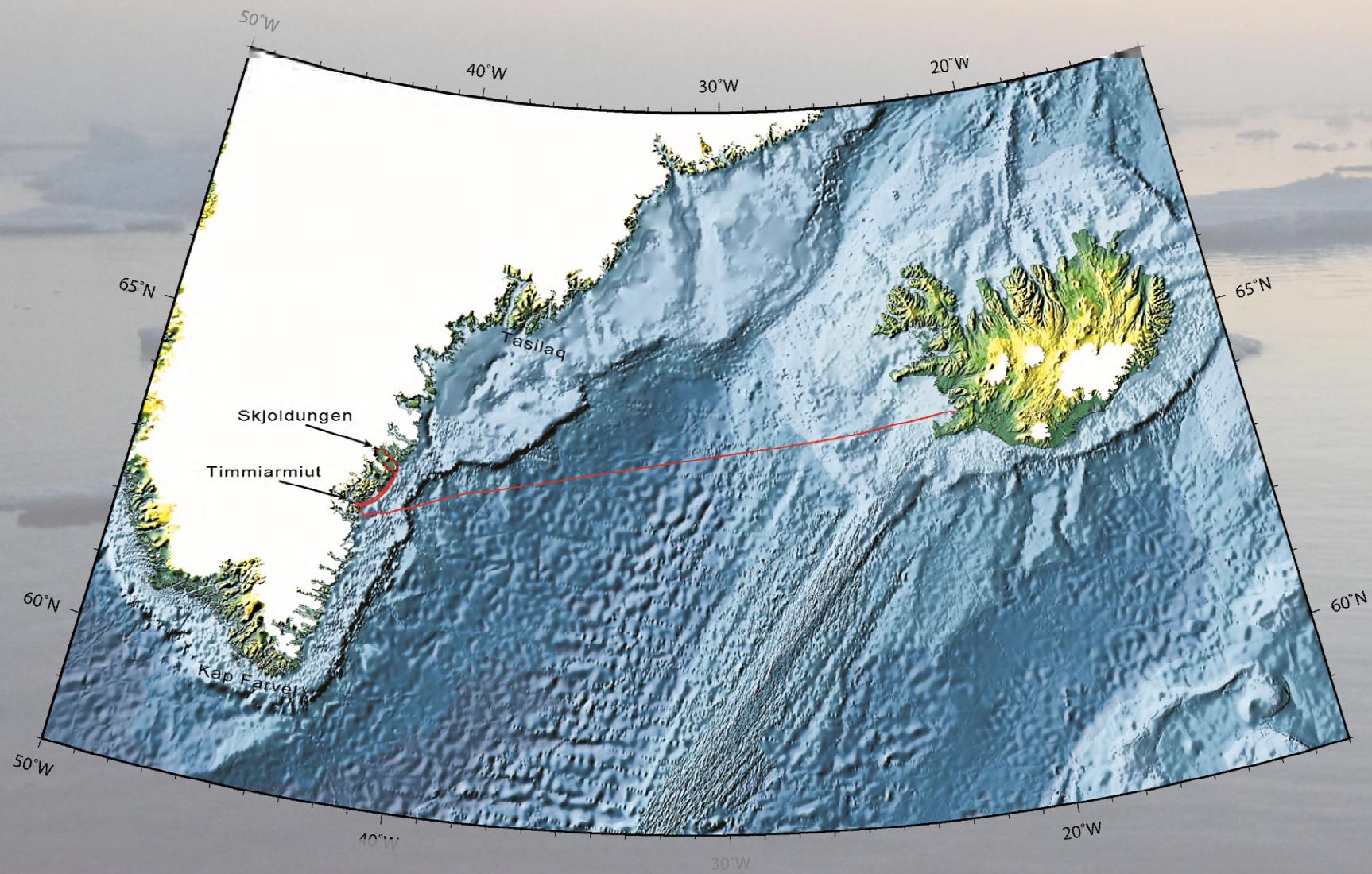
- lake coring
- sampling of salt marshes
- cosmogenic 10BE dating

Field Work "offshore"

- atmospheric water vapor isotopes
- environmental DNA
- marine sediment cores
- CTD

Multibeam - Mapping

ACTIV - 2014



ACTIV

- topsail schooner
- built 1951
- length 30 m, over all 42 m
- width 7 m
- draft 3,2 m
- weight 400 t
- crew: 6
- scientists: 11



























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multibeam System

- ELAC Seabeam 1050
- 50 kHz frequency
- 150° swath width (38° transducer-mount)
- pole over the side
- CodaOctopus F180R+ motion sensor
- Sea&Sun CTD48M
- no SSV-sensor!

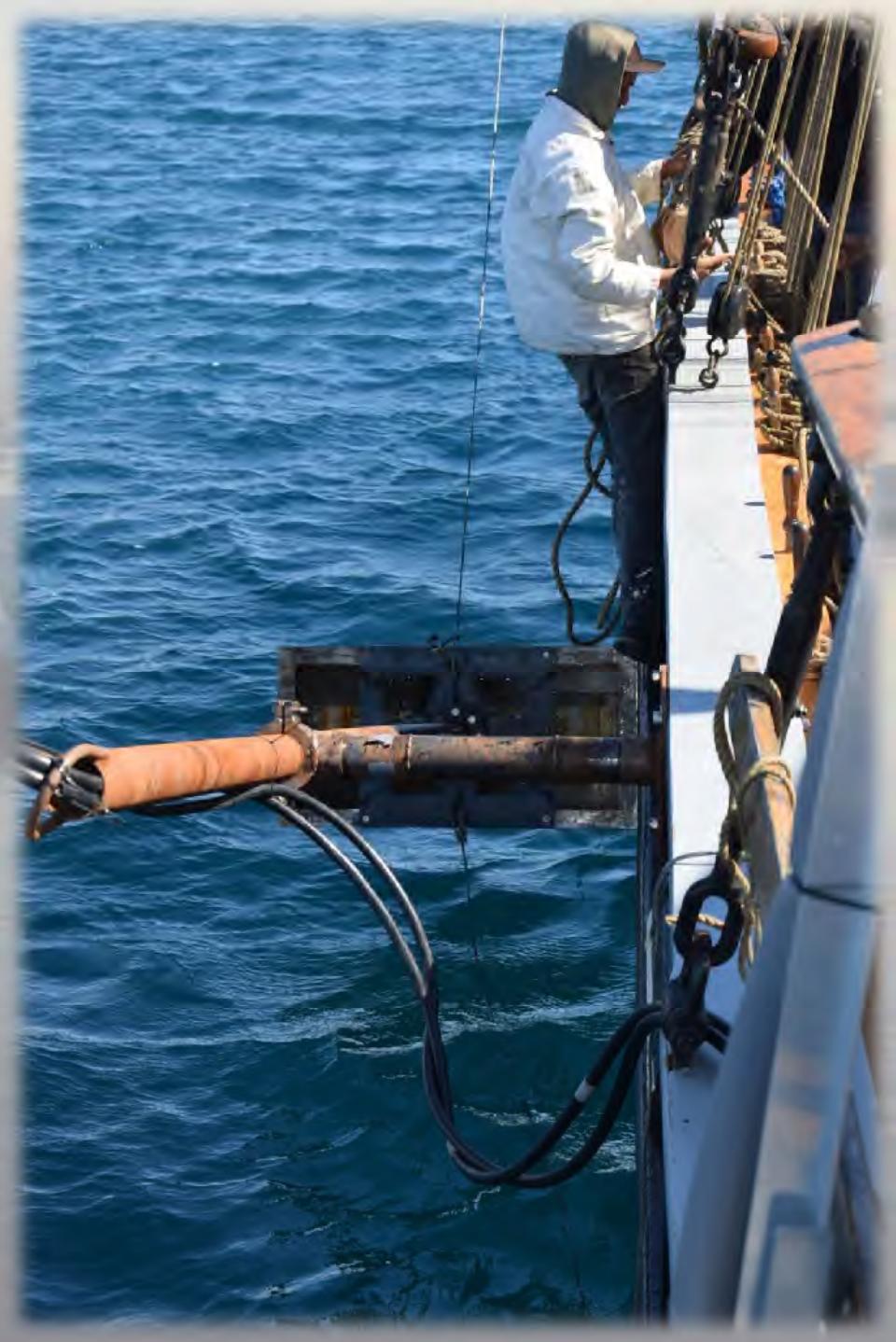


installation of
multibeam transducer













multibeam – data acquisition
and control station





"Rumohr"
- corer





CTD "winch"





*working onshore
wasn't easy as well*



FIB: *"flying inflatable boat"*



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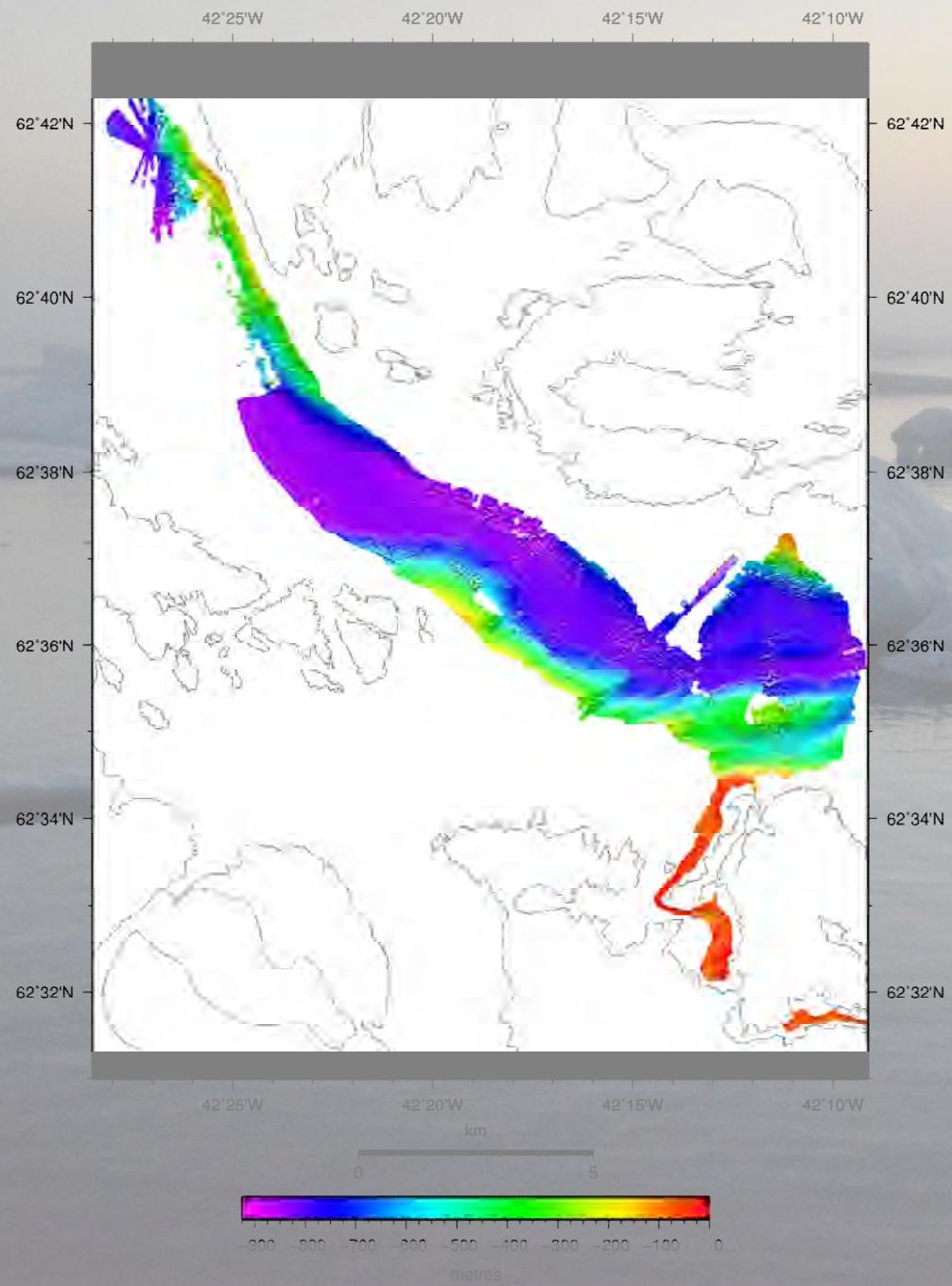


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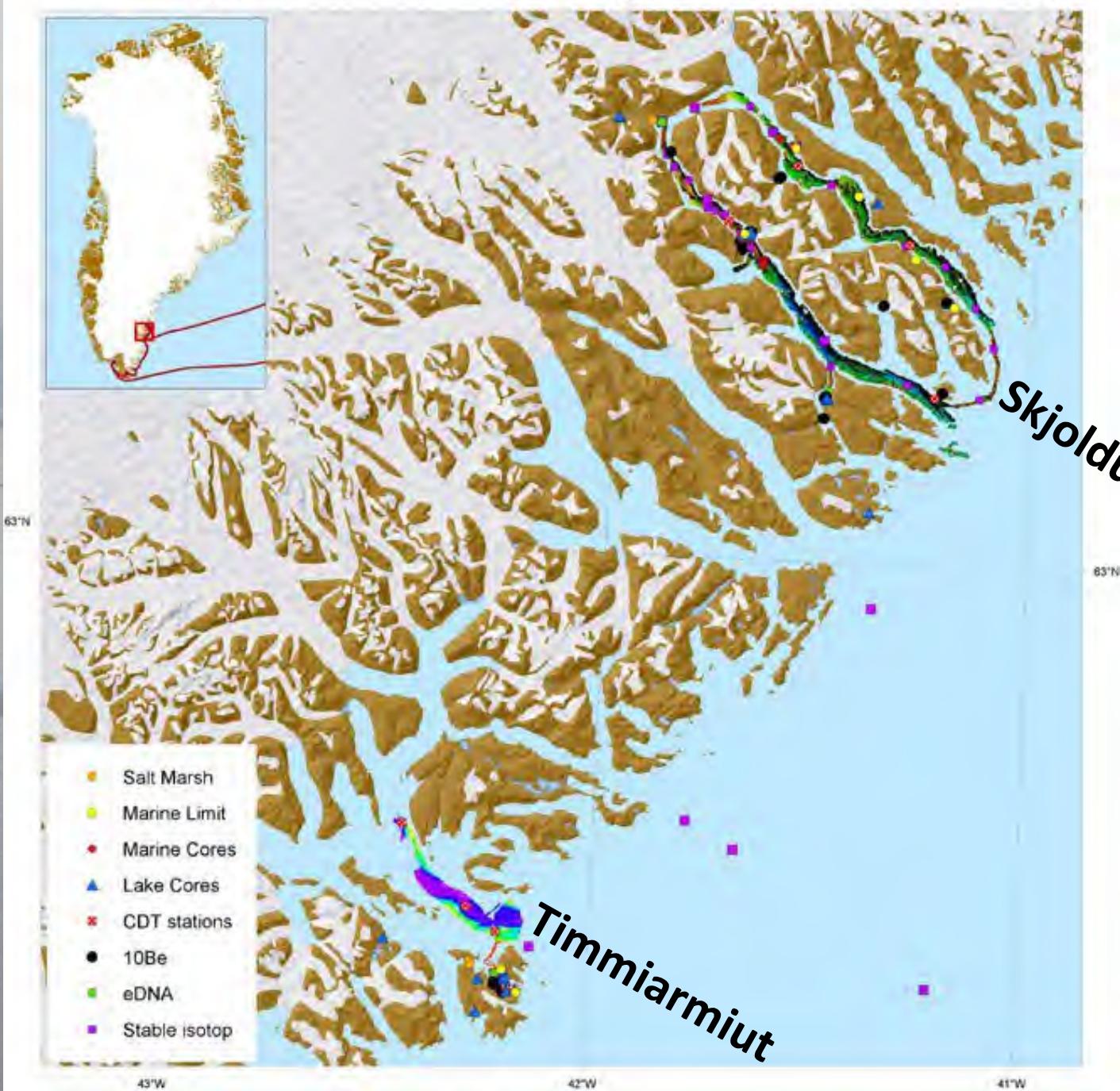
A photograph taken from the deck of a ship, looking out over the water. The ship's wooden railing and rigging are visible in the foreground. In the middle ground, several large, white icebergs of various sizes are scattered across the dark blue water. In the background, a range of mountains with patches of snow and ice stretches across the horizon under a clear blue sky.

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survey





Timmiarmiut multibeam survey





Skjoldungen - Fjord



Skjoldungen multibeam survey



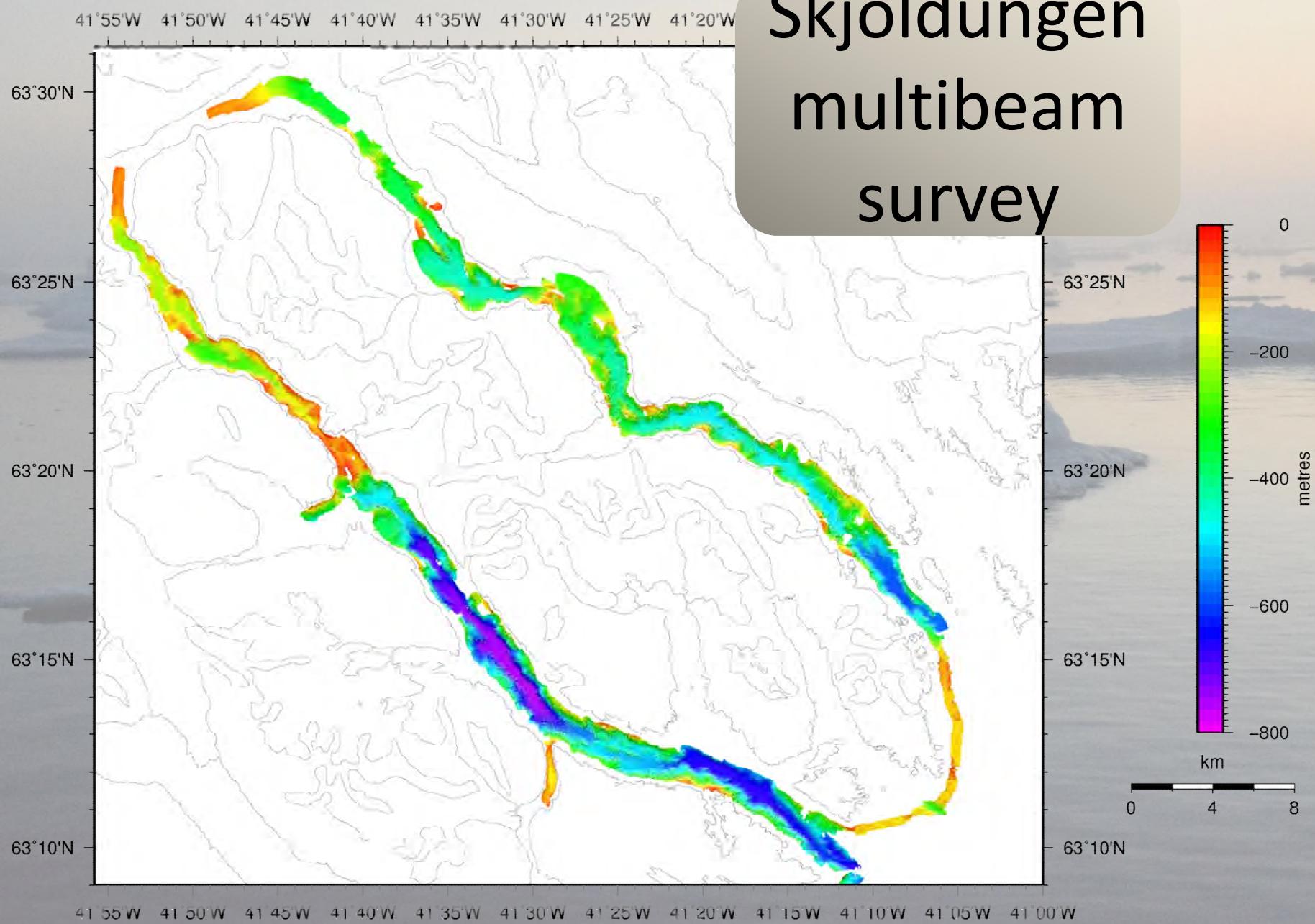




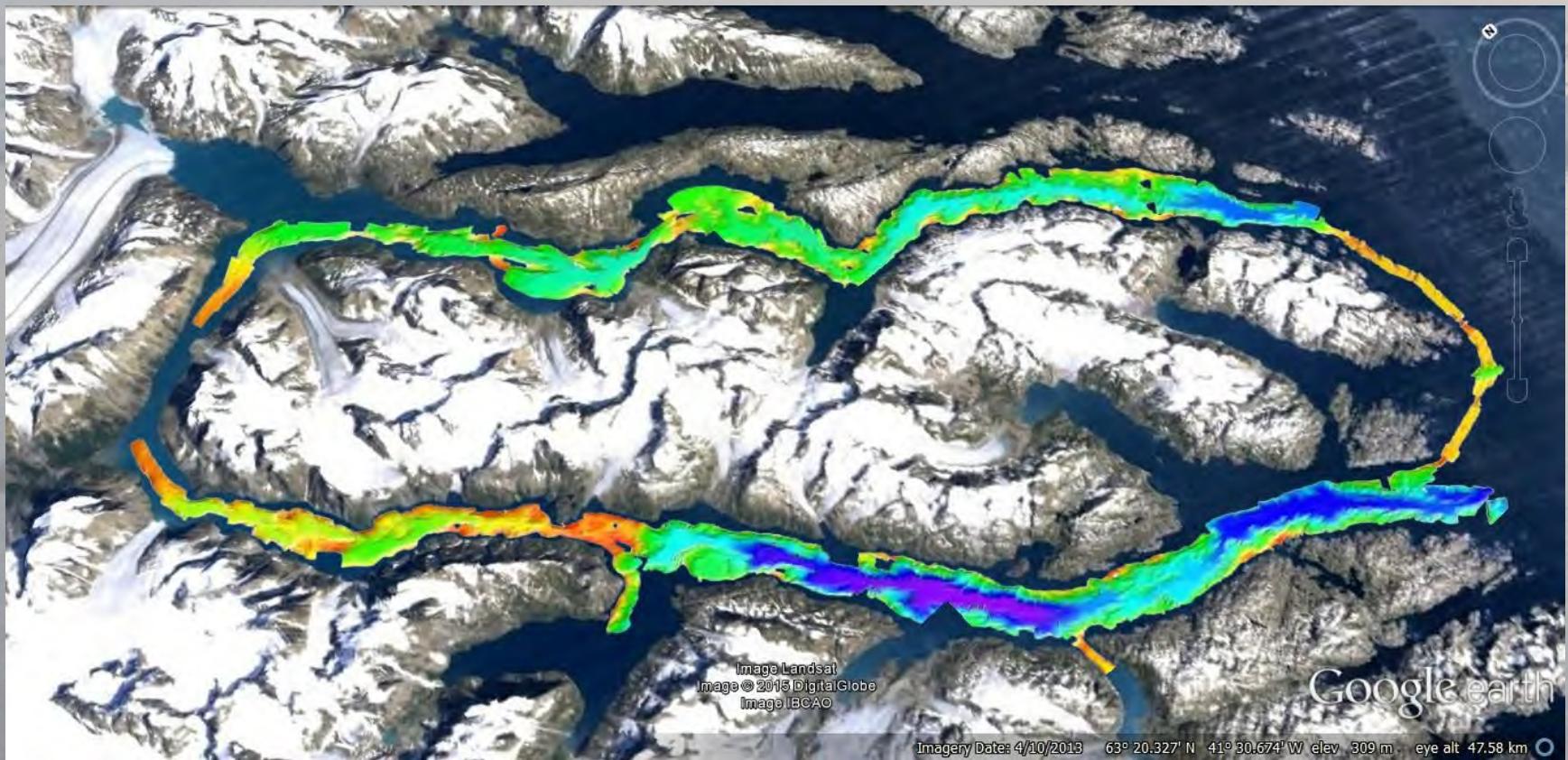




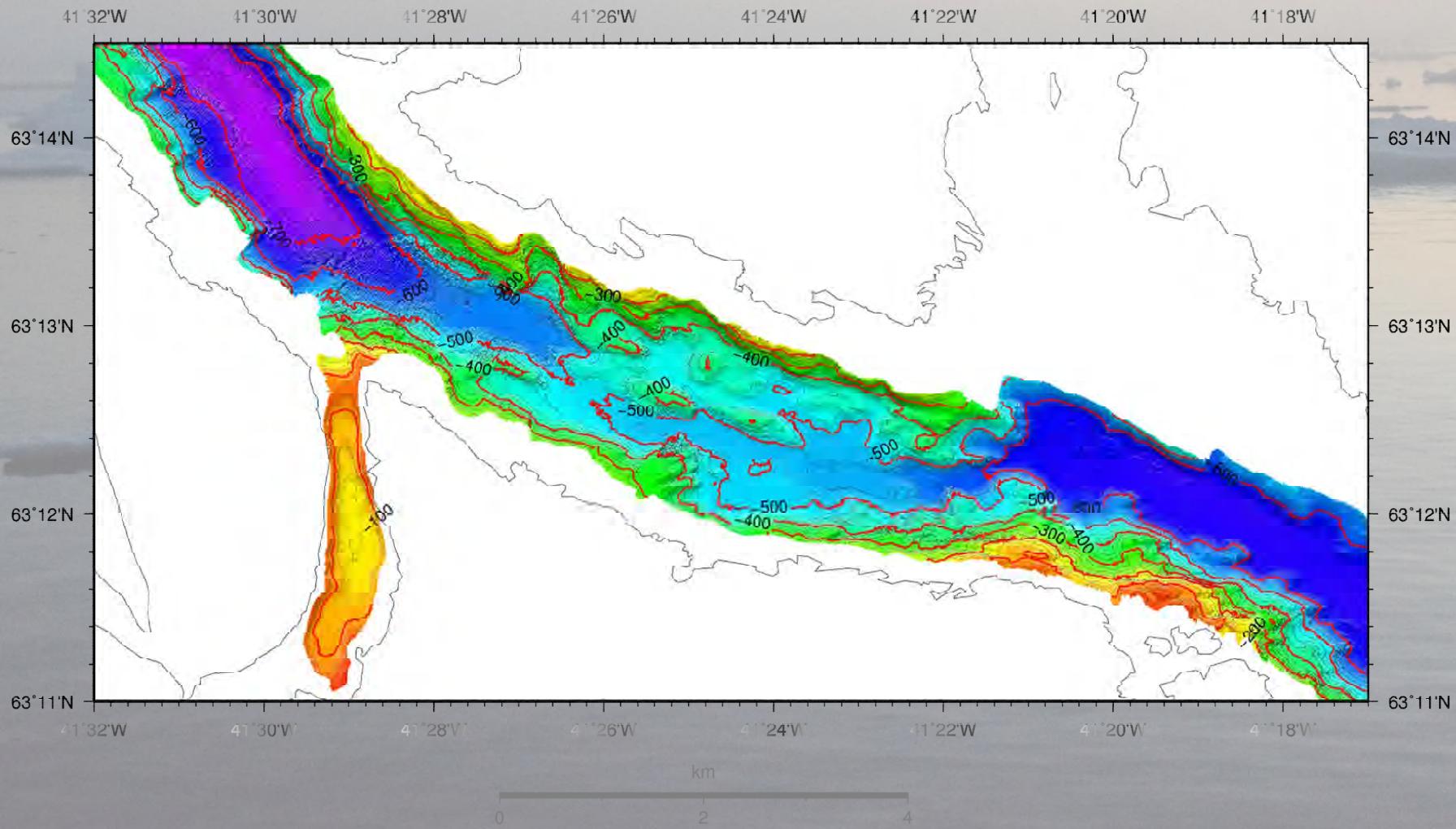
Skjoldungen multibeam survey



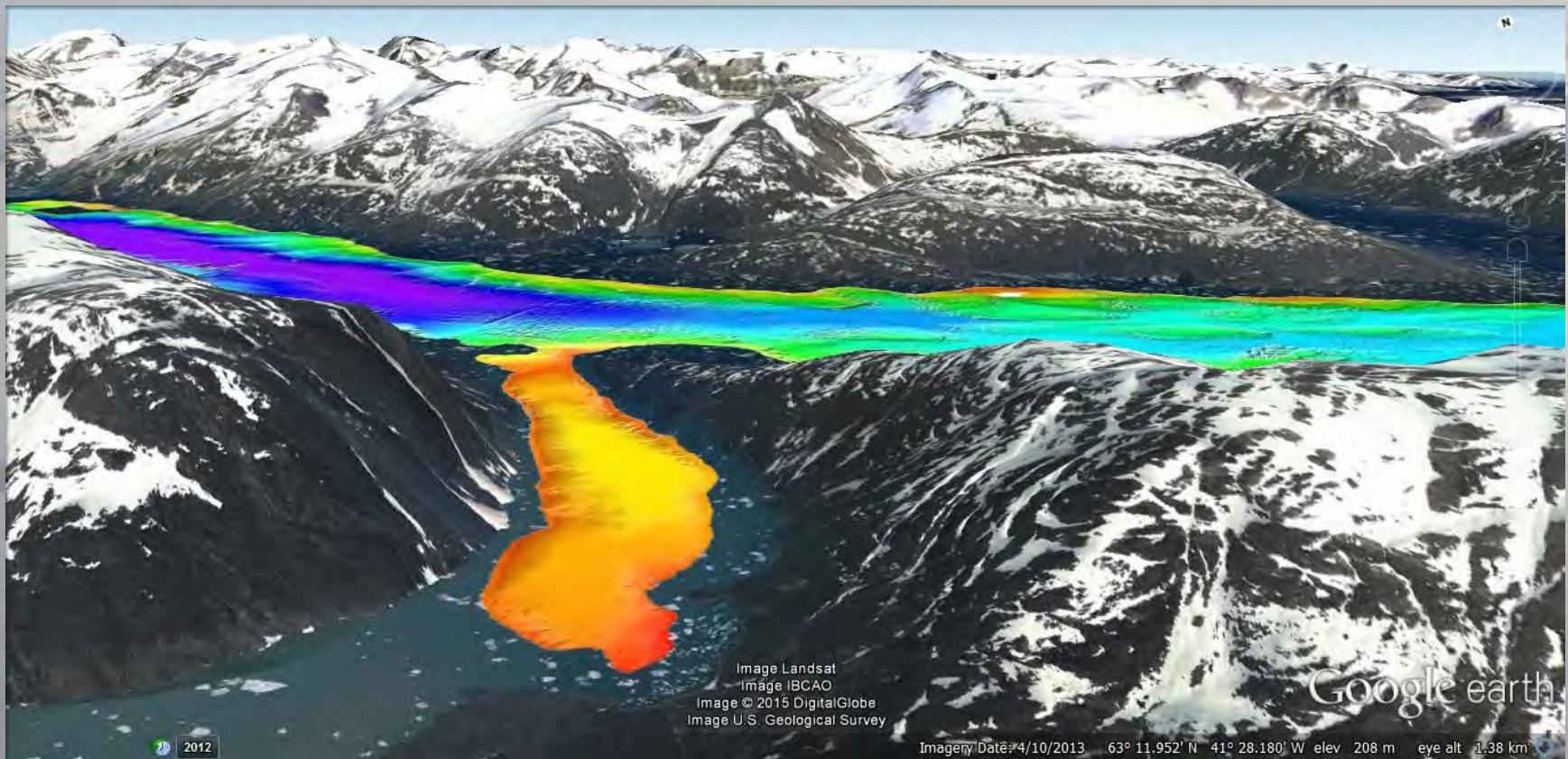
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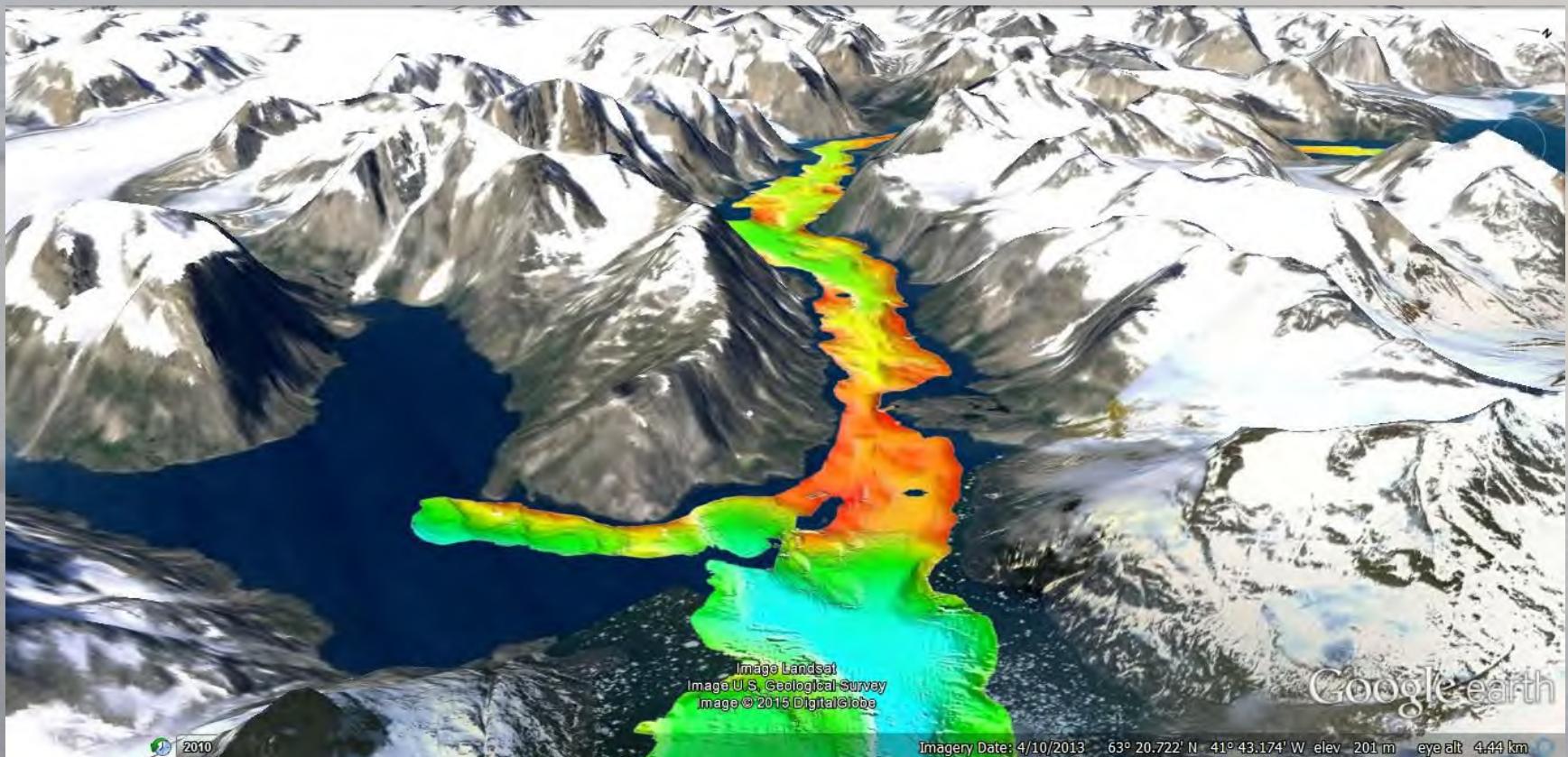
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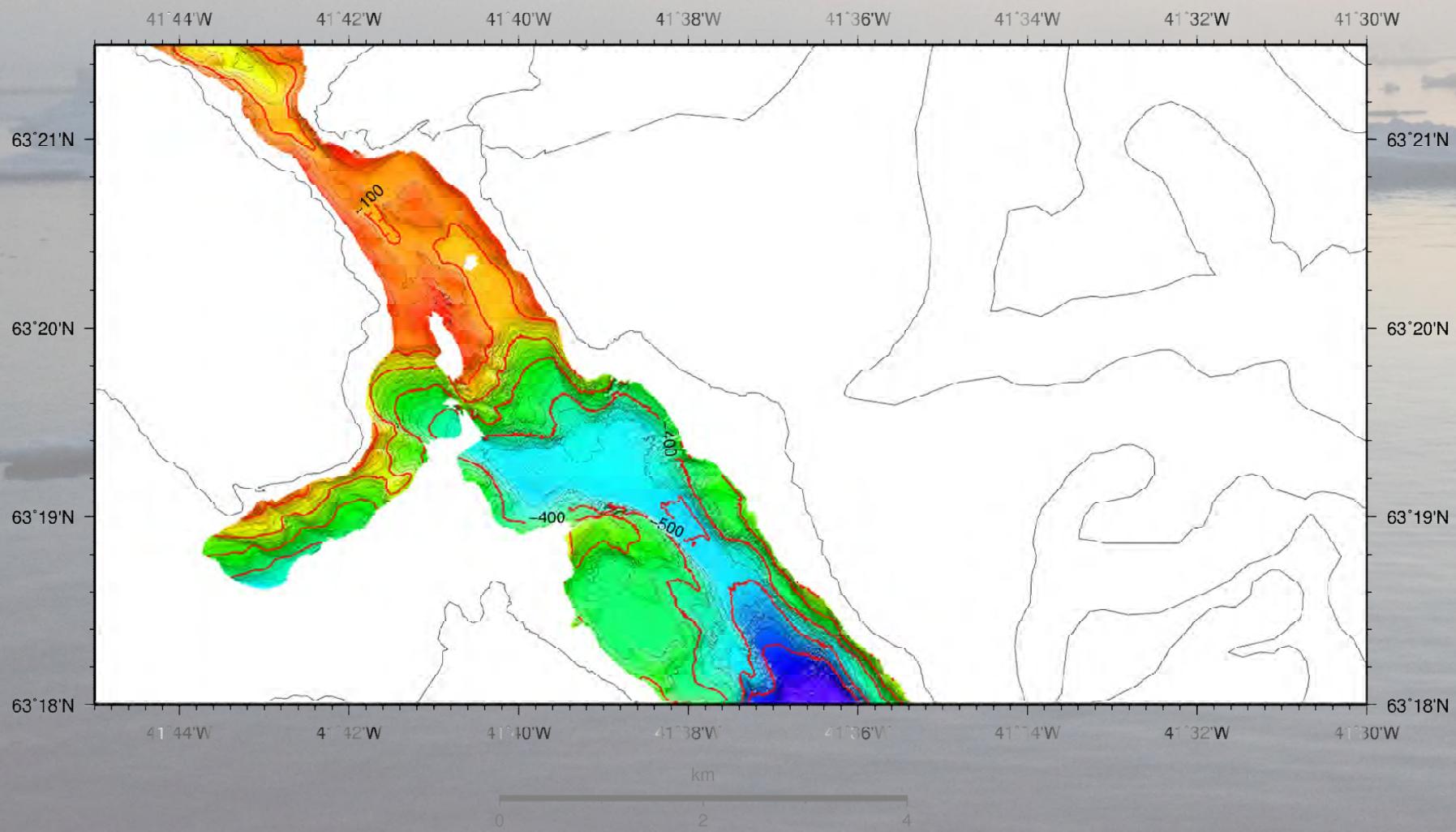
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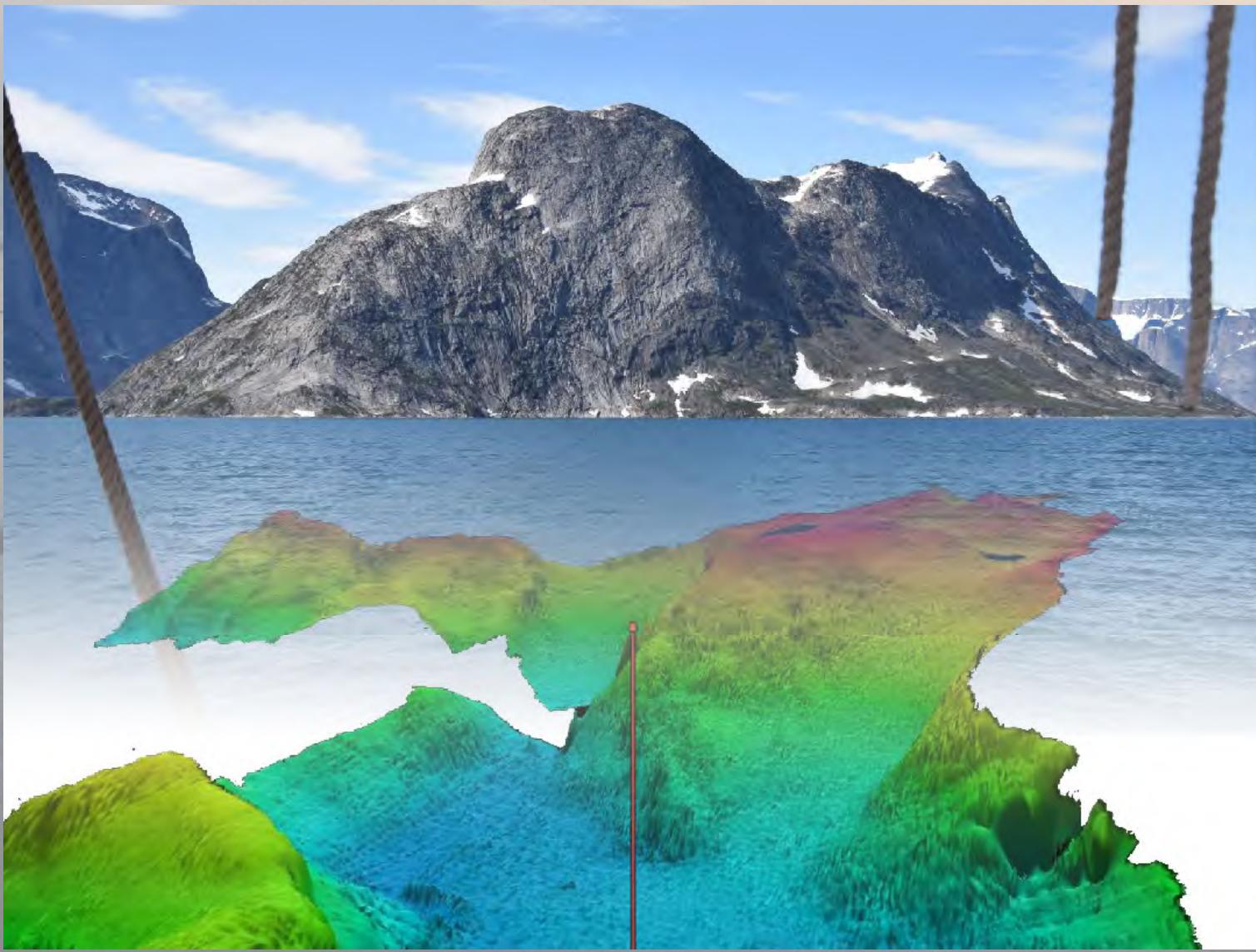
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conclusions (1)

- multibeam operation on a vintage vessel
- demanding installation
- floating ice blocks → danger to transducers
- area not suited for roll calibration
- frequent power failures
- GPS interruptions in narrow fjords

conclusions (2)

- really quiet ship
- limited bubble wash down
- multibeam results not perfect
- however: first successful mapping of previously unexplored fjords

conclusions (3)

- interesting and challenging experience
- feeling how field work might have been hundred years ago
- value the "luxury" we enjoy on our modern research and survey vessels
- value the advances in ship technology
 - winches and cranes
 - autopilot and dynamic positioning
 - email and internet



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