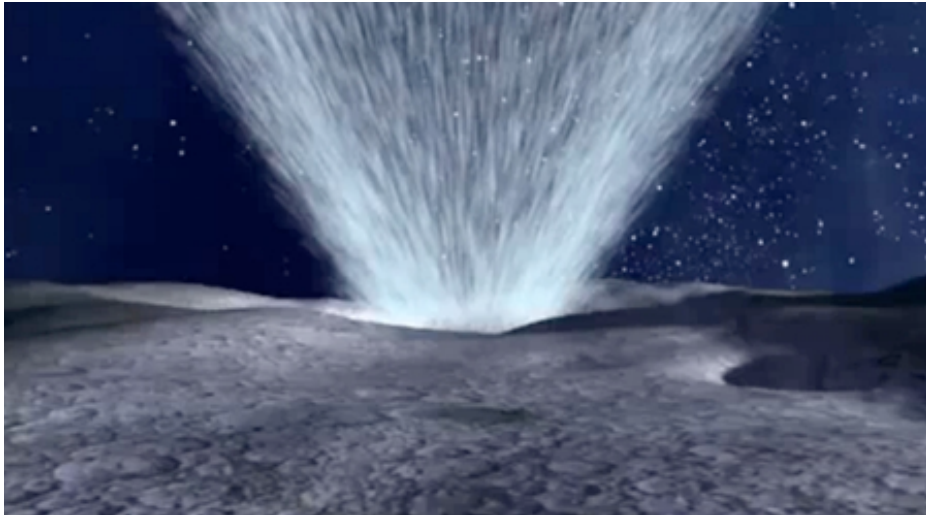


Moon explosion better than thought, say scientists

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Nasa has released more pictures of its mission to crash a craft into the moon, after initial shots of the promised fireworks show proved to be a damp squib.

New images show a mile high plume of lunar debris from the Cabeus crater.

Many observers were disappointed at the lack of spectacle.

But scientists said the £48million moon mission was to look for underground ice, "not to put on a fireworks display".

"We were blown away by the data returned," said Anthony Colaprete, the mission's chief scientist.

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