



### Towards a science and research informed resilient Aotearoa

- 1. Resilience Research
- 2. Hazards and Risk Background
- 3. Forecasting a volcanology case study
- 4. Mātauranga Māori

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# Resilience Challenge: The numbers

\$40M Funding until mid-2024

**330+** researchers

135 Students

9 Post-docs

10 programmes; 37 projects



# Ten Research Programmes



Integrated multi-hazard science

Stronger partnerships with Māori

Elevated Mātauranga Māori

**Maximising impact** 

Telling our story well



# The world is not on track to reducing risk

If current trends continue, the number of disasters per year globally may increase from around 400 in 2015 to 560 per year by 2030 – a projected increase of 40% during the lifetime of the Sendai Framework

Figure S.1. Number of disaster events 1970-2020 and projected increase 2021-2030 Future trend 600 Number of total disaster events 500 Ce 400 Ce 300 <u>C</u> 200Ce Projected increase of disaster events of 40% by 2030 970 2020 990 2000 2010 2030 Data Overall trend

Source: United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNDRR) analysis based on the International Disaster Database (EM-DAT; CRED, 2021)



# Human choices are driving vulnerability and exposure and increasing losses

The average annual direct economic loss from disasters has more than doubled over the past three decades, showing an increase of approximately 145% from an average of around \$70 billion in the 1990s to just over \$170 billion in the 2010s. However, the impacts of disasters stretch further than economic losses; they also fundamentally undermine social and ecological systems.

Figure S.4. Direct economic loss from disasters (billion \$), 1989-2020



Source: UNDRR analysis based on EM-DAT (CRED, 2021)

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### New Zealand is the perfect natural hazards laboratory!

"It does us a power of good to remind ourselves that we live on two volcanic rocks where two tectonic plates meet, in a somewhat lonely stretch of windswept ocean just above the Roaring Forties. If you want drama - you've come to the right place"

**Sir Geoffrey Palmer** 









Insurance claims from natural disasters in New Zealand, 1968-2010, excluding claims relating to the Canterbury earthquakes

Insurance claims from natural disasters in New Zealand, 1968-2011





# HAZARD VS DISASTER

a phenomenon, human activity or condition that may cause loss of life, injury or other health impacts, property damage, loss of livelihood and services, social and economic disruption, or environmental damage.

disruption of the functioning of a community or a society involving widespread human, material, economic or environmental losses and impacts, which exceeds the ability of the affected community or society to cope using its own resources



# Risk = Hazard x Exposure x Vulnerability









There is no such thing as a natural disaster, only natural hazards We make **choices** as to where we inhabit, how we build and what research we do Risk is the combination of hazard, exposure and vulnerability Death, loss and damage is the function of the context of hazard, exposure and vulnerability



(Source: UNDRR 2019)

# The Sendai Framework was adopted March 2015 to reduce the number and consequences of disasters.

Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015 - 2030



15-year, voluntary, non-binding agreement, with seven targets and four priorities for action.

Emphasis on disaster risk management instead of disaster management

Reduction of disaster risk as an expected outcome, preventing new risk, reducing existing risk and strengthening resilience

- Improved understanding of disaster risk
- Strengthening of disaster risk governance
- Recognition of stakeholders and their roles
- Building resilience: ie infrastructure, health, cultural heritage
- Strengthening of international cooperation and global partnership
- Preparedness, emergency response "Build Back Better

Measure what we value

# GAR - Recommendati Human biases and decision-making impact risk

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Design systems to factor in how human minds make decisions about risk

Towards a more resilient future

Design systems to factor in how human minds make decisions about risk

Reconfigure governance and financial systems to work across silos and design in consultation with affected people

Plan with, not against, how people take decisions about risk

- A key concept of the CDEM Act is applying the '4 Rs' (Reduction, Readiness, Response, Recovery)
- The key instruments established by the CDEM Act include:
  - establishment of a CDEM framework, including:
    - CDEM regulations
    - National CDEM Strategy
    - National CDEM Plan
    - CDEM group plans
  - appointment of a Director of CDEM
  - establishment of Civil Defence Emergency Management Groups
  - requirement for the preparation of Civil Defence Emergency Management Plans
  - setting out emergency declarations and powers including states of emergency.









1.Know your hazard

2.Determine severity of consequences

3. Evaluate likelihood of event

- 4.Risk-based approach to policy and resource consents
- 5. Monitoring & Evaluation
- Engagement strategy for each step
- Examples



#### **Regional Risk Register**

#### National Risk Register







# Hazards in reality

#### • CASCADING HAZARDS

(a primary hazard triggering one or more secondary hazards such as an earthquake triggering landslides which may block river channels with dammed lakes and ensued floods)

#### CUMULATIVE/MULTI HAZARDS

(two or more primary hazards coinciding to trigger or exacerbate secondary hazards such as an earthquake and a rainfall event simultaneously creating landslides),







# **Secondary impacts**













RESILIENCE TO NATURE'S CHALLENGES

Kia manawaroa – Ngā Ākina o Te Ao Tūroa



"This inherent complexity [of volcanoes] and the large uncertainty in the knowledge of these processes lead to the practical impossibility of predicting deterministically, or even with a small uncertainty, the onset time, location, and size of the impending eruption." (p1777)

*"Uncertainties cannot be completely eliminated….but they can be reduced significantly through <mark>the development of more reliable and skilled forecasting models</mark>." (p1800)* 

Marzocchi W & Bebbington MS (2012) Probabilistic eruption forecasting at short and long time scales. *Bulletin of volcanology*, 74(8), 1777-1805.

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## How do volcanologists forecast eruptions?



RESILIENCE TO NATURE'S CHALLENGES Kia manawaroa - Ngā Ākina o Te Ao Tūroa Kia manawaroa Challenges

# Ruapehu



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National

SCIENCE

Volcano

Medium effort/time

#### National SCIENCE Challenges

## Whakaari



Seismogram, May 2022: https://www.geonet.org.nz/volcano/monitoring/whiteisland

Area used: On island

Data to train machine learning algorithms are available but must first be vectorised from paper seismograms

Several eruption-monitoring pairs available for belief network training

Expert elicitation exists for belief networks (Christophersen et al. 2018) and potentially allowing easier application of event trees

Machine-learning algorithm already constructed for eruption onset &

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Volcano

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#### National SCIENCE Challenges

## Seismic data yet to be exploited



# How do volcanologists forecast eruptions?



# Responsibly develop as many methods as possible for each volcano to better characterize epistemic uncertainty and to cover all required eruption parameters

**Disclaimer:** The results here are based on practical implementation requirements with no implied assumption that those methods that are easiest to apply will provide the most accurate estimates. This work has addressed the matter of method feasibility; however, questions remain about which methods are most accurate and which are more likely to be trusted.



# United Nations Declaration 011 116 digenous

- How can the traditional knowledge of indigenous peoples benefit everyone?
- How can it help us achieve the Sustainable Development Goals, Climate Adaptation, Resilience etc?
- Local Adaptive Solution that are cost effective and work?
- How has indigenous knowledge been transferred and been so effective?

#### Mātauranga Māori Durie et al (2012)

Mātauranga Māori is about an evolving knowledge. What students of Mātauranga Māori should come away with is a sense that knowledge is always changing, and that there are different approaches to it. The values might be derived from long ago, but knowledge changes. There is a difference between discovering, developing, and being excited by new knowledge, and simply being told the old knowledge... But when you look back on ancient times, Mātauranga Māori was an evolving form of knowledge. You didn't survive otherwise. You had to adapt to new situations all the time.

- Long term
- Powerful at predictions locally
- Holistic
- Focused on people's wellbeing
- Nonhierarchical
- Nonlinear

### He Ha Taku Maunga, Ko Taku Manawa The Breath of my Mountain is my heart

Volcanic (Hazards) from the perspectives of indigenous peoples; A case study from the Tongariro National Park (World Heritage Area)





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Ngāti Rangi Paerangi – i – Te Whare Toka

Te Matua o Te Mana

Our ancestor is not a volcanic HAZARD A living memory of responding and recovering to events



Hunter/gatherer lifestyle of traditional and contemporary resources maintained

**Oral narratives** and traditional knowledge systems are central to assessing solutions

'A lahar is Koro sharing some of his mana with us.' Che Wilson

#### 6. **TE POU TUAONO:** RÜAUMOKO "E kore e ngaro te riringa o Ruapehu

Ka tuku te puehu, te auahi ee Ko te riri koromaki, ka naārue te when Ka puha, ka naunauru me he tai tuki ee"

Rűaumoko is the atua of our maunga Ruapehu; through Koro Ruapehu he is able to share his raw power with us. Růaumoko is responsible for the many natural occurrences that we as Ngāti Rangi experience: earthquakes, lahars, volcanic eruptions and the associated thunder and lightning events. Ngāti Rangi have lived under the mantle of Matua te Mana for many generations and with that comes an acceptance and celebration of the natural events that take place here. We live alongside both Koro Ruapehu and Rúaumoko and have placed our pã and kāinga some distance 6.1.2 No new buildings will be erected in known lahar paths from the pathways of volcanic events.

Our main issues around this area lie with the approach taken to address and mitigate Ruaumoko's events, termed by managers as "natural disasters" or "hazards". Other issues not included in here are

· Volcanic monitoring and research

Disaster response

#### NGÅ TAKE - ISSUES 6.1 MANAGEMENT OF NATURAL EVENTS

It is Ngāti Rangi's view that Rūaumoko's processes are natural, and should be allow to occur. Rüaumoko was, after all, in existence before humans. We consider that 'natural hazard management' should not so much be a matter of constraining natural processes in order to protect humans but of removing ourselves and our buildings from areas of risk in order to let these processes occur as intended. In some ways, the designation of tapu areas is a recognition that those areas are not necessarily safe and should

probably be avoided.

NGÅ WHÅINGA - OBJECTIVES · The natural processes of Ruapehu as a volcano ar

not restricted by human intervention



Artwork by Rangihikitia O'Neil

#### **KAUPAPA TOHU - POLICIES** MANAGEMENT OF NATURAL EVENTS

6.1.1 Ruapehu Maunga will not be altered or tampered with in any way as part of any management strategy as a means to divert or withhold the flow of a lahar.

6.1.3 Monitoring and management of natural events in connection with Rüaumoko will involve Ngâti Rangi.

#### NGÅ TURE - RULES RUAUMORC

Management of Natural Events 6.1.1.1 Ruapehu maunga will not undergo any physical works, or have any structure installed as part of any emergency management strategies, to divert or withhold the flow of a lahar.

6.1.2.1 New consents will not be granted for building within known lahar paths.



The 2007 lahar in the Whangaehu River, Karioi Photo: Keith Wood

Community, iwi and hapū connections Family-based networks enhanced

Ngati Rangi Volcano Monitoring Instrumentation All data sent to Ngati Rangi Servers



#### Legend

- Rotokura Temp/Conductivity
- Managiwai Webcam/pH
- Te Awa O Whangaehu pH/Conductivity

8 km

- Te Wai a Moe Webcam/Infra-red
- 🐇 Tirorangi Stage Gauge

Te Wai a Moe - Webcam/Infra-red

Te Awa O Whangaehu - pH/Conductivity Rotokura - Temp/Conductivity

Tangiwai - Webcam/pH

Tirorangi - Stage Gauge

Google earth

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### Future work -Incorporating traditional indicators alongside Western Science statistical forecasts



### Observation of tohu

# Statistical forecast model built on tohu observations

# Māori Disaster Risk Reduction and Resilience Research in Aotearoa, New Zealand

- Research is about building the foundations to make fundamental change in society
- Māori researchers create new knowledge alongside creating new mātauranga Māori
- We can explore local knowledge, local solutions and mātauranga-a-iwi and hapū to examine how robust it is to transfer to new solutions
- Māori DRR research takes a long view and focuses on creating new knowledge and tools that will Initiate changes that enable tangta whenua and wider Aotearoa New Zealand to be more resilient to future events, over multiple generations



"Innovation curve" – from destructive to regenerative approaches

(Source: UNDRR 2019)

