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Structural analysis of impact-related deformation in the collar rocks of the Vredefort Dome, South Africa

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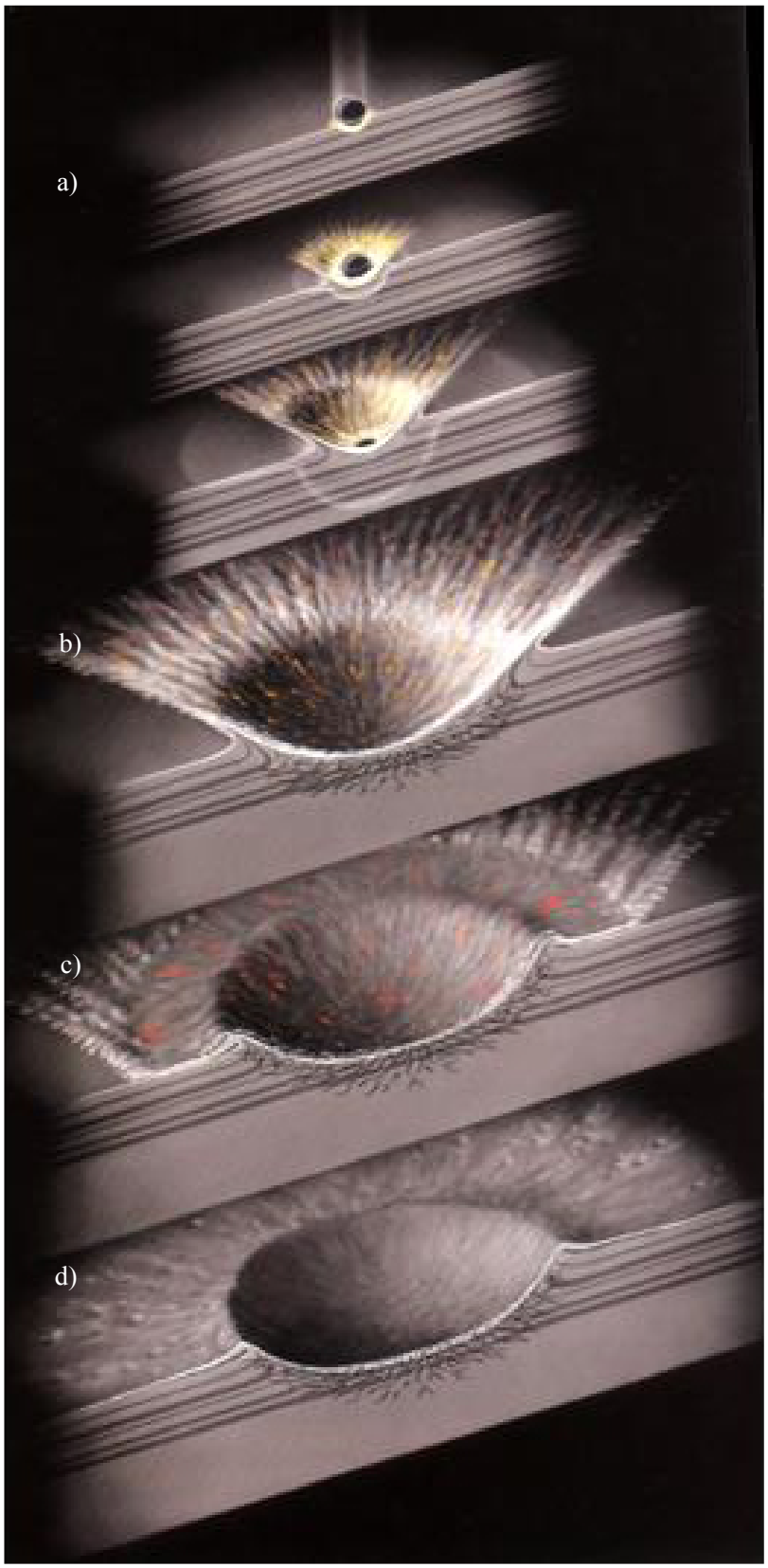


Fig. 1.4: Schematic illustration of the evolution of a simple crater. (a) The meteroite collides with the target rocks. (b) Material is ejected out of the crater, thus forming the transient cavity. (c) A simple crater is characterized by a simple bowl-dhaped morphology. (d) The final crater shows a similar shape ans size to that of the transient cavity (Source: www.nasa.gov/multimedia).