



AbSciCon
2019

The logo is a circular emblem with a green border. Inside, a blue satellite orbit with a white antenna crosses the circle. Below the orbit is a landscape with green trees and blue mountains. The text 'AbSciCon' is in a black sans-serif font at the top, and '2019' is in a larger black sans-serif font below it. Small white stars are scattered around the emblem.

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00:00:00,790 --> 00:00:07,320

[Music]

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00:00:11,940 --> 00:00:09,170

[Applause]

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00:00:14,610 --> 00:00:11,950

thank you for showing up late in the day

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00:00:16,020 --> 00:00:14,620

and thanks to the ICT program for

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00:00:17,880 --> 00:00:16,030

funding this has developed me we just

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00:00:20,010 --> 00:00:17,890

started a few months ago we're gonna

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00:00:22,590 --> 00:00:20,020

continue for the next couple years and

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00:00:25,880 --> 00:00:22,600

I'm speaking on behalf of the mass spec

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00:00:31,260 --> 00:00:25,890

orchid team oops

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00:00:32,820 --> 00:00:31,270

oh sorry those zeros got it and I just

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00:00:34,890 --> 00:00:32,830

wanted to tell you what our objectives

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00:00:37,170 --> 00:00:34,900

are we're interested in searching for

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00:00:40,350 --> 00:00:37,180

organic bio signatures and indicators of

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00:00:44,340 --> 00:00:40,360

habitable conditions on both current and

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00:00:47,460 --> 00:00:44,350

former ocean worlds so we love Europa

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00:00:49,500 --> 00:00:47,470

I love Enceladus we all love Titan after

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00:00:51,180 --> 00:00:49,510

the glorious announcement this afternoon

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00:00:52,799 --> 00:00:51,190

but we're also interested in other

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00:00:53,520 --> 00:00:52,809

places like Ceres it might tell

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00:00:56,040 --> 00:00:53,530

something up

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00:00:57,510 --> 00:00:56,050

former ocean worlds processes so we're

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00:01:00,119 --> 00:00:57,520

interested in developing general

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00:01:03,510 --> 00:01:00,129

capabilities to assess bio signatures

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00:01:05,340 --> 00:01:03,520

and habitability and so what I mean by

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00:01:07,830 --> 00:01:05,350

organic bio signatures so we're very

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00:01:10,020 --> 00:01:07,840

interested in some of the classical

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00:01:13,350 --> 00:01:10,030

tests for bio signatures things like the

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distributions of simple amino acids this

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00:01:16,859 --> 00:01:15,070

is aspartic acid Peter Willis gave a

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00:01:19,260 --> 00:01:16,869

great overview these kinds of concepts

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00:01:22,140 --> 00:01:19,270

more complex molecules that might be

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00:01:24,929 --> 00:01:22,150

only produced by biological processes as

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00:01:27,060 --> 00:01:24,939

well as carboxylic acids you could have

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00:01:29,219 --> 00:01:27,070

simple carboxylic acids that might

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00:01:32,130 --> 00:01:29,229

either service food sources or as

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00:01:34,770 --> 00:01:32,140

products of metabolism as well as lipid

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00:01:36,899 --> 00:01:34,780

forming carboxylic acids and you can't

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00:01:39,210 --> 00:01:36,909

see this in this image - well I'm sorry

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00:01:42,030 --> 00:01:39,220

to say but this is just one example of a

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00:01:44,310 --> 00:01:42,040

complex type of organic material known

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00:01:46,740 --> 00:01:44,320

as a human some people think that this

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00:01:48,630 --> 00:01:46,750

is a reasonable analogue to the organic

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00:01:50,429 --> 00:01:48,640

material that's been found in Enceladus

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00:01:52,109 --> 00:01:50,439

and we're interested in trying to

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00:01:54,210 --> 00:01:52,119

characterize these types of materials on

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00:01:56,850 --> 00:01:54,220

the other bodies as well as more geo

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00:01:59,510 --> 00:01:56,860

processed products of these kinds of

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00:02:02,370 --> 00:01:59,520

substances like keratin for example and

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00:02:04,350 --> 00:02:02,380

then when I mean ability indicators I'm

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00:02:06,630 --> 00:02:04,360

talking about both both individual

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00:02:08,669 --> 00:02:06,640
molecules so you could imagine we're

52
00:02:11,819 --> 00:02:08,679
very interested in is their source

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00:02:13,470 --> 00:02:11,829
sources of nitrogen on Europa surface or

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00:02:15,680 --> 00:02:13,480
in the ocean that might support

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00:02:18,210 --> 00:02:15,690
habitable conditions as well as

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00:02:19,740 --> 00:02:18,220
reactions so if you want to assess is

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00:02:21,509 --> 00:02:19,750
there enough chemical energies to

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00:02:22,320 --> 00:02:21,519
support life well you can't just say

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00:02:24,090 --> 00:02:22,330
there's there's high

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00:02:27,060 --> 00:02:24,100
there's energy you actually have to

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00:02:28,920 --> 00:02:27,070
consider full reaction so for example if

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00:02:32,280 --> 00:02:28,930
you're interested in meth Anna Genesis

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00:02:34,590 --> 00:02:32,290

you need measurements of co2 hydrogen

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00:02:36,960 --> 00:02:34,600

and methane so you can evaluate the

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00:02:39,930 --> 00:02:36,970

potential for chemical energy makes our

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00:02:41,910 --> 00:02:39,940

jobs a little bit harder just to

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00:02:44,130 --> 00:02:41,920

illustrate why this is useful and why

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00:02:46,920 --> 00:02:44,140

you might care about this a couple years

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00:02:48,150 --> 00:02:46,930

ago we had a paper analyzing this in the

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00:02:50,430 --> 00:02:48,160

Enceladus plume we had these

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00:02:52,650 --> 00:02:50,440

measurements of coexisting hydrogen

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00:02:54,180 --> 00:02:52,660

methane and co2 and when you have those

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00:02:57,060 --> 00:02:54,190

measurements then you can construct

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00:02:58,710 --> 00:02:57,070

these types of frameworks for evaluating

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00:03:00,330 --> 00:02:58,720

how much chemical energy there is in

76
00:03:02,430 --> 00:03:00,340
that environment so this is known as the

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00:03:04,980 --> 00:03:02,440
chemical affinity number of kilojoules

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00:03:06,690 --> 00:03:04,990
so that's energy content as a function

79
00:03:08,820 --> 00:03:06,700
of different geochemical conditions and

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00:03:11,670 --> 00:03:08,830
we identified this as the sweet spot for

81
00:03:12,960 --> 00:03:11,680
Enceladus is ocean for Europa's ocean we

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00:03:15,450 --> 00:03:12,970
have no idea so that's why we're very

83
00:03:17,820 --> 00:03:15,460
interested and this just makes the point

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00:03:19,980 --> 00:03:17,830
that in addition to organic molecules

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00:03:22,290 --> 00:03:19,990
and biomolecules we should also think

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00:03:25,460 --> 00:03:22,300
very seriously about simpler molecules

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00:03:28,199 --> 00:03:25,470
that could affect biological processes

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00:03:31,710 --> 00:03:28,209

some aspects Orca is a collaboration

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00:03:33,120 --> 00:03:31,720

between three institutions and so we I'm

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00:03:34,470 --> 00:03:33,130

just going to show you schematically

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00:03:36,449 --> 00:03:34,480

what the instrument entails and what

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00:03:39,180 --> 00:03:36,459

we're hoping to build so we have a front

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00:03:40,380 --> 00:03:39,190

end that's being developed by APL I hope

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00:03:43,170 --> 00:03:40,390

they still have time to do this work

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00:03:44,699 --> 00:03:43,180

after winning that contract and then we

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00:03:47,610 --> 00:03:44,709

also have the University of Michigan

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00:03:48,780 --> 00:03:47,620

who's building a GC device and I'll get

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00:03:51,150 --> 00:03:48,790

into this this is a really cool

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00:03:53,220 --> 00:03:51,160

development and then lastly the detector

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00:03:55,320 --> 00:03:53,230

is a mass spectrometer so I'm going to

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00:03:57,180 --> 00:03:55,330
mainly talk about the swery mass

102
00:03:59,490 --> 00:03:57,190
spectrometer known as mass pecks

103
00:04:01,710 --> 00:03:59,500
but we also have a different option that

104
00:04:04,199 --> 00:04:01,720
we're investigating from the University

105
00:04:06,060 --> 00:04:04,209
of Bern known as a neutral gas mass

106
00:04:08,430 --> 00:04:06,070
spectrometer and so we value ating the

107
00:04:10,380 --> 00:04:08,440
trade because Murray's math specs is

108
00:04:12,620 --> 00:04:10,390
very souped up and it's very capable but

109
00:04:15,090 --> 00:04:12,630
it's more costly in terms of spacecraft

110
00:04:17,039 --> 00:04:15,100
resources and then the bern instrument

111
00:04:19,050 --> 00:04:17,049
is our lower resource options we're

112
00:04:22,340 --> 00:04:19,060
trying to assess the resource

113
00:04:24,810 --> 00:04:22,350

requirements versus a science payoff

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00:04:27,000 --> 00:04:24,820

just to kind of set the context and

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00:04:28,650 --> 00:04:27,010

peter did a good job on this tip in very

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00:04:30,719 --> 00:04:28,660

simple terms I think we're going to be

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00:04:32,940 --> 00:04:30,729

faced with this inconvenient truth about

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00:04:34,320 --> 00:04:32,950

Europa and other ocean worlds that

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00:04:36,030 --> 00:04:34,330

they're probably going to be impure

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00:04:38,010 --> 00:04:36,040

bodies hosting

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phlex mixtures if we look at meteorites

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00:04:42,570 --> 00:04:40,900

or natural water natural waters on the

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00:04:44,420 --> 00:04:42,580

surface of the earth is a guide so we're

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00:04:46,740 --> 00:04:44,430

not going to have like one amino acid

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00:04:48,600 --> 00:04:46,750

encased in ice and be able to quantify

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00:04:50,940 --> 00:04:48,610

detection limits in that way we have to

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00:04:54,960 --> 00:04:50,950

figure out some way to handle complex

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00:04:56,610 --> 00:04:54,970

mixtures of various substances and how

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00:04:59,550 --> 00:04:56,620

we do this this just kind of shows you a

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00:05:01,710 --> 00:04:59,560

flowchart of how the front end of Orca

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00:05:04,110 --> 00:05:01,720

is designed to work so you can imagine

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00:05:05,870 --> 00:05:04,120

you start with a mixture of all sorts of

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00:05:09,240 --> 00:05:05,880

interesting things like salt water

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00:05:11,130 --> 00:05:09,250

different gasses organics refractory or

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00:05:12,960 --> 00:05:11,140

light organics and then you have to find

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00:05:15,330 --> 00:05:12,970

a way to methought systematically

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00:05:17,160 --> 00:05:15,340

simplify the mixture and analyze them so

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00:05:19,050 --> 00:05:17,170

that's what we're developing to do so

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00:05:21,180 --> 00:05:19,060

you can start with this horrible mixture

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00:05:22,890 --> 00:05:21,190

it's very interesting you can do a first

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00:05:25,020 --> 00:05:22,900

step where you melt the ice and then you

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00:05:27,510 --> 00:05:25,030

can purge the headspace you can analyze

143

00:05:29,040 --> 00:05:27,520

some volatile so that's step one then

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00:05:30,840 --> 00:05:29,050

the next step you can envision start

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00:05:33,870 --> 00:05:30,850

heating this mixture up that's leftover

146

00:05:35,010 --> 00:05:33,880

and you can drive away the water you can

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00:05:36,900 --> 00:05:35,020

drive off some of the lighter

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00:05:39,960 --> 00:05:36,910

hydrocarbons like the gasoline type

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00:05:41,970 --> 00:05:39,970

hydrocarbons analyze those with a GC and

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00:05:43,650 --> 00:05:41,980

a mass spec and then we were doing this

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00:05:45,990 --> 00:05:43,660

other development I'll detail the next

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00:05:48,270 --> 00:05:46,000

slide we're exploring options for how

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00:05:50,820 --> 00:05:48,280

we'd analyze amino acids using things

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00:05:53,840 --> 00:05:50,830

like derivatives a ssin and salt removal

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00:05:55,890 --> 00:05:53,850

and the final part of this process

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00:05:57,450 --> 00:05:55,900

leverages some of the development that

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00:05:58,830 --> 00:05:57,460

people have done in the past like the

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00:06:01,080 --> 00:05:58,840

sam investigation where you just start

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00:06:03,180 --> 00:06:01,090

baking this stuff and then you can break

160

00:06:04,920 --> 00:06:03,190

off different pieces of this complex

161

00:06:07,170 --> 00:06:04,930

organic material and you can learn

162

00:06:10,320 --> 00:06:07,180

something about its chemical character

163

00:06:13,260 --> 00:06:10,330

which is really useful to know here's

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00:06:15,210 --> 00:06:13,270

the wet lab desalination ship so why we

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00:06:17,250 --> 00:06:15,220

think this is so useful and important is

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00:06:19,800 --> 00:06:17,260

because if you have a lot of salts like

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00:06:22,260 --> 00:06:19,810

which just recently rediscovered just a

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00:06:24,180 --> 00:06:22,270

couple weeks ago they can interfere with

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00:06:26,490 --> 00:06:24,190

chemical derivatives ation reactions

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00:06:29,040 --> 00:06:26,500

which make a meet amino acids amina bowl

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00:06:30,630 --> 00:06:29,050

- GC analysis so gotta figure out a way

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00:06:32,820 --> 00:06:30,640

to deal with salts and what we're

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00:06:35,490 --> 00:06:32,830

developing an APL has been building this

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00:06:38,790 --> 00:06:35,500

device is you can imagine you start with

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00:06:41,370 --> 00:06:38,800

a mixture of water salts and amino acids

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00:06:42,900 --> 00:06:41,380
and then they have an exchange resin so

177
00:06:45,180 --> 00:06:42,910
when you flush this solution through

178
00:06:47,640 --> 00:06:45,190
there what happens is the amino acids

179
00:06:49,470 --> 00:06:47,650
stick to the resin and the salts get

180
00:06:51,510 --> 00:06:49,480
flushed out into the waste

181
00:06:53,730 --> 00:06:51,520
and then you do a subsequent illusion

182
00:06:55,860 --> 00:06:53,740
with ammonium hydroxide and that can

183
00:06:57,780 --> 00:06:55,870
pull out the amino acids so that's a way

184
00:07:00,030 --> 00:06:57,790
to do the separation and this figure

185
00:07:01,680 --> 00:07:00,040
here just shows a lab demonstration of

186
00:07:04,110 --> 00:07:01,690
how that works so you have a calcium

187
00:07:06,390 --> 00:07:04,120
chloride brine you start flushing it

188
00:07:08,550 --> 00:07:06,400

through the amino acid sticks to the

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00:07:10,200 --> 00:07:08,560

resin the calcium chloride just goes

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00:07:12,240 --> 00:07:10,210

straight through perfectly happy and

191

00:07:17,370 --> 00:07:12,250

then you do the ammonium hydroxide wash

192

00:07:18,480 --> 00:07:17,380

and oh and you see tryptophan this is I

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00:07:20,640 --> 00:07:18,490

think this is one of the really cool

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00:07:22,710 --> 00:07:20,650

things I'm willing to risk my neck but

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00:07:24,780 --> 00:07:22,720

this could be the future of GC for

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00:07:27,030 --> 00:07:24,790

spaceflight missions so you might have

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00:07:29,040 --> 00:07:27,040

dealt with GC in the laboratory that's

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00:07:31,440 --> 00:07:29,050

like these horrible metal coils and

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00:07:33,360 --> 00:07:31,450

cages and it's wrapped around there and

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00:07:33,840 --> 00:07:33,370

it takes a lot of space it's difficult

201
00:07:36,480 --> 00:07:33,850
to handle

202
00:07:38,130 --> 00:07:36,490
well what we're developing is a micro

203
00:07:39,780 --> 00:07:38,140
device chief see so you can see here

204
00:07:42,600 --> 00:07:39,790
these are dimensions it's on the order

205
00:07:44,610 --> 00:07:42,610
of centimeters or inches and the column

206
00:07:47,490 --> 00:07:44,620
is actually etched on a silicon chip

207
00:07:49,680 --> 00:07:47,500
right there so this is a column that's

208
00:07:51,240 --> 00:07:49,690
actually 10 meters long but it doesn't

209
00:07:53,280 --> 00:07:51,250
take up ten meters of space it's

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00:07:55,320 --> 00:07:53,290
actually really small and nice to use

211
00:07:57,510 --> 00:07:55,330
and so what you actually do is you pump

212
00:07:59,220 --> 00:07:57,520
in a sample that goes through a pre

213
00:08:00,930 --> 00:07:59,230

concentrator so you get a nice plug of

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00:08:03,390 --> 00:08:00,940

organics and then you thermally desorb

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00:08:05,580 --> 00:08:03,400

it through this column and then you can

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00:08:07,140 --> 00:08:05,590

do analysis so we have one option where

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00:08:10,110 --> 00:08:07,150

you could do an alternative analysis

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00:08:12,870 --> 00:08:10,120

with a micro photo ionization detector

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00:08:15,450 --> 00:08:12,880

or we can also just go directly into the

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00:08:17,610 --> 00:08:15,460

mass spec and our lab model we just plug

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00:08:19,590 --> 00:08:17,620

in a USB Drive directly into a data

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00:08:22,020 --> 00:08:19,600

acquisition board and we start getting

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00:08:24,780 --> 00:08:22,030

some data here's some data we've

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00:08:26,520 --> 00:08:24,790

collected with the IC to investigation

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00:08:28,980 --> 00:08:26,530

so this is just a really simple mixture

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00:08:32,400 --> 00:08:28,990

to demonstrate the proof-of-concept so

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00:08:34,260 --> 00:08:32,410

we just did a quick isothermal and some

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00:08:36,540 --> 00:08:34,270

temperature wrap ramping shown here and

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00:08:38,700 --> 00:08:36,550

then in a span of like two minutes

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00:08:40,589 --> 00:08:38,710

you're able to separate these simple

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00:08:42,659 --> 00:08:40,599

hydrocarbons from pentane to no-name

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00:08:44,100 --> 00:08:42,669

pretty effectively with this small

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00:08:46,170 --> 00:08:44,110

device so we're feeling pretty

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00:08:50,640 --> 00:08:46,180

optimistic that this might have some

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00:08:52,410 --> 00:08:50,650

promise what's to come so the really

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00:08:55,170 --> 00:08:52,420

cool thing is you can actually then add

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00:08:57,120 --> 00:08:55,180

additional columns on the same silicon

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00:08:58,800 --> 00:08:57,130

chip so you have the first GC column

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00:09:00,690 --> 00:08:58,810

like we all know and it gives you all

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00:09:02,319 --> 00:09:00,700

these peaks and you can add a second

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00:09:04,449 --> 00:09:02,329

column after that

242

00:09:06,129 --> 00:09:04,459

and it adds greater ability to separate

243

00:09:08,289 --> 00:09:06,139

because you can use different types of

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00:09:10,569 --> 00:09:08,299

stationary phases so the first stage you

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00:09:12,759 --> 00:09:10,579

could use like a nonpolar column then

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00:09:14,859 --> 00:09:12,769

here you can use a polar column and you

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00:09:17,169 --> 00:09:14,869

can pick different chiral columns so

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00:09:19,419 --> 00:09:17,179

there's a lot of flexibility for tuning

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00:09:20,859 --> 00:09:19,429

this two different types of analytes so

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00:09:23,259 --> 00:09:20,869

we're really excited about that and

251
00:09:25,539 --> 00:09:23,269
here's some demonstration of what our

252
00:09:27,429 --> 00:09:25,549
Michigan team had done previously where

253
00:09:30,009 --> 00:09:27,439
they just took a mixture of 50 volatile

254
00:09:31,600 --> 00:09:30,019
organic compounds and you can see since

255
00:09:33,939 --> 00:09:31,610
it having Peaks yeah you actually get

256
00:09:35,650 --> 00:09:33,949
these little spots in two dimensions and

257
00:09:38,379 --> 00:09:35,660
what's nice about it is some of these

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00:09:40,090 --> 00:09:38,389
spots are the same horizontal distance

259
00:09:41,949 --> 00:09:40,100
away so if you had a one dimensional

260
00:09:44,289 --> 00:09:41,959
chromatogram they would fall on top of

261
00:09:45,789 --> 00:09:44,299
each other and not be separated but if

262
00:09:47,229 --> 00:09:45,799
you have the second dimension then you

263
00:09:49,689 --> 00:09:47,239

can actually pull them away from each

264

00:09:51,119 --> 00:09:49,699

other and do a nice clean quantitative

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00:09:54,999 --> 00:09:51,129

analysis

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00:09:57,129 --> 00:09:55,009

here's math specs I love math specs math

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00:09:58,780 --> 00:09:57,139

specs is being developed for Europa

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00:10:00,579 --> 00:09:58,790

clipper so it's leveraging that heritage

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00:10:02,769 --> 00:10:00,589

what we're really hoping to do is

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00:10:04,660 --> 00:10:02,779

provide the local scale information to

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00:10:06,579 --> 00:10:04,670

complement what clipper is going to tell

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00:10:07,960 --> 00:10:06,589

us from the global perspective using the

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00:10:10,689 --> 00:10:07,970

same instrument so it's a nice way to

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00:10:12,639 --> 00:10:10,699

compare and contrast that mass spec

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00:10:14,559 --> 00:10:12,649

needle up to a thousand atomic mass

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00:10:17,739 --> 00:10:14,569

units it has a lot of flexibility for

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00:10:21,639 --> 00:10:17,749

looking at small things or big things it

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00:10:24,100 --> 00:10:21,649

can go up to 50,000 resolution M to

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00:10:26,590 --> 00:10:24,110

Delta M so you can pull apart a lot of

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00:10:28,720 --> 00:10:26,600

things that are very similar in mass and

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00:10:31,090 --> 00:10:28,730

what we're hoping for this to be is a

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00:10:34,539 --> 00:10:31,100

pathfinder for isotope biogeochemistry

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00:10:36,309 --> 00:10:34,549

on the surface of icy worlds and i kind

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00:10:38,799 --> 00:10:36,319

of show you how this works so this is a

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00:10:41,319 --> 00:10:38,809

famous plot in geochemistry showing how

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00:10:44,829 --> 00:10:41,329

you can organize the origin of methane

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00:10:46,449 --> 00:10:44,839

based on carbon and hydrogen isotopes

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00:10:49,269 --> 00:10:46,459

and there seems to be certain regimes

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00:10:51,879 --> 00:10:49,279

that separate abiotic versus biotic

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00:10:54,159 --> 00:10:51,889

gases so we're trying to use these kinds

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00:10:56,650 --> 00:10:54,169

of empirical rules and rules based on

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00:10:58,449 --> 00:10:56,660

physical chemistry and then trying to

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00:11:00,340 --> 00:10:58,459

compare that to the data on Europa which

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00:11:02,139 --> 00:11:00,350

we don't yet have so this is I think

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00:11:05,259 --> 00:11:02,149

this is a nice path forward for this

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00:11:07,629 --> 00:11:05,269

type of isotope work why you need high

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00:11:09,639 --> 00:11:07,639

resolution so the classic case that

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00:11:12,009 --> 00:11:09,649

we've struggled with with Cassini it's

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00:11:14,199 --> 00:11:12,019

separating things like CEO for men -

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00:11:15,760 --> 00:11:14,209

they have a nominal mass of 28 so

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00:11:17,770 --> 00:11:15,770

Cassini

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00:11:18,940 --> 00:11:17,780

we have big problems there but with math

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00:11:20,740 --> 00:11:18,950

specs you can see in this lab

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00:11:22,990 --> 00:11:20,750

demonstration we're nicely able to pull

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00:11:25,510 --> 00:11:23,000

apart those Peaks and to discriminate

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00:11:27,220 --> 00:11:25,520

between CO and n₂ and this is really

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00:11:29,440 --> 00:11:27,230

important so if you want to fill in that

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00:11:33,010 --> 00:11:29,450

methane isotope plot well you need to

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00:11:35,710 --> 00:11:33,020

measure both ¹³C methane and deuterated

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00:11:37,780 --> 00:11:35,720

methane those both have a mass of 17 so

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00:11:39,400 --> 00:11:37,790

that's a problem unless you have high

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00:11:41,650 --> 00:11:39,410

resolution if you have high resolution

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00:11:44,170 --> 00:11:41,660

it's great because these species

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00:11:46,600 --> 00:11:44,180

actually defer at some of the decimal

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00:11:48,310 --> 00:11:46,610

place level of mass so we like to think

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00:11:52,090 --> 00:11:48,320

of decimal places as our friend from

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00:11:54,040 --> 00:11:52,100

aspects and I mentioned organics our

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00:11:56,890 --> 00:11:54,050

great interest too so here's some data

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00:11:58,570 --> 00:11:56,900

we've generated from ic2 so far so this

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00:12:01,660 --> 00:11:58,580

is a standard mixture called Grob

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00:12:03,670 --> 00:12:01,670

mixture contains a suite of nonpolar or

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00:12:05,850 --> 00:12:03,680

weakly puller organics so the examples

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00:12:08,440 --> 00:12:05,860

I'm showing here are one octanol and

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00:12:11,200 --> 00:12:08,450

decane this is what the manufacturer

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00:12:13,630 --> 00:12:11,210

sends to us this is the mass specs data

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00:12:15,850 --> 00:12:13,640

so we're able to reproduce with similar

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00:12:18,730 --> 00:12:15,860

efficiency what you can do in the

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00:12:20,410 --> 00:12:18,740

conventional laboratory here's what the

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00:12:22,870 --> 00:12:20,420

mass spectra looked like so these are

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00:12:24,640 --> 00:12:22,880

from NIST these little stick figures and

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00:12:27,550 --> 00:12:24,650

mass effects is able to produce

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00:12:30,460 --> 00:12:27,560

comparable stick figures over a wide

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00:12:32,410 --> 00:12:30,470

range of mass and we've just started

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00:12:33,670 --> 00:12:32,420

working on some quantitative analysis

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00:12:36,190 --> 00:12:33,680

this just shows some of these

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00:12:38,020 --> 00:12:36,200

calibration curves we've generated as a

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00:12:39,640 --> 00:12:38,030

function of concentration and then the

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00:12:41,830 --> 00:12:39,650

peak areas that I showed in the previous

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00:12:43,870 --> 00:12:41,840

slide so it's looking pretty promising

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00:12:46,150 --> 00:12:43,880

but we'd like to improve this in the

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00:12:48,130 --> 00:12:46,160

next year or so by starting to use

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00:12:49,990 --> 00:12:48,140

internal standards based on fluorinated

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00:12:51,280 --> 00:12:50,000

compounds for instance and then

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00:12:53,170 --> 00:12:51,290

extending these to even lower

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00:12:56,080 --> 00:12:53,180

concentrations which some people might

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00:12:57,700 --> 00:12:56,090

expect for the surface of europa and

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00:13:03,120 --> 00:12:57,710

with that I will open up for any

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00:13:13,960 --> 00:13:06,790

any questions for Chris yeah come use

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00:13:15,880 --> 00:13:13,970

the mic quickly so the column on the

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00:13:18,370 --> 00:13:15,890

silicon chip is really cool it's very

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00:13:20,230 --> 00:13:18,380

innovative 1/8 but even looking at low

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00:13:22,810 --> 00:13:20,240

masses one of the big things that makes

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00:13:24,820 --> 00:13:22,820

a GC heavy and big is the oven part

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00:13:26,050 --> 00:13:24,830

right and you need it for baked outs to

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00:13:27,970 --> 00:13:26,060

make sure you keep your column clean so

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00:13:29,200 --> 00:13:27,980

then what's the temperature what's the

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00:13:30,940 --> 00:13:29,210

high temperature you can get to with the

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00:13:33,730 --> 00:13:30,950

chip column the high temperature I think

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00:13:37,260 --> 00:13:33,740

is around 350 degrees Celsius yeah

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00:13:43,930 --> 00:13:42,040

anything else go for it

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00:13:45,700 --> 00:13:43,940

so do you guys have have you been able

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00:13:48,280 --> 00:13:45,710

to measure any changes in flow rate

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00:13:51,160 --> 00:13:48,290

along this kind of more circuitous path

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00:13:53,500 --> 00:13:51,170

I don't know what maybe the University

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00:13:55,630 --> 00:13:53,510

of Michigan team has but we have haven't

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00:13:57,670 --> 00:13:55,640

had that test with math specs yet so

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00:13:59,710 --> 00:13:57,680

what we're hoping to do with ic2 is we

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00:14:01,360 --> 00:13:59,720

want to interface them together and then

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00:14:03,370 --> 00:14:01,370

test for these various organic mixtures

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00:14:08,340 --> 00:14:03,380

so we'll have those data hopefully next