



**305: GEOCHEMISTRY & HABITABILITY OF  
ALKALINE HYDROTHERMAL VENTS  
ON EARTH & BEYOND I**

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00:00:05,349 --> 00:00:02,950  
hi everyone um good morning and thank

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00:00:06,789 --> 00:00:05,359  
you for joining us in this hybrid oral

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00:00:09,190 --> 00:00:06,799  
session the geochemistry and

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00:00:11,190 --> 00:00:09,200  
habitability of alkaline hydrothermal

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00:00:13,350 --> 00:00:11,200  
events on earth and beyond

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00:00:15,509 --> 00:00:13,360  
my name is arlene sanchez i'm a graduate

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00:00:17,269 --> 00:00:15,519  
student from stony brook university

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00:00:19,189 --> 00:00:17,279  
and i'll be sharing this session along

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00:00:21,189 --> 00:00:19,199  
with my colleagues here today

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00:00:23,590 --> 00:00:21,199  
we have five great talks to look forward

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00:00:26,070 --> 00:00:23,600  
to today two of which are from our

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00:00:28,310 --> 00:00:26,080  
invited guests dr deb kelly from

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00:00:30,070 --> 00:00:28,320

university of washington and dr alexis

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00:00:31,830 --> 00:00:30,080

templeton from the university of

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00:00:34,389 --> 00:00:31,840

colorado boulder

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00:00:36,150 --> 00:00:34,399

as a note after each talk we will have a

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00:00:37,910 --> 00:00:36,160

four-minute q a

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00:00:38,869 --> 00:00:37,920

where both the in-person and online

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00:00:40,389 --> 00:00:38,879

audience

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00:00:43,110 --> 00:00:40,399

will be able to ask their questions so

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00:00:44,549 --> 00:00:43,120

please feel free to participate i'll go

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00:00:47,190 --> 00:00:44,559

ahead and let the rest of my colleagues

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00:00:49,110 --> 00:00:47,200

introduce themselves as well

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00:00:51,430 --> 00:00:49,120

hi everyone my name is holly rucker i'm

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00:00:54,229 --> 00:00:51,440

from the university of arizona

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00:00:55,510 --> 00:00:54,239

and we are hybrid today so

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00:00:57,670 --> 00:00:55,520

when you come up for your question

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00:00:59,990 --> 00:00:57,680

please state your name and affiliation

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00:01:01,830 --> 00:01:00,000

and i'll also ask the same for people on

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00:01:05,670 --> 00:01:01,840

zoom and we'll try to alternate between

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00:01:08,230 --> 00:01:05,680

in-person and zoom questions

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00:01:10,149 --> 00:01:08,240

hi everyone thank you for coming i'm roy

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00:01:12,390 --> 00:01:10,159

price from stony brook university i can

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00:01:13,510 --> 00:01:12,400

barely see you with all the lights but

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00:01:14,950 --> 00:01:13,520

um

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00:01:16,469 --> 00:01:14,960

yeah i'm i'm a specialist in

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00:01:19,109 --> 00:01:16,479

hydrothermal vents and in particular

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00:01:21,749 --> 00:01:19,119

shallow c hydrothermal vents and

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00:01:23,510 --> 00:01:21,759

some of those are alkaline in nature and

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00:01:24,950 --> 00:01:23,520

that sort of started the ideas for this

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00:01:26,469 --> 00:01:24,960

session

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00:01:28,950 --> 00:01:26,479

um i'll also

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introduce uh dr lori barge who's also a

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co-convener here

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00:01:33,590 --> 00:01:31,840

she's not here at the moment she's going

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00:01:36,310 --> 00:01:33,600

to be in and out she's from jet

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00:01:37,270 --> 00:01:36,320

propulsion lab in california

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00:01:39,990 --> 00:01:37,280

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00:01:42,710 --> 00:01:40,000

and i think that's it

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00:01:44,710 --> 00:01:42,720

great um so we have our first speaker

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00:02:01,590 --> 00:01:44,720

today as dr dab kelly from the

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thank you for the opportunity to present

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00:02:07,749 --> 00:02:05,759

some summary of the last city work that

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our team has been doing and how it can

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00:02:12,710 --> 00:02:09,360

help inform us about considerations in

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00:02:14,229 --> 00:02:12,720

the exploration of life elsewhere

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00:02:17,030 --> 00:02:14,239

last city is one of the most amazing

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places on earth it's uh on one million

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year old mantle rocks it hosts the

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largest hydrothermal vent structures

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that are found reach 60 meters in height

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they're all carbonate limestone

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00:02:31,990 --> 00:02:29,360

venting is medium low temperature 40

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degrees to about 96 degrees and one of

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the spectacular things about this system

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is it's

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very different than other environments

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because it vents

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high ph fluids that are very low in

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silica and contain no metals the fluids

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are also enriched in hydrogen a biogenic

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methane and formate another low

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molecular hydrocarbons that are a

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00:02:54,869 --> 00:02:53,040

hallmark of

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00:02:57,030 --> 00:02:54,879

fluid hydrothermal systems driven by

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00:02:59,110 --> 00:02:57,040

serpentinization reactions

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the fluid chemistry is strongly linked

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to

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the microbial communities that thrive

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within the interior walls of the

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carbonate towers as well as on the

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00:03:08,550 --> 00:03:07,280

outside

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00:03:10,710 --> 00:03:08,560

and the system is fueled by

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00:03:13,910 --> 00:03:10,720

serpentinization reactions and

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predominantly by cooling of the crustal

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rocks in the form of atlantis massif

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dating of the limestone chimneys

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indicate that this is a very long-lived

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target thermal system with that's been

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active for at least 150 000 years

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as i mentioned the

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reason that last city is there is

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because of a long-lived attachment fault

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that has exposed ultramafic rocks uh

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bounded to the south by the atlanta's

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transform fault and by the east by the

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00:03:44,309 --> 00:03:42,959

mid-atlantic bridge the lost city field

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itself is

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00:03:48,949 --> 00:03:46,480

near the top of the atlantis massive

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00:03:50,630 --> 00:03:48,959

which is a very flat topped mountain

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00:03:53,589 --> 00:03:50,640

uh it has no volcanic rocks all the

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volcanic rocks are to the east uh that

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are on the rider blocks uh on the on to

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the east on an attachment fault

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um so the core of the atlantis massif is

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uh

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highly altered prototypes and gabbros

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and again one of the important things

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about when we think about where to look

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for other lost cities is it's bounded by

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the seismically active transform fault

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which keeps the fluid circulation going

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00:04:20,150 --> 00:04:17,919

and also the second point is that the

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00:04:24,390 --> 00:04:20,160

heat is largely derived from residual

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00:04:26,150 --> 00:04:24,400

heat within the massive rocks itself

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00:04:28,629 --> 00:04:26,160

as it's one of the most beautiful places

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00:04:31,110 --> 00:04:28,639

i think on the planet uh this is video

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taken during a program that we did with

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00:04:34,790 --> 00:04:33,520

noah and bob ballard's group uh and this

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00:04:36,790 --> 00:04:34,800

shows the

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00:04:39,110 --> 00:04:36,800

a parasitic chimney called the imax

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flange or imax tower that rises three

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00:04:44,790 --> 00:04:42,639

stories uh outside of the main growing

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00:04:46,230 --> 00:04:44,800

from the outside of the main poseidon

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00:04:48,550 --> 00:04:46,240

structure

126  
00:04:51,510 --> 00:04:48,560  
my student chris ludwig did dating

127  
00:04:52,950 --> 00:04:51,520  
uranium thorium dating of the

128  
00:04:55,030 --> 00:04:52,960  
multiple

129  
00:04:57,350 --> 00:04:55,040  
samples recovered from lost city and she

130  
00:04:59,510 --> 00:04:57,360  
documents that the system is very long

131  
00:05:00,390 --> 00:04:59,520  
lived with active vending over 150 000

132  
00:05:02,310 --> 00:05:00,400  
years

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00:05:04,150 --> 00:05:02,320  
this is a underwater upside down

134  
00:05:05,510 --> 00:05:04,160  
waterfall one of the flanges and it's

135  
00:05:07,830 --> 00:05:05,520  
quite spectacular it's one of the

136  
00:05:09,909 --> 00:05:07,840  
samples the areas we sampled for

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00:05:11,990 --> 00:05:09,919  
microbial communities but you can see

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00:05:14,629 --> 00:05:12,000

that these are diffuse flow fluids they

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00:05:16,230 --> 00:05:14,639

have no particulates no metals and when

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00:05:18,150 --> 00:05:16,240

we consider where to look for other lost

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cities this is going to be important

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i won't go over this with

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00:05:26,230 --> 00:05:24,400

pentatonization reactions but only to

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00:05:27,670 --> 00:05:26,240

say that uh it's very clear that

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subpoenaization and exothermic

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oxycodonization

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uh by itself is not enough to drive the

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00:05:34,310 --> 00:05:32,800

heat there's not enough heat coming from

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00:05:35,350 --> 00:05:34,320

that to drive the hydrothermal systems

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00:05:37,430 --> 00:05:35,360

that we see

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00:05:39,430 --> 00:05:37,440

and the second point is that uh

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associated with pentonization is a very

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large volume increase up to forty

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00:05:45,670 --> 00:05:43,199

percent and so this is important when we

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00:05:48,310 --> 00:05:45,680

think about how we keep lost city type

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00:05:50,830 --> 00:05:48,320

systems active because this while

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00:05:53,350 --> 00:05:50,840

increasing volume can both

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00:05:55,909 --> 00:05:53,360

expand to close fractures but it can

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also open fractures work by gretchen for

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green shows that the

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the basement temperatures in this area

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00:06:04,150 --> 00:06:02,319

are about a hundred a little over 150

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00:06:06,469 --> 00:06:04,160

degrees c

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00:06:08,790 --> 00:06:06,479

the hydrothermal fluids people know now

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00:06:09,590 --> 00:06:08,800

are marked by they're very unique uh

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00:06:12,550 --> 00:06:09,600

there's

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00:06:14,150 --> 00:06:12,560

virtually no co2 in these fluids uh and

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the high hydrogen and methane is a

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00:06:17,430 --> 00:06:16,400

hallmark of serpentinization influenced

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00:06:18,870 --> 00:06:17,440

fluids

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00:06:21,909 --> 00:06:18,880

the other two places that i've shown

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here for context are logic and rainbow

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00:06:26,790 --> 00:06:24,240

which is hybrid systems that include

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00:06:29,270 --> 00:06:26,800

both the broiler influenced reactions as

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well high temperature heroic reactions

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as well as influences by

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serpentinization and these fluids are

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360 degrees c they have very enriched

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metal concentrations but they also have

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00:06:40,950 --> 00:06:39,039

the hallmark of synthetization which is

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high methane and high hydrogen but they

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00:06:43,670 --> 00:06:42,880

also have very high co2

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the

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mineralogy of lost city is very very

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simple it's basically aragonite that is

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metastable so it converts to calcite

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over time and then as seawater mixes

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00:06:56,629 --> 00:06:55,120

into the pores too many walls uh forms

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00:06:58,309 --> 00:06:56,639

blue site

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um

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and this is just to say again that the

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the i'll go over the the

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hydrocarbons in a few minutes but they

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are both abiogenic and look to be

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biogenic sourced

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this is work by

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uh susan lang and this is part of our

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phd work and as you can see the formate

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values are quite high 36 to 150 58

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micromolar and acetate is 1 to 35

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00:07:25,110 --> 00:07:23,280  
micromolar so they are elevated with

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00:07:27,350 --> 00:07:25,120  
respect to other environments

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00:07:28,950 --> 00:07:27,360  
compound-specific carbon-14 analyses

204  
00:07:31,430 --> 00:07:28,960  
indicate that the format is manually

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00:07:35,350 --> 00:07:31,440  
derived that is it's about abiotic in

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00:07:37,589 --> 00:07:35,360  
some areas and it fuels sulfate reduces

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00:07:40,070 --> 00:07:37,599  
the acetate however may be a microbial

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00:07:42,390 --> 00:07:40,080  
byproduct of form burn for pentanization

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00:07:45,589 --> 00:07:42,400  
ferment fermentation of larger organic

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00:07:49,990 --> 00:07:48,469  
the too many walls are incredibly porous

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they're spectacular to see when you cut

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00:07:54,390 --> 00:07:52,319  
them open the outer chimney walls

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00:07:57,189 --> 00:07:54,400

where there's diffuse venting have very

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thick almost kelp like beds so my thick

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microbial mats that are waving in the in

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the currents but as you go into this

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chimney you can see that

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that it's incredibly porous this is a

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thin section

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of uh near the outside of a chimney

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and for scale it's about one inch across

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but you can see this very anastomosing

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complex structure of carbonate my

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hypothesis is that in this case it was

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um filamentous bacteria when seawater

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the high seawater

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seawater bicarbonate mixes with the high

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ph fluids the bicarbonate drops out in

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forms of carbonate so my guess is that

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these are basically fossilized

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filamentous bacteria that you're seeing

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in this one image

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the um it's a great environment because

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it's a high energy environment with a

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lot of hydrogen but also mixing with

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with seawater uh sulfate and so

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basically they um

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supported a

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large variety of microbial communities

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the porous interior walls however are

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dominated by archaea biofilms that are

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this is worked by billy brazelton i'm

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really proud of this this paper it's a

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2010 pnes paper that billy and

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chris ludwig did and they combined the

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dating that chris did with uh 454

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analysis and it shows in this case um

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his paper also talks about bacteria but

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this is just in results of 454 analysis

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on the archaea and it shows that they

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adapt

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over 100 uh 1 200 years the oldest

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00:09:32,070 --> 00:09:30,320  
chimneys which is extinct

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00:09:35,350 --> 00:09:32,080  
are dominated by low temperature

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00:09:37,269 --> 00:09:35,360  
anaerobic methane oxidizers nme1 while

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the youngest chimneys are dominated by

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lassity mcdonough sarcomas these are

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high temperature anaerobic methane

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00:09:44,230 --> 00:09:42,720  
metabolizers

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one of the interesting results of

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00:09:48,550 --> 00:09:45,920  
billy's work is he shows that the rear

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sequences referred to as a reviser are

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more abundant in the younger samples

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corresponding to environmental change

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and they can be done become dominant

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members of the communities as the

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environment changes over time

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i would love to go back to last city and

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core these uh similar to like when

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you're pouring for um to make uh

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sugar out of maple trees uh core into

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the structures and uh juice do

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sequencing from the oldest to the

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youngest my guess is life studies

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probably i've been active for more than

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00:10:20,230 --> 00:10:17,600

uh 200 000 years so it'd be a great

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study to pursue

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00:10:25,110 --> 00:10:22,399

so challenges in this exploration for

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00:10:27,030 --> 00:10:25,120

lost city um as i mentioned the fluids

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00:10:29,430 --> 00:10:27,040

are conscious of black smokers that have

281

00:10:31,430 --> 00:10:29,440

a lot of particulates metal sulfides

282

00:10:33,590 --> 00:10:31,440

coming out

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00:10:34,870 --> 00:10:33,600

they look like fire hoses and very thick

284

00:10:37,350 --> 00:10:34,880

dark plumes

285

00:10:39,030 --> 00:10:37,360

the challenge with lost city is that um

286

00:10:41,750 --> 00:10:39,040

the fluids are low temperature they're

287

00:10:43,829 --> 00:10:41,760

dominated by diffuse flow and so the

288

00:10:47,110 --> 00:10:43,839

rise heights of the plumes are not very

289

00:10:49,110 --> 00:10:47,120

large um you know less than 25 50 meters

290

00:10:51,190 --> 00:10:49,120

certainly a lot less than 100 meters and

291

00:10:53,509 --> 00:10:51,200

they're absent in particulate so how do

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00:10:55,509 --> 00:10:53,519

we go about investigating new lost

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00:10:57,190 --> 00:10:55,519

cities and this work is um

294

00:10:59,509 --> 00:10:57,200

shown one two different ways that we've

295

00:11:00,870 --> 00:10:59,519

done it one is by vertical class from a

296

00:11:02,550 --> 00:11:00,880

ship using a

297

00:11:04,069 --> 00:11:02,560

instrument package that measures

298

00:11:07,430 --> 00:11:04,079

conductivity temperature and depth but

299

00:11:09,110 --> 00:11:07,440

also allows fluid sampling and discrete

300

00:11:11,990 --> 00:11:09,120

discrete depths

301  
00:11:14,069 --> 00:11:12,000  
and this just shows the plumes from from

302  
00:11:15,590 --> 00:11:14,079  
discrete sample bottles of of hydrogen

303  
00:11:16,389 --> 00:11:15,600  
and you can see that they do not rise

304  
00:11:18,710 --> 00:11:16,399  
very

305  
00:11:21,030 --> 00:11:18,720  
far above the top of the machine

306  
00:11:22,790 --> 00:11:21,040  
in a more recent study that came out of

307  
00:11:26,150 --> 00:11:22,800  
billy and uh

308  
00:11:27,670 --> 00:11:26,160  
and um susan's cruise uh the rov jason

309  
00:11:29,910 --> 00:11:27,680  
was flying about five meters off the

310  
00:11:32,069 --> 00:11:29,920  
bottom this lower image here

311  
00:11:34,310 --> 00:11:32,079  
and eh is one of the best ways that you

312  
00:11:36,310 --> 00:11:34,320  
can detect these hydrothermal plumes um

313  
00:11:39,030 --> 00:11:36,320

the oxidation reduction potential and

314

00:11:41,990 --> 00:11:39,040

this shows the temperature in blue the

315

00:11:43,990 --> 00:11:42,000

water depth of the vehicle and then uh

316

00:11:45,990 --> 00:11:44,000

eh has shown her oxidation reduction

317

00:11:48,389 --> 00:11:46,000

potential is shown in red here and what

318

00:11:51,190 --> 00:11:48,399

you can see is um that there's a very

319

00:11:54,710 --> 00:11:51,200

strong anomaly uh uh

320

00:11:56,470 --> 00:11:54,720

right where they also imaged a carbonate

321

00:11:58,790 --> 00:11:56,480

diffuse flow sites so this is a great

322

00:12:00,710 --> 00:11:58,800

way to it's probably the best way the

323

00:12:03,030 --> 00:12:00,720

most easiest way to detect a

324

00:12:05,190 --> 00:12:03,040

hydrothermal system but it means that in

325

00:12:06,710 --> 00:12:05,200

other areas in order to

326

00:12:08,870 --> 00:12:06,720

discover these systems you've got to

327

00:12:10,629 --> 00:12:08,880

take a autonomous underwater vehicle and

328

00:12:12,550 --> 00:12:10,639

fly it very close to the sea floor so

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00:12:15,509 --> 00:12:12,560

there are different challenges in how we

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00:12:18,069 --> 00:12:15,519

look for other systems like this

331

00:12:20,069 --> 00:12:18,079

finally um just a summary of some of the

332

00:12:22,470 --> 00:12:20,079

considerations when we look for

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00:12:23,190 --> 00:12:22,480

new lost city mission considerations one

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00:12:24,790 --> 00:12:23,200

is

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00:12:26,389 --> 00:12:24,800

you really need an alternative system

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00:12:28,550 --> 00:12:26,399

with active faulting it's got to keep

337

00:12:31,190 --> 00:12:28,560

the flow channels open and propagation

338

00:12:33,829 --> 00:12:31,200

of fractures down into the ultramafic

339

00:12:35,590 --> 00:12:33,839

rocks so that you keep reacting with uh

340

00:12:37,509 --> 00:12:35,600

olivine and other other minerals there

341

00:12:38,949 --> 00:12:37,519

to get the fluid chemistry that we see

342

00:12:40,629 --> 00:12:38,959

the high ph's

343

00:12:42,629 --> 00:12:40,639

the heat source exothermic

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00:12:44,550 --> 00:12:42,639

surpatonization reaction is not enough

345

00:12:47,269 --> 00:12:44,560

to drive the last city hydrothermal

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00:12:49,590 --> 00:12:47,279

systems but you really need some warm

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00:12:50,790 --> 00:12:49,600

residual warm crustal rocks

348

00:12:53,030 --> 00:12:50,800

in order to

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00:12:54,389 --> 00:12:53,040

to make sure that the heat source is

350

00:12:57,269 --> 00:12:54,399

there and it's going to be active for a

351  
00:12:58,470 --> 00:12:57,279  
long time and finally um you know one of

352  
00:13:00,150 --> 00:12:58,480  
the biggest challenges that i just

353  
00:13:02,150 --> 00:13:00,160  
mentioned is that the low rise height of

354  
00:13:04,470 --> 00:13:02,160  
the plumes and lack of particulates

355  
00:13:06,389 --> 00:13:04,480  
really requires that you fly very close

356  
00:13:08,310 --> 00:13:06,399  
to the sea floor and as i mentioned

357  
00:13:10,629 --> 00:13:08,320  
before the the

358  
00:13:12,949 --> 00:13:10,639  
whatever the vehicle is that you uh are

359  
00:13:14,870 --> 00:13:12,959  
going to use that you have a eh sensor

360  
00:13:17,670 --> 00:13:14,880  
on it because it definitely is

361  
00:13:18,710 --> 00:13:17,680  
the easiest and um best way to pick out

362  
00:13:21,430 --> 00:13:18,720  
the

363  
00:13:34,550 --> 00:13:21,440

plume anomalies so thank you and i look

364

00:13:37,350 --> 00:13:36,069

okay we can start

365

00:13:49,030 --> 00:13:37,360

the q a

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00:13:53,189 --> 00:13:51,189

hi deborah sanjay some university of

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00:13:54,949 --> 00:13:53,199

washington alumnus thank you for your

368

00:13:57,350 --> 00:13:54,959

presentation i've i've been looking to

369

00:13:59,030 --> 00:13:57,360

share the story of discovery of velocity

370

00:14:00,870 --> 00:13:59,040

because as you said it's such an

371

00:14:03,590 --> 00:14:00,880

impressive place but i haven't been able

372

00:14:05,430 --> 00:14:03,600

to find the story of the discovery from

373

00:14:07,590 --> 00:14:05,440

your words from your perspective have

374

00:14:09,990 --> 00:14:07,600

you published that

375

00:14:11,829 --> 00:14:10,000

um no i think there's some there were

376

00:14:14,870 --> 00:14:11,839

some video things that were published it

377

00:14:17,350 --> 00:14:14,880

was it was uh in 2000 the

378

00:14:19,750 --> 00:14:17,360

atlantis massif is was one of the first

379

00:14:22,150 --> 00:14:19,760

mapped uh large attachment systems that

380

00:14:24,790 --> 00:14:22,160

had the characteristics the lineations

381

00:14:26,949 --> 00:14:24,800

um that we seen and we were on an alvin

382

00:14:28,629 --> 00:14:26,959

alvin dive um

383

00:14:29,350 --> 00:14:28,639

uh we used alvin and then at night we

384

00:14:32,310 --> 00:14:29,360

would

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00:14:34,389 --> 00:14:32,320

do camera toes up and down the vertical

386

00:14:37,110 --> 00:14:34,399

cliffs to try and get a better photo

387

00:14:39,509 --> 00:14:37,120

mosaic come and get a better picture of

388

00:14:41,430 --> 00:14:39,519

the east face of the south face of them

389

00:14:43,430 --> 00:14:41,440

see there and

390

00:14:45,750 --> 00:14:43,440

towards the very end of that cruise um

391

00:14:48,470 --> 00:14:45,760

of course around midnight gretchen fruit

392

00:14:50,629 --> 00:14:48,480

green came flying into my cabin and said

393

00:14:52,230 --> 00:14:50,639

i think we found something

394

00:14:54,550 --> 00:14:52,240

and we um

395

00:14:57,189 --> 00:14:54,560

the camera was a old system just black

396

00:14:58,949 --> 00:14:57,199

and white and towed around with the ship

397

00:15:00,230 --> 00:14:58,959

uh you couldn't really drive it around

398

00:15:01,590 --> 00:15:00,240

and so we

399

00:15:04,310 --> 00:15:01,600

went running into the van because i had

400

00:15:06,150 --> 00:15:04,320

done a lot of hydrothermal work um and

401

00:15:07,750 --> 00:15:06,160

uh it was very clear that

402

00:15:10,150 --> 00:15:07,760

uh we didn't have any map or anything

403

00:15:12,629 --> 00:15:10,160

that time were seen in sonar so we

404

00:15:14,629 --> 00:15:12,639

we mapped uh we spent the like i don't

405

00:15:16,710 --> 00:15:14,639

know several hours until the wee hours

406

00:15:18,949 --> 00:15:16,720

of the morning looking at the

407

00:15:21,030 --> 00:15:18,959

black and white photos and then uh did

408

00:15:24,550 --> 00:15:21,040

the follow on alvin dive and then the

409

00:15:26,710 --> 00:15:24,560

next day um jeff carson and i dove

410

00:15:29,430 --> 00:15:26,720

uh we landed in a uh we didn't have very

411

00:15:31,269 --> 00:15:29,440

good navigation took us quite a while to

412

00:15:32,949 --> 00:15:31,279

uh come into the field

413

00:15:35,269 --> 00:15:32,959

uh and we'd driven around a lot so we

414

00:15:36,949 --> 00:15:35,279

only had a i think four hour bottom time

415

00:15:39,110 --> 00:15:36,959

um and at the end of the dive we were

416

00:15:40,389 --> 00:15:39,120

out of power and i said uh we're up but

417

00:15:41,670 --> 00:15:40,399

we didn't know then we were up at the

418

00:15:43,030 --> 00:15:41,680

top up beside

419

00:15:45,350 --> 00:15:43,040

the tallest structure and i said well

420

00:15:46,710 --> 00:15:45,360

let's just let's just float down and see

421

00:15:49,030 --> 00:15:46,720

you know see how

422

00:15:50,710 --> 00:15:49,040

how um tall this chimney is and we just

423

00:15:52,790 --> 00:15:50,720

kept going and going and going and it

424

00:15:54,550 --> 00:15:52,800

turned out it was 60 meters so um and

425

00:15:56,150 --> 00:15:54,560

then uh you know these chimneys were

426

00:15:57,269 --> 00:15:56,160

white you know bright white we were

427

00:15:59,350 --> 00:15:57,279

sitting there

428

00:16:01,910 --> 00:15:59,360

uh on the ship to atlantis the mother

429

00:16:03,509 --> 00:16:01,920

ship for alvin and then um on the

430

00:16:05,509 --> 00:16:03,519

atlantis fracture zone in the last mess

431

00:16:07,430 --> 00:16:05,519

even so i was thinking that these things

432

00:16:09,670 --> 00:16:07,440

look like roman columns or greek columns

433

00:16:11,749 --> 00:16:09,680

and so that's why we call it last city

434

00:16:13,030 --> 00:16:11,759

so the short version

435

00:16:15,030 --> 00:16:13,040

it was it was phenomenal it was

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00:16:17,110 --> 00:16:15,040

phenomenal it was really cool it's

437

00:16:19,030 --> 00:16:17,120

amazing i i would love to encourage you

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00:16:21,509 --> 00:16:19,040

to write that story down on people's

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00:16:27,509 --> 00:16:21,519

words and share it we'd love to do that

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00:16:33,269 --> 00:16:31,110

hi morgan cable jpl fantastic talk i had

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00:16:34,710 --> 00:16:33,279

a question about the particulates that

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00:16:36,150 --> 00:16:34,720

you mentioned you said that they don't

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00:16:38,310 --> 00:16:36,160

they don't rise very high i was on the

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00:16:40,790 --> 00:16:38,320

order of like hundreds of meters

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00:16:43,749 --> 00:16:40,800

and the reason i'm asking is because at

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00:16:45,990 --> 00:16:43,759

enceladus in the e-ring around saturn we

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00:16:48,389 --> 00:16:46,000

see these silica nanograins

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00:16:49,990 --> 00:16:48,399

that we believe are derived from from

449

00:16:51,990 --> 00:16:50,000

the plume and from the ocean and so i'm

450

00:16:53,670 --> 00:16:52,000

wondering if you can comment on how

451

00:16:55,269 --> 00:16:53,680

particulates or flocculates and things

452

00:16:57,350 --> 00:16:55,279

that might form in these hydrothermal

453

00:16:58,870 --> 00:16:57,360

systems might make it up to the top of

454

00:16:59,990 --> 00:16:58,880

the water column and potentially be

455

00:17:03,030 --> 00:17:00,000

expressed

456

00:17:04,630 --> 00:17:03,040

uh in a plume of an ocean world

457

00:17:05,669 --> 00:17:04,640

yeah that's a good so

458

00:17:07,909 --> 00:17:05,679

um

459

00:17:09,829 --> 00:17:07,919

yeah i don't i don't see the well for

460

00:17:10,630 --> 00:17:09,839

last city there's zero particulates and

461

00:17:13,510 --> 00:17:10,640

so

462

00:17:16,630 --> 00:17:13,520

um the only the only signature we have

463

00:17:18,390 --> 00:17:16,640

is is from the the chemistry right

464

00:17:20,309 --> 00:17:18,400

but in black smoker systems certainly

465

00:17:22,069 --> 00:17:20,319

the rise heights are you know they can

466

00:17:24,390 --> 00:17:22,079

be a few hundred meters off the sea

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00:17:26,150 --> 00:17:24,400

floor um i would guess we don't really

468

00:17:28,230 --> 00:17:26,160

talk too much about currents right but

469

00:17:29,750 --> 00:17:28,240

depending on the topography and the

470

00:17:31,590 --> 00:17:29,760

currents there's you know there's one

471

00:17:34,070 --> 00:17:31,600

way you can get them up there is is

472

00:17:35,750 --> 00:17:34,080

depend as if you have currents but um it

473

00:17:37,669 --> 00:17:35,760

all depends on the density structure

474

00:17:44,470 --> 00:17:37,679

right of whatever that overlying water

475

00:17:47,909 --> 00:17:46,950

hi deb this is chris german from hui um

476

00:17:49,590 --> 00:17:47,919

hey chris

477

00:17:51,669 --> 00:17:49,600

you made a really important point i

478

00:17:53,029 --> 00:17:51,679

think about the the need to

479

00:17:55,190 --> 00:17:53,039

come up with clever ways to actually

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00:17:56,310 --> 00:17:55,200

search and find more lost cities but

481

00:17:59,270 --> 00:17:56,320

the thing i was going to point of like

482

00:18:00,789 --> 00:17:59,280

given how much stuff we continue to find

483

00:18:02,630 --> 00:18:00,799

how often do you think the conditions

484

00:18:04,070 --> 00:18:02,640

for velocity might recur on our planet

485

00:18:06,310 --> 00:18:04,080

and how many more lost cities might be

486

00:18:08,070 --> 00:18:06,320

out there you know it's going to be hard

487

00:18:09,590 --> 00:18:08,080

to go find them but you know do you

488

00:18:11,190 --> 00:18:09,600

think there's just one or two or could

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00:18:13,190 --> 00:18:11,200

they be have three you know

490

00:18:15,590 --> 00:18:13,200

no i actually think they're ubiquitous

491

00:18:17,830 --> 00:18:15,600

right and and the reason i say that is

492

00:18:19,990 --> 00:18:17,840

particularly in slow and as you know in

493

00:18:22,070 --> 00:18:20,000

slow and ultra slow spreading centers

494

00:18:24,390 --> 00:18:22,080

um where we see these transform ridge

495

00:18:25,990 --> 00:18:24,400

intersections these machines are are

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00:18:28,310 --> 00:18:26,000

very very common right they're they're a

497

00:18:30,230 --> 00:18:28,320

hallmark it's just that people have

498

00:18:32,070 --> 00:18:30,240

always focused um

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00:18:34,789 --> 00:18:32,080

you know on where the black smokers are

500

00:18:37,270 --> 00:18:34,799

right and so to drive 25 kilometers off

501  
00:18:39,270 --> 00:18:37,280  
axis um we tried to get jeff carson i

502  
00:18:41,110 --> 00:18:39,280  
tried to get funded three times to go

503  
00:18:42,789 --> 00:18:41,120  
there's another receive identical

504  
00:18:45,190 --> 00:18:42,799  
absolutely identical to

505  
00:18:46,950 --> 00:18:45,200  
the one that lost cities sitting on um

506  
00:18:48,630 --> 00:18:46,960  
but that that wasn't successful at the

507  
00:18:50,390 --> 00:18:48,640  
time um

508  
00:18:51,590 --> 00:18:50,400  
so i i think they're they're very common

509  
00:18:53,750 --> 00:18:51,600  
i don't see any reason why they wouldn't

510  
00:18:55,350 --> 00:18:53,760  
be right based on based on all the

511  
00:18:57,270 --> 00:18:55,360  
characteristics of of the ridge

512  
00:18:59,270 --> 00:18:57,280  
transform intersections so i think

513  
00:19:00,630 --> 00:18:59,280

that's a good take home right is like

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00:19:01,909 --> 00:19:00,640

they might be hard to find but there's

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00:19:03,270 --> 00:19:01,919

probably plenty of them so it's worth

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00:19:04,789 --> 00:19:03,280

trying

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00:19:07,750 --> 00:19:04,799

yeah thank you

518

00:19:24,070 --> 00:19:07,760

thank you um our next speaker is antonin

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00:19:24,080 --> 00:19:27,430

good morning everybody

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00:19:32,230 --> 00:19:28,470

uh

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00:19:35,430 --> 00:19:32,240

finishing my phd right now the

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00:19:38,470 --> 00:19:35,440

manuscript is due tomorrow in paris

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00:19:40,310 --> 00:19:38,480

uh so yeah probably in advance for the

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00:19:42,549 --> 00:19:40,320

messiness of this presentation i'm a bit

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00:19:45,110 --> 00:19:42,559

overwhelmed at the moment but i will try

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00:19:47,029 --> 00:19:45,120

my best to talk about this project that

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00:19:50,070 --> 00:19:47,039

i worked on during my phd

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00:19:53,590 --> 00:19:52,310

which is about using ecological modeling

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00:19:56,230 --> 00:19:53,600

to constrain

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00:19:58,470 --> 00:19:56,240

uh the habitability of a potential

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00:19:59,669 --> 00:19:58,480

hydrothermal environments in enzymatic

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00:20:03,110 --> 00:19:59,679

ocean

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00:20:05,029 --> 00:20:03,120

and try to discuss how

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00:20:12,230 --> 00:20:05,039

such a hypothetical biosphere that could

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00:20:16,630 --> 00:20:14,710

all right so answer this and uh thank

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00:20:18,310 --> 00:20:16,640

you dr cable to actually mentioning a

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00:20:20,630 --> 00:20:18,320

little bit about and so that is sparing

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00:20:22,549 --> 00:20:20,640

me a few seconds of introduction

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00:20:25,190 --> 00:20:22,559

but it is this moon that orbits around

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00:20:27,590 --> 00:20:25,200

saturn most of you know but it has a

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00:20:31,750 --> 00:20:27,600

liquid water ocean

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00:20:35,029 --> 00:20:31,760

that is overlaid by a nice layer

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00:20:37,430 --> 00:20:35,039

that has cracks and a space bloom arrows

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00:20:40,549 --> 00:20:37,440

from these cracks and this base boom was

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00:20:42,470 --> 00:20:40,559

visited by the cassini spacecraft

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00:20:45,029 --> 00:20:42,480

and the cassini spacecraft found in this

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00:20:48,950 --> 00:20:45,039

room some very interesting gases such as

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00:20:52,070 --> 00:20:48,960

methane hydrogen and carbon dioxide

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00:20:53,669 --> 00:20:52,080

and these are evocative of hydrothermal

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00:20:56,149 --> 00:20:53,679

systems just like the one that was

551  
00:20:58,230 --> 00:20:56,159  
described by dr kili

552  
00:21:00,830 --> 00:20:58,240  
uh which is lost city uh hydrotomorrow

553  
00:21:03,270 --> 00:21:00,840  
so alkaline vents where

554  
00:21:04,870 --> 00:21:03,280  
separatisation fluid is released in the

555  
00:21:07,990 --> 00:21:04,880  
ocean

556  
00:21:10,470 --> 00:21:08,000  
and yeah as mentioned these vents are

557  
00:21:11,510 --> 00:21:10,480  
populated by microbes such as this one

558  
00:21:14,310 --> 00:21:11,520  
here

559  
00:21:16,390 --> 00:21:14,320  
that rely on the conversion of hydrogen

560  
00:21:19,590 --> 00:21:16,400  
and carbon dioxide into methane

561  
00:21:23,510 --> 00:21:21,669  
so it is very interesting that uh

562  
00:21:25,830 --> 00:21:23,520  
enceladus has

563  
00:21:28,070 --> 00:21:25,840

you know not only a liquid water ocean

564

00:21:29,830 --> 00:21:28,080

that you know make

565

00:21:32,070 --> 00:21:29,840

makes us think about potential

566

00:21:33,990 --> 00:21:32,080

habitability but it also has a very

567

00:21:37,190 --> 00:21:34,000

specific environment

568

00:21:39,750 --> 00:21:37,200

uh candidate to habitability

569

00:21:42,310 --> 00:21:39,760

uh and not only a candidate environment

570

00:21:43,110 --> 00:21:42,320

but also a candidate type of organism in

571

00:21:44,950 --> 00:21:43,120

these

572

00:21:46,789 --> 00:21:44,960

critters here

573

00:21:48,789 --> 00:21:46,799

so what we did as

574

00:21:51,990 --> 00:21:48,799

uh you know

575

00:21:54,630 --> 00:21:52,000

ecological modeling biologists

576

00:21:56,789 --> 00:21:54,640

we say okay well we'll try to model this

577

00:21:58,630 --> 00:21:56,799

type of organism and

578

00:22:00,710 --> 00:21:58,640

see if we can have a definition of

579

00:22:03,270 --> 00:22:00,720

viability of a population of such

580

00:22:05,190 --> 00:22:03,280

organism that can emerge from a model

581

00:22:06,630 --> 00:22:05,200

and also try to quantify

582

00:22:08,390 --> 00:22:06,640

uh

583

00:22:11,029 --> 00:22:08,400

how much methane would be produced by

584

00:22:12,950 --> 00:22:11,039

such population and try to

585

00:22:14,630 --> 00:22:12,960

to put that

586

00:22:16,870 --> 00:22:14,640

in comparison with the what was measured

587

00:22:19,750 --> 00:22:16,880

by the casino spacecraft

588

00:22:22,950 --> 00:22:19,760

so we went on and designed a model of uh

589

00:22:24,230 --> 00:22:22,960

population uh dynamics where we focused

590

00:22:25,909 --> 00:22:24,240

on the

591

00:22:27,750 --> 00:22:25,919

energy yield of the catabolic reaction

592

00:22:31,110 --> 00:22:27,760

the catabolic reaction is this one right

593

00:22:33,110 --> 00:22:31,120

that produces energy from the cell

594

00:22:37,270 --> 00:22:33,120

now you see that in this model we don't

595

00:22:39,029 --> 00:22:37,280

have a classical way of modeling the

596

00:22:41,190 --> 00:22:39,039

availability of

597

00:22:42,789 --> 00:22:41,200

nutrients and stuff like that we look at

598

00:22:44,549 --> 00:22:42,799

the energy yields from the catabolic

599

00:22:45,909 --> 00:22:44,559

reaction

600

00:22:48,549 --> 00:22:45,919

that's the the variable that is

601  
00:22:50,710 --> 00:22:48,559  
important to us because these organisms

602  
00:22:53,909 --> 00:22:50,720  
uh that rely on this type of reaction

603  
00:22:55,750 --> 00:22:53,919  
have very low energy yield reactions and

604  
00:22:57,909 --> 00:22:55,760  
and they are very close to thermodynamic

605  
00:23:00,630 --> 00:22:57,919  
equilibrium

606  
00:23:03,029 --> 00:23:00,640  
so in modeling that we uh you know input

607  
00:23:04,390 --> 00:23:03,039  
parameters here that kind of fits uh the

608  
00:23:07,590 --> 00:23:04,400  
organisms that

609  
00:23:09,590 --> 00:23:07,600  
such as this one and veto zeus

610  
00:23:11,110 --> 00:23:09,600  
in order to

611  
00:23:13,909 --> 00:23:11,120  
have this uh

612  
00:23:15,909 --> 00:23:13,919  
pattern of uh survivability to

613  
00:23:18,310 --> 00:23:15,919

temperature for example here where our

614

00:23:19,190 --> 00:23:18,320

middle strain does not survive above 90

615

00:23:20,549 --> 00:23:19,200

degrees

616

00:23:21,430 --> 00:23:20,559

this is an important point of course

617

00:23:23,190 --> 00:23:21,440

because

618

00:23:26,470 --> 00:23:23,200

uh there might be liquid water at

619

00:23:30,230 --> 00:23:26,480

temperatures above uh the temperature

620

00:23:31,990 --> 00:23:30,240

of uh 122 clues at which

621

00:23:34,830 --> 00:23:32,000

which is the maximum temperature which

622

00:23:38,470 --> 00:23:34,840

we can observe growth so far for any

623

00:23:40,470 --> 00:23:38,480

organism um yeah and then looking at the

624

00:23:42,630 --> 00:23:40,480

population dynamics so the way the

625

00:23:45,750 --> 00:23:42,640

population grows over time

626

00:23:47,590 --> 00:23:45,760

we look at that and we look at the

627

00:23:50,630 --> 00:23:47,600

affinity of the catabolic reaction or

628

00:23:52,710 --> 00:23:50,640

minus the gibbs free energy that is here

629

00:23:55,190 --> 00:23:52,720

and that depends on the abundance the

630

00:23:56,870 --> 00:23:55,200

relative abundance of the hydrogen

631

00:23:59,430 --> 00:23:56,880

methane and carbon dioxide and we see

632

00:24:02,230 --> 00:23:59,440

that as the population grows this energy

633

00:24:04,710 --> 00:24:02,240

yield affinity goes down until a certain

634

00:24:07,110 --> 00:24:04,720

limit at this limit the population is at

635

00:24:09,669 --> 00:24:07,120

a steady state it doesn't grow anymore

636

00:24:11,430 --> 00:24:09,679

it doesn't die off

637

00:24:13,510 --> 00:24:11,440

and this steady state is characterized

638

00:24:16,870 --> 00:24:13,520

by this term in the parentheses here

639

00:24:19,350 --> 00:24:16,880

being zero so the gibbs free energy is

640

00:24:21,110 --> 00:24:19,360

such that everything here is zero this

641

00:24:21,990 --> 00:24:21,120

is interest an interesting point to make

642

00:24:25,110 --> 00:24:22,000

because

643

00:24:27,909 --> 00:24:25,120

if the initial state of the system was

644

00:24:29,430 --> 00:24:27,919

below this affinity then growth wouldn't

645

00:24:30,710 --> 00:24:29,440

have occurred because

646

00:24:32,710 --> 00:24:30,720

uh this term here would have been

647

00:24:35,909 --> 00:24:32,720

negative

648

00:24:38,070 --> 00:24:35,919

in a way that measures the viability of

649

00:24:39,750 --> 00:24:38,080

a population of intelligence such as

650

00:24:40,549 --> 00:24:39,760

those that we have modeled

651  
00:24:42,149 --> 00:24:40,559  
in

652  
00:24:44,710 --> 00:24:42,159  
a given environment

653  
00:24:47,029 --> 00:24:44,720  
so what is left to do

654  
00:24:48,549 --> 00:24:47,039  
now is to model said environment so here

655  
00:24:50,630 --> 00:24:48,559  
we

656  
00:24:53,510 --> 00:24:50,640  
now go into the physical modeling world

657  
00:24:55,669 --> 00:24:53,520  
and we try to get a completely idealized

658  
00:24:56,710 --> 00:24:55,679  
version vision of

659  
00:24:58,070 --> 00:24:56,720  
what

660  
00:24:59,669 --> 00:24:58,080  
is the environment around the

661  
00:25:02,470 --> 00:24:59,679  
hydrothermal vents

662  
00:25:03,590 --> 00:25:02,480  
so we have a hydrothermal fluid here

663  
00:25:06,710 --> 00:25:03,600

that is

664

00:25:09,190 --> 00:25:06,720

coming from well the ground and is mixed

665

00:25:11,909 --> 00:25:09,200

with ocean water in the so-called mixing

666

00:25:13,990 --> 00:25:11,919

layer and then this mixing there has you

667

00:25:15,909 --> 00:25:14,000

know some buoyancy because it's warmer

668

00:25:18,870 --> 00:25:15,919

than the rest of the ocean and it starts

669

00:25:21,350 --> 00:25:18,880

rising forming a plume

670

00:25:24,070 --> 00:25:21,360

um and this plume actually is thought to

671

00:25:26,310 --> 00:25:24,080

reach the uh the icy layer in enceladus

672

00:25:29,510 --> 00:25:26,320

because of the way the

673

00:25:31,909 --> 00:25:29,520

uh the ocean of enceladus is probably

674

00:25:35,269 --> 00:25:31,919

not stratified as uh

675

00:25:38,470 --> 00:25:35,279

the oceans that we have on earth are

676  
00:25:39,750 --> 00:25:38,480  
so then we model our population or

677  
00:25:41,029 --> 00:25:39,760  
i mean the habitability and the

678  
00:25:43,590 --> 00:25:41,039  
potentiality

679  
00:25:44,950 --> 00:25:43,600  
potential population in this idealized

680  
00:25:46,630 --> 00:25:44,960  
environment

681  
00:25:47,990 --> 00:25:46,640  
and uh here on this figure we can see

682  
00:25:50,070 --> 00:25:48,000  
around the hydrogen event how the

683  
00:25:51,830 --> 00:25:50,080  
concentrations are modified by the

684  
00:25:54,789 --> 00:25:51,840  
action of a population

685  
00:25:56,470 --> 00:25:54,799  
the blue line represents hydrogen

686  
00:25:58,149 --> 00:25:56,480  
which is completely depleted here in

687  
00:26:00,950 --> 00:25:58,159  
this particular simulation

688  
00:26:02,870 --> 00:26:00,960

uh methane is produced in green

689

00:26:05,190 --> 00:26:02,880

and so on and we can connect that to the

690

00:26:07,669 --> 00:26:05,200

composition of the plume that rises

691

00:26:09,830 --> 00:26:07,679

above the mixing layer an important

692

00:26:11,590 --> 00:26:09,840

remark here is that we consider the

693

00:26:14,070 --> 00:26:11,600

population to be fixed in this mixing

694

00:26:14,870 --> 00:26:14,080

layer it does not travel with water that

695

00:26:20,390 --> 00:26:14,880

uh

696

00:26:22,470 --> 00:26:20,400

so as dr kelly mentioned the the

697

00:26:24,549 --> 00:26:22,480

microorganisms that are found in la city

698

00:26:26,870 --> 00:26:24,559

hydrothermal fields are found in

699

00:26:30,390 --> 00:26:26,880

biofilms mostly but they are fixed they

700

00:26:32,789 --> 00:26:31,190

okay

701

00:26:35,029 --> 00:26:32,799

this is just to keep in mind for later

702

00:26:37,669 --> 00:26:35,039

but in the first

703

00:26:40,230 --> 00:26:37,679

project we looked at uh you know how

704

00:26:43,350 --> 00:26:40,240

these modified concentrations could be

705

00:26:45,110 --> 00:26:43,360

uh translated into composition of the uh

706

00:26:47,110 --> 00:26:45,120

space plume and

707

00:26:48,310 --> 00:26:47,120

how we could compare different scenarios

708

00:26:50,470 --> 00:26:48,320

regarding the habitability of the

709

00:26:53,510 --> 00:26:50,480

hydrothermal vents to the measures

710

00:26:55,909 --> 00:26:53,520

carried out by the casino machine

711

00:26:58,390 --> 00:26:55,919

now this work was published last year

712

00:27:00,470 --> 00:26:58,400

so you can look at it

713

00:27:02,149 --> 00:27:00,480

so we simulate these compositions and

714

00:27:04,950 --> 00:27:02,159

these hydrogen events for

715

00:27:06,789 --> 00:27:04,960

quite a wide range of

716

00:27:07,669 --> 00:27:06,799

parameters and conditions

717

00:27:09,350 --> 00:27:07,679

that are

718

00:27:11,430 --> 00:27:09,360

attempting to reproduce you know

719

00:27:13,590 --> 00:27:11,440

uncertainty or variability in the

720

00:27:14,710 --> 00:27:13,600

composition of hydrothermal fluids here

721

00:27:16,470 --> 00:27:14,720

on earth

722

00:27:18,389 --> 00:27:16,480

so you know we take the

723

00:27:20,710 --> 00:27:18,399

hydrogen concentration in hydrothermal

724

00:27:23,350 --> 00:27:20,720

fluids from you know very low to the

725

00:27:25,430 --> 00:27:23,360

maximum in separation experiments and we

726  
00:27:28,230 --> 00:27:25,440  
do the same for methane for example

727  
00:27:29,669 --> 00:27:28,240  
and temperature and stuff like that

728  
00:27:32,549 --> 00:27:29,679  
so here we have distributions of

729  
00:27:34,950 --> 00:27:32,559  
simulations under three scenarios so the

730  
00:27:37,029 --> 00:27:34,960  
first one is the blue line here which

731  
00:27:37,990 --> 00:27:37,039  
represents the uninhabitable

732  
00:27:42,470 --> 00:27:38,000  
uh

733  
00:27:43,909 --> 00:27:42,480  
nowhere around the vents

734  
00:27:46,070 --> 00:27:43,919  
the conditions were right for the

735  
00:27:48,470 --> 00:27:46,080  
population to grow so these are the blue

736  
00:27:49,669 --> 00:27:48,480  
ones the orange ones are where the

737  
00:27:51,350 --> 00:27:49,679  
conditions

738  
00:27:53,269 --> 00:27:51,360

somewhere around the vent were found to

739

00:27:55,750 --> 00:27:53,279

be habitable or viable to a population

740

00:27:57,990 --> 00:27:55,760

of methanogens but we just left it a

741

00:27:59,350 --> 00:27:58,000

biotic and then the green one is with

742

00:28:01,830 --> 00:27:59,360

biotic production of methane and

743

00:28:05,110 --> 00:28:01,840

consumption of hydrogen

744

00:28:07,269 --> 00:28:05,120

looking at the distribution for hydrogen

745

00:28:09,029 --> 00:28:07,279

escape rate in the plume compared to the

746

00:28:11,750 --> 00:28:09,039

magenta lines here that are the

747

00:28:13,909 --> 00:28:11,760

observations made by cassini

748

00:28:14,710 --> 00:28:13,919

we see that the observations they match

749

00:28:16,950 --> 00:28:14,720

with

750

00:28:20,310 --> 00:28:16,960

the hypothesis that that might be you

751  
00:28:22,470 --> 00:28:20,320  
know a hydrothermal environment that is

752  
00:28:24,470 --> 00:28:22,480  
viable to the moderate population of

753  
00:28:27,190 --> 00:28:24,480  
methanogens

754  
00:28:29,750 --> 00:28:27,200  
and not only that but also

755  
00:28:32,310 --> 00:28:29,760  
the depletion of h<sub>2</sub> by the methanogens

756  
00:28:33,990 --> 00:28:32,320  
is not sufficient in our model to really

757  
00:28:36,389 --> 00:28:34,000  
make a difference and

758  
00:28:38,230 --> 00:28:36,399  
it cannot enable us to conclude that

759  
00:28:41,029 --> 00:28:38,240  
methanogens are unlikely based on the

760  
00:28:41,750 --> 00:28:41,039  
evidence of h<sub>2</sub>

761  
00:28:44,549 --> 00:28:41,760  
so

762  
00:28:46,950 --> 00:28:44,559  
the observed evidence of h<sub>2</sub> to us for

763  
00:28:48,870 --> 00:28:46,960

our modeling is compatible with both

764

00:28:51,350 --> 00:28:48,880

habitable conditions but also conditions

765

00:28:52,950 --> 00:28:51,360

where h<sub>2</sub> has been depleted by

766

00:28:54,870 --> 00:28:52,960

methanogens

767

00:28:56,789 --> 00:28:54,880

and then looking at methane

768

00:28:59,190 --> 00:28:56,799

the abiotic distributions in blue and

769

00:29:00,630 --> 00:28:59,200

orange they do not match with the

770

00:29:02,070 --> 00:29:00,640

observations

771

00:29:04,310 --> 00:29:02,080

so our modeling suggests that

772

00:29:05,990 --> 00:29:04,320

separatisation which is the only ability

773

00:29:08,070 --> 00:29:06,000

process that we consider here

774

00:29:10,389 --> 00:29:08,080

is not a good explanation for the

775

00:29:11,830 --> 00:29:10,399

methane that was found in the plume

776

00:29:14,950 --> 00:29:11,840

but under the hypothesis of a

777

00:29:18,070 --> 00:29:14,960

methanogenic population the observation

778

00:29:20,070 --> 00:29:18,080

is uh kind of likely right

779

00:29:22,149 --> 00:29:20,080

so based on these quantitative

780

00:29:23,909 --> 00:29:22,159

assessments of production of methane and

781

00:29:25,190 --> 00:29:23,919

consumption of h<sub>2</sub>

782

00:29:27,510 --> 00:29:25,200

we cannot really

783

00:29:29,350 --> 00:29:27,520

uh discard

784

00:29:31,029 --> 00:29:29,360

based on the cassini data and our

785

00:29:32,870 --> 00:29:31,039

understanding and sympathization discard

786

00:29:35,510 --> 00:29:32,880

the hypothesis that's a methanogenic

787

00:29:38,470 --> 00:29:35,520

population is present

788

00:29:40,310 --> 00:29:38,480

okay but next we looked at how this

789

00:29:42,470 --> 00:29:40,320

population would you know look like in

790

00:29:45,350 --> 00:29:42,480

terms of size and stuff like that so we

791

00:29:46,950 --> 00:29:45,360

try to constrain the total biomass that

792

00:29:48,310 --> 00:29:46,960

would be represented in such a

793

00:29:49,909 --> 00:29:48,320

population

794

00:29:51,990 --> 00:29:49,919

and here we have two distributions so

795

00:29:53,430 --> 00:29:52,000

this one doesn't assume anything

796

00:29:55,830 --> 00:29:53,440

regarding the methane output of the

797

00:29:57,990 --> 00:29:55,840

population and the dotted line

798

00:29:59,669 --> 00:29:58,000

is the distribution under the assumption

799

00:30:01,029 --> 00:29:59,679

that methane in the plume comes

800

00:30:03,190 --> 00:30:01,039

effectively from a population of

801

00:30:05,350 --> 00:30:03,200

methanogens so this is a subset of

802

00:30:08,549 --> 00:30:05,360

populations that produce enough methane

803

00:30:10,630 --> 00:30:08,559

to explain the observation tests

804

00:30:13,269 --> 00:30:10,640

so we find this population uh to be

805

00:30:15,750 --> 00:30:13,279

quite small about the same mass uh in

806

00:30:18,549 --> 00:30:15,760

terms of carbon equivalent to one single

807

00:30:21,350 --> 00:30:18,559

whole orders of magnitude below the

808

00:30:26,789 --> 00:30:21,360

archaea the biosphere kia on earth or

809

00:30:30,149 --> 00:30:28,470

also the important point about the

810

00:30:31,669 --> 00:30:30,159

biomass being fixed so here we are

811

00:30:33,750 --> 00:30:31,679

considering the total biomass which is

812

00:30:35,590 --> 00:30:33,760

you know localized in an environment so

813

00:30:37,590 --> 00:30:35,600

for example this is a representation of

814

00:30:39,669 --> 00:30:37,600

the density of biomass around the fluid

815

00:30:41,190 --> 00:30:39,679

but we are around the hydrothermal vent

816

00:30:44,710 --> 00:30:41,200

but we are interested in what we can

817

00:30:47,110 --> 00:30:44,720

find in potentially find in uh the space

818

00:30:50,070 --> 00:30:47,120

plume and even before that the groom

819

00:30:50,950 --> 00:30:50,080

that rises from the hydrothermal uh

820

00:30:52,950 --> 00:30:50,960

vents

821

00:30:54,710 --> 00:30:52,960

so for that we have to consider the

822

00:30:56,470 --> 00:30:54,720

biomass production because this is the

823

00:30:59,110 --> 00:30:56,480

quantity that scales with whatever can

824

00:31:00,230 --> 00:30:59,120

escape the system

825

00:31:02,630 --> 00:31:00,240

uh

826

00:31:05,750 --> 00:31:02,640

so we computed that as well and see that

827

00:31:06,630 --> 00:31:05,760

the production uh normalized by

828

00:31:13,509 --> 00:31:06,640

the

829

00:31:16,470 --> 00:31:13,519

methane that is found in plume is

830

00:31:18,870 --> 00:31:16,480

quite close to that of hydrothermal

831

00:31:20,870 --> 00:31:18,880

ecosystems on earth

832

00:31:22,630 --> 00:31:20,880

and finally my time is running out so

833

00:31:26,070 --> 00:31:22,640

i'm going to be fast but finally we

834

00:31:27,750 --> 00:31:26,080

would like to constrain you know how uh

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00:31:29,909 --> 00:31:27,760

how could we

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00:31:32,870 --> 00:31:29,919

design uh the mission or help this

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00:31:35,029 --> 00:31:32,880

animation so that the risk of

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00:31:36,870 --> 00:31:35,039

false negative is constrained what i

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00:31:38,149 --> 00:31:36,880

mean by that is that

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00:31:40,710 --> 00:31:38,159

we'd like an instrument to have

841

00:31:43,110 --> 00:31:40,720

sufficient resolution or we'd like to

842

00:31:45,909 --> 00:31:43,120

capture a sufficient sample so that the

843

00:31:47,590 --> 00:31:45,919

risk of not seeing about signatures of

844

00:31:49,430 --> 00:31:47,600

by signature

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00:31:50,710 --> 00:31:49,440

in the case where a population exists is

846

00:31:52,149 --> 00:31:50,720

minimized

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00:31:54,310 --> 00:31:52,159

so this is the meaning of this figure

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00:31:56,789 --> 00:31:54,320

here where we are trying to assessing

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00:31:59,269 --> 00:31:56,799

the minimal sample volume size that is

850

00:32:00,470 --> 00:31:59,279

required so that if there are cells dead

851  
00:32:02,549 --> 00:32:00,480  
cells

852  
00:32:04,310 --> 00:32:02,559  
they are captured and here on the right

853  
00:32:06,070 --> 00:32:04,320  
side we are looking at a molecular

854  
00:32:08,470 --> 00:32:06,080  
signature such as glycine that can be

855  
00:32:10,070 --> 00:32:08,480  
produced a biologically and biotically

856  
00:32:11,350 --> 00:32:10,080  
and we kind of map the concentrations

857  
00:32:13,669 --> 00:32:11,360  
that would

858  
00:32:15,350 --> 00:32:13,679  
be evidence in favor of abiotic

859  
00:32:17,190 --> 00:32:15,360  
production or in favor of biotic

860  
00:32:19,830 --> 00:32:17,200  
production

861  
00:32:21,990 --> 00:32:19,840  
so yeah i'm gonna leave it here and

862  
00:32:28,549 --> 00:32:22,000  
think thank you very much for listening

863  
00:32:28,559 --> 00:32:41,110

um we have time for one question

864

00:32:44,870 --> 00:32:43,029

hello morgan cable jpl great

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00:32:46,870 --> 00:32:44,880

presentation so

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00:32:49,669 --> 00:32:46,880

you mentioned that the organisms that

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00:32:51,430 --> 00:32:49,679

you modeled uh that they just hung out

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00:32:53,190 --> 00:32:51,440

down at the base of the hydrothermal

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00:32:56,870 --> 00:32:53,200

vents and they were

870

00:32:59,029 --> 00:32:56,880

wrapped within biofilms so if you were

871

00:33:00,789 --> 00:32:59,039

to search for biosignatures in the plume

872

00:33:01,509 --> 00:33:00,799

it sounds like you would focus more on

873

00:33:04,310 --> 00:33:01,519

the

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00:33:05,269 --> 00:33:04,320

molecular ones that maybe looking for

875

00:33:07,830 --> 00:33:05,279

you know

876

00:33:09,190 --> 00:33:07,840

cells themselves might not be the right

877

00:33:11,590 --> 00:33:09,200

strategy or can you comment on that a

878

00:33:14,710 --> 00:33:11,600

little bit

879

00:33:17,590 --> 00:33:14,720

thank you for your question so

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00:33:21,830 --> 00:33:19,509

we enter here uh

881

00:33:23,350 --> 00:33:21,840

some speculation because it is unclear

882

00:33:26,230 --> 00:33:23,360

whether cells

883

00:33:28,470 --> 00:33:26,240

i mean the proportion of dead cells that

884

00:33:31,830 --> 00:33:28,480

can leave the system as cells retaining

885

00:33:34,230 --> 00:33:31,840

the stretch their structure or as uh

886

00:33:36,870 --> 00:33:34,240

or as just you know broken down cells

887

00:33:38,230 --> 00:33:36,880

and molecules

888

00:33:40,549 --> 00:33:38,240

my guess would be that most of these

889

00:33:41,830 --> 00:33:40,559

cells that escape are dead or dying

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00:33:43,190 --> 00:33:41,840

because they are leaving the the

891

00:33:44,389 --> 00:33:43,200

environment where the conditions are

892

00:33:47,830 --> 00:33:44,399

right for them

893

00:33:49,430 --> 00:33:47,840

yeah that's okay if if they you know get

894

00:33:51,190 --> 00:33:49,440

shot off into space they're probably not

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00:33:53,269 --> 00:33:51,200

long for this world anyway

896

00:33:54,549 --> 00:33:53,279

yeah yeah anyway

897

00:33:55,909 --> 00:33:54,559

um

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00:33:57,269 --> 00:33:55,919

so yeah the question

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00:33:59,509 --> 00:33:57,279

boils down to

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00:34:00,870 --> 00:33:59,519

kind of guessing whether uh

901  
00:34:02,789 --> 00:34:00,880  
you know what would be the proportion of

902  
00:34:04,950 --> 00:34:02,799  
cells that would keep some structure

903  
00:34:07,830 --> 00:34:04,960  
until the very end or

904  
00:34:10,149 --> 00:34:07,840  
that would be under biomolecules

905  
00:34:12,230 --> 00:34:10,159  
to me it sounds

906  
00:34:13,829 --> 00:34:12,240  
more

907  
00:34:14,950 --> 00:34:13,839  
cautious to look at molecular based

908  
00:34:19,190 --> 00:34:14,960  
signatures

909  
00:34:21,190 --> 00:34:19,200  
even though there have been some papers

910  
00:34:22,869 --> 00:34:21,200  
suggesting that cells can retain some

911  
00:34:24,790 --> 00:34:22,879  
structure when they are outgassed in

912  
00:34:27,270 --> 00:34:24,800  
space

913  
00:34:29,669 --> 00:34:27,280

most of them actually don't and

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00:34:32,790 --> 00:34:29,679

in any way we would only look at broken

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00:34:34,069 --> 00:34:32,800

down cells and molecular biomolecules

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00:34:36,310 --> 00:34:34,079

thank you and good luck with your

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00:34:38,950 --> 00:34:36,320

submission of your thesis tomorrow

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00:34:48,790 --> 00:34:40,389

we don't really have time for another

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00:34:53,430 --> 00:34:50,790

thank you for your questions our next

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00:35:03,270 --> 00:34:53,440

speaker is rabia papal from ex marseille

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00:35:09,349 --> 00:35:06,150

yes so good morning everyone um i'm a

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00:35:11,750 --> 00:35:09,359

first year phd student at the

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00:35:14,150 --> 00:35:11,760

mediterranean institute of oceanography

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00:35:17,750 --> 00:35:14,160

and today i'm going to talk about

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00:35:22,790 --> 00:35:17,760

cultivating microbial consortia

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00:35:28,829 --> 00:35:25,589

so our work is based on the submarine

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00:35:32,150 --> 00:35:28,839

alkaline vent theory of the origin of

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00:35:34,710 --> 00:35:32,160

life which focuses on the way a cell

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00:35:35,990 --> 00:35:34,720

obtains its energy so in these

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00:35:39,670 --> 00:35:36,000

hydrothermal

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00:35:42,710 --> 00:35:39,680

we have very steep

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00:35:45,030 --> 00:35:42,720

redox and ph gradients that create

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00:35:47,430 --> 00:35:45,040

proton gradients across micro pores in

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00:35:49,510 --> 00:35:47,440

the chimneys and these proton gradients

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00:35:50,630 --> 00:35:49,520

are reminiscent of

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00:35:53,270 --> 00:35:50,640

the

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00:35:55,910 --> 00:35:53,280

proton motive force that virtually all

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00:35:57,910 --> 00:35:55,920

known cells use to generate their energy

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00:36:00,470 --> 00:35:57,920

so we have a link between the inorganic

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00:36:02,230 --> 00:36:00,480

and the organic here and our team is

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00:36:03,109 --> 00:36:02,240

trying to understand

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00:36:05,190 --> 00:36:03,119

the

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00:36:07,750 --> 00:36:05,200

microbial communities and present day

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00:36:10,390 --> 00:36:07,760

alkaline hydrothermal systems

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00:36:11,829 --> 00:36:10,400

to hopefully understand to hopefully

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00:36:14,470 --> 00:36:11,839

open a window

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00:36:17,750 --> 00:36:14,480

to the very early microbial communities

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00:36:19,829 --> 00:36:17,760

on earth and potentially elsewhere

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00:36:22,790 --> 00:36:19,839

so the driving force at these alkaline

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00:36:25,190 --> 00:36:22,800

hydrothermal systems is serpentinization

951  
00:36:27,190 --> 00:36:25,200  
which is the hydration of ultramafic

952  
00:36:29,349 --> 00:36:27,200  
rock in which creates serpentine

953  
00:36:31,190 --> 00:36:29,359  
brexside and magnetite and most

954  
00:36:32,790 --> 00:36:31,200  
importantly a very large amount of

955  
00:36:35,750 --> 00:36:32,800  
hydrogen gas

956  
00:36:37,109 --> 00:36:35,760  
it also creates a very alkaline milky

957  
00:36:39,670 --> 00:36:37,119  
and heat

958  
00:36:40,550 --> 00:36:39,680  
and the hydrogen cast can further react

959  
00:36:42,710 --> 00:36:40,560  
with

960  
00:36:45,270 --> 00:36:42,720  
carbon dioxide from the system in an

961  
00:36:47,109 --> 00:36:45,280  
abiotic reaction to methane and small

962  
00:36:48,470 --> 00:36:47,119  
organic molecules

963  
00:36:51,990 --> 00:36:48,480

and

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00:36:54,230 --> 00:36:52,000

yeah so but most of the

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00:36:56,470 --> 00:36:54,240

co2 that is present in the system is

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00:36:59,030 --> 00:36:56,480

immediately precipitated in carbonates

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00:37:01,190 --> 00:36:59,040

because of the very alkaline ph so we

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00:37:03,829 --> 00:37:01,200

can see that serpentinization creates

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00:37:06,470 --> 00:37:03,839

very harsh environments for life

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00:37:09,030 --> 00:37:06,480

however it does provide compounds for

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00:37:11,109 --> 00:37:09,040

microbial metabolism such as the

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00:37:14,390 --> 00:37:11,119

hydrogen which can be used as a large

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00:37:16,870 --> 00:37:14,400

energy source also the methane

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00:37:18,630 --> 00:37:16,880

a carbon source with formid acetate

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00:37:21,430 --> 00:37:18,640

other small organic molecules and

976  
00:37:23,430 --> 00:37:21,440  
methane and the ambient seawater also

977  
00:37:26,390 --> 00:37:23,440  
supplies a range of potential electron

978  
00:37:28,790 --> 00:37:26,400  
acceptors most importantly in

979  
00:37:31,990 --> 00:37:28,800  
modern systems these are oxygen nitrate

980  
00:37:34,069 --> 00:37:32,000  
sulfate and dissolved carbon

981  
00:37:36,230 --> 00:37:34,079  
so our team is studying the proney bay

982  
00:37:37,910 --> 00:37:36,240  
hydrothermal field which is located at

983  
00:37:40,710 --> 00:37:37,920  
the southern coast of

984  
00:37:43,190 --> 00:37:40,720  
new caledonia and because the system is

985  
00:37:44,790 --> 00:37:43,200  
shallow it comprises characteristics of

986  
00:37:46,710 --> 00:37:44,800  
both terrestrial and marine

987  
00:37:49,190 --> 00:37:46,720  
serpentinizing systems

988  
00:37:51,990 --> 00:37:49,200

so it might we might be eventually able

989

00:37:52,790 --> 00:37:52,000

to use it as a model system

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00:37:55,349 --> 00:37:52,800

for

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00:37:57,829 --> 00:37:55,359

other systems that are less accessible

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00:38:01,030 --> 00:37:57,839

and as you can see here it comprises

993

00:38:02,310 --> 00:38:01,040

terrestrial intertidal and marine sites

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00:38:03,990 --> 00:38:02,320

and

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00:38:07,109 --> 00:38:04,000

what makes it special is that the

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00:38:09,349 --> 00:38:07,119

hydrothermal fluid is of meteoric origin

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00:38:11,430 --> 00:38:09,359

so we have a steep salinity gradient

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00:38:14,150 --> 00:38:11,440

between the hydrothermal fluid and the

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00:38:15,270 --> 00:38:14,160

ambient sea water

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00:38:17,190 --> 00:38:15,280

so our

1001  
00:38:19,349 --> 00:38:17,200  
team is now starting to study the

1002  
00:38:21,750 --> 00:38:19,359  
metabolic functioning of the microbial

1003  
00:38:23,589 --> 00:38:21,760  
communities at proney bay but the issue

1004  
00:38:25,829 --> 00:38:23,599  
with that is that the majority of the

1005  
00:38:27,430 --> 00:38:25,839  
key players have not been cultivated yet

1006  
00:38:28,550 --> 00:38:27,440  
so we are lacking the experimental

1007  
00:38:29,349 --> 00:38:28,560  
evidence

1008  
00:38:32,310 --> 00:38:29,359  
so

1009  
00:38:34,550 --> 00:38:32,320  
our aim in this study was to cultivate

1010  
00:38:37,829 --> 00:38:34,560  
microbial consortium from prony bay for

1011  
00:38:40,390 --> 00:38:37,839  
the first time and we chose to

1012  
00:38:44,390 --> 00:38:40,400  
assess their the effect of the electron

1013  
00:38:49,510 --> 00:38:47,430

so we were working on samples from 2018

1014

00:38:51,670 --> 00:38:49,520

that were taken from the intertidal site

1015

00:38:53,750 --> 00:38:51,680

at prone bay and we used them to

1016

00:38:55,349 --> 00:38:53,760

inoculate four different uh cultural

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00:38:58,069 --> 00:38:55,359

conditions

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00:38:59,910 --> 00:38:58,079

in the controlled bioreactors and all of

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00:39:02,870 --> 00:38:59,920

these cultural conditions were supplied

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00:39:05,030 --> 00:39:02,880

with hydrogen as an energy source with

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00:39:07,510 --> 00:39:05,040

both formid and acetate as a carbon

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00:39:10,950 --> 00:39:07,520

source and with four different electron

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00:39:12,870 --> 00:39:10,960

acceptors being oxygen nitrate sulfate

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00:39:14,710 --> 00:39:12,880

and dissolved carbon to promote

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00:39:15,750 --> 00:39:14,720

methanogenesis

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00:39:18,790 --> 00:39:15,760

and

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00:39:21,030 --> 00:39:18,800

yeah our experiments were all at a ph of

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00:39:23,589 --> 00:39:21,040

10 and at a temperature of 35 degrees

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00:39:27,270 --> 00:39:23,599

celsius and we maintained them over a

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00:39:29,589 --> 00:39:27,280

period of two to four weeks

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00:39:32,950 --> 00:39:29,599

um and after this period we conducted

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00:39:34,790 --> 00:39:32,960

analysis so we conducted hplc to follow

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00:39:36,550 --> 00:39:34,800

the consumption of both formidant

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00:39:38,950 --> 00:39:36,560

acetate over time

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00:39:41,270 --> 00:39:38,960

um ic to follow the consumption of

1036

00:39:43,589 --> 00:39:41,280

nitrate and sulfate and we performed

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00:39:46,150 --> 00:39:43,599

meta bar coding to assess the changes in

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00:39:48,470 --> 00:39:46,160

community structure over time and we are

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00:39:53,829 --> 00:39:48,480

also working on the meta genome and meta

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00:39:58,390 --> 00:39:55,670

so in all of our culture conditions we

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00:40:00,230 --> 00:39:58,400

saw considerable growth and what was

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00:40:02,390 --> 00:40:00,240

interesting is was that the growth

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00:40:03,910 --> 00:40:02,400

really reflected the potential energy

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00:40:05,990 --> 00:40:03,920

for hydrogen

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00:40:08,390 --> 00:40:06,000

oxidation with the respective electron

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00:40:10,870 --> 00:40:08,400

receptors so we had most growth in the

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00:40:13,349 --> 00:40:10,880

culture grown on aerobic respiration

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00:40:18,150 --> 00:40:13,359

followed by nitrate reduction sulfate

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00:40:21,829 --> 00:40:19,829

for the consumption of the carbon source

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00:40:24,069 --> 00:40:21,839

we could see that both acetate and

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00:40:26,230 --> 00:40:24,079

formate were consumed

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00:40:27,990 --> 00:40:26,240

however we could not really establish a

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00:40:29,349 --> 00:40:28,000

clear preference for either of the

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00:40:31,349 --> 00:40:29,359

compounds so

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00:40:33,990 --> 00:40:31,359

yeah this question remains open for the

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00:40:37,589 --> 00:40:36,150

for the electron acceptors

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00:40:38,550 --> 00:40:37,599

so

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00:40:40,390 --> 00:40:38,560

conditions

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00:40:42,230 --> 00:40:40,400

you can see here um

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00:40:44,950 --> 00:40:42,240

sulphate on the secondary axis and it

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00:40:47,030 --> 00:40:44,960

was not really consumed at all however

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00:40:49,190 --> 00:40:47,040

something else was consumed and that was

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00:40:50,630 --> 00:40:49,200

a theosulfate which was a compound of

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00:40:52,870 --> 00:40:50,640

the base media

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00:40:55,190 --> 00:40:52,880

and we can also see a production of

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00:40:58,309 --> 00:40:55,200

sulfites so this consortium would seem

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00:40:59,910 --> 00:40:58,319

to uh prefer thiosulfate theosulfates

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00:41:01,430 --> 00:40:59,920

over sulfite

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00:41:03,190 --> 00:41:01,440

and um

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00:41:05,829 --> 00:41:03,200

here in the nitride reducing conditions

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00:41:07,910 --> 00:41:05,839

we can see that nitrate was equimolarly

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00:41:11,270 --> 00:41:07,920

reduced to nitrite so we have an

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00:41:14,230 --> 00:41:11,280

incomplete denitrification

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00:41:16,550 --> 00:41:14,240

so moving on to the bacterial diversity

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00:41:19,750 --> 00:41:16,560

to the left you can see the diversity of

1076  
00:41:21,349 --> 00:41:19,760  
the inoculum so the natural community

1077  
00:41:23,910 --> 00:41:21,359  
and to the right you can see the

1078  
00:41:25,030 --> 00:41:23,920  
diversity in three of the four cultural

1079  
00:41:27,349 --> 00:41:25,040  
conditions

1080  
00:41:29,910 --> 00:41:27,359  
and you can see that only a very

1081  
00:41:31,510 --> 00:41:29,920  
particular part of the community was

1082  
00:41:33,349 --> 00:41:31,520  
enriched and

1083  
00:41:35,109 --> 00:41:33,359  
when we look if we look at the shannon

1084  
00:41:37,109 --> 00:41:35,119  
index we can see that

1085  
00:41:39,270 --> 00:41:37,119  
most of the natural diversity was

1086  
00:41:41,829 --> 00:41:39,280  
retained in the sulfate reducing

1087  
00:41:43,829 --> 00:41:41,839  
condition or in our case the theosulfate

1088  
00:41:45,910 --> 00:41:43,839

reducing condition

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00:41:48,309 --> 00:41:45,920

and uh yeah this might point to the

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00:41:51,910 --> 00:41:48,319

significance of theosulfates as an

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00:41:54,230 --> 00:41:51,920

electron acceptor in the natural system

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00:41:56,470 --> 00:41:54,240

other than that we mainly enriched

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00:41:59,030 --> 00:41:56,480

serpentinomonas which is really a marker

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00:42:01,510 --> 00:41:59,040

species of serpentinizing environments

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00:42:03,670 --> 00:42:01,520

and one of the most alkalify organisms

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00:42:05,990 --> 00:42:03,680

that we know of

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00:42:07,910 --> 00:42:06,000

and we also enriched a large proportion

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00:42:10,550 --> 00:42:07,920

of anaerobacillus especially in the

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00:42:12,069 --> 00:42:10,560

theosulfate reducing condition

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00:42:13,990 --> 00:42:12,079

whereas it's important to know that the

1101  
00:42:15,270 --> 00:42:14,000  
species of anaerobacilli here was

1102  
00:42:19,190 --> 00:42:15,280  
different from the species of

1103  
00:42:23,750 --> 00:42:21,190  
so here you can see again that there is

1104  
00:42:25,670 --> 00:42:23,760  
a huge taxonomic overlap between the

1105  
00:42:28,390 --> 00:42:25,680  
oxygen reducing condition and the

1106  
00:42:30,790 --> 00:42:28,400  
nitrate reducing condition whereas the

1107  
00:42:32,870 --> 00:42:30,800  
theosulfite reducing condition is really

1108  
00:42:36,230 --> 00:42:32,880  
different probably due to the lack of

1109  
00:42:40,710 --> 00:42:38,230  
we also had a look at the archaeal

1110  
00:42:42,950 --> 00:42:40,720  
diversity but the archaeal abundance was

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00:42:45,190 --> 00:42:42,960  
way lower than the bacterial one which

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00:42:46,390 --> 00:42:45,200  
is quite typical for serpentinizing

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00:42:48,309 --> 00:42:46,400

systems

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00:42:51,349 --> 00:42:48,319  
and you can see that we almost

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00:42:54,630 --> 00:42:51,359  
exclusively enriched methanogens and

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00:42:57,109 --> 00:42:54,640  
what is quite exciting is that we were

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00:42:58,430 --> 00:42:57,119  
able to observe two

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00:42:59,990 --> 00:42:58,440  
species of

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00:43:02,710 --> 00:43:00,000  
methanosarcinalis that are really

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00:43:04,950 --> 00:43:02,720  
endemic to serpentinizing systems which

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00:43:07,829 --> 00:43:04,960  
were the lost city with fenusarcinalis

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00:43:09,829 --> 00:43:07,839  
and uh the cedars methanosarcinalis

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00:43:12,550 --> 00:43:09,839  
and we have been trying to cultivate

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00:43:15,109 --> 00:43:12,560  
them for more than 20 years so it would

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00:43:19,829 --> 00:43:15,119  
be really cool if we were able to

1126  
00:43:24,390 --> 00:43:22,309  
so um the consortia that we cultivated

1127  
00:43:27,910 --> 00:43:24,400  
might actually play a key role in the

1128  
00:43:30,150 --> 00:43:27,920  
natural system so here you can see a

1129  
00:43:31,829 --> 00:43:30,160  
theory that was postulated by lang and

1130  
00:43:34,790 --> 00:43:31,839  
bracelet

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00:43:36,790 --> 00:43:34,800  
on how the microbial communities and

1132  
00:43:39,030 --> 00:43:36,800  
serpentinizing systems are able to

1133  
00:43:41,910 --> 00:43:39,040  
overcome the extreme limitation of

1134  
00:43:42,710 --> 00:43:41,920  
dissolved inorganic carbon in the system

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00:43:45,109 --> 00:43:42,720  
and

1136  
00:43:47,670 --> 00:43:45,119  
according to this theory our consortia

1137  
00:43:50,710 --> 00:43:47,680  
are part of a consortium of foundation

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00:43:53,910 --> 00:43:50,720

species that are able to grow on small

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00:43:56,870 --> 00:43:53,920

organic molecules such as carbon formats

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00:43:58,309 --> 00:43:56,880

and acetate and transform it into carbon

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00:44:00,309 --> 00:43:58,319

dioxides

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00:44:03,190 --> 00:44:00,319

which can then be used by a larger and

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00:44:05,349 --> 00:44:03,200

more diverse community of autotrophs

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00:44:07,349 --> 00:44:05,359

which in turn

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00:44:09,829 --> 00:44:07,359

support a different community of

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00:44:12,390 --> 00:44:09,839

heterotrophs which end up remineralizing

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00:44:14,630 --> 00:44:12,400

uh the co<sub>2</sub>

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00:44:17,030 --> 00:44:14,640

and then bracelet they really underlined

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00:44:19,190 --> 00:44:17,040

the significance of sulfate as an

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00:44:20,829 --> 00:44:19,200

electron acceptor within the foundation

1151  
00:44:24,069 --> 00:44:20,839  
species

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00:44:26,309 --> 00:44:24,079  
um however since our consortium seemed

1153  
00:44:28,710 --> 00:44:26,319  
to prefer theosulfate it would be really

1154  
00:44:31,430 --> 00:44:28,720  
interesting uh to assess theosulfate

1155  
00:44:34,870 --> 00:44:31,440  
reduction and disproportionation

1156  
00:44:36,630 --> 00:44:34,880  
in the system especially because it is

1157  
00:44:39,430 --> 00:44:36,640  
very likely that theo sulfate was

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00:44:41,109 --> 00:44:39,440  
abundant at alkaline hydrothermal vents

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00:44:43,990 --> 00:44:41,119  
in the hedian

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00:44:45,349 --> 00:44:44,000  
whereas sulfate was most likely not so

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00:44:49,349 --> 00:44:45,359  
yet that would be

1162  
00:44:54,790 --> 00:44:52,470  
so uh to conclude we were able to

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00:44:57,349 --> 00:44:54,800

successfully enrich proni bay

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00:44:59,910 --> 00:44:57,359

hydrothermal field microbial communities

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00:45:02,069 --> 00:44:59,920

on four different electron acceptors

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00:45:04,630 --> 00:45:02,079

we were able to measure their metabolic

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00:45:06,470 --> 00:45:04,640

activity monitoring theosulfate and

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00:45:08,630 --> 00:45:06,480

nitrate reduction

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00:45:11,430 --> 00:45:08,640

however something remained unclear and

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00:45:14,630 --> 00:45:11,440

that was the carbon source

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00:45:16,790 --> 00:45:14,640

we were enriching a very particular part

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00:45:18,870 --> 00:45:16,800

of the natural community

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00:45:21,030 --> 00:45:18,880

as well um especially uh serpentine

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00:45:23,430 --> 00:45:21,040

nominals and anaerobasili

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00:45:25,390 --> 00:45:23,440

and potentially some previously

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00:45:27,109 --> 00:45:25,400

uncultivated strains of

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00:45:29,190 --> 00:45:27,119

methanosarcinalis

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00:45:31,670 --> 00:45:29,200

and a theosulfate reduction might

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00:45:34,630 --> 00:45:31,680

actually play a key role in the

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00:45:37,430 --> 00:45:34,640

foundation species consortia

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00:45:39,670 --> 00:45:37,440

so our next step will be to assess the

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00:45:41,589 --> 00:45:39,680

question that remains open in these

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00:45:45,670 --> 00:45:41,599

experiments which is the question of the

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00:45:47,990 --> 00:45:45,680

carbon source so we have previewed a new

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00:45:49,910 --> 00:45:48,000

series of cultivation experiments in

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00:45:51,910 --> 00:45:49,920

which we will follow the

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00:45:54,390 --> 00:45:51,920

consumption of the carbon source using

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00:45:59,589 --> 00:45:54,400

stable isotope probing coupled with

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00:46:04,470 --> 00:46:02,470

so thank you very much um for giving me

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00:46:07,109 --> 00:46:04,480

the opportunity to present today i would

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00:46:09,190 --> 00:46:07,119

like to thank paulie stoop who produced

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00:46:11,109 --> 00:46:09,200

these results um

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00:46:15,990 --> 00:46:11,119

in the frame of an internship

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00:46:17,910 --> 00:46:16,000

my phd advisors um and dr anthoustek and

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00:46:21,540 --> 00:46:17,920

the rest of the team and

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00:46:21,550 --> 00:46:27,030

[Applause]

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00:46:27,040 --> 00:46:32,950

we have time for questions

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00:46:37,270 --> 00:46:35,589

hi uh julie huber from woods hall that

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00:46:38,710 --> 00:46:37,280

was a great talk it's so exciting i'm

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00:46:39,910 --> 00:46:38,720

really jealous about your bioreactors

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00:46:41,829 --> 00:46:39,920

they're beautiful

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00:46:44,550 --> 00:46:41,839

um i was curious it looks like in the

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00:46:46,150 --> 00:46:44,560

bacteria you're really enriching for

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00:46:48,069 --> 00:46:46,160

groups that are have only been described

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00:46:49,270 --> 00:46:48,079

from terrestrial serpentinizing

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00:46:52,230 --> 00:46:49,280

environments is that correct

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00:46:54,390 --> 00:46:52,240

serpentinimonus has only been from

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00:46:56,069 --> 00:46:54,400

land-based environments versus your

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00:46:59,190 --> 00:46:56,079

archaea which looks similar to some

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00:47:01,829 --> 00:46:59,200

marine groups is that right

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00:47:03,910 --> 00:47:01,839

uh i'm pretty sure that um some of our

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00:47:07,109 --> 00:47:03,920

groups that we enriched uh can also be

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00:47:07,910 --> 00:47:07,119

found in found in marine environments um

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00:47:10,150 --> 00:47:07,920

so

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00:47:12,150 --> 00:47:10,160

it really shows that prony bay has uh

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00:47:14,790 --> 00:47:12,160

the characteristics of both terrestrial

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00:47:16,870 --> 00:47:14,800

and marine sites so yeah it is really

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00:47:18,150 --> 00:47:16,880

sort of a hybrid system which is pretty

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00:47:23,030 --> 00:47:18,160

cool

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00:47:27,510 --> 00:47:25,430

hi fabia sandra some bmsis i loved your

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00:47:29,910 --> 00:47:27,520

growth experiments super cool super cool

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00:47:32,150 --> 00:47:29,920

talk i was wondering if you i may have

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00:47:33,430 --> 00:47:32,160

missed that plot the consumption rate or

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00:47:35,030 --> 00:47:33,440

production rate of methane versus

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00:47:36,790 --> 00:47:35,040

concentration curve to get at some of

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00:47:41,030 --> 00:47:36,800

the enzymatic

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00:47:43,270 --> 00:47:41,040

parameters of methanogenesis

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00:47:45,430 --> 00:47:43,280

uh sorry could you repeat the question

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00:47:47,510 --> 00:47:45,440

i was wondering if you uh in your growth

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00:47:48,790 --> 00:47:47,520

experiments plotted the

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00:47:50,309 --> 00:47:48,800

methane production rate versus

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00:47:53,190 --> 00:47:50,319

concentration or

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00:47:55,270 --> 00:47:53,200

to get enzymatic parameters

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00:47:57,510 --> 00:47:55,280

uh no we did not do that what we would

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00:47:59,430 --> 00:47:57,520

love to follow um the production of

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00:48:01,589 --> 00:47:59,440

methane um so in this series of

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00:48:04,870 --> 00:48:01,599

experiments we were uh not able to do

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00:48:06,630 --> 00:48:04,880

that but uh we are really hoping that um

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00:48:09,109 --> 00:48:06,640

yeah in the next series of experiments

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00:48:12,630 --> 00:48:09,119

we can

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00:48:12,640 --> 00:48:24,790

we have time for one more question

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00:48:29,990 --> 00:48:27,910

okay thank you ravia our next speaker is

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00:48:49,430 --> 00:48:30,000

dr alexis templeton from the university

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00:48:49,440 --> 00:49:09,430

first in-person speaker

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00:49:12,790 --> 00:49:11,270

all right thank you i'm going to be

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00:49:15,109 --> 00:49:12,800

talking today a little bit of an

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00:49:17,750 --> 00:49:15,119

integration or synthesis of work we've

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00:49:20,069 --> 00:49:17,760

been doing in the oman ophelite as a

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00:49:21,589 --> 00:49:20,079

terrestrial analog for both ocean worlds

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00:49:23,349 --> 00:49:21,599

but as i'm going to talk about in ways

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00:49:26,069 --> 00:49:23,359  
that i think are connected to mars and

1252  
00:49:28,390 --> 00:49:26,079  
some of the recent discoveries as well

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00:49:29,510 --> 00:49:28,400  
and in this work it's going to be some

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00:49:31,349 --> 00:49:29,520  
aspects of

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00:49:33,829 --> 00:49:31,359  
science that was done through the rock

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00:49:35,910 --> 00:49:33,839  
powered life nasa astrobiology institute

1257  
00:49:38,790 --> 00:49:35,920  
and in close collaboration with the oman

1258  
00:49:42,549 --> 00:49:40,950  
so i'll start with these cartoons in

1259  
00:49:43,750 --> 00:49:42,559  
many ways when asked to give a talk in

1260  
00:49:46,069 --> 00:49:43,760  
this session

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00:49:48,150 --> 00:49:46,079  
my focus starts over here in our

1262  
00:49:50,390 --> 00:49:48,160  
different perspectives of hydrothermal

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00:49:51,670 --> 00:49:50,400

processes on the rocky crust devotion

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00:49:52,790 --> 00:49:51,680

worlds

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00:49:54,230 --> 00:49:52,800

and i want to

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00:49:56,549 --> 00:49:54,240

talk about the fact that today i'm going

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00:49:58,710 --> 00:49:56,559

to often speak to non-hydrothermal

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00:50:01,270 --> 00:49:58,720

conditions so not necessarily where a

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00:50:03,109 --> 00:50:01,280

heat source is but just the pervasive

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00:50:05,030 --> 00:50:03,119

chemical reactions and habitability

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00:50:06,710 --> 00:50:05,040

that's generated from ultramafic rocks

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00:50:09,829 --> 00:50:06,720

reacting with cool fluids in these

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00:50:11,030 --> 00:50:09,839

systems away from those heat sources

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00:50:13,030 --> 00:50:11,040

and that's why i also think it's

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00:50:14,870 --> 00:50:13,040

relevant in mars often when you see a

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00:50:16,230 --> 00:50:14,880

cartoon of the subsurface of mars where

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00:50:18,150 --> 00:50:16,240

we think there may be groundwater

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storage and in contact with olivine rich

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00:50:21,589 --> 00:50:20,160

rocks there's a sense that water rock

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00:50:24,549 --> 00:50:21,599

reactions can produce things like

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00:50:26,150 --> 00:50:24,559

molecular hydrogen as electron donor

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00:50:28,150 --> 00:50:26,160

but we know that there's a lot of

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00:50:30,470 --> 00:50:28,160

olivine rich pathologies very close to

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00:50:32,150 --> 00:50:30,480

the surface of mars and the potential

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00:50:33,910 --> 00:50:32,160

for their interaction with water and to

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00:50:35,910 --> 00:50:33,920

create conditions that are conducive and

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00:50:37,510 --> 00:50:35,920

habitable for alkaline vent type

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00:50:40,630 --> 00:50:37,520

chemistries i think is very prevalent

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00:50:43,109 --> 00:50:40,640

there as well

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so this is the oman ophelia system

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00:50:47,670 --> 00:50:45,520

it's a very large exposure of ultramafic

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00:50:49,510 --> 00:50:47,680

rocks rich in minerals such as olivine

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00:50:51,510 --> 00:50:49,520

and pyroxene

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00:50:53,349 --> 00:50:51,520

and in these types of systems we're

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00:50:55,190 --> 00:50:53,359

really looking at fluids that are near

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00:50:58,069 --> 00:50:55,200

surface temperatures there's no heat

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00:51:00,150 --> 00:50:58,079

source or tectonic activity currently

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00:51:03,190 --> 00:51:00,160

but there's extensive hydration of these

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00:51:05,349 --> 00:51:03,200

rocks and it does lead to the pervasive

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00:51:06,950 --> 00:51:05,359

generation of both alkaline and hyper

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00:51:08,710 --> 00:51:06,960

alkaline fluids

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00:51:10,790 --> 00:51:08,720

and in the places where we can actually

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00:51:12,630 --> 00:51:10,800

see the water expressed which often is

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00:51:15,030 --> 00:51:12,640

in a seep type environment in this kind

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00:51:17,190 --> 00:51:15,040

of context those fluids that range from

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00:51:19,910 --> 00:51:17,200

ph's of 9 to 11 are very high in

1307

00:51:22,549 --> 00:51:19,920

hydrogen methane and ammonia so again

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00:51:24,870 --> 00:51:22,559

the sense that you can see that state

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00:51:25,829 --> 00:51:24,880

generated at lower temperatures and for

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00:51:27,349 --> 00:51:25,839

example if you want to look at the

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00:51:29,030 --> 00:51:27,359

modeling of the kind of chemistry of

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00:51:31,190 --> 00:51:29,040

these fluids or some of the biology of

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00:51:32,630 --> 00:51:31,200

who lives in these seeps everett shocks

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00:51:34,549 --> 00:51:32,640

group has done a really beautiful body

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00:51:35,990 --> 00:51:34,559

of work on this

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00:51:37,750 --> 00:51:36,000

what i'm going to talk about today is

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00:51:39,910 --> 00:51:37,760

when we look at the surface environment

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00:51:42,150 --> 00:51:39,920

that's particularly dry other than these

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00:51:43,349 --> 00:51:42,160

few indicators of where fluids are are

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00:51:46,150 --> 00:51:43,359

escaping

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00:51:48,710 --> 00:51:46,160

the deeper system is incredibly wet it's

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00:51:50,870 --> 00:51:48,720

storing massive volumes of water and

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00:51:52,790 --> 00:51:50,880

it's not only habitable but highly

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00:51:54,150 --> 00:51:52,800

inhabited

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00:51:55,990 --> 00:51:54,160

and the way we've been looking at this

1326  
00:51:57,430 --> 00:51:56,000  
is through the partnership with the oman

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00:51:59,670 --> 00:51:57,440  
drilling project we've been able to

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00:52:02,069 --> 00:51:59,680  
establish a series of boreholes that

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00:52:05,349 --> 00:52:02,079  
range usually from 300 to 400 meters in

1330  
00:52:07,270 --> 00:52:05,359  
depth that poke in and penetrate across

1331  
00:52:08,710 --> 00:52:07,280  
all sorts of different windows into the

1332  
00:52:10,390 --> 00:52:08,720  
subsurface

1333  
00:52:11,990 --> 00:52:10,400  
ultramafic system

1334  
00:52:13,910 --> 00:52:12,000  
and sometimes those holes were drilled

1335  
00:52:15,589 --> 00:52:13,920  
just to give access to the fluids that

1336  
00:52:17,829 --> 00:52:15,599  
are circulating there and at times we're

1337  
00:52:19,589 --> 00:52:17,839  
able to do core recovery with excellent

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00:52:21,750 --> 00:52:19,599

core recovery with bringing back more

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00:52:22,870 --> 00:52:21,760

than a kilometer of core from subsurface

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00:52:24,549 --> 00:52:22,880

environments

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00:52:26,150 --> 00:52:24,559

and the beauty is that we can pair off

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00:52:27,829 --> 00:52:26,160

in the chemistry in the mineralogy of

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00:52:29,430 --> 00:52:27,839

those cores against what we see in the

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00:52:32,150 --> 00:52:29,440

fluid system in the alkaline fluid

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00:52:34,150 --> 00:52:32,160

chemistries

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00:52:36,309 --> 00:52:34,160

so i had to show something we don't have

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00:52:38,309 --> 00:52:36,319

an alkaline vent so this is me throwing

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00:52:39,910 --> 00:52:38,319

a gopro down a well

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00:52:42,630 --> 00:52:39,920

i literally have it attached to a

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00:52:44,870 --> 00:52:42,640

fishing line i had to duct tape a

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00:52:46,870 --> 00:52:44,880

flashlight onto it

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00:52:49,109 --> 00:52:46,880

but what i hope you can see here is

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00:52:50,150 --> 00:52:49,119

we're in water i we hit water within

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00:52:51,670 --> 00:52:50,160

meters

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00:52:53,670 --> 00:52:51,680

and we're going down and you're seeing

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00:52:56,150 --> 00:52:53,680

the flocks of material of particulates

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00:52:57,670 --> 00:52:56,160

of microbial biomass and mineral

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00:52:59,589 --> 00:52:57,680

particles that are present in these

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00:53:01,829 --> 00:52:59,599

fluids that are circulating

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00:53:04,069 --> 00:53:01,839

and we have a highly fractured rock

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00:53:08,230 --> 00:53:04,079

system here with transmissivity of

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00:53:13,270 --> 00:53:09,750

wow

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00:53:16,280 --> 00:53:16,790

it's stable but it looks like

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00:53:19,750 --> 00:53:18,309

you don't have one and so i hope they'll

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00:53:21,190 --> 00:53:19,760

settle it down just because i'd really

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00:53:22,950 --> 00:53:21,200

like to walk through what these chemical

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00:53:25,190 --> 00:53:22,960

profiles look like when we're able to go

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00:53:32,790 --> 00:53:25,200

down into the subsurface at night so

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00:53:37,670 --> 00:53:35,030

it did come back i still own the gopro i

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00:53:41,190 --> 00:53:39,109

and of course there's such things as i'm

1371

00:53:43,430 --> 00:53:41,200

waiting for them to fix that as a good

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00:53:44,950 --> 00:53:43,440

borehole televiewers and things like

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00:53:46,710 --> 00:53:44,960

that but when we first started working i

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00:53:48,870 --> 00:53:46,720

just didn't have that equipment and we

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00:53:51,109 --> 00:53:48,880

wanted to see what we were we were

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00:53:56,069 --> 00:53:51,119

starting to send pumps down into or

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00:53:57,030 --> 00:53:56,079

other instrumentation to to collect data

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00:54:00,069 --> 00:53:57,040

i mean

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00:54:03,510 --> 00:54:00,079

you you want to reload the presentation

1380

00:54:06,630 --> 00:54:04,470

okay

1381

00:54:10,950 --> 00:54:06,640

yeah there's some presentation

1382

00:54:15,829 --> 00:54:12,870

hopefully going past the gopro movie

1383

00:54:22,069 --> 00:54:15,839

doesn't instigate that again all right

1384

00:54:27,190 --> 00:54:24,470

yeah i can't hear you i'm sorry

1385

00:54:35,430 --> 00:54:27,200

this is what's shown on the screen okay

1386

00:54:40,069 --> 00:54:38,789

i could go give dan tolman's talk

1387

00:54:42,630 --> 00:54:40,079

which is going to be very good by the

1388

00:54:44,789 --> 00:54:42,640

way with about the acetogens in this

1389

00:54:50,829 --> 00:54:44,799

system i'm

1390

00:55:04,549 --> 00:54:53,910

to great okay

1391

00:55:09,670 --> 00:55:07,349

maybe minimize the presentation view so

1392

00:55:11,270 --> 00:55:09,680

it's just the slot

1393

00:55:44,950 --> 00:55:11,280

yeah i don't

1394

00:55:58,710 --> 00:55:46,470

okay so

1395

00:55:58,720 --> 00:56:03,910

30 seconds

1396

00:56:03,920 --> 00:56:08,150

after a year i'm seeing teaching

1397

00:56:08,160 --> 00:56:23,109

we will come back

1398

00:56:27,030 --> 00:56:26,069

that's it right

1399

00:56:28,710 --> 00:56:27,040

uh

1400

00:56:30,630 --> 00:56:28,720

no that's the next talk it's this

1401

00:56:35,349 --> 00:56:30,640

morning it's this one right here

1402

00:56:38,309 --> 00:56:36,390

yeah

1403

00:56:40,150 --> 00:56:38,319

perfect how are you gonna go to the

1404

00:56:41,910 --> 00:56:40,160

necklace how do we get it projected onto

1405

00:56:45,270 --> 00:56:41,920

the screen as soon as i unlock the

1406

00:56:50,390 --> 00:56:46,789

i think the moral of the stories they

1407

00:56:51,990 --> 00:56:50,400

just want dan coleman's talk to come up

1408

00:56:53,349 --> 00:56:52,000

so please stay tuned for that in just a

1409

00:57:15,109 --> 00:56:53,359

minute and i think

1410

00:57:15,119 --> 00:57:38,549

showing overlay

1411

00:57:42,950 --> 00:57:41,589

maybe just felt through it and

1412

00:57:47,430 --> 00:57:42,960

i'm trying to get it to

1413

00:57:50,390 --> 00:57:49,510

okay wow

1414

00:57:52,069 --> 00:57:50,400

all right

1415

00:57:54,069 --> 00:57:52,079

well

1416

00:57:55,829 --> 00:57:54,079

in order to move forward i please ignore

1417

00:57:57,750 --> 00:57:55,839

the data up here i just want to talk for

1418

00:57:59,190 --> 00:57:57,760

a moment about what was on that previous

1419

00:58:00,230 --> 00:57:59,200

slide apparently i'm not supposed to

1420

00:58:01,270 --> 00:58:00,240

reveal

1421

00:58:05,510 --> 00:58:01,280

the

1422

00:58:07,589 --> 00:58:05,520

subsurface and it's spectacular it's

1423

00:58:09,829 --> 00:58:07,599

only partially shown here

1424

00:58:11,510 --> 00:58:09,839

so when we go to these down hole

1425

00:58:13,510 --> 00:58:11,520

profiles in these boreholes the thing

1426

00:58:16,630 --> 00:58:13,520

that we observe is essentially that we

1427

00:58:19,349 --> 00:58:16,640

can move over almost a volt and in

1428

00:58:20,870 --> 00:58:19,359

electrochemical potential but over you

1429

00:58:22,630 --> 00:58:20,880

know we might go hundreds of meters but

1430

00:58:24,230 --> 00:58:22,640

those transitions happen over the span

1431

00:58:27,510 --> 00:58:24,240

of just a few meters so we're often

1432

00:58:30,390 --> 00:58:27,520

going from 200 or 300 millivolts to

1433

00:58:31,750 --> 00:58:30,400

minus 700 or or close there we're

1434

00:58:33,109 --> 00:58:31,760

sitting right at the lower stability

1435

00:58:35,270 --> 00:58:33,119

limit of water

1436

00:58:36,789 --> 00:58:35,280

similarly those same chemical gradients

1437

00:58:38,150 --> 00:58:36,799

are established we're looking at ph

1438

00:58:41,510 --> 00:58:38,160

variations that are usually going from

1439

00:58:43,990 --> 00:58:41,520

about eight up to about above 11. and

1440

00:58:45,990 --> 00:58:44,000

the transition is a little bit broader

1441

00:58:48,069 --> 00:58:46,000

there in terms of maybe tens of meters

1442

00:58:49,109 --> 00:58:48,079

over which we see those ph variations

1443

00:58:50,549 --> 00:58:49,119

happen

1444

00:58:53,589 --> 00:58:50,559

and when you look at the deeper

1445

00:58:58,870 --> 00:58:57,270

systems down at 2 300 and 400 meters

1446

00:59:01,109 --> 00:58:58,880

this is where we have highly reducing

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00:59:03,510 --> 00:59:01,119

conditions maintained and millimolar

1448

00:59:05,510 --> 00:59:03,520

concentrations of hydrogen and methane

1449

00:59:07,670 --> 00:59:05,520

there's very low water rock ratios that

1450

00:59:09,270 --> 00:59:07,680

are present here and we're storing the

1451

00:59:11,430 --> 00:59:09,280

fluids under these highly reducing

1452

00:59:13,829 --> 00:59:11,440

conditions and then they're in contact

1453

00:59:16,309 --> 00:59:13,839

with a more active hydrologic regime

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00:59:18,390 --> 00:59:16,319

which is where we have nitrate sulfate

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00:59:20,710 --> 00:59:18,400

bearing fluids that are circulating

1456

00:59:23,349 --> 00:59:20,720

through and some dissolve  $\text{CO}_2$

1457

00:59:25,670 --> 00:59:23,359

these are anoxic so oxygen scrubbed out

1458

00:59:27,510 --> 00:59:25,680

incredibly quickly in these systems the

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00:59:28,710 --> 00:59:27,520

temperatures they're only 30 to 40

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00:59:30,470 --> 00:59:28,720

degrees c

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00:59:33,349 --> 00:59:30,480

and the other component of the rogue

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00:59:35,109 --> 00:59:33,359

slide is just that remember again we can

1463

00:59:36,390 --> 00:59:35,119

look very closely at the mineralogy down

1464

00:59:38,710 --> 00:59:36,400

hole and from the cores that we've

1465

00:59:40,549 --> 00:59:38,720

recovered and so we're able to pair

1466

00:59:42,069 --> 00:59:40,559

those states of the system against where

1467

00:59:43,750 --> 00:59:42,079

we see an enormous amount of relic

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00:59:46,549 --> 00:59:43,760

olivine that's present in the rocks and

1469

00:59:48,069 --> 00:59:46,559

initial serpentinization to areas where

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00:59:50,309 --> 00:59:48,079

it's almost fully hydrated and

1471

00:59:53,589 --> 00:59:50,319

serpentinized but we have a lot of

1472

00:59:56,309 --> 00:59:53,599

ferrous ferric phases the green rusts

1473

00:59:58,549 --> 00:59:56,319

or relic spinels and magnetite formation

1474

01:00:01,270 --> 00:59:58,559

and only in the upper 5 or 10 meters do

1475

01:00:03,109 --> 01:00:01,280

we really see oxidized conditions of

1476

01:00:04,549 --> 01:00:03,119

in the rock

1477

01:00:05,670 --> 01:00:04,559

so then this would be a different area

1478

01:00:07,190 --> 01:00:05,680

where we again see pretty strong

1479

01:00:08,950 --> 01:00:07,200

chemical gradients on the slide that i

1480

01:00:10,710 --> 01:00:08,960

have moved on to now where i'm saying

1481

01:00:13,430 --> 01:00:10,720

there's a lot of reducing power left the

1482

01:00:14,870 --> 01:00:13,440

idea here is simply that

1483

01:00:16,870 --> 01:00:14,880

we can go to some of the holes at the

1484

01:00:19,990 --> 01:00:16,880

most extreme conditions of high ph

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01:00:21,910 --> 01:00:20,000

sitting at 11 and a half or so and we

1486

01:00:24,069 --> 01:00:21,920

again land on the lower stability limit

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01:00:26,230 --> 01:00:24,079

of water there's not much relic olivine

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01:00:28,390 --> 01:00:26,240

here but there's a lot of reducing power

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01:00:30,630 --> 01:00:28,400

both from things like awareite that were

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01:00:32,390 --> 01:00:30,640

generated under high hydrogen fugacity

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01:00:34,630 --> 01:00:32,400

during the water rock reactions at these

1492

01:00:36,470 --> 01:00:34,640

low temperatures and the prevalence of

1493

01:00:38,549 --> 01:00:36,480

these minerals such as brucite it's a

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01:00:40,390 --> 01:00:38,559

magnesium iron hydroxide phase it's

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01:00:41,990 --> 01:00:40,400

substituting an enormous amount of iron

1496

01:00:44,470 --> 01:00:42,000

into its crystal structure at these low

1497

01:00:46,710 --> 01:00:44,480

temperatures often up to 35 percent of

1498

01:00:48,549 --> 01:00:46,720

the cation component that's in here and

1499

01:00:50,150 --> 01:00:48,559

that iron ii and bruce site is playing a

1500

01:00:53,750 --> 01:00:50,160

big role in the buffering the aqs

1501

01:00:56,870 --> 01:00:55,270

so

1502

01:00:58,150 --> 01:00:56,880

to come back to the sense of not only is

1503

01:00:59,750 --> 01:00:58,160

this a habitable environment with the

1504

01:01:02,069 --> 01:00:59,760

chemical disequilibrium but it is

1505

01:01:03,589 --> 01:01:02,079

inhabited and it's actually a thriving

1506

01:01:06,870 --> 01:01:03,599

biosphere from every measure that we've

1507

01:01:08,230 --> 01:01:06,880

been able to to apply to this so far

1508

01:01:09,990 --> 01:01:08,240

so as we're starting to look into the

1509

01:01:11,990 --> 01:01:10,000

rock course to do life detection for

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01:01:13,510 --> 01:01:12,000

example we're thrilled at the

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01:01:15,750 --> 01:01:13,520

opportunities when for example we can

1512

01:01:17,910 --> 01:01:15,760

pop out these large cell clusters that

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01:01:19,910 --> 01:01:17,920

seem to be distributed into some of the

1514

01:01:21,349 --> 01:01:19,920

parts of the fracture system although

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01:01:22,710 --> 01:01:21,359

we're very interested to know exactly

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01:01:24,309 --> 01:01:22,720

where those are localized and where

1517

01:01:26,630 --> 01:01:24,319

we'll have the best probability of

1518

01:01:28,470 --> 01:01:26,640

finding them

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01:01:30,470 --> 01:01:28,480

in general we've been able to

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01:01:32,630 --> 01:01:30,480

interrogate both the fluid and the rock

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01:01:35,510 --> 01:01:32,640

system to try and determine cell

1522

01:01:37,190 --> 01:01:35,520

abundances and it remains quite high

1523

01:01:38,950 --> 01:01:37,200

through most of the system so if you

1524

01:01:40,230 --> 01:01:38,960

look at it from a fluid perspective from

1525

01:01:42,789 --> 01:01:40,240

some of the cell counting work that

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01:01:45,030 --> 01:01:42,799

libby phones did we're almost always at

1527

01:01:47,109 --> 01:01:45,040

sea water type cell abundances of ten to

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01:01:48,309 --> 01:01:47,119

the five up to ten to the six cells per

1529

01:01:50,390 --> 01:01:48,319

mil

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01:01:52,470 --> 01:01:50,400

when we move into the rock cores we're

1531

01:01:54,789 --> 01:01:52,480

often homogenizing or taking a sample

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01:01:56,870 --> 01:01:54,799

from a large volume of rock in which

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01:01:59,990 --> 01:01:56,880

the cell densities can range from 10 to

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01:02:03,029 --> 01:02:00,000

the 2 to 10 to the seven cells per gram

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01:02:05,109 --> 01:02:03,039

um and and but again these are like

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01:02:07,430 --> 01:02:05,119

robust numbers in terms of the biomass

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01:02:10,789 --> 01:02:07,440

that's being harbored within the rock

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01:02:14,789 --> 01:02:12,710

so our goal right now is how to improve

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01:02:16,470 --> 01:02:14,799

our strategies to detect

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01:02:18,630 --> 01:02:16,480

evidence of both preserved life and

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01:02:19,829 --> 01:02:18,640

current life activity in these rocks we

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01:02:21,750 --> 01:02:19,839

want to be able to answer these

1543

01:02:23,910 --> 01:02:21,760

questions if you pick up a serpent night

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01:02:25,270 --> 01:02:23,920

that's undergone extensive hydration

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01:02:28,390 --> 01:02:25,280

even at low temperatures how do you

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01:02:30,950 --> 01:02:28,400

prove that it was alive or is right now

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01:02:32,230 --> 01:02:30,960

in the shallowest samples that have been

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01:02:33,430 --> 01:02:32,240

recovered from the amman drilling

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01:02:35,430 --> 01:02:33,440

project where there's extensive

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01:02:37,109 --> 01:02:35,440

carbonation there's been work that's

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01:02:38,630 --> 01:02:37,119

ongoing by john zillumis and his

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01:02:40,870 --> 01:02:38,640

collaborators to try and look in the

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01:02:42,950 --> 01:02:40,880

carbonate phases at the preservation of

1554

01:02:44,390 --> 01:02:42,960

filaments iron oxide structures and

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01:02:45,829 --> 01:02:44,400

organic carbon that are preserved in

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01:02:48,630 --> 01:02:45,839

there and to interrogate them for their

1557

01:02:50,309 --> 01:02:48,640

potential as biosignatures

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01:02:52,069 --> 01:02:50,319

in my lab one of the things that we're

1559

01:02:54,870 --> 01:02:52,079

focusing on more is as we move into this

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01:02:56,710 --> 01:02:54,880

anoxic anaerobic subsurface biosphere

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01:02:58,710 --> 01:02:56,720

system the massive volume that really

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01:03:00,549 --> 01:02:58,720

dominates this environment

1563

01:03:02,789 --> 01:03:00,559

how do we start to detect where there

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01:03:04,230 --> 01:03:02,799

are active cells

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01:03:06,069 --> 01:03:04,240

one of the approaches that we commonly

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01:03:07,430 --> 01:03:06,079

use is to use hyperspectral raman

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01:03:09,670 --> 01:03:07,440

imaging we're often doing it at the

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01:03:11,750 --> 01:03:09,680

microscale and from it we can pull out

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01:03:13,829 --> 01:03:11,760

exquisite textures of the complex

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01:03:15,670 --> 01:03:13,839

alteration history of these rocks the

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01:03:18,069 --> 01:03:15,680

different generations of serpentine that

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01:03:19,990 --> 01:03:18,079

are there and then within nested in that

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01:03:21,589 --> 01:03:20,000

framework to start to look for then

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01:03:23,430 --> 01:03:21,599

things like lipids that are preserved

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01:03:25,589 --> 01:03:23,440

from cells or active cells that are

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01:03:27,190 --> 01:03:25,599

there so i just point you now to look at

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01:03:29,270 --> 01:03:27,200

some talks there this afternoon from

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01:03:30,630 --> 01:03:29,280

both trisha kashyap and tristan caro who

1579

01:03:32,390 --> 01:03:30,640

are going to talk in the life detection

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01:03:37,109 --> 01:03:32,400

and deep biospheres about some of the

1581

01:03:40,710 --> 01:03:38,870

what we have more data about is at the

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01:03:42,630 --> 01:03:40,720

bulk scale and by bulk scale i mean

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01:03:44,470 --> 01:03:42,640

taking a chunk of raw core

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01:03:46,549 --> 01:03:44,480

and being able to then put it into a

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01:03:48,309 --> 01:03:46,559

series of assays or to take biomass

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01:03:49,990 --> 01:03:48,319

pumped from fluids and use them in a

1587

01:03:51,109 --> 01:03:50,000

series of assays to measure microbial

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01:03:53,589 --> 01:03:51,119

activity

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01:03:55,190 --> 01:03:53,599

and one thing that we have feel very

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01:03:57,510 --> 01:03:55,200

confident in now is that biological

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01:03:59,910 --> 01:03:57,520

methanogenesis is prevalent

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01:04:01,750 --> 01:03:59,920

and that might not seem like a surprise

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01:04:03,829 --> 01:04:01,760

but when you do look at the geochemical

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01:04:05,990 --> 01:04:03,839

state of these fluids at ph 11 and the

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01:04:07,910 --> 01:04:06,000

low carbon availability there are many

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01:04:09,990 --> 01:04:07,920

many conundrums about the physiological

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01:04:11,430 --> 01:04:10,000

adaptations to allow methanogenesis to

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01:04:13,829 --> 01:04:11,440

proceed

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01:04:16,309 --> 01:04:13,839

bulk chemical isotopic measures like

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01:04:18,630 --> 01:04:16,319

delta 13c of methane also indicates that

1601  
01:04:19,829 --> 01:04:18,640  
maybe it's potentially bio abiotic

1602  
01:04:21,510 --> 01:04:19,839  
source

1603  
01:04:23,510 --> 01:04:21,520  
however a series of different works that

1604  
01:04:24,870 --> 01:04:23,520  
have come out in the last two years

1605  
01:04:26,950 --> 01:04:24,880  
come back again and again and say

1606  
01:04:28,390 --> 01:04:26,960  
there's evidence for biological activity

1607  
01:04:30,549 --> 01:04:28,400  
the producing methane under these

1608  
01:04:32,230 --> 01:04:30,559  
conditions some of them are from dan no

1609  
01:04:33,750 --> 01:04:32,240  
taft he's published a series of papers

1610  
01:04:35,510 --> 01:04:33,760  
with isotopolog

1611  
01:04:37,670 --> 01:04:35,520  
geochemistry of methane that shows a

1612  
01:04:40,309 --> 01:04:37,680  
kinetic disequilibrium preserved in the

1613  
01:04:42,309 --> 01:04:40,319

methane that's abundant in these systems

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01:04:44,470 --> 01:04:42,319

other work comes from emily krauss she

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01:04:46,069 --> 01:04:44,480

was looking quite a bit at both just the

1616

01:04:47,670 --> 01:04:46,079

abundance of methanogens across

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01:04:50,470 --> 01:04:47,680

different geochemical parts of the

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01:04:52,390 --> 01:04:50,480

system they often can be up to 20 25

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01:04:54,950 --> 01:04:52,400

percent of the total population mostly

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01:04:56,710 --> 01:04:54,960

methanobacterium species but at times

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01:04:58,789 --> 01:04:56,720

when you quantify the transcripts from

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01:05:01,510 --> 01:04:58,799

those same fluids it can be more than 65

1623

01:05:03,589 --> 01:05:01,520

percent of those total abundance

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01:05:05,109 --> 01:05:03,599

and then libby phones has done

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01:05:07,109 --> 01:05:05,119

quite a

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01:05:09,349 --> 01:05:07,119

beautiful body of work in her thesis

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01:05:11,349 --> 01:05:09,359

that first was looking at quantifying

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01:05:13,430 --> 01:05:11,359

the rates of conversion of 14 labeled

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01:05:15,430 --> 01:05:13,440

bicarbonate into methane from different

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01:05:18,390 --> 01:05:15,440

geochemical states of the system and

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01:05:20,150 --> 01:05:18,400

then trying to look at some of the uh

1632

01:05:21,910 --> 01:05:20,160

diversification of the methanogens in

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01:05:24,630 --> 01:05:21,920

these systems and their adaptations to

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01:05:26,630 --> 01:05:24,640

growing at hyper alkaline ph and import

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01:05:28,150 --> 01:05:26,640

in particular the role of formate as was

1636

01:05:30,069 --> 01:05:28,160

just mentioned in the previous talk and

1637

01:05:31,750 --> 01:05:30,079

by billy and susan lang and others comes

1638

01:05:33,510 --> 01:05:31,760

back again and again trying to

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01:05:36,150 --> 01:05:33,520

understand the role format's playing as

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01:05:37,750 --> 01:05:36,160

an intermediate in these systems

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01:05:39,270 --> 01:05:37,760

so in libby's

1642

01:05:40,789 --> 01:05:39,280

work she first started working in the

1643

01:05:42,950 --> 01:05:40,799

fluids looking at rates of formate

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01:05:44,870 --> 01:05:42,960

conversion to methane and the pathways

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01:05:46,470 --> 01:05:44,880

at which it was being used or she also

1646

01:05:48,470 --> 01:05:46,480

moved into starting to look at the rock

1647

01:05:50,549 --> 01:05:48,480

cores themselves and one of the

1648

01:05:53,029 --> 01:05:50,559

surprises for us was that when we could

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01:05:54,710 --> 01:05:53,039

get a measure of uh formate both

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01:05:57,029 --> 01:05:54,720

conversion to methane or formate

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01:05:58,470 --> 01:05:57,039

oxidation in the cores it's sometimes

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01:06:00,069 --> 01:05:58,480

several orders of magnitude higher than

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01:06:01,750 --> 01:06:00,079

what we saw in the fluids

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01:06:03,270 --> 01:06:01,760

and i think we've had a bias so far that

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01:06:04,950 --> 01:06:03,280

the fluid system was where a lot of the

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01:06:07,349 --> 01:06:04,960

dynamics and activity were occurring

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01:06:09,270 --> 01:06:07,359

biologically but again it brings us back

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01:06:10,950 --> 01:06:09,280

to wanting to understand where and how

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01:06:12,789 --> 01:06:10,960

in the in the rock cores themselves

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01:06:15,670 --> 01:06:12,799

these microbial communities are being so

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01:06:19,190 --> 01:06:17,430

so pivoting a little bit we have also

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01:06:20,870 --> 01:06:19,200

been focusing on processes such as

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01:06:23,029 --> 01:06:20,880

sulfate reduction

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01:06:24,950 --> 01:06:23,039

this is a terrestrial system however

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01:06:27,510 --> 01:06:24,960

sulfate's abundant through prior water

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01:06:29,029 --> 01:06:27,520

rock reactions on the seafloor

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01:06:31,109 --> 01:06:29,039

and other sources of sulfate that have

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01:06:33,190 --> 01:06:31,119

been stored within these rocks so we can

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01:06:35,990 --> 01:06:33,200

often have up to millimolar constant up

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01:06:37,430 --> 01:06:36,000

to millimolar concentration of sulfate

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01:06:40,150 --> 01:06:37,440

and clemens glombits are working in

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01:06:42,390 --> 01:06:40,160

torrey holders lab applied techniques

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01:06:44,630 --> 01:06:42,400

often used in deep sea sediments to use

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01:06:47,029 --> 01:06:44,640

35 labeled sulfate and try to measure

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01:06:48,789 --> 01:06:47,039

rates of biological sulfate reduction

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01:06:51,349 --> 01:06:48,799

in the fluid system and then later

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01:06:53,430 --> 01:06:51,359

within the rock cores themselves

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01:06:54,950 --> 01:06:53,440

the rates are exceedingly slow they're

1679

01:06:56,390 --> 01:06:54,960

hard to measure they're just above the

1680

01:06:57,910 --> 01:06:56,400

limits of detection and some of the

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01:07:00,069 --> 01:06:57,920

slowest rates that have been measured on

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01:07:01,510 --> 01:07:00,079

earth but they are pervasive again and

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01:07:02,950 --> 01:07:01,520

have been able to be measured in both

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01:07:04,789 --> 01:07:02,960

systems

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01:07:06,150 --> 01:07:04,799

and so we've become increasingly

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01:07:07,910 --> 01:07:06,160

interested in the

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01:07:09,670 --> 01:07:07,920

importance of

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01:07:13,190 --> 01:07:09,680

this slow sulfate reduction in the

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01:07:15,990 --> 01:07:13,200

overall geochemical dynamics within um

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01:07:20,470 --> 01:07:18,549

specifically for example during drilling

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01:07:22,390 --> 01:07:20,480

we started to notice that often we would

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01:07:24,390 --> 01:07:22,400

bring up core intervals that were

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01:07:26,789 --> 01:07:24,400

degassing you can see sort of a bubbling

1694

01:07:28,309 --> 01:07:26,799

wet core here on the left and when we

1695

01:07:30,470 --> 01:07:28,319

look at these optically through a thin

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01:07:32,549 --> 01:07:30,480

section they're optically darkened

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01:07:34,470 --> 01:07:32,559

they're becoming more opaque

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01:07:36,069 --> 01:07:34,480

and the total sulfur content in these

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01:07:39,190 --> 01:07:36,079

serpent nights is not high it's the

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01:07:40,870 --> 01:07:39,200

maximum of them up to 0.68 percent

1701

01:07:42,549 --> 01:07:40,880

but our interest is in

1702

01:07:44,069 --> 01:07:42,559

when and how are the reactions with

1703

01:07:46,470 --> 01:07:44,079

sulfur occurring

1704

01:07:48,309 --> 01:07:46,480

and to have hydrogen sulfide produced in

1705

01:07:50,230 --> 01:07:48,319

these fluids which also can be detected

1706

01:07:51,430 --> 01:07:50,240

is is intriguing because at these

1707

01:07:53,109 --> 01:07:51,440

temperatures we're not expecting

1708

01:07:55,190 --> 01:07:53,119

thermochemical sulfate reduction to

1709

01:07:57,510 --> 01:07:55,200

occur so again we're just deferring it

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01:08:00,549 --> 01:07:57,520

to be a biological process as also shown

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01:08:04,789 --> 01:08:02,470

we're working with bethany ellman and

1712

01:08:05,910 --> 01:08:04,799

rebecca greenberger in another related

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01:08:07,990 --> 01:08:05,920

project

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01:08:09,910 --> 01:08:08,000

where rebecca was able to scan the

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01:08:11,829 --> 01:08:09,920

entire one kilometer of core obtained

1716

01:08:13,589 --> 01:08:11,839

from the subsurface to look at its

1717

01:08:15,109 --> 01:08:13,599

spectral characteristics and we can from

1718

01:08:16,229 --> 01:08:15,119

that define different styles of

1719

01:08:19,110 --> 01:08:16,239

surretinization and different

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01:08:21,669 --> 01:08:19,120

geochemical regimes in the rock core

1721

01:08:23,990 --> 01:08:21,679

and often she's looking at the iron 2 or

1722

01:08:25,590 --> 01:08:24,000

iron 2 3 transitions in the serpentine

1723

01:08:27,349 --> 01:08:25,600

in terms of the ways that she's imaging

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01:08:29,269 --> 01:08:27,359

it but the second you get to these

1725

01:08:30,789 --> 01:08:29,279

partly sulfurized cores the optical

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01:08:32,709 --> 01:08:30,799

darkening and the decrease in the

1727

01:08:35,990 --> 01:08:32,719

reflectance really changes the signal

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01:08:39,749 --> 01:08:38,070

so we're zoning in on those areas within

1729

01:08:41,030 --> 01:08:39,759

our cores and starting to look at them

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01:08:43,349 --> 01:08:41,040

optically and again back with things

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01:08:45,269 --> 01:08:43,359

like ramen or an x-ray spectroscopy

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01:08:47,590 --> 01:08:45,279

trying to characterize the sulfurization

1733

01:08:49,349 --> 01:08:47,600

process itself and in this particular

1734

01:08:50,870 --> 01:08:49,359

case with this kind of mapping we would

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01:08:52,950 --> 01:08:50,880

be able to start to see sulfide

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01:08:55,749 --> 01:08:52,960

replacement of olivine mesh cores the

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01:08:58,470 --> 01:08:55,759

brucite that replaced the olivine is now

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01:09:00,070 --> 01:08:58,480

being itself replaced by sulfide

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01:09:01,590 --> 01:09:00,080

and we can see reaction rims that are

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01:09:03,269 --> 01:09:01,600

forming within them

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01:09:05,189 --> 01:09:03,279

and this is giving us the mineralogical

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01:09:06,870 --> 01:09:05,199

context to again want to come back and

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01:09:08,709 --> 01:09:06,880

ask the question where are microbial

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01:09:10,709 --> 01:09:08,719

cells distributed within this and where

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01:09:15,990 --> 01:09:10,719

are they active and what's the potential

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01:09:19,669 --> 01:09:17,510

if we step back out of the micro scale

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01:09:21,349 --> 01:09:19,679

back to just the bulk rock scale an

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01:09:23,990 --> 01:09:21,359

example of this too would be work by

1749

01:09:25,910 --> 01:09:24,000

katie remfort in her phd thesis

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01:09:27,510 --> 01:09:25,920

she came and took several intervals of

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01:09:29,430 --> 01:09:27,520

subsurface course trying to see if she

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01:09:31,030 --> 01:09:29,440

could successfully extract intact polar

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01:09:33,349 --> 01:09:31,040

lipids from the active microbial

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01:09:35,430 --> 01:09:33,359

community she's also done that from

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01:09:37,110 --> 01:09:35,440

pumping the fluids that circulate within

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01:09:38,149 --> 01:09:37,120

the system and collecting biomass there

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01:09:40,229 --> 01:09:38,159

too

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01:09:41,990 --> 01:09:40,239

she's a beautifully complex story i'm

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01:09:43,990 --> 01:09:42,000

just going to take one component of that

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01:09:45,990 --> 01:09:44,000

to say one of the most striking findings

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01:09:47,749 --> 01:09:46,000

from our work is that despite us knowing

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01:09:49,510 --> 01:09:47,759

that we have quite a complex microbial

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01:09:51,110 --> 01:09:49,520

community structure

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01:09:53,110 --> 01:09:51,120

what we see again and again in the

1765

01:09:54,310 --> 01:09:53,120

intact polar lipids that are

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01:09:55,830 --> 01:09:54,320

able to be

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01:09:57,669 --> 01:09:55,840

extracted and characterized from the

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01:09:59,750 --> 01:09:57,679

system is this dominance of these

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01:10:01,510 --> 01:09:59,760

glycodiete or lipids

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01:10:02,630 --> 01:10:01,520

and part of those are archaeol that

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01:10:04,950 --> 01:10:02,640

we're attributing back to

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01:10:07,149 --> 01:10:04,960

methanobacterium that's so dominant in

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01:10:10,149 --> 01:10:07,159

our system as well as these

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01:10:11,750 --> 01:10:10,159

non-isoprenoidal dietherglycerol lipids

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01:10:13,669 --> 01:10:11,760

that we attribute to sulfate-reducing

1776

01:10:15,750 --> 01:10:13,679

bacteria which there are many present

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01:10:17,590 --> 01:10:15,760

but thermodesulfa vibrio is one of them

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01:10:19,669 --> 01:10:17,600

that we have in culture and are working

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01:10:21,910 --> 01:10:19,679

with to characterize the correspondence

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01:10:24,070 --> 01:10:21,920

in those lipids and they often together

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01:10:26,229 --> 01:10:24,080

just these two make up more than 90 95

1782

01:10:28,870 --> 01:10:26,239

percent of the total ipls that can be

1783

01:10:33,030 --> 01:10:30,550

so thanks for your patience through that

1784

01:10:34,390 --> 01:10:33,040

little intermission and um in general

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01:10:36,310 --> 01:10:34,400

the part i didn't get to show you but

1786

01:10:38,790 --> 01:10:36,320

i'm still really excited to leave a

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01:10:40,310 --> 01:10:38,800

visual imprint of is the really strong

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01:10:41,990 --> 01:10:40,320

chemical gradients existing in the

1789

01:10:44,390 --> 01:10:42,000

shallow subsurface even of these low

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01:10:46,310 --> 01:10:44,400

temperature cool systems and strong

1791

01:10:48,310 --> 01:10:46,320

reductance persist which allow these to

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01:10:49,910 --> 01:10:48,320

be maintained over long time scales to

1793

01:10:51,430 --> 01:10:49,920

have this disequilibrium present and

1794

01:10:52,950 --> 01:10:51,440

harnessed

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01:10:54,630 --> 01:10:52,960

we're seeing a very

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01:10:56,709 --> 01:10:54,640

abundant biosphere in my opinion at

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01:10:58,790 --> 01:10:56,719

these kind of high cell at these cell

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01:11:01,030 --> 01:10:58,800

densities in both fluids and in rocks

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01:11:02,950 --> 01:11:01,040

greater than 10 to the five

1800

01:11:05,830 --> 01:11:02,960

and when we take whole rock cores or

1801  
01:11:07,590 --> 01:11:05,840  
take um fluid biomass we can definitely

1802  
01:11:10,470 --> 01:11:07,600  
measure activity turning over things

1803  
01:11:13,189 --> 01:11:10,480  
like 14c bicarbonate formate

1804  
01:11:14,709 --> 01:11:13,199  
sulfate um what we're really interested

1805  
01:11:16,470 --> 01:11:14,719  
in are what are the real adaptations

1806  
01:11:18,390 --> 01:11:16,480  
that are allowing the microbial like to

1807  
01:11:19,830 --> 01:11:18,400  
be active in the system and again dan

1808  
01:11:23,189 --> 01:11:19,840  
will talk a little bit about that in

1809  
01:11:24,709 --> 01:11:23,199  
terms of acetogenesis in just a moment

1810  
01:11:26,470 --> 01:11:24,719  
but in this question of how do we come

1811  
01:11:28,550 --> 01:11:26,480  
recognize that the system's alive and

1812  
01:11:30,709 --> 01:11:28,560  
how do we know what to target for in

1813  
01:11:33,110 --> 01:11:30,719

terms of analysis for biosignatures or

1814

01:11:35,030 --> 01:11:33,120

showing life activity at that cellular

1815

01:11:37,030 --> 01:11:35,040

scale we're very intrigued by the

1816

01:11:39,350 --> 01:11:37,040

sulfurization of these causes occurring

1817

01:11:41,669 --> 01:11:39,360

not only to be potentially a signature

1818

01:11:43,430 --> 01:11:41,679

that this is an active system but also

1819

01:11:45,830 --> 01:11:43,440

because it may well be playing a role in

1820

01:11:48,070 --> 01:11:45,840

preserving some of the lipids that are

1821

01:11:49,669 --> 01:11:48,080

in the biomass that's present

1822

01:11:51,270 --> 01:11:49,679

and with that i'll move to this

1823

01:11:53,030 --> 01:11:51,280

afternoon session and just encourage you

1824

01:11:55,189 --> 01:11:53,040

to come and hear more about efforts to

1825

01:12:07,990 --> 01:11:55,199

detect activity in specific microbe

1826  
01:12:12,149 --> 01:12:10,390  
have time for one question and we

1827  
01:12:14,310 --> 01:12:12,159  
encourage others to

1828  
01:12:26,709 --> 01:12:14,320  
speak to alexis after the session as

1829  
01:12:31,030 --> 01:12:29,270  
hi alexis wonderful presentation i was

1830  
01:12:33,110 --> 01:12:31,040  
wondering if you have a sample where

1831  
01:12:35,110 --> 01:12:33,120  
you're both measuring the methane

1832  
01:12:37,510 --> 01:12:35,120  
production rate and

1833  
01:12:39,030 --> 01:12:37,520  
the cell densities i'm trying to tune a

1834  
01:12:41,510 --> 01:12:39,040  
biomass model

1835  
01:12:43,669 --> 01:12:41,520  
yeah if you look to libby phone's work

1836  
01:12:45,910 --> 01:12:43,679  
um she did do that so she's got the cell

1837  
01:12:48,550 --> 01:12:45,920  
numbers that correlate also with the

1838  
01:12:52,070 --> 01:12:48,560

activity now she's the system stimulated

1839

01:12:54,630 --> 01:12:52,080

because in that case they're adding

1840

01:12:56,630 --> 01:12:54,640

14c bicarbonate or formate

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01:12:58,470 --> 01:12:56,640

often at a millimolar concentration and

1842

01:12:59,750 --> 01:12:58,480

the ambient concentrations in the system

1843

01:13:02,149 --> 01:12:59,760

tend to be

1844

01:13:03,270 --> 01:13:02,159

in micromolar concentration but that's

1845

01:13:04,950 --> 01:13:03,280

probably where you could find the best

1846

01:13:06,709 --> 01:13:04,960

data of both the geochemical state and

1847

01:13:08,709 --> 01:13:06,719

the cell density

1848

01:13:10,550 --> 01:13:08,719

awesome things yeah

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01:13:12,790 --> 01:13:10,560

thank you alexis thank you

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01:13:28,470 --> 01:13:12,800

our next speaker is daniel coleman from

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01:13:38,950 --> 01:13:35,590

right

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01:13:39,910 --> 01:13:38,960

chalk talk so that's a good start

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01:13:41,110 --> 01:13:39,920

um

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01:13:42,390 --> 01:13:41,120

thank you to the convenience for the

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01:13:43,430 --> 01:13:42,400

opportunity to talk about some of my

1856

01:13:45,030 --> 01:13:43,440

research

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01:13:46,390 --> 01:13:45,040

that was a great introduction to it and

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01:13:48,149 --> 01:13:46,400

alexis's talk

1859

01:13:49,669 --> 01:13:48,159

my name is dan coleman i'm an assistant

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01:13:51,990 --> 01:13:49,679

research professor at montana state

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01:13:53,430 --> 01:13:52,000

university and eric boyd's lab um so

1862

01:13:55,750 --> 01:13:53,440

what i'm going to talk to you about

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01:13:57,110 --> 01:13:55,760

today is kind of extending on from the

1864

01:13:58,709 --> 01:13:57,120

work that alexis was just talking about

1865

01:14:00,390 --> 01:13:58,719

in the smell ophelia

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01:14:02,149 --> 01:14:00,400

and looking at adaptations of peter

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01:14:06,149 --> 01:14:02,159

acetogens that are dominant in some of

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01:14:09,830 --> 01:14:08,149

so as many of us in the room are pretty

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01:14:11,189 --> 01:14:09,840

well acquainted with this idea and a lot

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01:14:12,390 --> 01:14:11,199

of the talks in the session have really

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01:14:14,310 --> 01:14:12,400

elegantly

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01:14:16,390 --> 01:14:14,320

pointed this out the serpentinite hosted

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01:14:17,910 --> 01:14:16,400

environments are really ideal analogs

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01:14:19,350 --> 01:14:17,920

for trying to understand the habitats

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01:14:20,310 --> 01:14:19,360

that supported some of the earliest life

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01:14:21,990 --> 01:14:20,320

on earth

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01:14:23,910 --> 01:14:22,000

as well as the potential for life on

1878

01:14:25,669 --> 01:14:23,920

other planetary systems

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01:14:26,870 --> 01:14:25,679

one of the most important attributes of

1880

01:14:28,310 --> 01:14:26,880

these systems are the water rock

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01:14:30,870 --> 01:14:28,320

interactions that are in current

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01:14:31,990 --> 01:14:30,880

occurring in these serpentinite systems

1883

01:14:33,910 --> 01:14:32,000

and especially the production of

1884

01:14:35,669 --> 01:14:33,920

abundant amounts of hydrogen right it's

1885

01:14:36,950 --> 01:14:35,679

these water rock interactions that

1886

01:14:38,870 --> 01:14:36,960

produce these substrates that can

1887

01:14:40,630 --> 01:14:38,880

support chemosynthetic life through

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01:14:42,390 --> 01:14:40,640

things like hydrogen and one carbon

1889

01:14:43,910 --> 01:14:42,400

compounds like formate and so when i

1890

01:14:45,510 --> 01:14:43,920

talk about chemosynthetic life i'm

1891

01:14:47,750 --> 01:14:45,520

talking about organisms that use

1892

01:14:49,830 --> 01:14:47,760

chemical energy as their primary uh

1893

01:14:51,110 --> 01:14:49,840

source to produce biomass

1894

01:14:53,270 --> 01:14:51,120

and so as this

1895

01:14:54,390 --> 01:14:53,280

uh kind of really brief equation is

1896

01:14:55,830 --> 01:14:54,400

showing here it's the hydration of

1897

01:14:57,189 --> 01:14:55,840

ultramafic minerals in the production of

1898

01:14:59,350 --> 01:14:57,199

hydrogen that's really important in this

1899

01:15:01,110 --> 01:14:59,360

process

1900

01:15:02,470 --> 01:15:01,120

and so among the types of organisms that

1901

01:15:04,470 --> 01:15:02,480

have really been the focus for trying to

1902

01:15:06,550 --> 01:15:04,480

understand who these early

1903

01:15:08,870 --> 01:15:06,560

potential analogs of life on earth might

1904

01:15:10,470 --> 01:15:08,880

be acetogens and methanogens have been

1905

01:15:11,830 --> 01:15:10,480

at the forefront of these discussions

1906

01:15:13,750 --> 01:15:11,840

and there's ketogenic bacteria in

1907

01:15:15,030 --> 01:15:13,760

methanogenic archaea

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01:15:17,030 --> 01:15:15,040

and that's primarily because these

1909

01:15:19,110 --> 01:15:17,040

organisms use these simple content

1910

01:15:21,590 --> 01:15:19,120

compounds hydrogen and dissolved in

1911

01:15:23,189 --> 01:15:21,600

organic carbon to produce biomass

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01:15:24,310 --> 01:15:23,199

through simple enzymatic pathways which

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01:15:26,790 --> 01:15:24,320

i'll touch on a little bit throughout

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01:15:30,310 --> 01:15:28,630

so what i would argue is we're trying to

1915

01:15:31,750 --> 01:15:30,320

we're starting to learn quite a bit more

1916

01:15:33,350 --> 01:15:31,760

about these types of organisms that are

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01:15:34,630 --> 01:15:33,360

present in these environments but we

1918

01:15:36,070 --> 01:15:34,640

still know very little about their

1919

01:15:37,110 --> 01:15:36,080

adaptations and how they're actually

1920

01:15:38,790 --> 01:15:37,120

able to

1921

01:15:41,110 --> 01:15:38,800

to thrive in these particularly harsh

1922

01:15:43,270 --> 01:15:41,120

systems

1923

01:15:44,709 --> 01:15:43,280

so the work i'm going to discuss today

1924

01:15:46,070 --> 01:15:44,719

as part of my research extends out from

1925

01:15:46,870 --> 01:15:46,080

what alexis was talking about in the

1926

01:15:49,270 --> 01:15:46,880

same

1927

01:15:50,390 --> 01:15:49,280

opioid noman it's really an exemplary

1928

01:15:53,030 --> 01:15:50,400

system for trying to understand

1929

01:15:54,390 --> 01:15:53,040

microbial adaptations to

1930

01:15:55,830 --> 01:15:54,400

serpentinite

1931

01:15:57,669 --> 01:15:55,840

systems and the water rock interactions

1932

01:15:58,790 --> 01:15:57,679

that occur there for a couple reasons

1933

01:15:59,830 --> 01:15:58,800

one it's

1934

01:16:01,750 --> 01:15:59,840

really accessible it's one of the

1935

01:16:03,110 --> 01:16:01,760

largest near-surface ophiolite systems

1936

01:16:04,550 --> 01:16:03,120

on earth

1937

01:16:05,990 --> 01:16:04,560

two there are wells that had been

1938

01:16:08,310 --> 01:16:06,000

previously drilled there that tap into

1939

01:16:09,590 --> 01:16:08,320

deep subsurface waters

1940

01:16:11,430 --> 01:16:09,600

and the third

1941

01:16:13,030 --> 01:16:11,440

thing that i'm going to touch on kind of

1942

01:16:14,550 --> 01:16:13,040

throughout the presentation is that

1943

01:16:16,550 --> 01:16:14,560

there's a gradient in water types that

1944

01:16:18,630 --> 01:16:16,560

are present in the subsurface of the

1945

01:16:19,910 --> 01:16:18,640

same ophelite so there are waters that

1946

01:16:22,229 --> 01:16:19,920

are essentially meteoric these are

1947

01:16:24,070 --> 01:16:22,239

slightly alkaline types of waters of ph

1948

01:16:25,590 --> 01:16:24,080

maybe eight to nine or so

1949

01:16:27,110 --> 01:16:25,600

and as more extensive water rock

1950

01:16:29,750 --> 01:16:27,120

interactions occur in the subsurface

1951

01:16:31,910 --> 01:16:29,760

these waters become progressively more

1952

01:16:34,149 --> 01:16:31,920

alkaline up to hyperalkaline

1953

01:16:36,950 --> 01:16:34,159

types of subsurface fluids and so this

1954

01:16:38,310 --> 01:16:36,960

gradient really then allows us as

1955

01:16:40,310 --> 01:16:38,320

microbiologists to understand the

1956

01:16:43,350 --> 01:16:40,320

adaptations of organisms to this

1957

01:16:44,470 --> 01:16:43,360

spectrum of conditions

1958

01:16:46,950 --> 01:16:44,480

and one thing to keep in mind that i'll

1959

01:16:48,390 --> 01:16:46,960

touch on throughout the talk is that ph

1960

01:16:51,430 --> 01:16:48,400

can serve as a sort of proxy for

1961

01:16:53,189 --> 01:16:51,440

serpentization reaction progress so as

1962

01:16:55,590 --> 01:16:53,199

more serpentization influence more water

1963

01:16:57,189 --> 01:16:55,600

rock interaction occurs uh waters become

1964

01:16:59,430 --> 01:16:57,199

more progressively alkaline as i

1965

01:17:01,110 --> 01:16:59,440

mentioned

1966

01:17:03,669 --> 01:17:01,120

so my work that i'm going to focus on

1967

01:17:05,030 --> 01:17:03,679

today is looking at these unique

1968

01:17:05,910 --> 01:17:05,040

intriguing kind of organisms that we

1969

01:17:08,550 --> 01:17:05,920

found that were dominant in these

1970

01:17:10,310 --> 01:17:08,560

subsurface fluid fluids that belong to

1971

01:17:12,070 --> 01:17:10,320

an uncultured candidate division called

1972

01:17:14,550 --> 01:17:12,080

the acetothermia

1973

01:17:16,470 --> 01:17:14,560

previous work by katie remfer in

1974

01:17:17,830 --> 01:17:16,480

alexis's lab show that these organisms

1975

01:17:20,070 --> 01:17:17,840

were particularly dominant some of the

1976

01:17:24,550 --> 01:17:20,080

most hyper alkaline fluids in the smell

1977

01:17:26,550 --> 01:17:24,560

ophelia using 16s rna gene-based studies

1978

01:17:28,470 --> 01:17:26,560

and so what i wanted to do extending on

1979

01:17:30,390 --> 01:17:28,480

from these initial finds is use a

1980

01:17:32,229 --> 01:17:30,400

genomic approach try to understand

1981

01:17:34,550 --> 01:17:32,239

what the adaptations of these organisms

1982

01:17:36,229 --> 01:17:34,560

are using recovered genomes and that's

1983

01:17:38,470 --> 01:17:36,239

what i did so i used a genome-resolved

1984

01:17:40,550 --> 01:17:38,480

metagenomic approach to recover seven

1985

01:17:42,790 --> 01:17:40,560

different genomes from wells and the

1986

01:17:44,630 --> 01:17:42,800

similar feeling from different years and

1987

01:17:45,990 --> 01:17:44,640

from different wells

1988

01:17:47,669 --> 01:17:46,000

so what's shown here on the right hand

1989

01:17:48,950 --> 01:17:47,679

side is just a phylogenetic analysis

1990

01:17:51,110 --> 01:17:48,960

showing that there's two different types

1991

01:17:52,870 --> 01:17:51,120

of these acethermia that are present in

1992

01:17:54,229 --> 01:17:52,880

these subsurface fluids there's type one

1993

01:17:55,350 --> 01:17:54,239

which i'll show in orange for the rest

1994

01:17:56,790 --> 01:17:55,360

of the talk

1995

01:17:58,149 --> 01:17:56,800

and there's type two which i'll show in

1996

01:18:01,510 --> 01:17:58,159

blue for the rest of the talk the type

1997

01:18:03,030 --> 01:18:01,520

one or more related to subsurface

1998

01:18:04,709 --> 01:18:03,040

type organisms that have been found in

1999

01:18:05,750 --> 01:18:04,719

hot springs other surface systems around

2000

01:18:07,430 --> 01:18:05,760

the globe

2001

01:18:08,550 --> 01:18:07,440

whereas the type two are really only

2002

01:18:10,149 --> 01:18:08,560

related to

2003

01:18:11,910 --> 01:18:10,159

one other

2004

01:18:13,430 --> 01:18:11,920

population that was observed in the lost

2005

01:18:15,669 --> 01:18:13,440

city hydrothermal system which as

2006

01:18:16,790 --> 01:18:15,679

deborah kelly talked about earlier is a

2007

01:18:18,790 --> 01:18:16,800

model uh

2008

01:18:20,950 --> 01:18:18,800

serpentinite hosted system

2009

01:18:22,709 --> 01:18:20,960

so two taxonomically very different

2010

01:18:24,950 --> 01:18:22,719

types of organisms probably different

2011

01:18:26,870 --> 01:18:24,960

orders of acetothermia

2012

01:18:28,550 --> 01:18:26,880

in addition to being taxonomically very

2013

01:18:30,950 --> 01:18:28,560

different they also inhabit different

2014

01:18:33,030 --> 01:18:30,960

ecological niches in the samil ophelite

2015

01:18:35,910 --> 01:18:33,040

along water gradients

2016

01:18:37,910 --> 01:18:35,920

so the type one shown in orange again um

2017

01:18:40,070 --> 01:18:37,920

pretty much only inhabit lower ph types

2018

01:18:41,669 --> 01:18:40,080

of subsurface fluids whereas the type 2

2019

01:18:42,870 --> 01:18:41,679

and blue again pretty much only have

2020

01:18:44,229 --> 01:18:42,880

higher ph

2021

01:18:46,229 --> 01:18:44,239

hyper alkaline fluids in the small

2022

01:18:48,310 --> 01:18:46,239

ophelate these fluids have been referred

2023

01:18:49,990 --> 01:18:48,320

to previously as type 1 lower ph and

2024

01:18:51,270 --> 01:18:50,000

type 2 is higher ph and that's actually

2025

01:18:53,189 --> 01:18:51,280

kind of why i named these different

2026

01:18:54,870 --> 01:18:53,199

populations as they are

2027

01:18:56,709 --> 01:18:54,880

so what that graph there is shown on the

2028

01:18:58,390 --> 01:18:56,719

right is just an estimated relative

2029

01:19:00,870 --> 01:18:58,400

abundance of these two different types

2030

01:19:02,630 --> 01:19:00,880

of acetothermia in different subsurface

2031

01:19:03,750 --> 01:19:02,640

well water communities so each one of

2032

01:19:05,750 --> 01:19:03,760

those different rows is a different

2033

01:19:07,910 --> 01:19:05,760

community the number in parentheses is

2034

01:19:09,910 --> 01:19:07,920

the ph and they're organized by the type

2035

01:19:11,270 --> 01:19:09,920

of rock setting as well as our ph in

2036

01:19:12,950 --> 01:19:11,280

ascending order and so you can see that

2037

01:19:15,510 --> 01:19:12,960

they pretty much have distinct

2038

01:19:17,350 --> 01:19:15,520

distributions along the gradient of of

2039

01:19:20,070 --> 01:19:17,360

water types which again ph is a proxy

2040

01:19:21,430 --> 01:19:20,080

for serpentinization influence

2041

01:19:22,470 --> 01:19:21,440

there's really only one community that

2042

01:19:23,910 --> 01:19:22,480

had

2043

01:19:25,830 --> 01:19:23,920

any bit of overlap between these two

2044

01:19:27,910 --> 01:19:25,840

types and it was a sample that was taken

2045

01:19:30,310 --> 01:19:27,920

nearer to the surface from this nshq14

2046

01:19:31,350 --> 01:19:30,320

well from a 50 meter sample

2047

01:19:32,709 --> 01:19:31,360

i won't talk about too much of the

2048

01:19:34,310 --> 01:19:32,719

details of this but there's evidence

2049

01:19:36,390 --> 01:19:34,320

that there's mixing of near surface

2050

01:19:37,750 --> 01:19:36,400

waters in that particular sample that

2051

01:19:39,750 --> 01:19:37,760

you don't find in the deeper sample that

2052

01:19:42,950 --> 01:19:39,760

was taken from 85 meters where you find

2053

01:19:44,470 --> 01:19:42,960

essentially only the type 2 population

2054

01:19:45,990 --> 01:19:44,480

and so what these results suggest is

2055

01:19:47,750 --> 01:19:46,000

that these type 2 acetothermia are much

2056

01:19:49,189 --> 01:19:47,760

better adapted to these deeper hyper

2057

01:19:51,830 --> 01:19:49,199

alkaline waters that are highly

2058

01:19:53,590 --> 01:19:51,840

influenced by serpentization

2059

01:19:55,510 --> 01:19:53,600

so what i really wanted to get at in my

2060

01:19:56,709 --> 01:19:55,520

work is how these organisms are

2061

01:19:59,590 --> 01:19:56,719

potentially adapted to these

2062

01:20:01,350 --> 01:19:59,600

environments and so to do this i used

2063

01:20:02,950 --> 01:20:01,360

metabolic modeling based off the genomes

2064

01:20:04,550 --> 01:20:02,960

that i was able to recover i don't want

2065

01:20:06,550 --> 01:20:04,560

to scare you away with this

2066

01:20:07,750 --> 01:20:06,560

graph that has a bunch of details on it

2067

01:20:09,750 --> 01:20:07,760

i'm just going to talk about some of the

2068

01:20:12,870 --> 01:20:09,760

more prescient a

2069

01:20:13,990 --> 01:20:12,880

couple things here in turn

2070

01:20:15,270 --> 01:20:14,000

and so as i walk through these next

2071

01:20:16,310 --> 01:20:15,280

couple of slides

2072

01:20:17,669 --> 01:20:16,320

you don't really need to worry about the

2073

01:20:19,669 --> 01:20:17,679

enzymatic details of these various

2074

01:20:20,870 --> 01:20:19,679

reactions the type 1 enzymes are always

2075

01:20:22,310 --> 01:20:20,880

going to be an orange type 2 are always

2076

01:20:23,990 --> 01:20:22,320

going to be in blue

2077

01:20:25,910 --> 01:20:24,000

one of the most important things that i

2078

01:20:27,590 --> 01:20:25,920

was able to identify is that they both

2079

01:20:29,350 --> 01:20:27,600

encode the capacity for autotrophic

2080

01:20:31,350 --> 01:20:29,360

acetogenesis using the wood lung daw

2081

01:20:33,669 --> 01:20:31,360

pathway you might also know this is a

2082

01:20:35,590 --> 01:20:33,679

reductive acetyl-coa pathway

2083

01:20:37,430 --> 01:20:35,600

it's been

2084

01:20:39,189 --> 01:20:37,440

invoked as one of the earliest microbial

2085

01:20:41,430 --> 01:20:39,199

carbon fixation pathways

2086

01:20:43,430 --> 01:20:41,440

and a lot of early life research

2087

01:20:44,550 --> 01:20:43,440

they both do this interestingly they do

2088

01:20:46,070 --> 01:20:44,560

it through different enzymatic

2089

01:20:47,350 --> 01:20:46,080

complements suggesting that they

2090

01:20:48,629 --> 01:20:47,360

probably came about this capacity

2091

01:20:50,470 --> 01:20:48,639

through different evolutionary

2092

01:20:51,990 --> 01:20:50,480

trajectories

2093

01:20:53,990 --> 01:20:52,000

it's important to note that the

2094

01:20:55,590 --> 01:20:54,000

woodlongdoll pathway itself is your

2095

01:20:56,870 --> 01:20:55,600

initial carbon fixation step but it

2096

01:20:59,030 --> 01:20:56,880

actually takes a bunch more steps in

2097

01:21:01,030 --> 01:20:59,040

order to get to larger biome

2098

01:21:03,030 --> 01:21:01,040

biomolecules like sugars

2099

01:21:04,629 --> 01:21:03,040

uh indeed these organisms both of them

2100

01:21:07,270 --> 01:21:04,639

were able to encode the capacity for

2101

01:21:09,350 --> 01:21:07,280

autotrophy via gluconeogenesis

2102

01:21:13,030 --> 01:21:09,360

suggesting that they were indeed capable

2103

01:21:16,149 --> 01:21:14,390

there's more differences in terms of

2104

01:21:17,910 --> 01:21:16,159

what they're capable of doing these type

2105

01:21:20,310 --> 01:21:17,920

2 again these are the ones that you find

2106

01:21:22,470 --> 01:21:20,320

in the most hyper alkaline fluids appear

2107

01:21:24,390 --> 01:21:22,480

to be primarily reliant on hydrogen gas

2108

01:21:26,830 --> 01:21:24,400

for their energy conservation pathways

2109

01:21:29,189 --> 01:21:26,840

they encode electron bifurcating

2110

01:21:30,950 --> 01:21:29,199

hydrogenases these are used to produce

2111

01:21:33,270 --> 01:21:30,960

reduced paradoxine ferredoxin is like a

2112

01:21:34,950 --> 01:21:33,280

low potential electron carrier

2113

01:21:36,629 --> 01:21:34,960

and that then is used to drive a

2114

01:21:38,070 --> 01:21:36,639

chemiosmotic potential through an rnf

2115

01:21:39,750 --> 01:21:38,080

complex and that chemical osmotic

2116

01:21:41,830 --> 01:21:39,760

potential can

2117

01:21:43,830 --> 01:21:41,840

be used for atp synthesis through an

2118

01:21:46,149 --> 01:21:43,840

f-type atp synthase

2119

01:21:47,350 --> 01:21:46,159

i should note that these complexes are

2120

01:21:48,870 --> 01:21:47,360

essentially

2121

01:21:50,629 --> 01:21:48,880

um

2122

01:21:52,149 --> 01:21:50,639

prevalently found in canonical model

2123

01:21:54,550 --> 01:21:52,159

acetogens like acetobacterium in the

2124

01:21:55,830 --> 01:21:54,560

rest so pretty consistent with what

2125

01:21:57,590 --> 01:21:55,840

decades and decades of research of

2126

01:22:00,229 --> 01:21:57,600

acetogens have been covered as their

2127

01:22:01,990 --> 01:22:00,239

energy conservation pathways

2128

01:22:03,510 --> 01:22:02,000

type one on the other hand do not

2129

01:22:06,149 --> 01:22:03,520

apparently occur the capacity to use

2130

01:22:08,390 --> 01:22:06,159

hydrogen gas they might produce hydrogen

2131

01:22:09,750 --> 01:22:08,400

through a biosynthetic pathway

2132

01:22:11,110 --> 01:22:09,760

they are able to produce a chemical

2133

01:22:13,189 --> 01:22:11,120

osmotic potential but through a totally

2134

01:22:15,350 --> 01:22:13,199

different means they don't code rnf they

2135

01:22:16,870 --> 01:22:15,360

cut a bunch of membrane complexes that

2136

01:22:17,910 --> 01:22:16,880

apparently allow them to use other

2137

01:22:20,070 --> 01:22:17,920

oxidants

2138

01:22:22,709 --> 01:22:20,080

for energy conservation like nitrate

2139

01:22:24,229 --> 01:22:22,719

nitrite and potentially oxygen

2140

01:22:26,950 --> 01:22:24,239

and they use a totally different type of

2141

01:22:29,750 --> 01:22:26,960

atp synthase to produce atp it's a

2142

01:22:31,590 --> 01:22:29,760

v-type uh atp synthase

2143

01:22:33,350 --> 01:22:31,600

and so taken together these results

2144

01:22:34,629 --> 01:22:33,360

suggest that these type 2 acetothermia

2145

01:22:35,669 --> 01:22:34,639

are much better adapted to hyper

2146

01:22:37,590 --> 01:22:35,679

alkaline waters that are highly

2147

01:22:39,510 --> 01:22:37,600

influenced by serpentinization for

2148

01:22:41,990 --> 01:22:39,520

instance they're pretty much reliant on

2149

01:22:43,910 --> 01:22:42,000

hydrogen gas which again is abundant

2150

01:22:45,270 --> 01:22:43,920

in these types of environments whereas

2151

01:22:47,270 --> 01:22:45,280

these type of cedarothermia that we find

2152

01:22:49,189 --> 01:22:47,280

in the lower ph more oxygen or plate

2153

01:22:51,110 --> 01:22:49,199

waters appear to be capable primarily

2154

01:22:54,709 --> 01:22:51,120

using these oxidants so you find in more

2155

01:22:58,390 --> 01:22:55,590

so

2156

01:22:59,750 --> 01:22:58,400

goals of this work is to try to

2157

01:23:01,030 --> 01:22:59,760

understand the characteristics of these

2158

01:23:02,709 --> 01:23:01,040

organisms that allow them to inhabit

2159

01:23:04,390 --> 01:23:02,719

these environments

2160

01:23:06,629 --> 01:23:04,400

but another aspect of it is to try to

2161

01:23:08,550 --> 01:23:06,639

understand what they can tell us about

2162

01:23:10,550 --> 01:23:08,560

the earliest life on earth and the

2163

01:23:12,310 --> 01:23:10,560

potential for life on other systems

2164

01:23:13,990 --> 01:23:12,320

based on these adaptations and their

2165

01:23:16,149 --> 01:23:14,000

evolutionary histories

2166

01:23:17,669 --> 01:23:16,159

and so andrew took some additional

2167

01:23:19,510 --> 01:23:17,679

phylogenetic analysis to try to get at

2168

01:23:21,750 --> 01:23:19,520

this question first question i wanted to

2169

01:23:22,870 --> 01:23:21,760

ask is where where do they fall out on a

2170

01:23:24,629 --> 01:23:22,880

tree of all

2171

01:23:25,750 --> 01:23:24,639

you know known bacterial lineages so i

2172

01:23:27,830 --> 01:23:25,760

undertook

2173

01:23:29,350 --> 01:23:27,840

a whole bacterial domain genetic

2174

01:23:31,350 --> 01:23:29,360

analysis which is what's being shown in

2175

01:23:32,790 --> 01:23:31,360

this large tree here don't really need

2176  
01:23:34,390 --> 01:23:32,800  
to worry about any of the names i'm just

2177  
01:23:36,229 --> 01:23:34,400  
pointing out with that area with that

2178  
01:23:38,870 --> 01:23:36,239  
arrow where the type 1 and type 2

2179  
01:23:40,390 --> 01:23:38,880  
acetothermia fall out

2180  
01:23:42,149 --> 01:23:40,400  
long story short they're essentially

2181  
01:23:44,310 --> 01:23:42,159  
some of the deepest branching groups

2182  
01:23:45,990 --> 01:23:44,320  
that have been discovered yet sister to

2183  
01:23:48,070 --> 01:23:46,000  
others groups the thermotogo synergy

2184  
01:23:49,830 --> 01:23:48,080  
studies and dienococcus thermos that a

2185  
01:23:52,070 --> 01:23:49,840  
bunch of other studies have suggested

2186  
01:23:54,310 --> 01:23:52,080  
the earliest bacteria to have evolved so

2187  
01:23:56,229 --> 01:23:54,320  
very early branching

2188  
01:23:58,870 --> 01:23:56,239

is very highly supported branching

2189

01:24:00,390 --> 01:23:58,880

placement in the tree as well

2190

01:24:02,070 --> 01:24:00,400

and the last little bit that i'll leave

2191

01:24:03,910 --> 01:24:02,080

off of that provide some sort of

2192

01:24:06,149 --> 01:24:03,920

intriguing

2193

01:24:07,830 --> 01:24:06,159

questions regarding uh

2194

01:24:10,070 --> 01:24:07,840

the potential for these organisms to

2195

01:24:11,430 --> 01:24:10,080

serve as analogs for early earth

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01:24:15,350 --> 01:24:11,440

is

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01:24:17,350 --> 01:24:15,360

for the woodlung dull pathway so these

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01:24:21,030 --> 01:24:17,360

are carbon monoxide dehydrogenase acetyl

2199

01:24:22,629 --> 01:24:21,040

coa synthase genes or ca codh acs

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01:24:24,709 --> 01:24:22,639

these types have very different types of

2201

01:24:26,149 --> 01:24:24,719

codh acs the type 2 encode an

2202

01:24:27,430 --> 01:24:26,159

archaeal-like

2203

01:24:29,030 --> 01:24:27,440

system whereas the type 1 encode

2204

01:24:30,550 --> 01:24:29,040

bacterial-like system

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01:24:32,390 --> 01:24:30,560

what i'm showing here is a phylogeny of

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01:24:34,550 --> 01:24:32,400

just the archaeolike the bacterial one

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01:24:35,510 --> 01:24:34,560

isn't quite as interesting so i'm just i

2208

01:24:36,790 --> 01:24:35,520

can talk about that later if you're

2209

01:24:38,709 --> 01:24:36,800

interested in it

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01:24:40,709 --> 01:24:38,719

what's interesting about the type 2 uh

2211

01:24:42,470 --> 01:24:40,719

codh acs is that it's pretty rare among

2212

01:24:44,390 --> 01:24:42,480

bacteria but i'm drawing your attention

2213

01:24:46,070 --> 01:24:44,400

to where these type 2

2214

01:24:47,830 --> 01:24:46,080

complex subunits fall out in the tree

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01:24:48,950 --> 01:24:47,840

with this red star

2216

01:24:50,790 --> 01:24:48,960

essentially

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01:24:54,229 --> 01:24:50,800

these type 2

2218

01:24:55,669 --> 01:24:54,239

organisms their cdh acs they encode are

2219

01:24:57,590 --> 01:24:55,679

related to others that are found in

2220

01:24:58,870 --> 01:24:57,600

serpentinite systems

2221

01:25:01,750 --> 01:24:58,880

that have been found at the cedars for

2222

01:25:03,430 --> 01:25:01,760

instance as well as a lost city system

2223

01:25:05,110 --> 01:25:03,440

and they're highly they have a highly

2224

01:25:06,550 --> 01:25:05,120

supported grouping with other type 1

2225

01:25:08,390 --> 01:25:06,560

methanogens which have been thought to

2226

01:25:10,229 --> 01:25:08,400

be some of the earliest

2227

01:25:11,590 --> 01:25:10,239

types of methanogens

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01:25:13,110 --> 01:25:11,600

very well supported by the phylogenetic

2229

01:25:14,550 --> 01:25:13,120

analysis

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01:25:16,709 --> 01:25:14,560

so these results potentially suggest

2231

01:25:18,629 --> 01:25:16,719

that there is uh an ancient transfer of

2232

01:25:20,550 --> 01:25:18,639

an archaeal like *codh* into subsurface

2233

01:25:22,550 --> 01:25:20,560

bacteria and particularly the types that

2234

01:25:24,629 --> 01:25:22,560

are found in these serpentine systems

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01:25:26,390 --> 01:25:24,639

which is an intriguing angle to follow

2236

01:25:28,070 --> 01:25:26,400

up on

2237

01:25:29,910 --> 01:25:28,080

so to wrap this all up

2238

01:25:31,430 --> 01:25:29,920

these types of acetothermia in

2239

01:25:33,590 --> 01:25:31,440

particular are highly abundant and this

2240

01:25:35,709 --> 01:25:33,600

familiophilite subsurface waters that

2241

01:25:37,830 --> 01:25:35,719

have the highest evidence for

2242

01:25:39,590 --> 01:25:37,840

serpentinization influence

2243

01:25:40,790 --> 01:25:39,600

they may be key primary producers in

2244

01:25:42,390 --> 01:25:40,800

some of these deepest waters and

2245

01:25:43,910 --> 01:25:42,400

potentially on others for pentonization

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01:25:46,390 --> 01:25:43,920

influence waters globally like the lost

2247

01:25:47,750 --> 01:25:46,400

city hydrothermal system for instance

2248

01:25:49,030 --> 01:25:47,760

i've shown a little bit of phylogenetic

2249

01:25:51,669 --> 01:25:49,040

evidence that suggests that among the

2250

01:25:53,189 --> 01:25:51,679

earliest evolved bacterial city seated

2251

01:25:54,950 --> 01:25:53,199

in is known and they exhibit

2252

01:25:57,110 --> 01:25:54,960

evolutionary signals of deep ancestry of

2253

01:25:58,870 --> 01:25:57,120

these important uh key metabolic genes

2254

01:26:00,310 --> 01:25:58,880

like c-o-d-h-a-c-s

2255

01:26:02,390 --> 01:26:00,320

and i would argue that these are some of

2256

01:26:03,830 --> 01:26:02,400

the best so far characterized analogues

2257

01:26:05,189 --> 01:26:03,840

of seed agents that have been

2258

01:26:06,629 --> 01:26:05,199

hypothesized

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01:26:08,229 --> 01:26:06,639

to be among the earliest to evolve on

2260

01:26:10,709 --> 01:26:08,239

earth and serpentine environments and

2261

01:26:13,189 --> 01:26:10,719

they're they're a good

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01:26:14,790 --> 01:26:13,199

a good system for future analysis where

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01:26:17,350 --> 01:26:14,800

these are of course mostly based off of

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01:26:19,510 --> 01:26:17,360

genomic data we saw ongoing cultivation

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01:26:21,430 --> 01:26:19,520

efforts in the lab to try to produce

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01:26:23,430 --> 01:26:21,440

cultures of these type 2 acetothermia in

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01:26:25,110 --> 01:26:23,440

the type 1 for that matter

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01:26:26,229 --> 01:26:25,120

been able to generate some acetate

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01:26:27,750 --> 01:26:26,239

producing cultures from these hyper

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01:26:29,189 --> 01:26:27,760

alkaline waters but

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01:26:30,709 --> 01:26:29,199

transfer is a problem with them and so

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01:26:33,030 --> 01:26:30,719

it's something we're currently working

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01:26:34,870 --> 01:26:33,040

on in the lab

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01:26:36,229 --> 01:26:34,880

and so with that i'd like to thank all

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01:26:37,830 --> 01:26:36,239

the collaborators this work was done in

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01:26:39,590 --> 01:26:37,840

collaboration with alexis's lab at uc

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01:26:41,189 --> 01:26:39,600

boulder as well as john spirit carlos

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01:26:42,229 --> 01:26:41,199

school minds and all the folks that have

2279

01:26:44,070 --> 01:26:42,239

helped out in the field and other

2280

01:26:45,270 --> 01:26:44,080

aspects of the study and i'd be happy to

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01:26:52,790 --> 01:26:45,280

take any questions if there's time for

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01:27:01,270 --> 01:26:54,790

thank you dan uh we have time for one

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01:27:05,990 --> 01:27:04,229

i didn't tristan cara from cu boulder

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01:27:07,750 --> 01:27:06,000

great talk

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01:27:09,590 --> 01:27:07,760

i'm curious if you have insights into

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01:27:11,510 --> 01:27:09,600

what you think the primary carbon source

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01:27:13,590 --> 01:27:11,520

of these organisms uses because as

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01:27:15,350 --> 01:27:13,600

alexis talked about these fluids didn't

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01:27:17,189 --> 01:27:15,360

have to be really dic limited and so do

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01:27:20,550 --> 01:27:17,199

you think that's where the codh comes in

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01:27:21,910 --> 01:27:20,560

or their format related

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01:27:24,149 --> 01:27:21,920

proteins

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01:27:25,430 --> 01:27:24,159

yeah no great question uh alexis alluded

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01:27:26,870 --> 01:27:25,440

to dsc is a problem if you're a

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01:27:28,070 --> 01:27:26,880

microorganism trying to be an autotroph

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01:27:30,390 --> 01:27:28,080

in these systems

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01:27:31,910 --> 01:27:30,400

i think it's probably formate they have

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01:27:33,270 --> 01:27:31,920

i didn't talk about it just for brevity

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01:27:34,790 --> 01:27:33,280

but these type 2 that live in these

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01:27:35,910 --> 01:27:34,800

really hyper alkaline fluids have

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01:27:37,750 --> 01:27:35,920

reversible

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01:27:39,510 --> 01:27:37,760

electron bifurcating for forming

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01:27:41,910 --> 01:27:39,520

dehydrogenases so they can interconvert

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01:27:43,510 --> 01:27:41,920

between co2 and formate pretty readily i

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01:27:45,430 --> 01:27:43,520

think that's probably the the best guess

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01:27:48,390 --> 01:27:45,440

for what they're using

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01:27:56,870 --> 01:27:49,510

yep

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01:28:00,550 --> 01:27:59,189

so alexis

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01:28:03,030 --> 01:28:00,560

touched on this a little bit and i've

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01:28:05,669 --> 01:28:03,040

heard about it from other people um

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01:28:07,590 --> 01:28:05,679

that the contact between the peridotites

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01:28:09,350 --> 01:28:07,600

and the gabbros are

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01:28:11,910 --> 01:28:09,360

you know sort of a hot spot and

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01:28:15,030 --> 01:28:11,920

certainly the the cell numbers

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01:28:17,590 --> 01:28:15,040

indicate that you know i'm curious about

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01:28:18,870 --> 01:28:17,600

the the acetogens and if that if they're

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01:28:20,790 --> 01:28:18,880

playing

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01:28:22,229 --> 01:28:20,800

along that gradient but what is it i

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01:28:23,990 --> 01:28:22,239

guess the question is what is it about

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01:28:25,189 --> 01:28:24,000

the gradient and the

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01:28:27,830 --> 01:28:25,199

contact

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01:28:30,629 --> 01:28:27,840

that makes it so special

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01:28:32,629 --> 01:28:30,639

that's a good question um and i think

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01:28:34,149 --> 01:28:32,639

just from my perspective i think

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01:28:35,830 --> 01:28:34,159

the evidence suggests that it's probably

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01:28:36,950 --> 01:28:35,840

mixing of different water type fluids

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01:28:38,790 --> 01:28:36,960

right

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01:28:40,229 --> 01:28:38,800

when that talk

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01:28:41,910 --> 01:28:40,239

about prony bay and some of the others

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01:28:42,950 --> 01:28:41,920

as well it's it's really the mixing of

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01:28:44,629 --> 01:28:42,960

two different fluids where you get

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01:28:46,149 --> 01:28:44,639

reductants and oxidants and you know

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01:28:47,830 --> 01:28:46,159

once you have that combination of things

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01:28:50,390 --> 01:28:47,840

things can just totally take off in

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01:28:52,950 --> 01:28:50,400

terms of what's capable in those systems

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um personally i think that's that's kind

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01:28:55,669 --> 01:28:53,920

of what's driving a lot of the

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productivity and those sort of mixed

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01:28:59,990 --> 01:28:58,000

contact types of settings and i think

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01:29:01,990 --> 01:29:00,000

libby alluded to that in some of her

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work as well and uh

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01:29:05,430 --> 01:29:03,360

and yeah and probably why you don't get

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01:29:06,950 --> 01:29:05,440

as much productivity in the deeper

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01:29:08,390 --> 01:29:06,960

waters where there's no mixing right

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01:29:10,229 --> 01:29:08,400

it's just highly reducing there's no

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01:29:11,350 --> 01:29:10,239

oxidants

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01:29:13,189 --> 01:29:11,360

you know you have things that are

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01:29:15,270 --> 01:29:13,199

probably doing these really simple

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01:29:16,950 --> 01:29:15,280

pathways where there's just no no

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01:29:19,110 --> 01:29:16,960

oxidants really available to drive

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01:29:22,070 --> 01:29:19,120

anything

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01:29:26,950 --> 01:29:24,629

thank you very much all right that

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01:29:28,390 --> 01:29:26,960

concludes our session thank you all for

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01:29:30,950 --> 01:29:28,400

attending and thank you again to our

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01:29:33,510 --> 01:29:30,960

speakers the fun doesn't stop here

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01:29:35,910 --> 01:29:33,520

though we have another online session at

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01:29:38,070 --> 01:29:35,920

2 30 so i encourage you to come to that

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01:29:39,910 --> 01:29:38,080

and then we also have a poster session

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01:29:40,870 --> 01:29:39,920

we have a lot of posters and they're all

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01:29:43,270 --> 01:29:40,880

awesome

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01:29:45,030 --> 01:29:43,280

and that's at 4 30 today so thank you