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*Mineral Evolution & Co-evolution with the
Biosphere: Transition Element Availability
Through Deep Time*

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Thank You Donato and thank you all for

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being here I'm really excited to have

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the opportunity to talk to you about my

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work and the work of many of my

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colleagues and mineral evolution and the

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coevolution of the geosphere and

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biosphere and and much of the work

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you're going to be seeing here today is

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coming out of the Keck sponsored deep

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time data infrastructure project which

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has a great group of PI's including Bob

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Hazen and Peter Fox and also Paul

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Falkowski who's here today and is going

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to be giving us the keynote address

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tomorrow so one of the main aims of this

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project was to better understand the

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complex co-evolved away data-driven

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perspective all too often

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biology and geology are treated very

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separately but as everyone here in this

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room well knows that's the wrong way to

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go about it because life evolved emerged

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and evolved in the presence of rocks and

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minerals and fluids and likewise life

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had a dramatic effect on the chemical

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landscape and therefore the geology and

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geochemistry of our planet so if you're

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more interested in this project you can

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certainly check out our website but the

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main goal of this project was to have a

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more holistic perspective of the

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evolution of our planet by integrating

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the large and growing geologic and

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biologic data resources in order to make

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discoveries that one field alone cannot

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so this project has been a particularly

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exciting for me as a mineralogist not a

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biologist as you will learn by my talk

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but it's been particularly exciting for

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me as a mineralogist because largely for

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a long time a neurology has been a very

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descriptive field we essentially go into

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the field or we synthesize minerals and

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we measure them and we describe them but

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we've largely for a while been somewhat

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removed from from geology and thinking

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about evolving systems and certainly far

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removed from life so it's been really

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exciting to me to see us go into a more

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predictive

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where we can do things like predict the

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number of missing mineral species using

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these mineral ecology studies we're also

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working on projects where we can

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pinpoint the specific location on

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Earth's surface of minerals and likewise

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of of knowing what minerals we expect to

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find at any specific location something

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that's going to be perhaps of more

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interest to everyone in this room is

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that we're also exploring the idea of

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earths mineral diversity and

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distribution as a planetary scale bio

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signature and I'm going to talk about

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that some more so we're not only making

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advances in mineralogy although I'm

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skewed towards that but we're also

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making advances and things like

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tectonics and the supercontinent cycles

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in paleo biology and in petrology so

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Eric asked us to think about some big

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questions that that we can address

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regarding this bridge between Earth and

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life so specifically the things I

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thought about where what do Earth's

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earliest environments look like that's

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something that we've been talking about

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a lot right then how do we actually

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tease out that information

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next do network topologies of minerals

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fossils proteins etc embed timelines now

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many of you geologists chemists

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your your a little bit more up on I'm

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sorry biologists in chemistry a little

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bit more up on using these kind of

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advanced analytical techniques geology

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is slowly trying to catch up with you so

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we're learning a lot now about embedded

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intrinsic time lines and and other

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features like chemistry and extinction

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events that we can get out of these

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analytical techniques next as I

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mentioned before is the mineral

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distribution that we're seeing on

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Earth's surface a planetary bio

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signature and can we use that in

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planetary evaluation and exploration and

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lastly and I really hope that this is

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true can geologic data reveal

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00:04:36,010 --> 00:04:31,680
information about the emergence and

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so in my talk I'm going to stick to

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three topics the first is data resources

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00:04:47,410 --> 00:04:42,860
I'm just going to go over that really

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00:04:48,910 --> 00:04:47,420
quickly mineral evolution and mineral

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00:04:52,090 --> 00:04:48,920
Network embedded features that we've

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00:04:53,680 --> 00:04:52,100
been observing so first data resources

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00:04:55,140 --> 00:04:53,690
just just to show you a few to give you

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00:04:58,630 --> 00:04:55,150
some context of what we're working with

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00:05:00,130 --> 00:04:58,640
the first is the rough project so this

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is one of the largest mineral databases

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and libraries in the world it's founded

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00:05:07,690 --> 00:05:04,820

by my PhD advisor Bob Jones at the

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University of Arizona and it provides a

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set of very high quality

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spectral chemical and x-ray diffraction

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data in addition to some pictures and

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some references currently we have around

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3,500 distinct mineral species that we

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have characterized just for reference

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there are around 5300 so we've done over

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half and that number is continuing to

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grow right now we have over 10,000

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mineral species in the database in

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library and one of the great benefits of

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this is when you're looking at this

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chemical information and you're

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comparing it to the x-ray diffraction

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information you know that those those

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two pieces of information were gathered

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on the same sample as you know minerals

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show a lot of variation from from sample

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to sample aspect and it's certainly from

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00:05:57,220 --> 00:05:55,790

location to location so it was important

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to us to make sure that we were

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collecting all of this information on

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the same sample so it's all consistent

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as a part of the rough project we have

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the list of officially approved minerals

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from the International mineralogical

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Association and on this website you can

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you can search for specific phases if

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you'd like like I said there are around

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five thousand three hundred of those

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today of course that number is

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continuing to grow as we find more and

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more minerals you can also use the

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searchable chemical feature so if you're

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interested in finding minerals that

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specifically have a certain composition

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or don't have a specific element you can

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also search on these these tags here and

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there's a lot of information you can get

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to from there if you're interested what

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I specifically want to tell you about

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today though is the mineral evolution

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database so that's this button right

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here in this database was too

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a number of years ago by a Bob Hazen and

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what your what you see in this database

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00:06:59,540 --> 00:06:57,000

and this is just a tiny glimpse of it it

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represents countless hours of literature

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review most of which has been done by

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Josh golden at the University of Arizona

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and a number of undergraduates that he's

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trained in this process and what we have

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here is is locality information so

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geologic localities and the minerals

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that occur there and often and the goal

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is to also have Ages associated with

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that so currently we have almost a

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million mineral locality pairs and we

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have over a hundred and twenty thousand

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mineral locality age data so that's

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quite a lot of data for for minerals the

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next website I like to mention is MnDOT

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org this is a crowd-sourced website that

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gives a geologic locations some

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interesting information about them but

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what we're really interested in is the

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fact that we can extract what minerals

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00:07:50,540 --> 00:07:49,080

are present at that location right now

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00:07:53,600 --> 00:07:50,550

they have around a three hundred

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thousand localities and about a million

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mineral locality pairs so we also have a

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lot of a lot of data coming from here

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now I mentioned that this was

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crowd-sourced then maybe this gives some

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of you pause it did me I was concerned

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about the accuracy of this data but as

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anyone who works with really large data

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set is from data sets are familiar

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errors tend to average out now of course

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while while we feel that we're working

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with big data for mineralogy we

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recognize that these numbers are not

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very big and compared to the statistics

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that are generally being done so it was

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really important for us to test that

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that the errors truly were being

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averaged out so I mentioned the mineral

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of missing mineral predictions we can do

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earlier so what we did was we ran that

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model on a mineral data set that was

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strictly taken from peer-reviewed

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literature so absolutely confirmed

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mineral occurrences and then we compared

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00:08:53,900 --> 00:08:52,440
it to what we found with MnDOT and it

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turns out that they produced the same

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00:08:59,269 --> 00:08:56,250
result even on relatively small subsets

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of the data so we're pretty confident in

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in using men debt although we're still

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certainly careful

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anything that we do the next one I like

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to mention quickly is Earth chem ran by

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a Kirsten Leonard at Lamont and this is

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a great geochemical database where you

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can get bulk chemistry trace elements

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and ages on a plethora of rocks it's

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been huge for our tectonic studies paleo

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bio DB drew Musante and Mike Meyer have

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really utilized this fossil network and

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have also contributed to it and with

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that I will get out of the resources and

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I'll talk a bit about mineral evolution

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I think a number of the people in this

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room are probably familiar with this

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idea and maybe you've heard Bob talk

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about it but I wanted to mention it

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today because I think it gives us a good

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framework for what what we're thinking

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about in this symposium

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so first mineral evolution focuses on

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changes in Earth's mineralogy

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through deep time now I know that I'll

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probably get the question about the term

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evolution so I just want to go ahead and

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say straight away I'm not referring to

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Darwinian evolution I'm using a much

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simpler definition of the word which is

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simply a system changing through time so

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that's what I mean and that change

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through time happens as a result of new

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minerals forming through a combination

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of chemical physical and biological

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processes that are different at each

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stage of planetary evolution so first in

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the earliest minerals once the

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supernovae cooled enough to start

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forming some very 9 Nano and micro scale

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grains of minerals we had about twelve

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distinct mineral species so things like

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diamond graphite moissanite just very

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few once things started to cool a little

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bit further and we're forming

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planetesimals we can get up to around 60

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minerals and then once our planet is

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finally cooled enough to form a very

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primitive crust we get up to around 500

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minerals through further igneous

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evolution and differentiation we can get

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up to a thousand and then with the onset

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of

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tectonics that helps us achieve 1500

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distinct mineral species so at this

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point we've gone up through about 2.5

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billion years of Earth history but I

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said earlier that there are 5,300

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mineral species today so what happened

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in between that 2.5 billion years and

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now to give us this more more than a

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three-fold increase in mineral diversity

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and the answer to that is his life

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happened

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oxygen 'ok photosynthesis specifically

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00:11:54,650 --> 00:11:51,629

so as you're all familiar with here is a

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00:11:58,160 --> 00:11:54,660

graph of the oxygen fugacity through

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00:12:00,019 --> 00:11:58,170

time and we can see at 2.5 the great

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00:12:03,079 --> 00:12:00,029

oxidation event we see this dramatic

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00:12:04,670 --> 00:12:03,089

increase in atmospheric oxygen now this

281

00:12:06,949 --> 00:12:04,680

completely changed the chemical

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00:12:10,160 --> 00:12:06,959

landscape of the surface of the earth

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00:12:12,340 --> 00:12:10,170

and it had a profound effect on on the

284

00:12:14,420 --> 00:12:12,350

mineralogy so just to give an example

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00:12:18,069 --> 00:12:14,430

here we're looking at copper minerals

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00:12:20,720 --> 00:12:18,079

and the oxygen fugacity of our

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00:12:23,299 --> 00:12:20,730

environment of our surface was right at

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00:12:25,220 --> 00:12:23,309

this line prior to the rise of

289

00:12:26,360 --> 00:12:25,230

atmospheric oxygen and what you can see

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00:12:28,100 --> 00:12:26,370

here is it would have been very

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00:12:30,679 --> 00:12:28,110

difficult to have the widespread

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00:12:34,579 --> 00:12:30,689

formation of copper 1 plus or copper 2

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00:12:37,790 --> 00:12:34,589

plus mineral species in fact more than

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00:12:40,610 --> 00:12:37,800

400 of the 700 known copper mineral

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00:12:43,369 --> 00:12:40,620

species would not have formed in those

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00:12:44,990 --> 00:12:43,379

pre goe conditions it also means that

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00:12:49,460 --> 00:12:45,000

things like copper 2 plus would not have

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00:12:51,799 --> 00:12:49,470

been available for life to utilize so if

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00:12:55,970 --> 00:12:51,809

we look at the mineralogical record we

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00:13:01,269 --> 00:12:55,980

see that that trend is confirmed here we

301

00:13:03,980 --> 00:13:01,279

have a max age on the axis on the x axis

302

00:13:07,730 --> 00:13:03,990

decreasing to the right and then on the

303

00:13:08,780 --> 00:13:07,740

y-axis we have mineral occurrences so we

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00:13:11,210 --> 00:13:08,790

can think of this as sort of like

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00:13:12,379 --> 00:13:11,220

abundance we don't have mineral

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00:13:14,929 --> 00:13:12,389

abundances because this is actually very

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00:13:18,980 --> 00:13:14,939

hard to estimate and determine although

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00:13:20,809 --> 00:13:18,990

we are working on that basically mining

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00:13:22,639 --> 00:13:20,819

companies know how much of their

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00:13:25,309 --> 00:13:22,649

minerals they have but aside from things

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00:13:27,230 --> 00:13:25,319

that are not economically important it's

312

00:13:28,080 --> 00:13:27,240

really hard to estimate no one's really

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00:13:29,520 --> 00:13:28,090

studying that so

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00:13:32,420 --> 00:13:29,530

right for now we're going to use the

315

00:13:35,870 --> 00:13:32,430

number of occurrences on Earth's surface

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00:13:38,370 --> 00:13:35,880

also in the these blue bars represent

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00:13:40,470 --> 00:13:38,380

copper 1 plus minerals and the green

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00:13:42,750 --> 00:13:40,480

bars represent copper 2 plus minerals

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00:13:43,980 --> 00:13:42,760

and what I'd like you to focus on there

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00:13:46,650 --> 00:13:43,990

a number of things we can see here but

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00:13:50,010 --> 00:13:46,660

what I'd like you to focus on is the

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00:13:52,260 --> 00:13:50,020

relationship and the ratio between the

323

00:13:55,080 --> 00:13:52,270

green bars to the blue bars in other

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00:13:57,000 --> 00:13:55,090

words the oxidized copper species to the

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00:13:58,890 --> 00:13:57,010

reduced copper species so let's just

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00:14:01,680 --> 00:13:58,900

zoom in a little bit and what I'd like

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00:14:03,180 --> 00:14:01,690

to point out that as we see a rise in

328

00:14:05,970 --> 00:14:03,190

atmospheric oxygen we see a steady

329

00:14:07,980 --> 00:14:05,980

increase in that ratio of oxidized

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00:14:09,750 --> 00:14:07,990

copper phases to reduced copper phases

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00:14:12,900 --> 00:14:09,760

which is exactly what we should see

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00:14:14,580 --> 00:14:12,910

right there are a number of other things

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00:14:17,730 --> 00:14:14,590

you might notice here questions you

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00:14:20,640 --> 00:14:17,740

might have for instance you know why are

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00:14:24,090 --> 00:14:20,650

these bars so much lower and a lot of

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00:14:26,160 --> 00:14:24,100

that has to do with erosional bias how

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00:14:28,920 --> 00:14:26,170

to quantify erosional bias is a much

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00:14:30,090 --> 00:14:28,930

more difficult question to answer and

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00:14:33,060 --> 00:14:30,100

that's something that my colleague Chao

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00:14:35,280 --> 00:14:33,070

you and Simone Runyan are working on

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00:14:37,800 --> 00:14:35,290

trying to figure out how much of what

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00:14:40,610 --> 00:14:37,810

we're seeing here is erosional bias and

343

00:14:43,220 --> 00:14:40,620

also you'll notice that we have Peaks

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00:14:47,070 --> 00:14:43,230

associated with the supercontinent

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00:14:49,170 --> 00:14:47,080

assemblies and if you this is a really

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00:14:50,880 --> 00:14:49,180

fascinating thing to think about I'm not

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00:14:52,380 --> 00:14:50,890

going to go into it today but my

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00:14:53,900 --> 00:14:52,390

colleague Chelle you just had a paper

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00:14:56,490 --> 00:14:53,910

come out in Nature communications

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00:14:58,340 --> 00:14:56,500

looking at this thinking about pulses of

351
00:14:59,940 --> 00:14:58,350
mineralization associated with these

352
00:15:02,220 --> 00:14:59,950
supercontinent assemblies are

353
00:15:03,810 --> 00:15:02,230
specifically thinking about Rodinia

354
00:15:05,130 --> 00:15:03,820
because it turns out that the road

355
00:15:06,810 --> 00:15:05,140
Indian supercontinent behaves a little

356
00:15:09,870 --> 00:15:06,820
bit differently so if you're interested

357
00:15:11,790 --> 00:15:09,880
in that please check out his paper and

358
00:15:14,250 --> 00:15:11,800
if we look at the other first row

359
00:15:15,540 --> 00:15:14,260
transition elements we see a similar

360
00:15:18,300 --> 00:15:15,550
trend so we're looking at things like

361
00:15:20,250 --> 00:15:18,310
iron and manganese and and cobalt and

362
00:15:22,620 --> 00:15:20,260
we're seeing that these exhibit really

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00:15:26,760 --> 00:15:22,630

similar trends to what we saw with

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00:15:28,830 --> 00:15:26,770

copper we went as far as to generate

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00:15:30,360 --> 00:15:28,840

these diagrams for the whole periodic

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00:15:33,990 --> 00:15:30,370

table I don't expect you to be able to

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00:15:35,400 --> 00:15:34,000

to see this and we found that by and

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00:15:36,510 --> 00:15:35,410

large these trends are true of most

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00:15:39,660 --> 00:15:36,520

elements there are some notable

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00:15:40,650 --> 00:15:39,670

differences as you would expect and if

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00:15:41,910 --> 00:15:40,660

anyone's interested in actually

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00:15:44,970 --> 00:15:41,920

exploring this each one of these

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00:15:49,610 --> 00:15:44,980

is a high-resolution PDF so I can send

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00:15:51,780 --> 00:15:49,620

this to you just just let me know now

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00:15:54,750 --> 00:15:51,790

obviously I care about minerals because

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00:15:57,690 --> 00:15:54,760

I'm a mineralogist but but why should

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00:16:00,329 --> 00:15:57,700

you care about minerals aside from them

378

00:16:03,689 --> 00:16:00,339

just being generally interesting they

379

00:16:06,240 --> 00:16:03,699

also provide ancient samples so we don't

380

00:16:08,040 --> 00:16:06,250

have direct samples of the DNA from

381

00:16:10,829 --> 00:16:08,050

earliest organisms right we don't have

382

00:16:13,230 --> 00:16:10,839

examples of we don't have direct samples

383

00:16:16,170 --> 00:16:13,240

of the aqueous chemistry from those time

384

00:16:18,210 --> 00:16:16,180

periods but what we do have are rocks

385

00:16:20,730 --> 00:16:18,220

and minerals that formed during those

386

00:16:24,090 --> 00:16:20,740

time periods and in their formation they

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00:16:25,889 --> 00:16:24,100

tell us a lot about the conditions that

388

00:16:28,290 --> 00:16:25,899

were ongoing during that time the

389

00:16:30,840 --> 00:16:28,300

chemical temperature pressure conditions

390

00:16:32,430 --> 00:16:30,850

so we can tease out a lot of information

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00:16:34,379 --> 00:16:32,440

about what was happening during the time

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00:16:39,720 --> 00:16:34,389

periods of interest simply by looking at

393

00:16:41,180 --> 00:16:39,730

rocks and minerals so we we think will

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00:16:42,870 --> 00:16:41,190

also be able to characterize a

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00:16:44,639 --> 00:16:42,880

bioavailability of these elements

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00:16:49,230 --> 00:16:44,649

through time for instance you know when

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00:16:51,449 --> 00:16:49,240

copper two-plus became available and we

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00:16:53,610 --> 00:16:51,459

hope that we can also relate this to the

399

00:16:55,290 --> 00:16:53,620

timing relate the timing of elemental

400

00:16:57,720 --> 00:16:55,300

availability to the emergence of

401
00:17:01,410 --> 00:16:57,730
biological functions I'd like to mention

402
00:17:03,870 --> 00:17:01,420
one paper here by Eli Moore and you'll

403
00:17:06,960 --> 00:17:03,880
notice some some names of people in the

404
00:17:09,329 --> 00:17:06,970
crowd here Donato and Paul a paper that

405
00:17:11,039 --> 00:17:09,339
is thinking along these lines and I

406
00:17:13,230 --> 00:17:11,049
think that some of this work could could

407
00:17:13,679 --> 00:17:13,240
contribute to to their work in the

408
00:17:14,909 --> 00:17:13,689
future

409
00:17:16,890 --> 00:17:14,919
and they're looking at the metal

410
00:17:18,329 --> 00:17:16,900
availability of microbial tablet

411
00:17:20,370 --> 00:17:18,339
metabolisms and essentially they

412
00:17:24,150 --> 00:17:20,380
reconstructed the history of this metal

413
00:17:26,760 --> 00:17:24,160

utilization by identifying links between

414

00:17:30,570 --> 00:17:26,770

redox state metal availability and

415

00:17:31,919 --> 00:17:30,580

metabolic pathways so this is something

416

00:17:35,039 --> 00:17:31,929

that we could hopefully help with in the

417

00:17:37,370 --> 00:17:35,049

future one other study I'd like to point

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00:17:40,380 --> 00:17:37,380

out is by Jana Bromberg at Rutgers

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00:17:43,260 --> 00:17:40,390

thinking about protein evolution so here

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00:17:46,049 --> 00:17:43,270

she's constructed a network of the

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00:17:48,990 --> 00:17:46,059

structural similarity of metal binding

422

00:17:50,430 --> 00:17:49,000

sites and what is interesting and

423

00:17:52,940 --> 00:17:50,440

striking here is despite the fact that

424

00:17:54,900 --> 00:17:52,950

she didn't actually include the the

425

00:17:56,730 --> 00:17:54,910

metal in the layout

426

00:17:59,790 --> 00:17:56,740

when you overlay it with the color you

427

00:18:02,640 --> 00:17:59,800

see this very distinct line from iron to

428

00:18:03,990 --> 00:18:02,650

manganese to copper and she thinks that

429

00:18:06,720 --> 00:18:04,000

this we're actually looking at a time

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00:18:08,040 --> 00:18:06,730

line here but of course we're looking at

431

00:18:09,870 --> 00:18:08,050

a relative time line right we can say

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00:18:13,020 --> 00:18:09,880

okay well iron came before manganese

433

00:18:14,970 --> 00:18:13,030

came before copper but I hope in better

434

00:18:16,950 --> 00:18:14,980

constraining the availability of these

435

00:18:19,260 --> 00:18:16,960

elements through geologic time that

436

00:18:22,710 --> 00:18:19,270

perhaps we could help her put some

437

00:18:25,110 --> 00:18:22,720

absolute ages on this rather than than

438

00:18:26,850 --> 00:18:25,120

just relative so we're working on that

439

00:18:31,890 --> 00:18:26,860

with her and hope that we'll be able to

440

00:18:34,050 --> 00:18:31,900

do that now the last section I'd like to

441

00:18:36,540 --> 00:18:34,060

talk about is some of our mineral

442

00:18:40,950 --> 00:18:36,550

networks and the embedded features that

443

00:18:42,870 --> 00:18:40,960

we've observed therein first we have a

444

00:18:45,060 --> 00:18:42,880

network here of copper minerals so each

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00:18:46,830 --> 00:18:45,070

of these nodes represents a copper

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00:18:48,210 --> 00:18:46,840

mineral species they're colored

447

00:18:50,450 --> 00:18:48,220

according to their chemistry so the

448

00:18:56,520 --> 00:18:50,460

presence or absence of sulfur and oxygen

449

00:18:58,980 --> 00:18:56,530

so the red phases are sulfides the blue

450

00:19:03,720 --> 00:18:58,990

are carbonates and oxides and the

451

00:19:05,340 --> 00:19:03,730

sulfates are in yellow the nodes are

452

00:19:07,110 --> 00:19:05,350

sized according to the number of their

453

00:19:09,990 --> 00:19:07,120

localities so again we can think of this

454

00:19:12,030 --> 00:19:10,000

kind of like abundance and the links are

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00:19:13,650 --> 00:19:12,040

scaled inversely proportional to the

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00:19:15,660 --> 00:19:13,660

frequency of a current so if they occur

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00:19:17,610 --> 00:19:15,670

together often they are closer together

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00:19:20,160 --> 00:19:17,620

if they occur together less often they

459

00:19:23,550 --> 00:19:20,170

are farther apart and so the thing that

460

00:19:26,930 --> 00:19:23,560

immediately pops out here is their high

461

00:19:29,810 --> 00:19:26,940

degree of partitioning on chemistry and

462

00:19:33,300 --> 00:19:29,820

in fact we can actually draw an oxygen

463

00:19:35,600 --> 00:19:33,310

fugacity line directly onto this network

464

00:19:38,280 --> 00:19:35,610

and and onto the data behind it and

465

00:19:40,380 --> 00:19:38,290

likewise a sulfur fugacity and we think

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00:19:42,510 --> 00:19:40,390

there are a lot more bits of information

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00:19:46,410 --> 00:19:42,520

that we can tease out of these networks

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00:19:48,360 --> 00:19:46,420

mmm next here's a similar copper Network

469

00:19:50,760 --> 00:19:48,370

and here we're looking at a structural

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00:19:53,250 --> 00:19:50,770

complexity this is work that has been a

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00:19:56,370 --> 00:19:53,260

pioneered by Sergey cravat Jeff at the

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00:19:59,100 --> 00:19:56,380

kola scientific institute for the

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00:20:01,140 --> 00:19:59,110

russian academy of sciences and here he

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00:20:03,240 --> 00:20:01,150

has come up with a method for

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00:20:06,230 --> 00:20:03,250

quantifying the complexity of mineral

476
00:20:09,680 --> 00:20:06,240
crystal structures and reporting that in

477
00:20:11,390 --> 00:20:09,690
bits of information and this is

478
00:20:14,840 --> 00:20:11,400
particularly interesting because he

479
00:20:17,810 --> 00:20:14,850
hypothesizes that minerals began as very

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00:20:19,370 --> 00:20:17,820
simple structures and over time became

481
00:20:21,169 --> 00:20:19,380
more and more complex so this is

482
00:20:24,220 --> 00:20:21,179
something we're working with him to try

483
00:20:27,560 --> 00:20:24,230
and think about is this is this true and

484
00:20:30,260 --> 00:20:27,570
so if we look here at this network you

485
00:20:33,740 --> 00:20:30,270
can see the very simple and the simple

486
00:20:36,380 --> 00:20:33,750
structures tend to cluster more or less

487
00:20:38,270 --> 00:20:36,390
in this area while the intermediate tend

488
00:20:40,669 --> 00:20:38,280

to cluster here so we can say more or

489

00:20:42,919 --> 00:20:40,679

less we're seeing there's a trend but

490

00:20:44,810 --> 00:20:42,929

what's interesting is that that logic

491

00:20:47,299 --> 00:20:44,820

seems to fall apart when we're talking

492

00:20:49,610 --> 00:20:47,309

about these more complex and the very

493

00:20:51,380 --> 00:20:49,620

complex phases you know things like clay

494

00:20:53,330 --> 00:20:51,390

minerals and stuff they tend to be just

495

00:20:55,040 --> 00:20:53,340

kind of interspersed throughout the

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00:20:57,560 --> 00:20:55,050

network so I'm not sure what to make of

497

00:20:59,600 --> 00:20:57,570

that so it holds to a certain point and

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00:21:05,630 --> 00:20:59,610

then we're losing it so this is a this

499

00:21:07,520 --> 00:21:05,640

is an ongoing study the second are the

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00:21:10,580 --> 00:21:07,530

the last network that I would like to

501
00:21:11,510 --> 00:21:10,590
show you is that of carbon minerals and

502
00:21:13,160 --> 00:21:11,520
so here it's a slightly different

503
00:21:15,169 --> 00:21:13,170
network it's bipartite so we have two

504
00:21:19,010 --> 00:21:15,179
different types of nodes again the

505
00:21:21,140 --> 00:21:19,020
colored nodes are carbon minerals they

506
00:21:22,880 --> 00:21:21,150
are colored and sized in this case and

507
00:21:26,299 --> 00:21:22,890
according to their number of localities

508
00:21:28,580 --> 00:21:26,309
and the black nodes represent the carbon

509
00:21:30,530 --> 00:21:28,590
mineral localities on Earth's surface so

510
00:21:33,320 --> 00:21:30,540
for instance this is the Kola Peninsula

511
00:21:36,290 --> 00:21:33,330
and Russia where we have a lot of a lot

512
00:21:38,480 --> 00:21:36,300
of carbon mineral species and these

513
00:21:40,130 --> 00:21:38,490

nodes are sized according to their

514

00:21:44,570 --> 00:21:40,140

mineral diversity so if the black nodes

515

00:21:48,620 --> 00:21:44,580

larger it has more species and I bring

516

00:21:50,960 --> 00:21:48,630

this up to make two points one is that

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00:21:52,730 --> 00:21:50,970

we can explore those planetary scale bio

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00:21:56,120 --> 00:21:52,740

signatures that I was talking about

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00:22:00,169 --> 00:21:56,130

earlier and on the second is to show you

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00:22:01,970 --> 00:22:00,179

an embedded timeline so first let's look

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00:22:04,220 --> 00:22:01,980

at the bio signatures so here we're

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00:22:07,010 --> 00:22:04,230

seeing a graphical representation of the

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00:22:09,380 --> 00:22:07,020

distribution and diversity of Carbon

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00:22:10,940 --> 00:22:09,390

minerals if we if I were to show you one

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00:22:13,130 --> 00:22:10,950

for all minerals on earth it would look

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00:22:15,620 --> 00:22:13,140

quite similar to this and this

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00:22:17,290 --> 00:22:15,630

distribution is conforms to a large

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00:22:19,820 --> 00:22:17,300

number of rare events or ln re

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00:22:24,110 --> 00:22:19,830

distribution

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00:22:25,610 --> 00:22:24,120

by the fact that most minerals like Koza

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00:22:27,529 --> 00:22:25,620

white which is a lanthanum carbon and

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00:22:31,789 --> 00:22:27,539

actually found here in Japan are rare

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00:22:35,060 --> 00:22:31,799

and only a very few of them are common

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00:22:37,009 --> 00:22:35,070

things like calcite and aragonite and so

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00:22:40,039 --> 00:22:37,019

in this distribution if we show it in a

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00:22:41,600 --> 00:22:40,049

bar graph follows this trend right here

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00:22:44,320 --> 00:22:41,610

and with this model we're actually able

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00:22:46,970 --> 00:22:44,330

to create an accumulation curve and

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00:22:49,310 --> 00:22:46,980

predict the number of missing carbon

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00:22:51,669 --> 00:22:49,320

mineral species or whatever set of

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00:22:54,649 --> 00:22:51,679

minerals are interested in in this case

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00:22:56,750 --> 00:22:54,659

when we developed this data in January

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00:23:00,320 --> 00:22:56,760

2015 there were four hundred and three

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00:23:01,990 --> 00:23:00,330

known carbon species and we predicted

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00:23:03,200 --> 00:23:02,000

that there were a hundred and forty-five

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00:23:06,500 --> 00:23:03,210

missing

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00:23:09,340 --> 00:23:06,510

Carbon minerals and if I can digress a

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00:23:12,379 --> 00:23:09,350

little bit this actually spurred a

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00:23:15,289 --> 00:23:12,389

citizen science project where called the

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00:23:16,580 --> 00:23:15,299

carbon mineral challenge where called

551
00:23:18,799 --> 00:23:16,590
mineral collectors and scientists alike

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00:23:21,680 --> 00:23:18,809
were encouraged to actually go and find

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00:23:23,960 --> 00:23:21,690
these 145 missing Carbon minerals that

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00:23:27,440 --> 00:23:23,970
project started in 2016 and as of last

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00:23:29,870 --> 00:23:27,450
month they'd found 12 new carbon mineral

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00:23:31,460 --> 00:23:29,880
species so that's nearly ten percent of

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00:23:33,259 --> 00:23:31,470
what was predicted and a number of these

558
00:23:35,899 --> 00:23:33,269
species were actually directly predicted

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00:23:38,330 --> 00:23:35,909
in the paper so it's been exciting to to

560
00:23:40,909 --> 00:23:38,340
see this actually happening and making

561
00:23:43,669 --> 00:23:40,919
predictions and they're happening so now

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00:23:46,870 --> 00:23:43,679
if I can come back to this bio signature

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00:23:49,490 --> 00:23:46,880

idea again we're seeing this graphical

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00:23:52,399 --> 00:23:49,500

representation of the distribution of

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00:23:57,680 --> 00:23:52,409

minerals and as I said before Earth has

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00:23:59,750 --> 00:23:57,690

around 5,300 mineral species now if we

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00:24:02,899 --> 00:23:59,760

look at other planetary bodies that we

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00:24:05,990 --> 00:24:02,909

have a feel for their mineral diversity

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00:24:08,330 --> 00:24:06,000

we don't find and granted that data is

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00:24:10,549 --> 00:24:08,340

limited we don't find that they have

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00:24:11,930 --> 00:24:10,559

quite this many in fact they usually

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00:24:13,730 --> 00:24:11,940

have on the order of hundreds rather

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00:24:16,250 --> 00:24:13,740

than on the order of thousands and they

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00:24:18,710 --> 00:24:16,260

certainly don't have these extremely

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00:24:21,049 --> 00:24:18,720

rare species you know it's more these

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00:24:22,820 --> 00:24:21,059
things that are just quite common this

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00:24:24,620 --> 00:24:22,830
is certainly true of Mars where we can

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00:24:28,190 --> 00:24:24,630
look at meteorite data and we can look

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00:24:30,919 --> 00:24:28,200
at Rover mission data and we found that

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00:24:33,039 --> 00:24:30,929
you know it's certainly less than 500

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00:24:34,840 --> 00:24:33,049
minerals and we don't have that

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00:24:37,389 --> 00:24:34,850
large amount of rare mineral species

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00:24:39,759 --> 00:24:37,399
this is also true of the moon where we

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00:24:46,259 --> 00:24:39,769
have Apollo mission samples where we see

585
00:24:50,590 --> 00:24:46,269
around fewer than 350 mineral species so

586
00:24:52,779 --> 00:24:50,600
what we know that this distribution on

587
00:24:57,129 --> 00:24:52,789
earth happened as a result of the rise

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00:25:00,009 --> 00:24:57,139

of atmospheric oxygen due to life now

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00:25:02,680 --> 00:25:00,019

and we know that when we look at planets

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00:25:06,849 --> 00:25:02,690

our bodies that presumably didn't have

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00:25:09,849 --> 00:25:06,859

life or didn't have advanced life that

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00:25:13,299 --> 00:25:09,859

they don't look like this so the idea is

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00:25:16,539 --> 00:25:13,309

that perhaps this signature is a

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00:25:18,340 --> 00:25:16,549

planetary scale bio signature we don't

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00:25:19,419 --> 00:25:18,350

know if that's true but we tend to think

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00:25:20,769 --> 00:25:19,429

that that is the case so that's

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00:25:22,389 --> 00:25:20,779

something that we always have in the

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00:25:24,129 --> 00:25:22,399

back of our mind when we're when we're

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00:25:28,060 --> 00:25:24,139

doing these studies and hope to pursue

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00:25:32,859 --> 00:25:28,070

that idea further so the last thing I

601
00:25:35,440 --> 00:25:32,869
would like to mention on this is that

602
00:25:38,409 --> 00:25:35,450
here we have it's the same copper is the

603
00:25:39,759 --> 00:25:38,419
same carbon bipartite Network but I've

604
00:25:40,989 --> 00:25:39,769
colored the nodes a little bit

605
00:25:43,810 --> 00:25:40,999
differently so you'll see here they're

606
00:25:47,409 --> 00:25:43,820
actually colored by age now so with red

607
00:25:50,560 --> 00:25:47,419
being the oldest moving into a blue

608
00:25:52,590 --> 00:25:50,570
being the youngest and you know you

609
00:25:54,789 --> 00:25:52,600
expect when you're looking at

610
00:25:57,330 --> 00:25:54,799
biologically evolving systems that there

611
00:26:00,190 --> 00:25:57,340
is certainly going to be a time line

612
00:26:01,720 --> 00:26:00,200
however I didn't necessarily expect when

613
00:26:03,369 --> 00:26:01,730

we were looking at mineralogical systems

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00:26:05,619 --> 00:26:03,379

that we were going to see a time line

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00:26:07,629 --> 00:26:05,629

however it's it's that's pretty clear

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00:26:12,159 --> 00:26:07,639

you can see we start here in the centre

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00:26:14,710 --> 00:26:12,169

of this locality you with the oldest red

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00:26:17,049 --> 00:26:14,720

minerals moving up into orange and

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00:26:19,229 --> 00:26:17,059

yellow and green finally out into blue

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00:26:21,549 --> 00:26:19,239

on the outskirts so we have this nice

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00:26:25,269 --> 00:26:21,559

timeline that essentially just fell out

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00:26:30,039 --> 00:26:25,279

of this network and we weren't really

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00:26:34,629 --> 00:26:30,049

expecting that so with that said Eric

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00:26:40,080 --> 00:26:34,639

asked us to think about where we thought

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00:26:44,890 --> 00:26:43,060

basically what I came up with is the

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00:26:46,420 --> 00:26:44,900

fact that Earth's evolution has been

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00:26:48,970 --> 00:26:46,430

in an intertwined succession of

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00:26:52,510 --> 00:26:48,980

increasingly complex physical chemical

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00:26:54,550 --> 00:26:52,520

and biological events so I hope that

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00:26:56,350 --> 00:26:54,560

with this talk I've shown you that I

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00:26:58,690 --> 00:26:56,360

think the key to understanding the

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00:27:00,730 --> 00:26:58,700

complex history of our planet and other

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00:27:02,710 --> 00:27:00,740

planetary bodies is the continued

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00:27:05,380 --> 00:27:02,720

development and integration of

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00:27:06,820 --> 00:27:05,390

cross-disciplinary data and expertise

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00:27:10,720 --> 00:27:06,830

which is exactly what we've been doing

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00:27:12,250 --> 00:27:10,730

with the Keck project and in fact we

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00:27:15,850 --> 00:27:12,260

believe that so much that we've actually

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00:27:19,690 --> 00:27:15,860

gone on to organize a another workshop

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00:27:22,210 --> 00:27:19,700

if I may plug it now called the 4d

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00:27:26,230 --> 00:27:22,220

workshop which is the deep time data

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00:27:29,500 --> 00:27:26,240

driven discovery of the evolution of the

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00:27:31,240 --> 00:27:29,510

earth and this in this workshop were

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00:27:33,010 --> 00:27:31,250

bringing together a diverse group of

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00:27:36,220 --> 00:27:33,020

geologists and biologists and data

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00:27:43,030 --> 00:27:36,230

scientists from around the world to come

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00:27:44,860 --> 00:27:43,040

in and to think about the sorry and come

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00:27:47,320 --> 00:27:44,870

in to think about the emerging methods

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00:27:49,600 --> 00:27:47,330

of data analysis and visualization than

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00:27:52,420 --> 00:27:49,610

the how that can help us understand the

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00:27:56,470 --> 00:27:52,430
past present and future of this evolving

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00:27:58,540 --> 00:27:56,480
system so with that I would like to

653
00:28:01,710 --> 00:27:58,550
thank LC for inviting me to come and

654
00:28:04,270 --> 00:28:01,720
share my work with you today and to our

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00:28:06,280 --> 00:28:04,280
sponsors and certainly to my

656
00:28:14,560 --> 00:28:06,290
collaborators who's a lot of work I

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00:28:24,160 --> 00:28:17,570
questions yes I'll start with John in a

658
00:28:27,799 --> 00:28:24,170
good back thanks for that nice talk um

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00:28:31,130 --> 00:28:27,809
wait when we see the plot of anything

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00:28:33,680 --> 00:28:31,140
abundance with age particularly when we

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00:28:36,260 --> 00:28:33,690
see things being more abundant in more

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00:28:38,630 --> 00:28:36,270
recent times than in previous times

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00:28:41,540 --> 00:28:38,640

there's two ways to interpret that data

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00:28:44,210 --> 00:28:41,550

one is that it represents more recent

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00:28:46,669 --> 00:28:44,220

production of those things on the other

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00:28:49,010 --> 00:28:46,679

hand you could say well maybe this is a

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00:28:51,020 --> 00:28:49,020

preservation artifact that it

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00:28:55,570 --> 00:28:51,030

misrepresents that things that are older

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00:28:57,950 --> 00:28:55,580

just didn't survive they decomposed and

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00:29:01,160 --> 00:28:57,960

what I'd like to know is how do you

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00:29:03,500 --> 00:29:01,170

separate these things because you know

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00:29:06,580 --> 00:29:03,510

when you show the periodic table all

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00:29:09,830 --> 00:29:06,590

those curves are increasing and it's I

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00:29:11,900 --> 00:29:09,840

guess my my knoll hypothesis would be to

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00:29:15,860 --> 00:29:11,910

interpret those purely espresso vation

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00:29:18,110 --> 00:29:15,870

artifacts not as production so how do

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00:29:19,970 --> 00:29:18,120

you go about doing that well I would

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00:29:22,820 --> 00:29:19,980

love to know how to do that as well

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00:29:24,320 --> 00:29:22,830

so we're certainly looking for

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00:29:25,610 --> 00:29:24,330

collaborators and people who have ideas

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00:29:27,380 --> 00:29:25,620

on that so if you're interested in

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00:29:30,350 --> 00:29:27,390

helping us explore that we would love to

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00:29:32,419 --> 00:29:30,360

as I mentioned my colleague Cal U and

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00:29:34,850 --> 00:29:32,429

aunt Simone Runyan at Carnegie are

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00:29:37,730 --> 00:29:34,860

actively working on trying to quantify

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00:29:40,810 --> 00:29:37,740

that so in addition to having this

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00:29:42,620 --> 00:29:40,820

erosional bias this preservation bias

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00:29:43,549 --> 00:29:42,630

through time you know we're losing

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00:29:51,470 --> 00:29:43,559

things

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00:29:53,630 --> 00:29:51,480

soluble that we see you know we see this

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00:29:55,070 --> 00:29:53,640

huge increase in them likely they

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00:29:56,750 --> 00:29:55,080

certainly were forming back then but you

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00:29:58,010 --> 00:29:56,760

will never see them so it's not even a

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00:29:59,870 --> 00:29:58,020

matter of what we've lost all of that

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00:30:01,400 --> 00:29:59,880

rock it's a matter of their their

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00:30:01,970 --> 00:30:01,410

soluble so they're just going to

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00:30:04,130 --> 00:30:01,980

disappear

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00:30:05,900 --> 00:30:04,140

so it's so there are a lot of things

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00:30:08,799 --> 00:30:05,910

that have to be considered

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00:30:12,110 --> 00:30:08,809

certainly that general upward trend is

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00:30:14,270 --> 00:30:12,120

largely the results of erosional bias

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00:30:16,340 --> 00:30:14,280

and so it's important for us to think

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00:30:18,200 --> 00:30:16,350

about how you know were these more

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00:30:20,840 --> 00:30:18,210

oxidized phases more effective than the

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00:30:22,690 --> 00:30:20,850

reduced phases that's that's certainly

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00:30:25,730 --> 00:30:22,700

important when thinking about this trend

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00:30:27,080 --> 00:30:25,740

so yeah it's a great question and I

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00:30:29,860 --> 00:30:27,090

would love to have a better and

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00:30:34,820 --> 00:30:29,870

than that but where we're working on it

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00:30:38,840 --> 00:30:34,830

okay okay next my question is related to

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00:30:42,110 --> 00:30:38,850

Jones Christians for example Ariake on

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00:30:45,380 --> 00:30:42,120

dogs its occupies all the Archaean looks

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00:30:49,430 --> 00:30:45,390

like green and eastern robbers it's a

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00:30:53,150 --> 00:30:49,440

three point eight to about say four

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00:30:57,800 --> 00:30:53,160

billion Red Cross occupy only 0.01

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00:31:00,140 --> 00:30:57,810

percent among the total landmass so it's

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00:31:05,090 --> 00:31:00,150

really small so that therefore next

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00:31:08,330 --> 00:31:05,100

question is how to deconstruct the

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00:31:11,180 --> 00:31:08,340

mineral distribution switches so one

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00:31:15,170 --> 00:31:11,190

idea is that all of those rocks is a

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00:31:17,140 --> 00:31:15,180

kind of accretionary complex so the

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00:31:21,160 --> 00:31:17,150

ecclesia complex mean the fragments of

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00:31:23,990 --> 00:31:21,170

oceanic crust and also trench turbidite

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00:31:27,140 --> 00:31:24,000

so that therefore this is that we call

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00:31:29,660 --> 00:31:27,150

pacific type organ it's quite different

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00:31:34,010 --> 00:31:29,670
you know much bigger George Green it's

727
00:31:36,140 --> 00:31:34,020
like okay continental continents formed

728
00:31:39,950 --> 00:31:36,150
by subduction just granitic rocks and

729
00:31:43,400 --> 00:31:39,960
also passive much like of North America

730
00:31:46,460 --> 00:31:43,410
is of New York so completely different

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00:31:50,630 --> 00:31:46,470
set of blocks between completely

732
00:31:52,100 --> 00:31:50,640
different kind of minerals right so that

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00:31:56,000 --> 00:31:52,110
therefore my recommendation is you

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00:32:00,140 --> 00:31:56,010
should first okay to make a database you

735
00:32:03,400 --> 00:32:00,150
should first to put intermediate up exam

736
00:32:07,880 --> 00:32:03,410
table type what kind of orogenic belts

737
00:32:11,300 --> 00:32:07,890
and formed by what kind of process so

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00:32:14,080 --> 00:32:11,310

that okay this one method how to extend

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00:32:16,820 --> 00:32:14,090

and we are very much in the Hadean docs

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00:32:21,560 --> 00:32:16,830

Hadean Docs is completely absent only us

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00:32:25,130 --> 00:32:21,570

now but it must be present okay if it is

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00:32:29,000 --> 00:32:25,140

Kamat yet form that mid-oceanic ridge

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00:32:31,430 --> 00:32:29,010

ever it's because due to high mantle

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00:32:34,220 --> 00:32:31,440

potential temperature so therefore

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00:32:37,310 --> 00:32:34,230

vassals at hydrolysis have done work at

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00:32:40,910 --> 00:32:37,320

all because completely different set of

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00:32:44,450 --> 00:32:40,920

blocks in the Hadean so the ha

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00:32:46,850 --> 00:32:44,460

to estimate the minerals and also the

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00:32:49,250 --> 00:32:46,860

mineral abundance and others and also

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00:32:50,300 --> 00:32:49,260

water interactions completely different

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00:32:57,770 --> 00:32:50,310

okay

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00:33:00,650 --> 00:32:57,780

question WA our advice is the localized

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00:33:03,440 --> 00:33:00,660

environment is completely different for

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00:33:06,860 --> 00:33:03,450

example oxygen in ocean and atmosphere

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00:33:11,660 --> 00:33:06,870

even today Mount of the volcano is

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00:33:16,480 --> 00:33:11,670

bustles okay froze to involve the okay

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00:33:19,300 --> 00:33:16,490

trees and then you will have native iron

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00:33:22,280 --> 00:33:19,310

even under extremely you know oxygen

759
00:33:25,570 --> 00:33:22,290

atmosphere environments so that

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00:33:29,170 --> 00:33:25,580

therefore you should carefully classify

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00:33:33,410 --> 00:33:29,180

the mode of occurrence and the process

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00:33:36,650 --> 00:33:33,420

you know if available data so that they

763
00:33:39,530 --> 00:33:36,660

have these two global or local and also

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00:33:42,410 --> 00:33:39,540

what kind of urgent wells understand and

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00:33:46,250 --> 00:33:42,420

the gold is hidden so how do you

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00:33:47,930 --> 00:33:46,260

estimate this mine yeah I really

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00:33:50,630 --> 00:33:47,940

appreciate that and and you're really

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00:33:52,280 --> 00:33:50,640

touching on the complexity of what we're

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00:33:54,560 --> 00:33:52,290

up against here when we're dealing with

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00:33:57,440 --> 00:33:54,570

I'm not having often you know direct

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00:33:58,940 --> 00:33:57,450

access to these samples and I really

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00:34:02,270 --> 00:33:58,950

appreciate your comments that's very

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00:34:04,400 --> 00:34:02,280

insightful thank you so my question is

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00:34:05,840 --> 00:34:04,410

the first is a bit of a silly questions

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00:34:09,730 --> 00:34:05,850

we've barely scratched the surface

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00:34:12,080 --> 00:34:09,740

literally of Mars and the moon so it was

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00:34:13,930 --> 00:34:12,090

founded bit striking the numbers are you

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00:34:19,010 --> 00:34:13,940

safe so low such low numbers for both

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00:34:21,380 --> 00:34:19,020

bodies so it may take a while we're

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00:34:22,850 --> 00:34:21,390

still finding twelve minerals until last

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00:34:24,650 --> 00:34:22,860

month on the earth so is it possible

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00:34:28,370 --> 00:34:24,660

that we just haven't sampled enough up

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00:34:32,200 --> 00:34:28,380

there and relatedly if those are the

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00:34:35,480 --> 00:34:32,210

numbers then may the such mineral poor

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00:34:39,080 --> 00:34:35,490

state of Mars barely basically prove

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00:34:41,180 --> 00:34:39,090

that it never had life well you know so

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00:34:43,340 --> 00:34:41,190

I actually work on the the Mars Science

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00:34:47,780 --> 00:34:43,350

Laboratory Curiosity rover and one of

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00:34:49,550 --> 00:34:47,790

the questions that we often get is so

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00:34:50,570 --> 00:34:49,560

was there life on why is there life or

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00:34:51,919 --> 00:34:50,580

you know do you know when you're not

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00:34:54,790 --> 00:34:51,929

just you're just not telling us you know

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00:34:57,550 --> 00:34:54,800

these sorts of things and and what

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00:34:59,200 --> 00:34:57,560

I tend to think is this lack of mineral

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diversity that we're seeing with the

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00:35:06,190 --> 00:35:03,010

chemin x-ray diffraction instrument

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00:35:09,850 --> 00:35:06,200

could indicate that we didn't have

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00:35:13,330 --> 00:35:09,860

advanced life on Mars now could we have

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00:35:15,430 --> 00:35:13,340

had some some more basic life perhaps I

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00:35:17,920 --> 00:35:15,440

don't know enough to to say whether or

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00:35:28,570 --> 00:35:17,930
not that is true but I tend to think

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00:35:29,830 --> 00:35:28,580
that right right so yeah so I I tend to

803
00:35:31,870 --> 00:35:29,840
say when people asked me if there was

804
00:35:34,200 --> 00:35:31,880
life on Mars I tend to say no which is

805
00:35:37,090 --> 00:35:34,210
kind of a bit of a bummer and perhaps

806
00:35:38,800 --> 00:35:37,100
some of my Mars colleagues might not

807
00:35:41,860 --> 00:35:38,810
like for me to say that so maybe don't

808
00:35:45,820 --> 00:35:41,870
air that part but I tend to think that

809
00:35:47,410 --> 00:35:45,830
that there wasn't but I absolutely could

810
00:35:50,110 --> 00:35:47,420
be wrong and I'm totally open to other

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00:35:54,250 --> 00:35:50,120
hypotheses so to get at what you

812
00:35:56,740 --> 00:35:54,260
initially said yes perhaps we just

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00:35:59,860 --> 00:35:56,750

haven't found it yet but for instance on

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00:36:02,260 --> 00:35:59,870

on Mars it's very likely that you know

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00:36:04,960 --> 00:36:02,270

we don't there's not much evidence for

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00:36:06,400 --> 00:36:04,970

granite crust formation or you know

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00:36:09,150 --> 00:36:06,410

certainly plate tectonics and things

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00:36:11,800 --> 00:36:09,160

like that so the likelihood of

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00:36:13,780 --> 00:36:11,810

generating quite as many mineral species

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00:36:16,750 --> 00:36:13,790

is automatically diminished from that

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00:36:19,000 --> 00:36:16,760

standpoint but still you know if we're

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00:36:21,010 --> 00:36:19,010

thinking about life dramatically making

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00:36:22,930 --> 00:36:21,020

these chemical niches I would expect to

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00:36:25,810 --> 00:36:22,940

see a much higher number than what we

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00:36:27,010 --> 00:36:25,820

have we only have a few Rover missions

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00:36:29,290 --> 00:36:27,020

that have gone we only have a few

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00:36:32,080 --> 00:36:29,300

Martian meteorites so it's an it's a big

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00:36:33,700 --> 00:36:32,090

planet and likewise the moon is also

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00:36:36,580 --> 00:36:33,710

really large so I think we need way more

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00:36:39,160 --> 00:36:36,590

exploration before we can say anything

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00:36:41,260 --> 00:36:39,170

definitive about that perhaps would be

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00:36:43,600 --> 00:36:41,270

also interesting to know how much of the

833

00:36:44,980 --> 00:36:43,610

minerals are exposed to the surface it

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00:36:48,580 --> 00:36:44,990

is accessible to those techniques

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00:36:51,970 --> 00:36:48,590

compared to what in a reality is down so

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00:36:57,760 --> 00:36:51,980

we have called and then and then I'll

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00:36:59,260 --> 00:36:57,770

come back still a minute you didn't

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00:37:02,050 --> 00:36:59,270

throw it at me

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00:37:04,330 --> 00:37:02,060

so I think this is wonderful that and

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00:37:05,770 --> 00:37:04,340

this may be a very difficult question to

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00:37:07,270 --> 00:37:05,780

answer but I'd be interested to know

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00:37:09,370 --> 00:37:07,280

your thoughts on it so one of the things

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00:37:11,530 --> 00:37:09,380

that strikes me is that when we talk

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00:37:15,820 --> 00:37:11,540

about bio signatures whether it's Earth

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00:37:17,980 --> 00:37:15,830

Mars wherever we don't have a

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00:37:19,510 --> 00:37:17,990

particularly good calibration as much as

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00:37:23,200 --> 00:37:19,520

we don't know what a purely abiotic

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00:37:25,270 --> 00:37:23,210

earth would be with neurologically after

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00:37:28,120 --> 00:37:25,280

four billion years neither do we know

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00:37:30,370 --> 00:37:28,130

what a purely abiotic Mars should look

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00:37:32,710 --> 00:37:30,380

like I don't know what the answer to

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00:37:34,900 --> 00:37:32,720

that is I wonder if you had any insight

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00:37:37,300 --> 00:37:34,910

whether there's some way in mining the

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00:37:38,859 --> 00:37:37,310

data looking at persistent ratios of

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00:37:42,760 --> 00:37:38,869

particular minerals whether there's some

856

00:37:44,380 --> 00:37:42,770

clue to what a purely abiotic planetary

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00:37:47,859 --> 00:37:44,390

and terrestrial type planet would look

858

00:37:49,359 --> 00:37:47,869

like after billions of years yeah I mean

859

00:37:52,240 --> 00:37:49,369

I think it depends on the pathways that

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00:37:55,210 --> 00:37:52,250

you think that the planet went in as far

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00:37:57,430 --> 00:37:55,220

as its chemical environment but yeah I

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00:37:59,470 --> 00:37:57,440

mean you you know many of these minerals

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00:38:01,720 --> 00:37:59,480

that forms that many of these five

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00:38:04,300 --> 00:38:01,730

thousand you know this huge boom could

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00:38:06,280 --> 00:38:04,310

have formed a biotic lees a number of

866

00:38:08,650 --> 00:38:06,290

them couldn't have so the first order

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00:38:11,050 --> 00:38:08,660

step is to actually just remove anything

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00:38:14,320 --> 00:38:11,060

that could not have formed without the

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00:38:17,349 --> 00:38:14,330

direct presence of life we still have a

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00:38:20,140 --> 00:38:17,359

huge number so that doesn't really help

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00:38:21,790 --> 00:38:20,150

answer that question you can make some

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00:38:24,220 --> 00:38:21,800

assumption you know you can cut it off

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00:38:25,840 --> 00:38:24,230

at plate tectonics and say okay well but

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00:38:27,460 --> 00:38:25,850

that doesn't really make sense right

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00:38:28,630 --> 00:38:27,470

because the the chemistry of the planet

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00:38:31,020 --> 00:38:28,640

is going to continue to evolve and

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00:38:33,660 --> 00:38:31,030

you're gonna create new chemical niches

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00:38:36,490 --> 00:38:33,670

so you're right that's a very difficult

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00:38:39,070 --> 00:38:36,500

question and well it's one that we think

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00:38:41,920 --> 00:38:39,080

about a lot but I don't have a good

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00:38:44,349 --> 00:38:41,930

answer for thank you hello I phoned your

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00:38:46,210 --> 00:38:44,359

talk absolutely fascinating um one of

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00:38:48,849 --> 00:38:46,220

the questions I had was I found it

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00:38:50,590 --> 00:38:48,859

interesting that there was a great rise

885

00:38:53,380 --> 00:38:50,600

in mineral oxidation at the onset of the

886

00:38:55,510 --> 00:38:53,390

Cambrian and have you guys looked into

887

00:38:58,599 --> 00:38:55,520

any historical bioturbation data for

888

00:39:01,180 --> 00:38:58,609

mineral exposure on in terms of mass

889

00:39:04,420 --> 00:39:01,190

extinction events because if there's

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00:39:07,510 --> 00:39:04,430

boring creatures that go in go under the

891

00:39:09,010 --> 00:39:07,520

oceanic I guess crustal surface then

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00:39:11,260 --> 00:39:09,020

does that mean that there's more mineral

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00:39:14,589 --> 00:39:11,270

exposure creating more oxidation for

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00:39:17,859 --> 00:39:14,599

yeah sure I mean in general you're going

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00:39:20,650 --> 00:39:17,869

to get oxidized material within the

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00:39:24,609 --> 00:39:20,660

first you know a few kilometers of the

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00:39:27,370 --> 00:39:24,619

crust relatively quickly through abiotic

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00:39:29,620 --> 00:39:27,380

processes but I certainly think that

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00:39:30,870 --> 00:39:29,630

biotic processes could influence that I

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00:39:33,010 --> 00:39:30,880

mean they definitely changed the

901
00:39:35,410 --> 00:39:33,020
mineralogical landscape of any

902
00:39:37,570 --> 00:39:35,420
environment then in fact I didn't show

903
00:39:40,270 --> 00:39:37,580
it today but I had my colleagues drew

904
00:39:42,160 --> 00:39:40,280
Musante and Mike Meyer that I put up

905
00:39:46,900 --> 00:39:42,170
there have done a lot of work and in

906
00:39:48,160 --> 00:39:46,910
thinking about paleo biology so if you

907
00:39:49,150 --> 00:39:48,170
want to see me afterwards I can show you

908
00:39:50,980 --> 00:39:49,160
a lot of the work that they've been

909
00:39:52,630 --> 00:39:50,990
doing we've got some cool manuscripts

910
00:39:56,770 --> 00:39:52,640
that maybe they won't mind if I share

911
00:39:58,660 --> 00:39:56,780
with you so I would like to ask about

912
00:40:02,640 --> 00:39:58,670
the connection between your talk and

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00:40:06,010 --> 00:40:02,650

Everett Chuck's talk so you showed this

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00:40:10,329 --> 00:40:06,020

increasing that mineral diversity how

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00:40:12,579 --> 00:40:10,339

does that relate to the way that life is

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00:40:14,829 --> 00:40:12,589

solving Earth's problem in terms of the

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00:40:18,430 --> 00:40:14,839

thermodynamics so in other words how

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00:40:22,540 --> 00:40:18,440

does that show that in a sense the life

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00:40:24,220 --> 00:40:22,550

is helping the planet approach some more

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00:40:26,890 --> 00:40:24,230

equilibrium state than initially if you

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00:40:29,339 --> 00:40:26,900

have something to say about that yeah so

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00:40:32,320 --> 00:40:29,349

essentially life is creating these

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00:40:33,750 --> 00:40:32,330

widely varying chemical niches right all

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00:40:36,430 --> 00:40:33,760

over the place they're making it very

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00:40:38,620 --> 00:40:36,440

strange chemically and that's actually

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00:40:40,390 --> 00:40:38,630

what's creating these environments for

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00:40:42,220 --> 00:40:40,400

these different minerals to form that's

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00:40:45,700 --> 00:40:42,230

what's creating this huge mineral

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00:40:47,950 --> 00:40:45,710

diversity so aside from that I'm not

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00:40:49,510 --> 00:40:47,960

sure that I can really directly relate

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00:40:51,220 --> 00:40:49,520

it to Everett's talk although he's

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00:40:52,900 --> 00:40:51,230

raising his hand so I think he might be

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00:40:54,339 --> 00:40:52,910

able to do that so I would love to hear

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00:40:56,859 --> 00:40:54,349

what whatever it has to say about that

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00:40:59,260 --> 00:40:56,869

so I've got to Everett and then we have

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00:41:04,510 --> 00:40:59,270

two last question and we need to move on

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00:41:07,450 --> 00:41:04,520

I think there's a major difference and

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00:41:11,800 --> 00:41:07,460

that your what a lot of what you see is

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00:41:14,829 --> 00:41:11,810

driven by photosynthetic oxidation of

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00:41:17,980 --> 00:41:14,839

the Earth's surface and that is a

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00:41:20,859 --> 00:41:17,990

different thermodynamic state than what

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00:41:23,130 --> 00:41:20,869

I was talking about where I was I was

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00:41:24,910 --> 00:41:23,140

talking about what the planet provides

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00:41:28,830 --> 00:41:24,920

chemically it hasn't

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00:41:31,990 --> 00:41:28,840

terms of chemical energy sources it's a

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00:41:33,790 --> 00:41:32,000

it's a different there's a serious

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00:41:37,060 --> 00:41:33,800

thermodynamic consequence to drawing

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00:41:40,720 --> 00:41:37,070

your box to also include the Sun or at

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00:41:42,880 --> 00:41:40,730

least solar photons and as a result then

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00:41:44,440 --> 00:41:42,890

what we're familiar with at the surface

951
00:41:46,180 --> 00:41:44,450
of the earth especially walking around

952
00:41:50,290 --> 00:41:46,190
the continents is a lot of

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00:41:54,280 --> 00:41:50,300
disequilibrium generation by life but

954
00:41:58,030 --> 00:41:54,290
that's because of cheating and grabbing

955
00:42:01,150 --> 00:41:58,040
those photons and working uphill and

956
00:42:03,130 --> 00:42:01,160
producing dreadful conditions like a 20%

957
00:42:05,800 --> 00:42:03,140
oxygen atmosphere where you know that's

958
00:42:08,860 --> 00:42:05,810
a horrible place to live yeah extreme

959
00:42:10,840 --> 00:42:08,870
conditions like that so there's there is

960
00:42:13,150 --> 00:42:10,850
a there is a difference it's a but it's

961
00:42:18,790 --> 00:42:13,160
a different there's major consequences

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00:42:20,440 --> 00:42:18,800
once photo trophy begins I'm getting

963
00:42:28,330 --> 00:42:20,450

that pull that's one question before you

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00:42:30,580 --> 00:42:28,340

are not coming back thanks nice talk I'd

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00:42:33,040 --> 00:42:30,590

said - I guess fundamental questions for

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00:42:34,960 --> 00:42:33,050

how you analyze your data and one of

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00:42:37,450 --> 00:42:34,970

them has to do with the threshold the

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00:42:40,120 --> 00:42:37,460

heavy mineral was just simple presence

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00:42:42,700 --> 00:42:40,130

of absence in terms of any abundance of

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00:42:44,980 --> 00:42:42,710

the mineral and when you plot it on the

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00:42:46,690 --> 00:42:44,990

networks and also for drawing the

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00:42:49,780 --> 00:42:46,700

connections between two minerals

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00:42:51,250 --> 00:42:49,790

I assume it's like colocation but like

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00:42:54,010 --> 00:42:51,260

can you talk a little bit more in detail

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00:42:56,020 --> 00:42:54,020

about how you made that cutoff for if

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00:42:56,980 --> 00:42:56,030
two minerals were co-located or not yes

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00:43:00,250 --> 00:42:56,990
absolutely

978
00:43:01,330 --> 00:43:00,260
so to answer the first question and both

979
00:43:02,500 --> 00:43:01,340
of those questions are something we

980
00:43:05,440 --> 00:43:02,510
think about a lot and their actual

981
00:43:09,220 --> 00:43:05,450
there's significant problems in handling

982
00:43:11,710 --> 00:43:09,230
our data so firstly ideally we would

983
00:43:14,050 --> 00:43:11,720
have abundant information right I would

984
00:43:15,040 --> 00:43:14,060
know exactly how much pyrite by volume

985
00:43:17,080 --> 00:43:15,050
by weight well however you want to

986
00:43:20,140 --> 00:43:17,090
measure it is on Earth's surface but we

987
00:43:21,730 --> 00:43:20,150
don't know that information we have

988
00:43:23,890 --> 00:43:21,740

somewhat of an idea for economically

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00:43:25,300 --> 00:43:23,900

significant things but we don't for

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00:43:29,500 --> 00:43:25,310

things that mining companies don't care

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00:43:31,810 --> 00:43:29,510

about so for now we are basically if

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00:43:34,540 --> 00:43:31,820

MnDOT or if a or if a piece of

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00:43:37,960 --> 00:43:34,550

peer-reviewed literature says that this

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00:43:38,170 --> 00:43:37,970

is a geologic locality we're calling

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00:43:41,770 --> 00:43:38,180

that

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00:43:46,990 --> 00:43:41,780

was one crystal there but it could be

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00:43:49,570 --> 00:43:47,000

that there was a ton there so that is a

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00:43:51,610 --> 00:43:49,580

big flaw and using the number of

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00:43:53,860 --> 00:43:51,620

localities instead of abundance and

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00:43:56,400 --> 00:43:53,870

that's something that we we're trying to

1001
00:43:58,860 --> 00:43:56,410
get past but it's a really big hurdle

1002
00:44:01,540 --> 00:43:58,870
and oh and co-occurrence so

1003
00:44:03,430 --> 00:44:01,550
co-occurrence is if if they were cited

1004
00:44:06,100 --> 00:44:03,440
by the literature as having occurred and

1005
00:44:08,710 --> 00:44:06,110
the essentially the same geologic unit

1006
00:44:11,050 --> 00:44:08,720
geologic setting which there is some

1007
00:44:12,910 --> 00:44:11,060
variation there and that's something we

1008
00:44:15,370 --> 00:44:12,920
have to think about very carefully with

1009
00:44:17,290 --> 00:44:15,380
with each sample which is why that

1010
00:44:19,960 --> 00:44:17,300
mineral evolution database when I said

1011
00:44:21,820 --> 00:44:19,970
it represented countless hours I really

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00:44:25,060 --> 00:44:21,830
mean countless hours Josh golden has

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00:44:27,430 --> 00:44:25,070

spent oh I think it's about six years

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00:44:29,140 --> 00:44:27,440

now maybe a little bit more working on

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00:44:31,450 --> 00:44:29,150

that database and for him that means

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00:44:33,130 --> 00:44:31,460

painstakingly going through every piece

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00:44:36,370 --> 00:44:33,140

of literature that he could possibly

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00:44:38,800 --> 00:44:36,380

find and really understanding the

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00:44:41,350 --> 00:44:38,810

geology behind the statements that are

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00:44:45,490 --> 00:44:41,360

being made in that literature so it's

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00:44:47,320 --> 00:44:45,500

not a perfect system but so Shauna it's

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00:44:49,000 --> 00:44:47,330

not necessarily a question for you but

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00:44:51,850 --> 00:44:49,010

maybe you and Everett and others in the

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00:44:54,970 --> 00:44:51,860

room Dante can Neal and another others

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00:44:56,800 --> 00:44:54,980

have painstakingly tried to understand

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00:44:58,950 --> 00:44:56,810
whether there's been a net oxidation of

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00:45:02,350 --> 00:44:58,960
the crust and mantle through time and

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00:45:05,100 --> 00:45:02,360
using chromium vanadium others the

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00:45:08,800 --> 00:45:05,110
valence states of these hasn't changed

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00:45:13,330 --> 00:45:08,810
so there clearly is superabundant

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00:45:14,920 --> 00:45:13,340
amount of reductant within the mantle it

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00:45:17,230 --> 00:45:14,930
begs the question then do you really

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00:45:20,110 --> 00:45:17,240
care whether you have to go half a

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00:45:22,930 --> 00:45:20,120
kilometer into mars or just scratch the

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00:45:24,610 --> 00:45:22,940
surface because you're looking at the

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00:45:27,400 --> 00:45:24,620
surface manifestation of mineral

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00:45:31,330 --> 00:45:27,410
evolution really so it's this thin skin

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00:45:34,000 --> 00:45:31,340

right so that makes life a lot easier

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00:45:36,430 --> 00:45:34,010

for you if you can you can adjust off' I

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00:45:38,110 --> 00:45:36,440

that with and especially because mantle

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00:45:42,550 --> 00:45:38,120

convection is virtually nil on Mars

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00:45:44,260 --> 00:45:42,560

today so I mean I don't know if you have

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00:45:46,620 --> 00:45:44,270

thoughts about this but more

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00:45:50,050 --> 00:45:46,630

fundamentally I guess more profoundly is

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00:45:52,090 --> 00:45:50,060

why hasn't the mantle changed or at

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00:45:54,280 --> 00:45:52,100

least the upper portion of the mantle

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00:45:57,610 --> 00:45:54,290

we can sample changed in terms of redox

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00:46:00,370 --> 00:45:57,620

state through time so your fundamental

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00:46:01,630 --> 00:46:00,380

question I think maybe Everett wants to

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00:46:03,430 --> 00:46:01,640

think about that I don't want to try to

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00:46:05,950 --> 00:46:03,440

I don't want to try to touch that but in

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00:46:08,680 --> 00:46:05,960

thinking about Mars yes that's exactly

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00:46:11,560 --> 00:46:08,690

my line of thinking is likely when we're

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00:46:13,450 --> 00:46:11,570

just looking at the surface where we can

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00:46:15,910 --> 00:46:13,460

do pretty much a direct comparison to

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00:46:17,590 --> 00:46:15,920

what I'm showing here for on earth I

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00:46:19,900 --> 00:46:17,600

mean on earth obviously we know a lot

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00:46:21,640 --> 00:46:19,910

more about the the mantle minerals but

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00:46:24,130 --> 00:46:21,650

as you pointed out we find that that

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00:46:26,920 --> 00:46:24,140

extreme diversity is actually located in

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00:46:30,040 --> 00:46:26,930

our crust so yes absolutely

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00:46:31,810 --> 00:46:30,050

now why the mantle hasn't dramatically

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00:46:32,890 --> 00:46:31,820

changed as a result of this this is

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00:46:35,410 --> 00:46:32,900

something that a lot of people are

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00:46:37,690 --> 00:46:35,420

thinking about right and yeah I don't

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00:46:39,460 --> 00:46:37,700

have a good answer for that I if someone

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00:46:52,240 --> 00:46:39,470

does I would love to hear it ever it has

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00:46:55,780 --> 00:46:52,250

something to say life has had a profound

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00:46:58,180 --> 00:46:55,790

impact on the atmosphere and a

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00:47:04,870 --> 00:46:58,190

negligible impact on the oxidation state

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00:47:10,780 --> 00:47:04,880

of mantle Mantle's big lifes wimpy sorry

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00:47:13,720 --> 00:47:10,790

about that well it's not yeah get over

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00:47:17,170 --> 00:47:13,730

it let's not also let's be careful to

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00:47:30,880 --> 00:47:17,180

not equate life and photosynthesis

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00:47:45,820 --> 00:47:30,890

somehow in our thinking here yeah but

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00:48:05,030 --> 00:47:49,700

the well the mass of the mantel is

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00:48:07,230 --> 00:48:05,040

pretty profound well less thanks you're

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00:48:10,700 --> 00:48:07,240

the son I never at the gate

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00:48:30,440 --> 00:48:10,710

[Applause]