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00:00:10,690 --> 00:00:09,459
fantastic thank you very much Lucy it

2
00:00:11,860 --> 00:00:10,700
wasn't until this morning that I

3
00:00:14,530 --> 00:00:11,870
realized there might be some

4
00:00:16,480 --> 00:00:14,540
expectations about how awesome this talk

5
00:00:18,249 --> 00:00:16,490
might be and that was a really

6
00:00:20,400 --> 00:00:18,259
terrifying thought so please take any

7
00:00:22,960 --> 00:00:20,410
expectations and kick them out the door

8
00:00:24,190 --> 00:00:22,970
I'm in that purgatory right now as a

9
00:00:25,780 --> 00:00:24,200
graduate student where I don't have a

10
00:00:27,729 --> 00:00:25,790
lot of results but I have awesome

11
00:00:29,260 --> 00:00:27,739
background to share with you if you were

12
00:00:31,030 --> 00:00:29,270
at fame lab last night then you know

13
00:00:33,729 --> 00:00:31,040

that my field site is in the Canadian

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00:00:35,440 --> 00:00:33,739

High Arctic it's a place where elemental

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00:00:37,720 --> 00:00:35,450

sulfur has been found on the surface of

16

00:00:40,630 --> 00:00:37,730

the ice and is considered as an analogue

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00:00:42,880 --> 00:00:40,640

to Europa and I would also argue also as

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00:00:44,260 --> 00:00:42,890

an analog to Mars I won't discuss that

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00:00:46,569 --> 00:00:44,270

in this talk if you'd like to talk about

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00:00:48,970 --> 00:00:46,579

it I can discuss those things later over

21

00:00:51,010 --> 00:00:48,980

a lot of beers this is where my field

22

00:00:52,870 --> 00:00:51,020

site is located so North America you can

23

00:00:55,360 --> 00:00:52,880

see Greenland there's Ella's Muir Island

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00:00:56,860 --> 00:00:55,370

almost the top of the world I thought it

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00:00:58,120 --> 00:00:56,870

was the highest land mass in the planet

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00:00:59,139 --> 00:00:58,130

but there are two little islands of

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00:01:02,139 --> 00:00:59,149

green line that go a little bit further

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00:01:04,389 --> 00:01:02,149

north towards the North Pole but it's 81

29

00:01:06,069 --> 00:01:04,399

degrees north you can see here looking

30

00:01:08,350 --> 00:01:06,079

down from the Karman line at 100

31

00:01:10,599 --> 00:01:08,360

kilometers the structure of this

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00:01:11,950 --> 00:01:10,609

north-south trending Valley there are

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00:01:14,709 --> 00:01:11,960

mountains on the east and in the West

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00:01:16,179 --> 00:01:14,719

where alpine glaciers are coming down

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00:01:18,669 --> 00:01:16,189

out of the mountain system in forming

36

00:01:20,859 --> 00:01:18,679

this large coalescence glacier in the

37

00:01:22,870 --> 00:01:20,869

valley and it's on this glacier where

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00:01:25,419 --> 00:01:22,880

these large deposits of elemental sulfur

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00:01:27,819 --> 00:01:25,429

are found around these sulfide Springs

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00:01:30,399 --> 00:01:27,829

and I'm sorry for not having a scale bar

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00:01:32,739 --> 00:01:30,409

here but this is a rather large deposit

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00:01:35,499 --> 00:01:32,749

of elemental sulfur seen in 2006

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00:01:37,599 --> 00:01:35,509

observed that year by satellite through

44

00:01:40,179 --> 00:01:37,609

hyperspectral imaging and also seen in

45

00:01:42,190 --> 00:01:40,189

2007 in the same region so we can

46

00:01:45,099 --> 00:01:42,200

identify this sulfur on the surface from

47

00:01:47,109 --> 00:01:45,109

space with satellites this is a picture

48

00:01:49,419 --> 00:01:47,119

that looks kind of terrible now on this

49

00:01:51,879 --> 00:01:49,429

screen that I just took a few weeks ago

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00:01:53,980 --> 00:01:51,889

at my field site again you can see this

51
00:01:56,169 --> 00:01:53,990
large icing here where there's yellow

52
00:01:58,209 --> 00:01:56,179
elemental sulfur on the surface of the

53
00:02:00,789 --> 00:01:58,219
glacier to give you a little scale this

54
00:02:02,169 --> 00:02:00,799
is me standing beside it I'll go back so

55
00:02:03,399 --> 00:02:02,179
i'll be standing up in the corner up

56
00:02:04,659 --> 00:02:03,409
here it's basically like the same

57
00:02:06,999 --> 00:02:04,669
structure standing right there and a

58
00:02:08,589 --> 00:02:07,009
little dot so you can see me standing

59
00:02:10,120 --> 00:02:08,599
beside some of this yellow software

60
00:02:12,280 --> 00:02:10,130
where it comes off the side of the

61
00:02:14,949 --> 00:02:12,290
glacier fills a small marine and goes

62
00:02:17,199 --> 00:02:14,959
down through a valley here's another

63
00:02:19,450 --> 00:02:17,209

look from helicopter when we were flying

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00:02:21,070 --> 00:02:19,460

in and looking down there's a

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00:02:23,980 --> 00:02:21,080

circular spot up on top of it kind of

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00:02:25,420 --> 00:02:23,990

like a lip side that's we called the

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00:02:28,000 --> 00:02:25,430

blister this year we've never seen that

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00:02:29,800 --> 00:02:28,010

form before except for this year on the

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00:02:32,740 --> 00:02:29,810

glacier we don't know why it formed yet

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00:02:34,870 --> 00:02:32,750

our current hypothesis is that these

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00:02:37,660 --> 00:02:34,880

things form kind of like lava tubes in

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00:02:40,180 --> 00:02:37,670

the wintertime form large icings under

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00:02:42,130 --> 00:02:40,190

the snow deposit elemental sulfur under

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00:02:43,690 --> 00:02:42,140

the snow and once the snow melts in the

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00:02:45,730 --> 00:02:43,700

summer we then see all this elemental

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00:02:47,590 --> 00:02:45,740

sulfur and it's still being formed

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00:02:49,540 --> 00:02:47,600

because as you might know from last

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00:02:52,240 --> 00:02:49,550

night there was a blow out of the one

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00:02:53,770 --> 00:02:52,250

crevasse near me while I was there we

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00:02:55,720 --> 00:02:53,780

went back and investigated that region

81

00:02:58,120 --> 00:02:55,730

we watched it over the next few days and

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00:02:59,920 --> 00:02:58,130

saw sulfur forming on top of that fresh

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00:03:02,200 --> 00:02:59,930

snow and so I have samples of that

84

00:03:04,180 --> 00:03:02,210

sulfur now to work with as well one

85

00:03:05,560 --> 00:03:04,190

thing for anyone who understands the

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00:03:07,690 --> 00:03:05,570

environmental concentrations of hydrogen

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00:03:10,480 --> 00:03:07,700

sulfide you will note that this is a

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00:03:12,640 --> 00:03:10,490

really high value that's the highest

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00:03:14,740 --> 00:03:12,650

amount of sulfide or hydrogen sulfide

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00:03:16,600 --> 00:03:14,750

found in any cold spring in North

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00:03:18,310 --> 00:03:16,610

America to my knowledge I've never heard

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00:03:20,020 --> 00:03:18,320

of anyone finding any more than that and

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00:03:21,580 --> 00:03:20,030

so when you're standing there it smells

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00:03:23,710 --> 00:03:21,590

just like being in Yellowstone it smells

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00:03:25,630 --> 00:03:23,720

like hydrogen sulfide and the question

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00:03:27,160 --> 00:03:25,640

originally about this field site is

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00:03:29,470 --> 00:03:27,170

where where is all this software coming

98

00:03:31,750 --> 00:03:29,480

from on the lab there is a geological

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00:03:33,280 --> 00:03:31,760

map of the valley so you can see the

100

00:03:34,420 --> 00:03:33,290

general structure of the glacier I have

101
00:03:36,520 --> 00:03:34,430
a yellow circle showing where the

102
00:03:39,130 --> 00:03:36,530
springs are located there are only

103
00:03:41,680 --> 00:03:39,140
really two large software sources in

104
00:03:43,510 --> 00:03:41,690
this region geologically most of the

105
00:03:45,940 --> 00:03:43,520
rock around the valley is carbonate rock

106
00:03:49,240 --> 00:03:45,950
there's some lime stones from plastics

107
00:03:52,060 --> 00:03:49,250
and some small intervening shales shell

108
00:03:54,910 --> 00:03:52,070
has sulfur in usually but not nearly

109
00:03:57,040 --> 00:03:54,920
enough software to form the masses of

110
00:03:59,290 --> 00:03:57,050
software we found every summer in the

111
00:04:02,920 --> 00:03:59,300
Arctic here by the way this was first in

112
00:04:04,450 --> 00:04:02,930
1988 first observed on foot in 1999 so

113
00:04:08,350 --> 00:04:04,460

he things been happening every summer

114

00:04:10,030 --> 00:04:08,360

for almost 30 years so anyway there's

115

00:04:11,530 --> 00:04:10,040

two regions in the area these two

116

00:04:13,720 --> 00:04:11,540

geological units in the area that have

117

00:04:16,479 --> 00:04:13,730

sulfur in and high concentrations are

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00:04:19,060 --> 00:04:16,489

both anhydrate layers that contain a lot

119

00:04:21,130 --> 00:04:19,070

of calcium sulfate and so one is the

120

00:04:23,620 --> 00:04:21,140

Mount Bailey formation it outcrops

121

00:04:25,870 --> 00:04:23,630

nearby about 19 kilometers away but

122

00:04:28,000 --> 00:04:25,880

stratigraphically so in the layers of

123

00:04:30,460 --> 00:04:28,010

the rock record it should pinch out and

124

00:04:32,620 --> 00:04:30,470

end long before it gets the 19

125

00:04:33,040 --> 00:04:32,630

kilometers to my valley the only other

126

00:04:34,570 --> 00:04:33,050

call

127

00:04:36,700 --> 00:04:34,580

pretend the one that we think is really

128

00:04:38,680 --> 00:04:36,710

the source of all this sulfur in the

129

00:04:41,469 --> 00:04:38,690

form of sulfate is the auto few word

130

00:04:43,899 --> 00:04:41,479

formation outcrops 21 kilometers away

131

00:04:46,119 --> 00:04:43,909

but is extensive in the region there is

132

00:04:48,100 --> 00:04:46,129

dire ISM that occurs with auto fuel

133

00:04:50,499 --> 00:04:48,110

formation that's where for in this case

134

00:04:52,779 --> 00:04:50,509

like a salt would move up through the

135

00:04:53,740 --> 00:04:52,789

rock and form large tubes basically

136

00:04:56,499 --> 00:04:53,750

because it's lighter than the rock

137

00:04:58,089 --> 00:04:56,509

around it and so it moves up but those

138

00:05:00,730 --> 00:04:58,099

those die appears in the region are all

139

00:05:02,770 --> 00:05:00,740

ten kilometers wide and cause a lot of

140

00:05:04,629 --> 00:05:02,780

structural variation geologically we

141

00:05:06,249 --> 00:05:04,639

think we would see here in this region

142

00:05:08,379 --> 00:05:06,259

if that was happening so we think the

143

00:05:10,659 --> 00:05:08,389

fluids might have to travel a kilometer

144

00:05:13,059 --> 00:05:10,669

and a half into the subsurface to

145

00:05:15,070 --> 00:05:13,069

circulate around to take sulfate out and

146

00:05:17,619 --> 00:05:15,080

bring that sulfate that's sulfur source

147

00:05:19,180 --> 00:05:17,629

back to the surface but if there is

148

00:05:21,999 --> 00:05:19,190

sulfate then we have to figure out how

149

00:05:24,399 --> 00:05:22,009

we get from sulfate to saw find that h₂s

150

00:05:26,950 --> 00:05:24,409

I told you about well sulfate can be

151
00:05:28,990 --> 00:05:26,960
reduced to sulfide in two ways through

152
00:05:31,659 --> 00:05:29,000
thermochemical sulfate reduction through

153
00:05:33,670 --> 00:05:31,669
biological sulfate reduction in this

154
00:05:36,189 --> 00:05:33,680
region the permafrost is about 500

155
00:05:38,170 --> 00:05:36,199
meters thick the geotherm or the change

156
00:05:40,200 --> 00:05:38,180
in temperature going down to the rocks

157
00:05:42,939 --> 00:05:40,210
it's about 22 degrees Celsius per

158
00:05:45,490 --> 00:05:42,949
kilometer which means that it would take

159
00:05:47,350 --> 00:05:45,500
about seven kilometers into the

160
00:05:49,330 --> 00:05:47,360
subsurface for thermochemical sulfate

161
00:05:51,100 --> 00:05:49,340
reduction to happen for anyone who

162
00:05:53,320 --> 00:05:51,110
understands geophysics that's way too

163
00:05:54,909 --> 00:05:53,330

deep at that point the rocks are pushing

164

00:05:57,459 --> 00:05:54,919

too hard for water to get into the

165

00:05:59,830 --> 00:05:57,469

subsurface so we think is going on is

166

00:06:02,080 --> 00:05:59,840

biological sulfate reduction it makes

167

00:06:04,059 --> 00:06:02,090

sense as a pathway and it also is

168

00:06:05,649 --> 00:06:04,069

supported by isotopic data I'm glad

169

00:06:07,300 --> 00:06:05,659

Bradley gave you an introduction the

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00:06:10,510 --> 00:06:07,310

isotopes and what Delta means I don't

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00:06:13,420 --> 00:06:10,520

have to explain this for Delta s this is

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00:06:17,230 --> 00:06:13,430

Delta 34 software it's measuring the 34

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00:06:18,760 --> 00:06:17,240

software versus 32 sulphur in this

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00:06:21,580 --> 00:06:18,770

figure you can see at the auto floor dan

175

00:06:23,709 --> 00:06:21,590

hydrate again is our culprit gypsum

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00:06:26,290 --> 00:06:23,719

precipitate gypsum is calcium sulfate

177

00:06:27,610 --> 00:06:26,300

dihydrate so it's remnants off eight in

178

00:06:29,890 --> 00:06:27,620

the spring water that's coming out and

179

00:06:33,430 --> 00:06:29,900

forming precipitates on the surface

180

00:06:35,800 --> 00:06:33,440

appears to be enriched in 34 sulfur

181

00:06:37,990 --> 00:06:35,810

whereas the sulfide and the software

182

00:06:41,379 --> 00:06:38,000

coming out themselves are much lower or

183

00:06:43,420 --> 00:06:41,389

depleted in 34 sulfur suggesting that

184

00:06:46,810 --> 00:06:43,430

microbes are taking this anhydride and

185

00:06:47,110 --> 00:06:46,820

are reducing the sulfate so that this is

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00:06:51,580 --> 00:06:47,120

lie

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00:06:53,530 --> 00:06:51,590

and this is heavy and this is supported

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00:06:55,480 --> 00:06:53,540

by another feature in the region that I

189

00:06:57,189 --> 00:06:55,490

haven't talked about a lot to anyone

190

00:06:59,560 --> 00:06:57,199

here at the conference yet that we've

191

00:07:02,500 --> 00:06:59,570

called paleo pipes some people in the

192

00:07:04,330 --> 00:07:02,510

audience who do paleo work won't like me

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00:07:06,990 --> 00:07:04,340

using this word to describe these things

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00:07:09,939 --> 00:07:07,000

in this case these pipes are at most

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00:07:12,520 --> 00:07:09,949

7,500 years old so not millions or

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00:07:14,680 --> 00:07:12,530

billions but these are alterations

197

00:07:16,930 --> 00:07:14,690

features we found in the region near the

198

00:07:19,600 --> 00:07:16,940

toe of the glacier that appeared to

199

00:07:22,029 --> 00:07:19,610

possibly be passed pipes where fluids

200

00:07:24,070 --> 00:07:22,039

had flowed up through the subsurface and

201
00:07:26,080 --> 00:07:24,080
contacted the glacier and when the

202
00:07:28,210 --> 00:07:26,090
glacier moved away these pipes were left

203
00:07:29,590 --> 00:07:28,220
sitting out in the environment and so

204
00:07:31,600 --> 00:07:29,600
when we see these structures there's the

205
00:07:33,790 --> 00:07:31,610
carbonate rock out around that carbon

206
00:07:36,129 --> 00:07:33,800
troc starts to mix with gypsum and we

207
00:07:38,469 --> 00:07:36,139
see iron oxide iron oxy hydroxides

208
00:07:40,480 --> 00:07:38,479
around and that red rim you might see

209
00:07:43,029 --> 00:07:40,490
around the feature in the top left there

210
00:07:44,950 --> 00:07:43,039
in the center it's a lot of gypsum some

211
00:07:47,020 --> 00:07:44,960
elemental sulfur and some sulfide grains

212
00:07:49,300 --> 00:07:47,030
so it fits the model that we proposed

213
00:07:51,640 --> 00:07:49,310

for how this is actually forming and

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00:07:54,520 --> 00:07:51,650

that supports the overall model of the

215

00:07:56,050 --> 00:07:54,530

system so meltwater is coming off the

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00:07:58,510 --> 00:07:56,060

Blazers nearby these alpine glaciers

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00:08:00,909 --> 00:07:58,520

other coalescence glaciers it's going

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00:08:03,159 --> 00:08:00,919

into the subsurface potentially taking

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00:08:05,350 --> 00:08:03,169

some of this Permian shale you see here

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00:08:07,900 --> 00:08:05,360

taking some organic carbon out of that

221

00:08:09,750 --> 00:08:07,910

and using that to metabolize the sulfate

222

00:08:12,940 --> 00:08:09,760

down below in the salt the subsurface

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00:08:14,320 --> 00:08:12,950

driving microbial sulfate reduction and

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00:08:16,210 --> 00:08:14,330

so where my part of the research now

225

00:08:18,520 --> 00:08:16,220

comes in is really looking at what

226

00:08:20,950 --> 00:08:18,530

happens on the surface where there is

227

00:08:23,320 --> 00:08:20,960

this oxidation of hydrogen sulphide to

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00:08:24,969 --> 00:08:23,330

form that yellow elemental sulfur you've

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00:08:26,890 --> 00:08:24,979

seen in these pictures on the ice you

230

00:08:29,469 --> 00:08:26,900

can see it there in the left in 2006 a

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00:08:33,010 --> 00:08:29,479

picture from 2007 the yellow sulfur on

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00:08:34,420 --> 00:08:33,020

the ice when we're considering whether

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00:08:36,310 --> 00:08:34,430

or not microorganisms could be

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00:08:39,399 --> 00:08:36,320

responsible for some of that oxidation

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00:08:41,320 --> 00:08:39,409

of hydrogen sulphide to solve for my

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00:08:44,050 --> 00:08:41,330

past lab mate Catherine right who's been

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00:08:47,949 --> 00:08:44,060

to AB grad con before before moving on

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00:08:50,380 --> 00:08:47,959

did some work just think genomics of a

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00:08:52,600 --> 00:08:50,390

spring deposit studying at bf not oneida

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00:08:54,610 --> 00:08:52,610

one the far left there is right at the

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00:08:57,699 --> 00:08:54,620

spring source and as you move right

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00:08:59,350 --> 00:08:57,709

along this scale it's going further and

243

00:09:00,050 --> 00:08:59,360

further away from the spring so trying

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00:09:02,270 --> 00:09:00,060

to see what organ

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00:09:04,130 --> 00:09:02,280

isms are present and what she found is

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00:09:06,740 --> 00:09:04,140

that these two organisms burkholderia

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00:09:08,180 --> 00:09:06,750

and ralstonia appear to be present in

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00:09:10,100 --> 00:09:08,190

the fluids where they emerged from the

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00:09:12,400 --> 00:09:10,110

glacier potentially being involved in

250

00:09:14,450 --> 00:09:12,410

that sulfate reduction in the subsurface

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00:09:17,030 --> 00:09:14,460

what's interesting is that this other

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00:09:19,100 --> 00:09:17,040

organism flavobacterium appears to

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00:09:21,680 --> 00:09:19,110

dominate that surface that veneer of

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00:09:23,450 --> 00:09:21,690

sulphur that's all over this area and

255

00:09:26,720 --> 00:09:23,460

tens of square kilometers across my

256

00:09:28,970 --> 00:09:26,730

field site in the past and the lab

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00:09:30,890 --> 00:09:28,980

dobnik Gleason who was was in our lab

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00:09:32,860 --> 00:09:30,900

for a while was doing a lot of gradient

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00:09:36,170 --> 00:09:32,870

tube culture studies that I continued on

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00:09:37,880 --> 00:09:36,180

taking gradients of sulfide in the

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00:09:40,250 --> 00:09:37,890

bottom of a plug and a culture to

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00:09:42,320 --> 00:09:40,260

allowing oxygen to diffuse in and the

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00:09:44,300 --> 00:09:42,330

two will mix forming a gradient of

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00:09:46,610 --> 00:09:44,310

sulfide and oxygen to allow these

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00:09:48,440 --> 00:09:46,620

organisms to grow and what we found is

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00:09:50,750 --> 00:09:48,450

not only can they form large blooms of

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00:09:52,970 --> 00:09:50,760

elemental sulfur in the center of these

268

00:09:55,220 --> 00:09:52,980

tubes compared to controls but that the

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00:09:57,230 --> 00:09:55,230

structure of some of the filaments and

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00:09:59,420 --> 00:09:57,240

sheets and other things that are formed

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00:10:01,130 --> 00:09:59,430

are really intriguing eventually really

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00:10:03,710 --> 00:10:01,140

useful bio minerals for studying these

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00:10:06,350 --> 00:10:03,720

processes if they're occurring in the

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00:10:10,100 --> 00:10:06,360

field I have on this figure on the left

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00:10:12,800 --> 00:10:10,110

is a general eh pH diagram it's studying

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00:10:14,840 --> 00:10:12,810

the the potential energy being shifted

277

00:10:17,630 --> 00:10:14,850

to the environment and the acidity of

278

00:10:20,510 --> 00:10:17,640

the environment given parameters from my

279

00:10:23,270 --> 00:10:20,520

field site and if you look the general

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00:10:26,030 --> 00:10:23,280

region of the spring water is coming out

281

00:10:28,220 --> 00:10:26,040

shouldn't be forming that sulfur rambla

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00:10:29,330 --> 00:10:28,230

up to the top the elemental sulfur it

283

00:10:31,940 --> 00:10:29,340

should all be going straight from

284

00:10:33,740 --> 00:10:31,950

sulphide up to gypsum in my field site

285

00:10:35,810 --> 00:10:33,750

so we think not only are organisms

286

00:10:37,070 --> 00:10:35,820

involved in this process but they're

287

00:10:39,290 --> 00:10:37,080

doing something to stabilize the

288

00:10:41,420 --> 00:10:39,300

elemental sulfur at the surface once

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00:10:43,580 --> 00:10:41,430

that snow melts in its present it really

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00:10:46,190 --> 00:10:43,590

should be oxidized further to sulfate

291

00:10:47,810 --> 00:10:46,200

and we don't know exactly why yet so in

292

00:10:49,070 --> 00:10:47,820

my work I'll be working to try to figure

293

00:10:51,290 --> 00:10:49,080

out if there's various forms of

294

00:10:53,210 --> 00:10:51,300

morphology things I can look at doing

295

00:10:55,370 --> 00:10:53,220

some chemistry to but try to pick out

296

00:10:57,860 --> 00:10:55,380

polysulfides which is a mixture of

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00:10:59,060 --> 00:10:57,870

elemental sulfur and one sulfide that

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00:11:00,860 --> 00:10:59,070

are mixed together and are usually

299

00:11:04,310 --> 00:11:00,870

produced by microorganisms that oxidize

300

00:11:06,080 --> 00:11:04,320

hydrogen sulfide or sulfide and also

301
00:11:07,280 --> 00:11:06,090
organics are present in the spring

302
00:11:09,200 --> 00:11:07,290
fluids and so it's worth looking into

303
00:11:12,020 --> 00:11:09,210
whether or not there's organics around

304
00:11:13,120 --> 00:11:12,030
the software that we see this is an sem

305
00:11:15,370 --> 00:11:13,130
image that i have on the right

306
00:11:17,140 --> 00:11:15,380
here of that paleo pipe feature i took

307
00:11:19,150 --> 00:11:17,150
some material from it looked at it under

308
00:11:20,710 --> 00:11:19,160
the electron microscope and although

309
00:11:22,810 --> 00:11:20,720
their structures much smaller than my

310
00:11:24,820 --> 00:11:22,820
saw and my gradient tube culture there

311
00:11:27,100 --> 00:11:24,830
on the left you can still see this long

312
00:11:29,020 --> 00:11:27,110
spindly filamentous structure that was

313
00:11:30,700 --> 00:11:29,030

formed by microorganisms my samples I

314

00:11:31,960 --> 00:11:30,710

don't have a lot of time to jump through

315

00:11:33,880 --> 00:11:31,970

the rest of this stuff when I show you

316

00:11:35,860 --> 00:11:33,890

real quick but I'm also doing a lot of

317

00:11:39,400 --> 00:11:35,870

x-ray spectroscopy x-ray fluorescence

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00:11:40,780 --> 00:11:39,410

studies of the samples I have this is an

319

00:11:43,030 --> 00:11:40,790

image on the right of an x-ray

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00:11:45,580 --> 00:11:43,040

fluorescence map conducted at 2500

321

00:11:48,880 --> 00:11:45,590

electron volts of my sample every atom

322

00:11:51,760 --> 00:11:48,890

absorbs x-ray energy at a certain energy

323

00:11:53,620 --> 00:11:51,770

out of certain energy and so I can go in

324

00:11:54,940 --> 00:11:53,630

and use that to look at my samples and

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00:11:56,920 --> 00:11:54,950

figure out what kind of sulfur is

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00:11:59,020 --> 00:11:56,930

present in my samples I'm going to skip

327

00:12:00,850 --> 00:11:59,030

through a couple of these real quick one

328

00:12:03,010 --> 00:12:00,860

interesting thing I found are these

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00:12:04,840 --> 00:12:03,020

things i'm calling sulfur turds in my

330

00:12:06,190 --> 00:12:04,850

sample you can see it there on the left

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00:12:08,560 --> 00:12:06,200

and some images here on the right that

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00:12:11,500 --> 00:12:08,570

are pure elemental sulfur inside of this

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00:12:13,420 --> 00:12:11,510

sample but that appear to be surrounded

334

00:12:15,370 --> 00:12:13,430

by what looks like an organosulfur

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00:12:17,140 --> 00:12:15,380

through xbase matroska p and you can

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00:12:19,120 --> 00:12:17,150

kind of see here that this spot 12 map

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00:12:20,260 --> 00:12:19,130

at the top is elemental sulfur and down

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00:12:22,900 --> 00:12:20,270

here is the stuff that could be

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00:12:24,640 --> 00:12:22,910

organosulfur surrounding it and so with

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00:12:26,920 --> 00:12:24,650

that I'd like to show my collaborators

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00:12:28,150 --> 00:12:26,930

Steve grasby is my main field

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00:12:30,190 --> 00:12:28,160

collaborate is the guy sleeping on the

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00:12:31,750 --> 00:12:30,200

ice right there and I'll acknowledge

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00:12:34,150 --> 00:12:31,760

them as well Alexis Templeton's my

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00:12:35,320 --> 00:12:34,160

adviser she's fantastic and John sphere

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00:12:37,420 --> 00:12:35,330

and Christian Betty are doing a lot of

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00:12:39,490 --> 00:12:37,430

the genomics work metagenomics and RNA

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00:12:41,410 --> 00:12:39,500

work on all the samples that we have and

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00:12:48,760 --> 00:12:41,420

again Steve grasby is just the man in

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00:13:03,170 --> 00:13:00,890

questions anyone so your field site is

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00:13:05,120 --> 00:13:03,180

obviously a cold environment and I'm

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00:13:07,070 --> 00:13:05,130

guessing that you go there in the summer

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00:13:08,930 --> 00:13:07,080

hmm i'm wondering if these

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00:13:11,750 --> 00:13:08,940

microorganisms that are suffering the

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00:13:14,870 --> 00:13:11,760

sec that they're cycling the sulfur if

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00:13:17,420 --> 00:13:14,880

their fries tolerant and if when it gets

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00:13:19,730 --> 00:13:17,430

cold are they just do they just go into

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00:13:20,930 --> 00:13:19,740

hibernation or can they still grow is

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00:13:22,730 --> 00:13:20,940

there still i actually haven't studied

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00:13:23,840 --> 00:13:22,740

that and since i presented earlier than

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00:13:25,640 --> 00:13:23,850

this week about doing some freeze

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00:13:26,840 --> 00:13:25,650

tolerance stuff if you carry it maybe

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00:13:29,240 --> 00:13:26,850

work with a little looking into but i

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00:13:30,950 --> 00:13:29,250

actually don't know we have them in

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00:13:32,210 --> 00:13:30,960

really cold cultures and so they're fine

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00:13:34,850 --> 00:13:32,220

but as far as what their freeze

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00:13:37,070 --> 00:13:34,860

tolerance level is in sub-zero I'm not

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00:13:39,170 --> 00:13:37,080

really certain they're easy to bring

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00:13:40,430 --> 00:13:39,180

back once they're frozen though so it

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00:13:42,400 --> 00:13:40,440

should be okay to freeze them lower

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00:13:44,720 --> 00:13:42,410

maybe I should do a study with that too

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00:13:47,720 --> 00:13:44,730

got time for one more question if anyone

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00:13:49,850 --> 00:13:47,730

has one no well I have a question please

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00:13:51,530 --> 00:13:49,860

and I would like to know these or these

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00:13:53,390 --> 00:13:51,540

groups of organisms you're seeing and

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00:13:55,850 --> 00:13:53,400

we're seeing single species domination

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00:13:57,800 --> 00:13:55,860

or genera it's definitely general we

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00:13:59,330 --> 00:13:57,810

think so the flavor bacterium we've been

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00:14:01,280 --> 00:13:59,340

trying to work and splitting out like

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00:14:03,020 --> 00:14:01,290

which flavor bacteria they are and we

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00:14:04,550 --> 00:14:03,030

have one specific one that Katherine's

382

00:14:06,620 --> 00:14:04,560

been working on a lot to try what she

383

00:14:09,580 --> 00:14:06,630

was working on a lot that she thinks was

384

00:14:11,480 --> 00:14:09,590

the primary culprit for this process so