The Baltoro Glacier, Karakoram Range, Pakistan

At 63 kilometers the Baltoro is the world's second longest non-polar glacier.

The glacier is a popular trekking route as well as providing access to the K2 Basecamp for climbs of the 8611 meter peak (out of frame to the left in the image below). Camps on the route are shown as triangle on the map at lower left.

This panorama was probably made early in the twentieth century. Multiple prints were spliced together to give the better than 180 degree view you see here. It appears to be a contact print from the original negatives, meaning the camera and its accessories likely weighed over 100 pounds.

The framed panorama is a digitally restored copy of the heavily water-damaged original now stored in the Bentley Library.

The Baltoro Glacier and the surrounding region from the International Space Station. Aerial view of the Baltoro Glacier and the surrounding region.

