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

[Music]

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00:00:11,699 --> 00:00:09,049

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00:00:13,830 --> 00:00:11,709

thank you all for for coming and making

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00:00:16,410 --> 00:00:13,840

it out so I think the two talks before

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00:00:18,029 --> 00:00:16,420

really set my talk up really well

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00:00:19,859 --> 00:00:18,039

because we have these universal

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00:00:22,349 --> 00:00:19,869

principles of life and now we're kind of

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00:00:24,060 --> 00:00:22,359

constraining the metabolism of single

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00:00:25,800 --> 00:00:24,070

cell and now I'm going to take you into

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00:00:29,130 --> 00:00:25,810

the environment where it gets really

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00:00:31,019 --> 00:00:29,140

messy really fast so I work on

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00:00:32,519 --> 00:00:31,029

understanding how microbes are

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00:00:34,860 --> 00:00:32,529

interacting and interfacing with

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00:00:36,630 --> 00:00:34,870

themselves and their environment and the

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00:00:38,729 --> 00:00:36,640

model system that I use are

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stromatolites here and stromatolites

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have popped up quite a few times over

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00:00:47,459 --> 00:00:44,829

the course of this week and so but I

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00:00:50,580 --> 00:00:47,469

thought I would define the term because

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00:00:52,470 --> 00:00:50,590

I think of them as ecosystems but really

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stromatolite are structures they're

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sedimentary structures that are made by

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00:01:00,329 --> 00:00:57,760

the activities of microbes and through

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00:01:02,520 --> 00:01:00,339

their actions of trapping and binding

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00:01:05,070 --> 00:01:02,530

sediments from their environment they

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all and also through precipitation they

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00:01:10,320 --> 00:01:07,360

have this very iterative growth process

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00:01:12,270 --> 00:01:10,330

that creates these these laminations or

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layers of carbonate structures that we

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think of as the stromatolite structure

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and we've heard many reasons why

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00:01:22,289 --> 00:01:19,150

stromatolites are really interesting

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00:01:24,620 --> 00:01:22,299

studies too to look at they can be

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00:01:27,359 --> 00:01:24,630

important reservoirs for biosignatures

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00:01:28,620 --> 00:01:27,369

analogs we for maybe the carbonates on

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00:01:30,950 --> 00:01:28,630

Mars so these are just some of the

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00:01:33,630 --> 00:01:30,960

topics but but they're really productive

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00:01:36,179 --> 00:01:33,640

ecosystems John Speier the other day

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00:01:38,459 --> 00:01:36,189

called them microbial mats little rain

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forests and and you can really apply

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some of these ideas about microbes

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interfacing with the environment on

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00:01:49,950 --> 00:01:46,930

these and ecosystems and so I work on a

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00:01:51,300 --> 00:01:49,960

community of found in I work on there's

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00:01:53,010 --> 00:01:51,310

several different stromatolites across

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00:01:54,840 --> 00:01:53,020

the globe but I work on the ones in

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00:01:57,480 --> 00:01:54,850

Hamlin pool and Shark Bay Western

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00:02:00,060 --> 00:01:57,490

Australia Shark Bay is a UNESCO World

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Heritage Site and Hamlin pool is kind of

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00:02:04,740 --> 00:02:02,140

cut off from the rest of Shark Bay by

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00:02:06,690 --> 00:02:04,750
this location it's called a for a sill

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00:02:08,990 --> 00:02:06,700
that kind of restricts water flow and

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00:02:12,240 --> 00:02:09,000
creates a hyper saline environment and

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00:02:13,950 --> 00:02:12,250
these stromatolites were discovered in

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00:02:16,350 --> 00:02:13,960
the 1950s and they're been these kind of

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00:02:18,869 --> 00:02:16,360
canonical mat types that have been

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00:02:19,970 --> 00:02:18,879
described over the last few decades and

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00:02:23,180 --> 00:02:19,980
some of them

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00:02:25,490 --> 00:02:23,190
form stromatolites and some do not and

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00:02:28,699 --> 00:02:25,500
these names have been around for decades

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00:02:31,970 --> 00:02:28,709
but the location of where they are is it

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00:02:33,979 --> 00:02:31,980
is a major driver of what type of

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00:02:36,500 --> 00:02:33,989

microbes and how they're how they're

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00:02:38,420 --> 00:02:36,510

making stromatolites and so I'm going to

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00:02:41,930 --> 00:02:38,430

talk about these format types in my

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00:02:42,680 --> 00:02:41,940

analysis and the pustular strip forming

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00:02:44,750 --> 00:02:42,690

stromatolites

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00:02:46,460 --> 00:02:44,760

I did not name that but the pustular

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00:02:48,050 --> 00:02:46,470

ones are in the intertidal zone where

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00:02:50,479 --> 00:02:48,060

the smooth and coliform seem to be

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00:02:52,190 --> 00:02:50,489

always found in the subtitle and then

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00:02:53,990 --> 00:02:52,200

you have the non lithified mats which

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00:02:56,690 --> 00:02:54,000

are definitely in the upper intertidal

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00:02:58,809 --> 00:02:56,700

regions and so the questions that I'm

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looking at is is are there really

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00:03:03,319 --> 00:03:01,379

footprints or by metabolic footprints

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00:03:04,880 --> 00:03:03,329

for each of these mat types and I'm

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pretty much comparing the non let the

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fine to the Litha fiying systems and are

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00:03:12,650 --> 00:03:10,709

they dependent on their geographical

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00:03:15,309 --> 00:03:12,660

location or other aspects of their

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00:03:17,630 --> 00:03:15,319

environment and so again I'm looking at

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00:03:21,020 --> 00:03:17,640

collecting samples from these different

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stromatolites and Nan lithium microbial

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00:03:25,780 --> 00:03:23,160

mats from two different locations within

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00:03:28,610 --> 00:03:25,790

the pool a more northern site that is a

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more less saline and a hypo or hyper

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00:03:33,710 --> 00:03:31,769

saline at place called go point in the

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00:03:35,839 --> 00:03:33,720

southern part and we've looked at the

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00:03:37,490 --> 00:03:35,849

microbial diversity we've looked at the

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00:03:40,460 --> 00:03:37,500

metagenomics and now I'm going to talk a

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00:03:44,659 --> 00:03:40,470

little bit about applying a metabolomics

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approach to these ecosystems and just

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00:03:49,009 --> 00:03:46,380

all the data I'm talking about was

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00:03:51,920 --> 00:03:49,019

collected at noon the peak of

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00:03:54,559 --> 00:03:51,930

photosynthesis and so most of

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unfortunately most of the data that we

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get back are unknowns and there's we're

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always kind of working on trying to

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00:04:05,240 --> 00:04:02,060

improve that but the known communities

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00:04:07,129 --> 00:04:05,250
have made two plots here one with just

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00:04:09,670 --> 00:04:07,139
the knowns and with the unknown so even

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00:04:13,640 --> 00:04:09,680
though we don't know what most of these

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00:04:16,400 --> 00:04:13,650
metabolites are they don't they seem to

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00:04:18,560 --> 00:04:16,410
be we still see very discrete

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00:04:20,029 --> 00:04:18,570
populations of communities suggesting

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00:04:22,520 --> 00:04:20,039
that each of these mat types have a

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00:04:27,040 --> 00:04:22,530
really distinctive fingerprint of

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00:04:29,750 --> 00:04:27,050
metabolic or a pattern of metabolic

110
00:04:33,170 --> 00:04:29,760
molecules in their profile and they

111
00:04:36,970 --> 00:04:33,180
follow a very discrete path with

112
00:04:39,710 --> 00:04:36,980
the c-word the most deep-water

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00:04:41,630 --> 00:04:39,720

microbialites and then there's also the

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00:04:43,760 --> 00:04:41,640

non with of fying so let me just add

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00:04:45,650 --> 00:04:43,770

this on there so whether or not you have

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00:04:47,990 --> 00:04:45,660

unknown or known you're getting very

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00:04:49,490 --> 00:04:48,000

discrete populations of the metabolic

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00:04:52,580 --> 00:04:49,500

profiles that are really clearly

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00:04:54,950 --> 00:04:52,590

separated by whether the mat type but we

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00:04:56,750 --> 00:04:54,960

are also seeing a geographic component

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00:05:00,650 --> 00:04:56,760

so there's two things driving the

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00:05:03,230 --> 00:05:00,660

differences in these communities and so

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00:05:04,580 --> 00:05:03,240

we can see really distinct patterns so

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00:05:06,590 --> 00:05:04,590

these are just the top we're just

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00:05:08,270 --> 00:05:06,600

dealing with the known metabolites at

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00:05:11,510 --> 00:05:08,280
this point and we're seeing really

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00:05:14,570 --> 00:05:11,520
distinctive patterns within these mat

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00:05:16,520 --> 00:05:14,580
types and some of these are the top 50

129
00:05:18,560 --> 00:05:16,530
metabolites that were recovering from

130
00:05:22,010 --> 00:05:18,570
these mat types and they're divided up

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00:05:24,860 --> 00:05:22,020
based on on mat type and location but

132
00:05:27,290 --> 00:05:24,870
we're seeing two major trends here some

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00:05:28,940 --> 00:05:27,300
patterns of molecules really are

134
00:05:31,310 --> 00:05:28,950
affected by water depth and we can

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00:05:33,830 --> 00:05:31,320
really distinguish and tell you whether

136
00:05:36,890 --> 00:05:33,840
or not that organ that mat type was is

137
00:05:38,570 --> 00:05:36,900
inter title or subtitle and then we're

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00:05:40,100 --> 00:05:38,580

also seeing pronounced differences of

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00:05:41,720 --> 00:05:40,110

whether or not they're Litha fying or

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00:05:43,940 --> 00:05:41,730

not Litha fying so it really depends on

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00:05:46,580 --> 00:05:43,950

on what your question is but we can also

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00:05:49,160 --> 00:05:46,590

see this group of clusters only seems to

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00:05:51,200 --> 00:05:49,170

be appearing in lithified stromatolite

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00:05:53,120 --> 00:05:51,210

forming mats as opposed to the

145

00:05:56,600 --> 00:05:53,130

non-leather fying so i'm going to give

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00:05:58,400 --> 00:05:56,610

you one specific example of a comparison

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00:06:00,680 --> 00:05:58,410

of pairwise comparison between a

148

00:06:02,860 --> 00:06:00,690

stromatolite forming mat and a

149

00:06:06,050 --> 00:06:02,870

non-letter fying mat to see what we see

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00:06:08,420 --> 00:06:06,060

and so this is a volcano plot plotting

151
00:06:12,170 --> 00:06:08,430
all of the metabolites that we're

152
00:06:14,570 --> 00:06:12,180
comparing in these two mat types and on

153
00:06:17,600 --> 00:06:14,580
how you read this is everything on this

154
00:06:19,730 --> 00:06:17,610
side is enriched or up in the

155
00:06:23,240 --> 00:06:19,740
stromatolite forming mat and everything

156
00:06:25,910 --> 00:06:23,250
on this side here is up in the nonlethal

157
00:06:28,160 --> 00:06:25,920
and down in the stromatolite mat and

158
00:06:31,180 --> 00:06:28,170
everything in blue and red here are

159
00:06:35,390 --> 00:06:31,190
significant and everything in red is a

160
00:06:36,890 --> 00:06:35,400
two-fold change or higher so what there

161
00:06:39,500 --> 00:06:36,900
are lots of different metabolites I

162
00:06:41,240 --> 00:06:39,510
could talk about but one of the examples

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00:06:43,010 --> 00:06:41,250

is they seem to have the stromatolite

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00:06:44,060 --> 00:06:43,020

forming mats and the non let the flying

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00:06:45,950 --> 00:06:44,070

mat seem to have very different

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00:06:46,780 --> 00:06:45,960

strategies of how they might deal with

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00:06:48,160 --> 00:06:46,790

Osmo

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00:06:50,470 --> 00:06:48,170

pectins for example one of the most

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dominant molecules in the stromatolite

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00:06:54,940 --> 00:06:52,700

forming mats is a molecule called

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trigonal een and that is an Osmo

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protectant but it's also an important

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00:07:01,810 --> 00:07:00,020

bacterial regulator the nonlethal mats

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00:07:03,970 --> 00:07:01,820

do not seem to have this molecule they

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00:07:06,930 --> 00:07:03,980

seem to be more enriched in other types

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00:07:10,660 --> 00:07:06,940
of ozma protectants in this case betting

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00:07:13,090 --> 00:07:10,670
and the carbon carboxylic acid profiles

178
00:07:15,280 --> 00:07:13,100
seem really different between if mats

179
00:07:18,430 --> 00:07:15,290
that make stromatolite and mats that do

180
00:07:21,370 --> 00:07:18,440
not a good example here carboxylic acids

181
00:07:22,900 --> 00:07:21,380
are important in in carbonate morphology

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00:07:24,850 --> 00:07:22,910
they're not necessarily serving as

183
00:07:27,910 --> 00:07:24,860
nucleation points but they can actually

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00:07:30,310 --> 00:07:27,920
control the type of morphology that you

185
00:07:32,080 --> 00:07:30,320
see in the case of malic acid which is

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00:07:35,020 --> 00:07:32,090
strongly enriched in the stromatolite

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00:07:36,970 --> 00:07:35,030
forming mats they can actually absorb

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00:07:39,520 --> 00:07:36,980

onto the calcium carbonate structure and

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actually malic acid specifically makes

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dumbbell shaped carbonate structures so

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you can see that was enriched there but

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there the nonlethal mats do have

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carboxylic acids they need them but they

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have very different profiles and in case

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00:07:56,980 --> 00:07:53,990

gluconic acid is associated often with

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00:07:59,410 --> 00:07:56,990

carbonate dissolution actually so by

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00:08:01,570 --> 00:07:59,420

teasing apart we can actually really see

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distinct profiles between what makes

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instrumentally different from a non

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stromatolite forming mats and now what

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00:08:10,990 --> 00:08:08,480
we're doing is now we're taking that

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metabolomic data and overlaying it with

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00:08:15,850 --> 00:08:12,650
some of the meta genomic data that we've

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00:08:17,740 --> 00:08:15,860
accumulated and we have about 35

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00:08:20,160 --> 00:08:17,750
different meta genomes for these

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00:08:22,240 --> 00:08:20,170
communities and we're trying to know

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00:08:24,520 --> 00:08:22,250
there's going to be a lot of organisms

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00:08:26,050 --> 00:08:24,530
that make malic acid and we're trying to

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00:08:28,870 --> 00:08:26,060
associate with this is a Pearson

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00:08:31,660 --> 00:08:28,880
correlation of a smooth a stromatolite

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00:08:34,150 --> 00:08:31,670
forming mat with a pustular and we can

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00:08:35,530 --> 00:08:34,160
now see taxonomic differences of who

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00:08:38,860 --> 00:08:35,540

might be making those different

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metabolites and we're taking it a step

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further and also looking at what

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pathways are enriched and not enriched

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depending on what what you're looking at

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and in the case of the intertidal here's

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a case where we're comparing an

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intertidal stromatolite forming mat with

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a smooth forming mat that's in the

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00:08:59,880 --> 00:08:57,470

subtitle and we're seeing really

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differences in what type of Metabo

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are used are enriched in those

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communities so in the case here of the

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pustular forming Matt we're actually

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00:09:10,800 --> 00:09:09,279

seeing strong enrichments everything in

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green here is a photosynthesis

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associated Matt so when you're in the

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entire intertidal zone those map

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stromatolite forming mats tend to be

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more photosynthesis driven whereas in

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the in subtitle we're seeing money more

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like sulfate reduction more

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heterotrophic metabolisms driving that

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so we're really seeing we're getting

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profiles not only of basically what

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metabolisms are there but maybe some of

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the major processes that are forming

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these ecosystems and now we're layering

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in the environment into this we've over

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the last six seven years we've had data

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loggers all throughout the different

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parts of the pool here capturing

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temperature salinity and tidal Heights

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for all these environments and my

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colleagues University Miami have created

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a really detailed bathymetry map and

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captured some of the more fun more of

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the macro features of these

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00:10:10,829 --> 00:10:08,890
stromatolites and we're starting to

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layer in the environmental data

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associated with these communities and

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one story I'll tell you is about

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salinity salinity in a lot of

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environments drives certain microbial

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populations I've seen it in the mats in

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the Bahamas but in this particular

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environment salinity accounts from very

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little of the diversity that we're

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00:10:32,430 --> 00:10:30,430
seeing in the communities those treat

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00:10:35,069 --> 00:10:32,440
those really tight discrete patterns

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that we saw in looking at the

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metabolomic aynd of gets lost when we

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start just focusing on salinity and only

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about about less than 10 percent of the

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variation could be explained by salinity

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so some environmental factors like water

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depth seem to be more important than

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other factors like salinity and we're

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slowly teasing those interactions apart

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and just to kind of recap some of these

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big ideas are there different distinct

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metabolic signatures with each of these

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mat types yes there does seem to be

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stromatolite specific metabolites that

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00:11:12,509 --> 00:11:10,480

are found

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00:11:15,060 --> 00:11:12,519

and yet you can also then use other

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00:11:17,610 --> 00:11:15,070

patterns within the metabolome profile

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00:11:19,290 --> 00:11:17,620

to understand where they are or what

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00:11:21,750 --> 00:11:19,300

signature they have that's dependent on

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00:11:23,250 --> 00:11:21,760

the environment and one thing I didn't

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00:11:26,250 --> 00:11:23,260

really talk about are the discreet

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00:11:28,050 --> 00:11:26,260

really different surface features of

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00:11:30,960 --> 00:11:28,060

these these morphological features of

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00:11:33,269 --> 00:11:30,970

the stromatolites and what the big

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00:11:35,759 --> 00:11:33,279

factor seems to be is where they are in

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00:11:38,310 --> 00:11:35,769

the water column and that really impacts

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00:11:40,860 --> 00:11:38,320

the genetic content of these systems and

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00:11:42,870 --> 00:11:40,870

and now what we're trying to do is

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00:11:46,560 --> 00:11:42,880

correlate those surface map features

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00:11:49,199 --> 00:11:46,570

with the subsurface structures to say

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00:11:53,910 --> 00:11:49,209

what might be the underlying carbonate

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00:11:56,310 --> 00:11:53,920

structures in those communities and I

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00:11:57,990 --> 00:11:56,320

just want to say thank you to Joanna

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00:12:00,600 --> 00:11:58,000

Babilonia she was the graduate student

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00:12:03,329 --> 00:12:00,610

who did a lot of this work and she's now

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00:12:06,360 --> 00:12:03,339

a postdoc at the Lawrence Los Alamos

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00:12:08,850 --> 00:12:06,370

National Lab and Pam Reed who has been a

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00:12:10,259 --> 00:12:08,860

big help with the geological aspects of

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00:12:12,389 --> 00:12:10,269

this Tim Garrett who helps with the

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00:12:13,949 --> 00:12:12,399

metabolomics and Bush heritage and

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00:12:16,379 --> 00:12:13,959

Western Australia government for

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00:12:18,150 --> 00:12:16,389

allowing me access to this UNESCO proof

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00:12:22,050 --> 00:12:18,160

really important unesco world heritage

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00:12:24,389 --> 00:12:22,060

site and phil Playford who discovered

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00:12:25,860 --> 00:12:24,399

these in 1952 he passed away about a

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00:12:27,360 --> 00:12:25,870

little bit more than a year ago so I

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00:12:29,460 --> 00:12:27,370

really want to say thank you and also

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00:12:31,620 --> 00:12:29,470

thank you to my funding sources so that

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00:12:33,389 --> 00:12:31,630

was just a big picture to kind of give

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00:12:35,519 --> 00:12:33,399

you an idea of how we're applying these

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00:12:36,480 --> 00:12:35,529

systems biology approaches to modern

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00:12:42,630 --> 00:12:36,490

living stromatolite

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00:12:47,830 --> 00:12:45,580

not bad I'm like only 30 seconds over

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00:12:57,670 --> 00:12:47,840

all right Thank You Jamie one quick

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00:12:59,290 --> 00:12:57,680

question yes oh yeah yeah actually I've

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00:13:02,260 --> 00:12:59,300

taken some of these mats into the lab

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00:13:03,780 --> 00:13:02,270

and built little environmental chambers

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00:13:06,310 --> 00:13:03,790

where we can manipulate and

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00:13:08,500 --> 00:13:06,320

interestingly I've manipulated co2

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00:13:10,930 --> 00:13:08,510

salinity and temperature on these and

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00:13:13,540 --> 00:13:10,940

it's really hard to break a stromatolite

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00:13:15,280 --> 00:13:13,550

let's put it that way these systems you

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00:13:18,280 --> 00:13:15,290

can manipulate and obviously they've

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00:13:20,980 --> 00:13:18,290

been around for a long with very dynamic

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00:13:22,570 --> 00:13:20,990

environmental conditions and we have

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00:13:24,930 --> 00:13:22,580

been able to track and follow how the

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00:13:26,710 --> 00:13:24,940

community is changing under these

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00:13:28,900 --> 00:13:26,720

environment if you lay shion's and we

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00:13:30,910 --> 00:13:28,910

can get these stromatolites to form and