



**512: PCE₃ PRESENTS FROM PREBIOTIC
CHEMISTRY TO CONTEMPORARY
BIOCHEMISTRY III**

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00:00:05,510 --> 00:00:02,310
hello everyone

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00:00:07,909 --> 00:00:05,520
and welcome to our pce3 session uh the

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00:00:11,910 --> 00:00:07,919
last one on transitions from prebiotic

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00:00:15,110 --> 00:00:11,920
chemistry to contemporary biochemistry

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00:00:17,670 --> 00:00:15,120
and in this session we're going to have

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00:00:20,230 --> 00:00:17,680
five speakers speakers each of them will

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00:00:21,189 --> 00:00:20,240
have 15 minutes about 12

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00:00:22,630 --> 00:00:21,199
minutes

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00:00:25,189 --> 00:00:22,640
per presentation and then a few

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00:00:27,670 --> 00:00:25,199
questions but since our last

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00:00:30,310 --> 00:00:27,680
presentation has been with john where

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00:00:32,150 --> 00:00:30,320
we would like to invite all speakers to

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00:00:33,190 --> 00:00:32,160

come up to the stage at the end of the

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00:00:35,510 --> 00:00:33,200

session

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00:00:38,229 --> 00:00:35,520

and to have we'll have about 15 minutes

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00:00:39,990 --> 00:00:38,239

for questions so i didn't say my name is

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00:00:41,430 --> 00:00:40,000

moran frankel pinter and i'm an

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00:00:43,910 --> 00:00:41,440

assistant professor at the hebrew

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00:00:46,069 --> 00:00:43,920

university of jerusalem and with me i

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00:00:49,190 --> 00:00:46,079

have my co-convener

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00:00:51,110 --> 00:00:49,200

dr anton patra from georgia

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00:00:53,350 --> 00:00:51,120

from georgia tech he's a research

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00:00:55,430 --> 00:00:53,360

scientist and a kawaii in the nasa

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00:00:58,389 --> 00:00:55,440

center for origins of life

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00:01:00,310 --> 00:00:58,399

so we're very happy to start and

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00:01:01,349 --> 00:01:00,320
i'll just say that as i mentioned we

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00:01:03,510 --> 00:01:01,359
have five

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00:01:06,230 --> 00:01:03,520
presentations one of which the second

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00:01:08,550 --> 00:01:06,240
one is going to be recorded but other

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00:01:11,670 --> 00:01:08,560
than that all of them are in person

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00:01:13,590 --> 00:01:11,680
and the first speaker is actually

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00:01:15,429 --> 00:01:13,600
not going to be cesarem nor silvan but

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00:01:17,109 --> 00:01:15,439
it's going to be bradley berger so we

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00:01:19,350 --> 00:01:17,119
have a surprise

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00:01:22,310 --> 00:01:19,360
bradley berker

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00:01:28,230 --> 00:01:24,710
nasa postdoctoral management fellow at

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00:01:29,830 --> 00:01:28,240
nasa headquarters so bradley

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00:01:30,710 --> 00:01:29,840

common

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00:01:33,510 --> 00:01:30,720

hello

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00:01:33,520 --> 00:01:46,710

thank you moran

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00:01:50,230 --> 00:01:48,469

yes cesar is

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00:01:52,310 --> 00:01:50,240

really sad that he couldn't make it to

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00:01:55,109 --> 00:01:52,320

absycon this time it's always one of his

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00:01:57,749 --> 00:01:55,119

favorite conferences to go to but

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00:02:00,230 --> 00:01:57,759

international travel is still a giant

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00:02:02,789 --> 00:02:00,240

headache today so he got delayed at the

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00:02:04,950 --> 00:02:02,799

last moment so i'm a pitch hitting for

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00:02:07,510 --> 00:02:04,960

him and this uh work that we worked

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00:02:09,990 --> 00:02:07,520

together on

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00:02:12,550 --> 00:02:10,000

so i'll be talking about the shared

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00:02:17,830 --> 00:02:12,560
prebiotic origins of terrans and purine

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00:02:21,350 --> 00:02:17,840
nucleosides in a warm little pond model

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00:02:23,750 --> 00:02:21,360
now i find it helpful to start out with

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00:02:25,589 --> 00:02:23,760
what environment we're talking about so

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00:02:27,750 --> 00:02:25,599
we can all get on the same page when

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00:02:29,350 --> 00:02:27,760
we're talking prebiotic chemistry as

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00:02:32,470 --> 00:02:29,360
there are a lot of different

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00:02:34,309 --> 00:02:32,480
environments that we like to speculate

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00:02:36,710 --> 00:02:34,319
where life could have come from and

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00:02:39,990 --> 00:02:36,720
where the chemistry could have happened

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00:02:42,949 --> 00:02:40,000
and so this work in my preferred model

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00:02:44,710 --> 00:02:42,959
is the warm little pond so this involves

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00:02:47,509 --> 00:02:44,720

having some

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00:02:50,630 --> 00:02:47,519

land masses out there with some water on

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00:02:52,790 --> 00:02:50,640

it and these ponds would be enriched in

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00:02:54,869 --> 00:02:52,800

all sorts of organics and hopefully

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00:02:57,589 --> 00:02:54,879

you've heard a lot of talks

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00:02:59,589 --> 00:02:57,599

um throughout this conference talking

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00:03:01,430 --> 00:02:59,599

about this model and the different

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00:03:02,949 --> 00:03:01,440

organics that are in there

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00:03:05,110 --> 00:03:02,959

so i'm not going to list them all

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because that it's a quite extensive list

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but they're overall

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highly or fairly reduced organic

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compounds

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and of note that i'd like to point out

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as key to the work that cesar and i do

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is that it's rich in urea and ammonium

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formate which would have been

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likely quite ubiquitous on a prebiotic

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earth

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and my focus in prebiotic chemistry what

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always

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00:03:37,910 --> 00:03:35,760

captures my imagination is

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00:03:42,070 --> 00:03:37,920

how to form

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00:03:42,949 --> 00:03:42,080

uh informational caring polymers

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00:03:45,670 --> 00:03:42,959

in

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00:03:48,149 --> 00:03:45,680

mostly how to stitch them together

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00:03:50,390 --> 00:03:48,159

but another important aspect that my

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research has focused on is how to form

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the informational units what we like to

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think of as the purines and the

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pyrimidines from

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modern dna and rna

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it's

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likely that

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early organisms would have used

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a similar suite of molecules maybe not

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those exact ones

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but something similar that uses hydrogen

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bonding to store and carry the

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00:04:18,949 --> 00:04:16,959

information

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00:04:22,230 --> 00:04:18,959

and so there's been a lot of talks and a

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lot of research on how to create the

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purines and the pyrimidines but one of

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the things that we notice

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coming from the synthetic pathways

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00:04:32,629 --> 00:04:31,520

is

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they don't

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they not only lead to

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00:04:40,950 --> 00:04:38,000

these specific informational units that

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00:04:43,510 --> 00:04:40,960

we're looking for but they give a nice

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diversity of chemistry that isn't often

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00:04:47,189 --> 00:04:45,360

talked about or really explored in

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00:04:47,990 --> 00:04:47,199

prebiotic chemistry

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00:04:50,469 --> 00:04:48,000

and

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00:04:51,830 --> 00:04:50,479

so doing a lot of the reactions we

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00:04:54,550 --> 00:04:51,840

noticed that

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00:04:57,030 --> 00:04:54,560

these pterodines and terrans

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00:04:59,030 --> 00:04:57,040

also pop out quite

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00:05:02,469 --> 00:04:59,040

strongly from a lot of the prebiotic

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00:05:04,710 --> 00:05:02,479

reactions that we are doing

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00:05:06,150 --> 00:05:04,720

and so you can see these are quite

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00:05:09,749 --> 00:05:06,160

similar to

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00:05:11,110 --> 00:05:09,759

the purines that we have out there and

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00:05:14,070 --> 00:05:11,120

in fact

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00:05:16,950 --> 00:05:14,080

there is a very close synthetic pathway

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00:05:19,670 --> 00:05:16,960

to lead to the formation of either

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uh purines or the pteridines that we're

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00:05:26,230 --> 00:05:22,720

exploring here and so this is a classic

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00:05:28,710 --> 00:05:26,240

tribe synthetic route that starts with

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00:05:31,270 --> 00:05:28,720

the 4-5 diaminopyrimidine

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00:05:33,670 --> 00:05:31,280

which is core to a lot of the synthetic

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00:05:35,029 --> 00:05:33,680

chemistry out there for prebiotic

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00:05:36,550 --> 00:05:35,039

molecules

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00:05:39,670 --> 00:05:36,560

and

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00:05:41,990 --> 00:05:39,680

you simply

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00:05:42,870 --> 00:05:42,000

react it via this upper pathway and you

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00:05:51,749 --> 00:05:42,880

form

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00:05:54,710 --> 00:05:51,759

under the same exact conditions instead

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00:05:56,550 --> 00:05:54,720

of having formic acid if you had gly

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00:05:59,430 --> 00:05:56,560

axle down there instead you form

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00:06:02,309 --> 00:05:59,440

teradines and so this branches off

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00:06:06,309 --> 00:06:02,319

distinctly to form these two

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00:06:11,590 --> 00:06:09,110

and if we go back and we look at

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00:06:15,510 --> 00:06:11,600

the becker synthesis

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00:06:17,350 --> 00:06:15,520

published in science in 2019

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00:06:20,950 --> 00:06:17,360

his group

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00:06:23,350 --> 00:06:20,960

explored how to create purines and

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00:06:25,350 --> 00:06:23,360

pyrimidines at the same time and this is

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00:06:27,029 --> 00:06:25,360

a pretty great paper and i suggest

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00:06:27,830 --> 00:06:27,039

checking it out if you haven't seen it

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00:06:30,710 --> 00:06:27,840

yet

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00:06:33,189 --> 00:06:30,720

as it shows

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00:06:35,189 --> 00:06:33,199

the simultaneous synthesis of both of

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00:06:38,150 --> 00:06:35,199

the informational carrying molecules

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00:06:39,749 --> 00:06:38,160

that are important to us in in prebiotic

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00:06:42,150 --> 00:06:39,759

chemistry

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00:06:43,189 --> 00:06:42,160

but one thing to note specifically down

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00:06:45,270 --> 00:06:43,199

here

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00:06:50,230 --> 00:06:45,280

is on the

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00:06:52,390 --> 00:06:50,240

purine synthetic pathway this

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00:06:54,629 --> 00:06:52,400

reaction scheme here

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00:06:56,629 --> 00:06:54,639

passes through a diaminoprimine

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00:07:00,150 --> 00:06:56,639

intermediate which could yield

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00:07:02,629 --> 00:07:00,160

pterydines and so after

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00:07:05,029 --> 00:07:02,639

speaking with uh becker cesar

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00:07:07,350 --> 00:07:05,039

said that um this follows pretty

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00:07:09,430 --> 00:07:07,360

conventional organic chemistry routes

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00:07:11,990 --> 00:07:09,440

where it's pretty clean

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00:07:13,830 --> 00:07:12,000

you isolate the compounds and you can

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00:07:15,830 --> 00:07:13,840

see them come forward

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00:07:18,390 --> 00:07:15,840

and one of the things that we are always

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00:07:19,749 --> 00:07:18,400

interested in is what happens if you

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00:07:23,270 --> 00:07:19,759

dirty it up

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00:07:24,070 --> 00:07:23,280

and so we took the initial experiment

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00:07:26,550 --> 00:07:24,080

um

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00:07:28,790 --> 00:07:26,560

and we started with the becker synthetic

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00:07:30,550 --> 00:07:28,800

pathway but we dirtied it up by

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00:07:33,430 --> 00:07:30,560

including urea

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00:07:35,510 --> 00:07:33,440

ammonium formate and ribose at different

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00:07:37,350 --> 00:07:35,520

steps of the pathway so we are not

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00:07:40,150 --> 00:07:37,360

isolating anything in the middle we are

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00:07:41,029 --> 00:07:40,160

just doing one pot reactions

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00:07:43,909 --> 00:07:41,039

and

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00:07:45,589 --> 00:07:43,919

not cleaning it up any step of the way

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00:07:49,350 --> 00:07:45,599

and when we did this

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00:07:51,350 --> 00:07:49,360

we just wanted to start out to verify if

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00:07:52,550 --> 00:07:51,360

this synthetic pathway worked when it

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00:07:54,469 --> 00:07:52,560

was dirty

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00:07:56,469 --> 00:07:54,479

and what we saw was

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00:07:59,990 --> 00:07:56,479

pretty gratifying

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00:08:02,390 --> 00:08:00,000

so the reactions in these dirty pathways

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00:08:05,029 --> 00:08:02,400

did yield

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00:08:06,150 --> 00:08:05,039

uh some of the nucleosides that we were

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00:08:11,110 --> 00:08:06,160

looking for

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00:08:14,950 --> 00:08:12,790

when we started with the with the

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00:08:18,710 --> 00:08:14,960

hydroxyl group up here

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00:08:20,550 --> 00:08:18,720

um the major product was a formulated

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uh triamino

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00:08:24,869 --> 00:08:22,479

pyrimidine there

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00:08:26,790 --> 00:08:24,879

however when we used it with the with

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00:08:29,029 --> 00:08:26,800

the amming group up there we did get

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00:08:30,869 --> 00:08:29,039

quantitative yield so it was nice seeing

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00:08:33,110 --> 00:08:30,879

that the reactions

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00:08:36,149 --> 00:08:33,120

that becker proposed

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00:08:38,790 --> 00:08:36,159

did work under these dirty settings

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00:08:40,630 --> 00:08:38,800

with the varying yields however it got

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00:08:45,269 --> 00:08:40,640

really quite interesting

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00:08:48,630 --> 00:08:45,279

for us once we started including um

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00:08:51,670 --> 00:08:48,640

ribose and ribofuranos into the reaction

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00:08:53,110 --> 00:08:51,680

so now we start with the uh with the

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triamino

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the triamine and we start with urea in

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the ammonium formate from the beginning

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00:09:03,350 --> 00:09:02,080

then we go through the synthetic pathway

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00:09:06,310 --> 00:09:03,360

where we did

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00:09:09,430 --> 00:09:06,320

uh just one acid cycle

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00:09:12,949 --> 00:09:09,440

and then we added the ribofuranos under

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00:09:16,630 --> 00:09:12,959

a high ph and did some wet dry wet

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00:09:19,509 --> 00:09:16,640

cycling conditions at 65 degrees

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00:09:21,670 --> 00:09:19,519

and suddenly we saw a lot

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00:09:23,910 --> 00:09:21,680

of different

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00:09:27,509 --> 00:09:23,920

molecules pop out here

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00:09:29,910 --> 00:09:27,519

most notably the predominant ones were

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00:09:31,750 --> 00:09:29,920

the terrans

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00:09:34,470 --> 00:09:31,760

or the um

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00:09:37,509 --> 00:09:34,480

the formulated products and we got very

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little guanosine in a scene in other of

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00:09:45,509 --> 00:09:43,430

purines from the synthesis

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00:09:46,710 --> 00:09:45,519

so we started to see

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00:09:48,389 --> 00:09:46,720

this other

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00:09:50,870 --> 00:09:48,399

really important

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00:09:53,430 --> 00:09:50,880

molecule to modern biochemistry start to

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00:09:55,829 --> 00:09:53,440

pop out just from these dirtied up

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synthetic pathways that we've known and

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and in fact when we change the ribose

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00:10:06,870 --> 00:10:05,519

concentration we start to see a really

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00:10:08,949 --> 00:10:06,880

remarkable

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00:10:10,389 --> 00:10:08,959

preference towards

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00:10:13,350 --> 00:10:10,399

towards the

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00:10:15,430 --> 00:10:13,360

neoterins overall so when we have a

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00:10:17,430 --> 00:10:15,440

extremely high ribose concentration of

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00:10:19,590 --> 00:10:17,440

ten to one equivalents

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00:10:23,990 --> 00:10:19,600

um

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00:10:26,710 --> 00:10:24,000

we do get the guanine and the neoterins

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that are still popping out of solution

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00:10:32,790 --> 00:10:29,519

with the neoterins being the predominant

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00:10:34,949 --> 00:10:32,800

species but once we lower the ribose to

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00:10:37,269 --> 00:10:34,959

a two to one equivalent we don't see

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00:10:39,590 --> 00:10:37,279
guanosine and guanines anymore instead

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00:10:42,069 --> 00:10:39,600
we only see the terrans pop out of the

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00:10:44,550 --> 00:10:42,079
solution

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00:10:46,389 --> 00:10:44,560
so now we have this uh these parallel

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00:10:48,790 --> 00:10:46,399
pathways depending on the amount of

256
00:10:51,670 --> 00:10:48,800
ribose that we have so if you follow the

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00:10:53,350 --> 00:10:51,680
top pathway where you start with this

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00:10:55,430 --> 00:10:53,360
compound right here

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00:10:56,710 --> 00:10:55,440
and you add ribose and you take it

260
00:10:58,550 --> 00:10:56,720
through

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00:11:00,870 --> 00:10:58,560
two different types of conditions with

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00:11:03,509 --> 00:11:00,880
10 equivalents of ribose you can get

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00:11:05,750 --> 00:11:03,519

either the guanosine or the terrans

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00:11:07,750 --> 00:11:05,760

however

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if you only have the small amount of

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ribose in there under either the

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00:11:14,550 --> 00:11:12,160

standard conditions or the ureamodium

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00:11:19,269 --> 00:11:14,560

formate conditions then you get all of

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00:11:19,279 --> 00:11:23,509

and in fact it gets

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00:11:28,069 --> 00:11:25,670

remarkable so we we wanted to take it

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one step further and ask well what if

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00:11:33,030 --> 00:11:31,200

you don't add the ribose

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00:11:35,350 --> 00:11:33,040

after you've synthesized it what if you

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00:11:36,710 --> 00:11:35,360

just start with one pot with it all

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00:11:39,910 --> 00:11:36,720

mixed in there

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00:11:41,750 --> 00:11:39,920
and so we have the urea and the ribose

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00:11:43,590 --> 00:11:41,760
together with our starting material and

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00:11:45,910 --> 00:11:43,600
there is ammonium 4 made in here i just

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00:11:48,630 --> 00:11:45,920
didn't include it in this scheme and you

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00:11:52,310 --> 00:11:48,640
take it through the acid cycle and then

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00:11:54,629 --> 00:11:52,320
do the dry wet cycling at the high ph

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00:11:58,310 --> 00:11:54,639
or you just skip the acid cycle and you

283
00:12:01,030 --> 00:11:58,320
go straight to the high ph cycling

284
00:12:03,750 --> 00:12:01,040
then what we see is quantitative

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00:12:05,910 --> 00:12:03,760
formation of the the terrans and the

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neoterns in the solution and we don't

287
00:12:14,629 --> 00:12:12,870
and so

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00:12:17,430 --> 00:12:14,639

for the last step

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00:12:20,069 --> 00:12:17,440

since we are running this in a urea rich

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00:12:23,910 --> 00:12:20,079

solution we wondered well since we've

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00:12:26,230 --> 00:12:23,920

got urea can we phosphorylate this on

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00:12:28,389 --> 00:12:26,240

some pretty conventional prebiotic

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00:12:31,509 --> 00:12:28,399

chemistry because if you have urea

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00:12:33,350 --> 00:12:31,519

present in phosphate it can form this

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00:12:36,710 --> 00:12:33,360

metaphosphate intermediate and then

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00:12:39,910 --> 00:12:36,720

create organophosphate compounds

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00:12:42,230 --> 00:12:39,920

so we took this reaction mixture

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00:12:45,350 --> 00:12:42,240

actually we took the neoterin

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00:12:47,350 --> 00:12:45,360

at the end after we had synthesized it

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00:12:49,269 --> 00:12:47,360

and then we added

301
00:12:51,030 --> 00:12:49,279
the phosphate to the mixture and took it

302
00:12:53,990 --> 00:12:51,040
through

303
00:12:56,629 --> 00:12:54,000
dry wet cycling at 65 degrees

304
00:12:59,030 --> 00:12:56,639
and we saw a whole bevy of

305
00:13:01,030 --> 00:12:59,040
phosphorylated species and dimers and

306
00:13:03,350 --> 00:13:01,040
trimers pop out and all sorts of

307
00:13:05,269 --> 00:13:03,360
different phosphates adorned to it

308
00:13:06,949 --> 00:13:05,279
so it's a great pathway to making

309
00:13:12,790 --> 00:13:06,959
organophosphate

310
00:13:15,829 --> 00:13:12,800
and nucleotides as well

311
00:13:17,750 --> 00:13:15,839
so we have this scheme that you can see

312
00:13:20,150 --> 00:13:17,760
in our paper where it can take you

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00:13:22,069 --> 00:13:20,160

through step by step adding ribose at

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00:13:23,670 --> 00:13:22,079

various steps but you can start with the

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00:13:25,829 --> 00:13:23,680

prebiotic meloo

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00:13:29,190 --> 00:13:25,839

take it through some very

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00:13:32,470 --> 00:13:29,200

nice simple um

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00:13:35,269 --> 00:13:32,480

environmental cycling and end up with

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00:13:40,470 --> 00:13:35,279

at the very end nucleotides and these

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00:13:45,509 --> 00:13:42,470

and i'd like to acknowledge our funding

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00:13:47,750 --> 00:13:45,519

sources through the nsf in nasa

322

00:13:50,310 --> 00:13:47,760

through a grant from the center for

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00:13:52,550 --> 00:13:50,320

chemical evolution at georgia tech

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00:13:55,110 --> 00:13:52,560

and my research has also been supported

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00:13:57,189 --> 00:13:55,120

by the nasa post doctoral program

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00:13:59,990 --> 00:13:57,199

which was administered by the university

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00:14:02,310 --> 00:14:00,000

space research association at the time

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00:14:03,590 --> 00:14:02,320

and i'll remind you that you can look

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00:14:06,150 --> 00:14:03,600

for this

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00:14:09,030 --> 00:14:06,160

uh paper in the next issue of the

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00:14:12,069 --> 00:14:09,040

chemistry a european journal where we've

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00:14:13,750 --> 00:14:12,079

had the honor of making a cover for the

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00:14:21,990 --> 00:14:13,760

issue as well

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00:14:26,389 --> 00:14:24,150

thank you bradley we have time for one

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00:14:30,629 --> 00:14:26,399

quick question

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00:14:35,030 --> 00:14:32,470

all right all right so i can ask

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00:14:38,230 --> 00:14:35,040

something really quickly so um in these

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00:14:39,670 --> 00:14:38,240

um experiments you've shown um you know

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00:14:41,990 --> 00:14:39,680

the kind of the

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00:14:44,389 --> 00:14:42,000

end point of the experiment did you also

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00:14:46,150 --> 00:14:44,399

looked at what happens throughout

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00:14:47,990 --> 00:14:46,160

the reactions so

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00:14:49,750 --> 00:14:48,000

monitoring them

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00:14:50,949 --> 00:14:49,760

monitoring the kinetics or product

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00:14:53,910 --> 00:14:50,959

distribution

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00:14:57,189 --> 00:14:53,920

oh yeah so yeah we monitor each stage of

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00:14:59,670 --> 00:14:57,199

the way and we can see the different

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00:15:01,910 --> 00:14:59,680

formulated products of the carbamylated

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00:15:02,870 --> 00:15:01,920

products that go along and so we can see

350

00:15:04,949 --> 00:15:02,880

the

351

00:15:07,350 --> 00:15:04,959

very interesting chemistry that happens

352

00:15:10,230 --> 00:15:07,360

step by step through the process since

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00:15:13,189 --> 00:15:10,240

we did isolate them and analyze them via

354

00:15:16,230 --> 00:15:13,199

nmr and mass spec for each of them and

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00:15:19,030 --> 00:15:16,240

so we do see that we didn't do

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00:15:19,829 --> 00:15:19,040

the kinetics nor the thermodynamics for

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00:15:21,350 --> 00:15:19,839

it

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00:15:24,389 --> 00:15:21,360

so we don't have that but we do have

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00:15:26,550 --> 00:15:24,399

yields in the intermediates as well

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00:15:28,230 --> 00:15:26,560

okay thanks bradley so let's thank

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00:15:34,870 --> 00:15:28,240

bradley again

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00:15:39,110 --> 00:15:37,110

so next up we're gonna have next up

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00:15:41,030 --> 00:15:39,120

we're gonna have a

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00:15:51,990 --> 00:15:41,040

pre-recorded talk

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00:15:57,509 --> 00:15:54,870

hello i'm liam longo and today i'm going

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00:15:59,670 --> 00:15:57,519

to talk about bioester biochemistry in

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00:16:01,269 --> 00:15:59,680

metabolic evolution

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00:16:03,189 --> 00:16:01,279

just this april i've started an

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00:16:05,670 --> 00:16:03,199

independent position at elsi at the

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00:16:07,509 --> 00:16:05,680

tokyo institute of technology but what

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00:16:09,509 --> 00:16:07,519

i'm going to talk about today

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00:16:12,230 --> 00:16:09,519

is conversations i've had with sean

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00:16:14,629 --> 00:16:12,240

mcglynn my former postdoctoral advisor

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00:16:16,550 --> 00:16:14,639

and my two collaborators josh goldford

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00:16:18,069 --> 00:16:16,560

and harrison smith

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00:16:20,389 --> 00:16:18,079

we're all very interested in the

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00:16:21,990 --> 00:16:20,399

evolution of metabolism and today's talk

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00:16:24,069 --> 00:16:22,000

is going to contain some of the ideas

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00:16:28,069 --> 00:16:24,079

we've run across as we've tried to come

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00:16:33,110 --> 00:16:30,949

so what is a thioester

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00:16:35,910 --> 00:16:33,120

the structure of a thioester looks very

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00:16:38,949 --> 00:16:35,920

similar to that of an ester or an amide

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00:16:41,110 --> 00:16:38,959

except that the oxygen of the ester or

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00:16:43,110 --> 00:16:41,120

the nitrogen of the amide has been

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00:16:45,590 --> 00:16:43,120

replaced with a sulfur

386

00:16:47,110 --> 00:16:45,600

in the hierarchy of transfer potentials

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00:16:50,069 --> 00:16:47,120

thioesters are considered to be

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00:16:52,150 --> 00:16:50,079

similarly stable or more stable than ac

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00:16:55,189 --> 00:16:52,160

phosphates but

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00:16:56,310 --> 00:16:55,199

less stable than either an ester or an

391

00:16:58,629 --> 00:16:56,320

amide

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00:17:02,310 --> 00:16:58,639

and so in biology we often see that

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00:17:05,669 --> 00:17:02,320

thioesters ultimately funnel into esters

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00:17:08,309 --> 00:17:05,679

or amides on the right hand side i have

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00:17:10,549 --> 00:17:08,319

the dedu formulation of the thioester

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00:17:12,870 --> 00:17:10,559

world

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00:17:15,029 --> 00:17:12,880

according to dadu

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00:17:17,590 --> 00:17:15,039

primordial amino acids

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00:17:21,189 --> 00:17:17,600

could be activated by reaction with the

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00:17:22,870 --> 00:17:21,199

thiol to generate a thioester derivative

401
00:17:25,909 --> 00:17:22,880
of an amino acid

402
00:17:28,309 --> 00:17:25,919
and these thioester derived amino acids

403
00:17:32,470 --> 00:17:28,319
could then react with each other to form

404
00:17:33,909 --> 00:17:32,480
multimers or short statistical peptides

405
00:17:35,990 --> 00:17:33,919
in this way

406
00:17:38,070 --> 00:17:36,000
thioesters could have been one of the

407
00:17:39,590 --> 00:17:38,080
first systems that allowed

408
00:17:42,230 --> 00:17:39,600
polymerization

409
00:17:45,190 --> 00:17:42,240
of amino acids

410
00:17:47,750 --> 00:17:45,200
ultimately the thioester-derived amino

411
00:17:50,150 --> 00:17:47,760
acid would be converted into

412
00:17:53,350 --> 00:17:50,160
an adenylate and this adenylate would

413
00:17:55,190 --> 00:17:53,360

then go to react to form a peptide

414

00:17:56,470 --> 00:17:55,200

the conversion reaction

415

00:17:59,430 --> 00:17:56,480

would involve

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00:18:01,990 --> 00:17:59,440

reaction of an amp

417

00:18:04,310 --> 00:18:02,000

with the thioester derivative to form an

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00:18:05,669 --> 00:18:04,320

acyl phosphate

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00:18:07,430 --> 00:18:05,679

this reaction

420

00:18:09,909 --> 00:18:07,440

is pretty interesting

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00:18:11,830 --> 00:18:09,919

in part because it echoes some of the

422

00:18:14,470 --> 00:18:11,840

results from rocker

423

00:18:17,750 --> 00:18:14,480

and what racker observed was that the

424

00:18:20,390 --> 00:18:17,760

catalytic mechanism of gap dh

425

00:18:22,630 --> 00:18:20,400

involves the formation of a thioester an

426
00:18:24,950 --> 00:18:22,640
acl enzyme intermediate that is

427
00:18:26,789 --> 00:18:24,960
eventually resolved by attack

428
00:18:30,390 --> 00:18:26,799
from orthophosphate

429
00:18:32,390 --> 00:18:30,400
to result in an acyl phosphate

430
00:18:34,870 --> 00:18:32,400
racker interpreted that catalytic

431
00:18:37,190 --> 00:18:34,880
mechanism as being an indication that

432
00:18:38,390 --> 00:18:37,200
maybe thioesters

433
00:18:40,150 --> 00:18:38,400
predated

434
00:18:43,190 --> 00:18:40,160
acl phosphates

435
00:18:45,190 --> 00:18:43,200
very similar to this framing in deduve's

436
00:18:47,510 --> 00:18:45,200
thioester world

437
00:18:50,230 --> 00:18:47,520
ultimately these adenylated amino acids

438
00:18:52,150 --> 00:18:50,240

would be formed directly by aminoacyl

439

00:18:55,110 --> 00:18:52,160

trna synthetases

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00:18:58,549 --> 00:18:55,120

and then those adenylated amino acids

441

00:19:01,350 --> 00:18:58,559

would funnel into the translation system

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00:19:03,510 --> 00:19:01,360

that we know and love today

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00:19:04,549 --> 00:19:03,520

invoking a thioester world can solve a

444

00:19:06,710 --> 00:19:04,559

problem

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00:19:09,110 --> 00:19:06,720

namely the poor solubility and

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00:19:13,190 --> 00:19:09,120

potentially poor availability of

447

00:19:14,710 --> 00:19:13,200

phosphate to early metabolic networks

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00:19:17,190 --> 00:19:14,720

the question of whether you can have

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00:19:21,430 --> 00:19:17,200

metabolism in the absence of phosphate

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00:19:23,510 --> 00:19:21,440

was addressed in josh's 2017 cell paper

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00:19:26,710 --> 00:19:23,520

he showed that in the absence of any

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00:19:29,669 --> 00:19:26,720

coupling to fosso anhydride hydrolysis

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00:19:31,510 --> 00:19:29,679

or any utilization of phosphate at all

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00:19:34,470 --> 00:19:31,520

you can still achieve a network of some

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00:19:38,150 --> 00:19:34,480

300 metabolites with just the energetics

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00:19:39,830 --> 00:19:38,160

associated with coupling to a thioester

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00:19:42,150 --> 00:19:39,840

this is one of the first hints that a

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00:19:44,789 --> 00:19:42,160

phosphate-free metabolic core might

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00:19:46,789 --> 00:19:44,799

persist in contemporary metabolic

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00:19:49,430 --> 00:19:46,799

structures

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00:19:52,230 --> 00:19:49,440

as an iu structural biologist i wondered

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00:19:55,270 --> 00:19:52,240

how distributed are thioesters and acyl

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00:19:57,190 --> 00:19:55,280

phosphates another potential primordial

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00:20:00,789 --> 00:19:57,200

energy currency

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00:20:03,830 --> 00:20:00,799

across the metabolic map of life

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00:20:06,789 --> 00:20:03,840

so using keg we identified all of the

467

00:20:08,070 --> 00:20:06,799

relevant compounds and their reactions

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00:20:10,789 --> 00:20:08,080

as you can see

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00:20:14,470 --> 00:20:10,799

thioesters are more common than acyl

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00:20:16,630 --> 00:20:14,480

phosphates and so are their reactions

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00:20:19,190 --> 00:20:16,640

furthermore if we look at the keg

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00:20:21,590 --> 00:20:19,200

metabolic map we see that thioesters

473

00:20:23,750 --> 00:20:21,600

tend to be more connected to one another

474

00:20:24,950 --> 00:20:23,760

their reactions are more associated with

475

00:20:27,350 --> 00:20:24,960

each other

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00:20:30,149 --> 00:20:27,360

acyl phosphates on the other hand

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00:20:32,310 --> 00:20:30,159

are more fragmented across the metabolic

478

00:20:35,350 --> 00:20:32,320

map

479

00:20:37,830 --> 00:20:35,360

and while it's not shown here

480

00:20:39,029 --> 00:20:37,840

acyl phosphates come in basically two

481

00:20:42,390 --> 00:20:39,039

flavors

482

00:20:45,029 --> 00:20:42,400

either adenylates where you have an amp

483

00:20:46,789 --> 00:20:45,039

moiety or where the moiety is just an

484

00:20:48,390 --> 00:20:46,799

orthophosphate

485

00:20:50,710 --> 00:20:48,400

thioesters on the other hand are

486

00:20:53,430 --> 00:20:50,720

significantly more diverse

487

00:20:55,110 --> 00:20:53,440

not only are they enzyme intermediates a

488

00:20:57,350 --> 00:20:55,120

feature of thioesters that we can't

489

00:20:59,750 --> 00:20:57,360

capture in this analysis

490

00:21:02,310 --> 00:20:59,760

but they're also associated with six

491

00:21:04,230 --> 00:21:02,320

different sulfur donors that are not

492

00:21:05,430 --> 00:21:04,240

part of the pantothen family of

493

00:21:06,950 --> 00:21:05,440

compounds

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00:21:10,310 --> 00:21:06,960

and of course the pantothen family of

495

00:21:12,070 --> 00:21:10,320

compounds would be coenzyme a acp and

496

00:21:13,830 --> 00:21:12,080

the like

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00:21:15,110 --> 00:21:13,840

returning to my roots in structural

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00:21:17,350 --> 00:21:15,120

biology

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00:21:20,070 --> 00:21:17,360

i wanted to look at the diverse folds

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00:21:22,789 --> 00:21:20,080

that support thioester reactions

501
00:21:25,750 --> 00:21:22,799
and so what we did is we took the

502
00:21:29,990 --> 00:21:25,760
thioester associated reactions in keg

503
00:21:31,750 --> 00:21:30,000
and using hmm profiles from a database

504
00:21:34,950 --> 00:21:31,760
of different protein evolutionary

505
00:21:37,430 --> 00:21:34,960
lineages we were able to determine what

506
00:21:40,470 --> 00:21:37,440
fraction of the protein universe is

507
00:21:42,630 --> 00:21:40,480
associated with thioester chemistry

508
00:21:45,029 --> 00:21:42,640
as you can see here the number of

509
00:21:47,190 --> 00:21:45,039
protein evolutionary lineages that are

510
00:21:49,190 --> 00:21:47,200
associated with thioesters

511
00:21:51,750 --> 00:21:49,200
greatly exceeds the number of lineages

512
00:21:54,230 --> 00:21:51,760
that are associated with acyl phosphates

513
00:21:56,870 --> 00:21:54,240

looking at just the thioester associated

514

00:21:59,029 --> 00:21:56,880

evolutionary lineages i determined what

515

00:22:02,870 --> 00:21:59,039

fraction of the protein families are

516

00:22:05,990 --> 00:22:02,880

associated with thioester activity

517

00:22:09,990 --> 00:22:06,000

in doing so i was able to estimate which

518

00:22:11,750 --> 00:22:10,000

families emerged to utilize thioesters

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00:22:14,470 --> 00:22:11,760

versus those families that acquired

520

00:22:16,950 --> 00:22:14,480

thioester associated activities later in

521

00:22:18,789 --> 00:22:16,960

their evolutionary history what excited

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00:22:20,789 --> 00:22:18,799

me is one of the protein folds that

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00:22:22,870 --> 00:22:20,799

popped out of this analysis

524

00:22:24,549 --> 00:22:22,880

was called nat iv

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00:22:27,350 --> 00:22:24,559

and so nat iv

526
00:22:30,390 --> 00:22:27,360
is a quintessential thioester associated

527
00:22:32,549 --> 00:22:30,400
protein fold because the majority of its

528
00:22:34,789 --> 00:22:32,559
protein families are associated with

529
00:22:37,029 --> 00:22:34,799
thioester utilization

530
00:22:39,350 --> 00:22:37,039
this protein family is fully distributed

531
00:22:40,549 --> 00:22:39,360
across the tree of life in archaea in

532
00:22:43,350 --> 00:22:40,559
bacteria

533
00:22:44,870 --> 00:22:43,360
and it is associated with the binding of

534
00:22:46,390 --> 00:22:44,880
the cofactor

535
00:22:48,710 --> 00:22:46,400
co-a

536
00:22:50,950 --> 00:22:48,720
this coe binding site is remarkably

537
00:22:53,750 --> 00:22:50,960
similar to the binding sites of other

538
00:22:57,110 --> 00:22:53,760

nucleotide containing cofactors such as

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00:23:02,390 --> 00:22:57,120

the rosmann binding of nad and the p

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00:23:03,669 --> 00:23:02,400

loop ntpases binding mode to atp

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00:23:05,110 --> 00:23:03,679

furthermore

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00:23:07,350 --> 00:23:05,120

if you look at the binding mode in

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00:23:10,549 --> 00:23:07,360

greater detail you'll see that while the

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00:23:13,590 --> 00:23:10,559

pantothen moiety and the pyrophosphate

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00:23:15,510 --> 00:23:13,600

moiety are bound very well by this fold

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00:23:18,549 --> 00:23:15,520

you find that the phosphate and the

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00:23:20,470 --> 00:23:18,559

nucleus side binding tends to be poorly

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00:23:23,590 --> 00:23:20,480

supported

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00:23:25,909 --> 00:23:23,600

and so what this suggests is that maybe

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00:23:28,470 --> 00:23:25,919

this protein fold emerged

551
00:23:31,430 --> 00:23:28,480
prior to the complete development of the

552
00:23:33,190 --> 00:23:31,440
co-a cofactor

553
00:23:35,110 --> 00:23:33,200
and so this is kind of an interesting

554
00:23:38,230 --> 00:23:35,120
avenue to think about how the

555
00:23:40,070 --> 00:23:38,240
co-evolution of cofactors and proteins

556
00:23:41,909 --> 00:23:40,080
may have occurred

557
00:23:44,549 --> 00:23:41,919
and now let's turn for a second to the

558
00:23:47,029 --> 00:23:44,559
limitations of thioesters

559
00:23:49,350 --> 00:23:47,039
and the first limitation that we noticed

560
00:23:51,590 --> 00:23:49,360
is that compared to

561
00:23:54,870 --> 00:23:51,600
phospho anhydrides or even acyl

562
00:23:56,950 --> 00:23:54,880
phosphates thioesters cannot activate

563
00:24:00,470 --> 00:23:56,960

carboxylic acids

564

00:24:02,630 --> 00:24:00,480

and so here we have a carboxylic acid

565

00:24:04,230 --> 00:24:02,640

attacking a phosphorus

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00:24:06,230 --> 00:24:04,240

and this is going to form an acyl

567

00:24:09,110 --> 00:24:06,240

phosphate this is the reaction that

568

00:24:11,269 --> 00:24:09,120

happens essentially in all ligases

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00:24:13,750 --> 00:24:11,279

the acyl phosphate is then attacked by

570

00:24:15,990 --> 00:24:13,760

another compound completing the ligase

571

00:24:18,549 --> 00:24:16,000

reaction

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00:24:20,789 --> 00:24:18,559

in the case of thioesters however if a

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00:24:22,149 --> 00:24:20,799

carboxylic acid were to attack the

574

00:24:24,310 --> 00:24:22,159

carbonyl

575

00:24:25,669 --> 00:24:24,320

the resulting compound would be an acid

576
00:24:30,630 --> 00:24:25,679
anhydride

577
00:24:31,669 --> 00:24:30,640
unstable in water

578
00:24:35,510 --> 00:24:31,679
and so

579
00:24:38,710 --> 00:24:35,520
thioesters don't provide a useful avenue

580
00:24:42,070 --> 00:24:38,720
to activate a second compound

581
00:24:44,549 --> 00:24:42,080
related to this is that acyl phosphate

582
00:24:46,630 --> 00:24:44,559
has two potential points of attack you

583
00:24:48,390 --> 00:24:46,640
can attack either the phosphorus or you

584
00:24:50,710 --> 00:24:48,400
could attack the carbonyl

585
00:24:52,789 --> 00:24:50,720
thioesters effectively have only one

586
00:24:55,269 --> 00:24:52,799
place that can be attacked by a

587
00:24:58,710 --> 00:24:55,279
nucleophile that means that phosphor

588
00:25:01,750 --> 00:24:58,720

anhydrides and acyl phosphates have a lot

589

00:25:03,830 --> 00:25:01,760

more chemical flexibility than a

590

00:25:05,510 --> 00:25:03,840

thioester might have

591

00:25:09,110 --> 00:25:05,520

particularly with respect to the

592

00:25:11,909 --> 00:25:09,120

activation of carboxylic acids

593

00:25:14,390 --> 00:25:11,919

so does this mean that phosphates are

594

00:25:16,789 --> 00:25:14,400

naturally the energy currency in a world

595

00:25:19,269 --> 00:25:16,799

where activation of carboxylic acids is

596

00:25:21,510 --> 00:25:19,279

important

597

00:25:23,909 --> 00:25:21,520

not necessarily

598

00:25:26,789 --> 00:25:23,919

here i have another paper from josh this

599

00:25:29,029 --> 00:25:26,799

time from 2019 and what he showed is

600

00:25:31,669 --> 00:25:29,039

that you can take a metabolic pathway

601
00:25:33,110 --> 00:25:31,679
such as the reverse tca cycle and you

602
00:25:35,269 --> 00:25:33,120
can replace the steps that were

603
00:25:36,149 --> 00:25:35,279
associated with phosphate

604
00:25:38,789 --> 00:25:36,159
and

605
00:25:41,350 --> 00:25:38,799
use thioesters instead

606
00:25:43,830 --> 00:25:41,360
and so to do this in this case he

607
00:25:45,110 --> 00:25:43,840
proposed just two additional types of

608
00:25:47,510 --> 00:25:45,120
reactions

609
00:25:50,470 --> 00:25:47,520
in the first one he proposed a primitive

610
00:25:53,590 --> 00:25:50,480
malleol coalies and this is a reaction

611
00:25:56,390 --> 00:25:53,600
where an acetyl thioester and glyoxylate

612
00:25:58,950 --> 00:25:56,400
react to form a malleal thioester

613
00:26:01,190 --> 00:25:58,960

and in the second reaction it's simply a

614

00:26:03,669 --> 00:26:01,200

trans-thioesterification

615

00:26:05,190 --> 00:26:03,679

between a malleal thioester and

616

00:26:07,029 --> 00:26:05,200

succinate

617

00:26:09,750 --> 00:26:07,039

and so with just these two simple

618

00:26:13,110 --> 00:26:09,760

modifications a pathway that would seem

619

00:26:15,909 --> 00:26:13,120

to be dependent on the utilization of

620

00:26:17,590 --> 00:26:15,919

phosphate can become phosphate free and

621

00:26:21,830 --> 00:26:17,600

you can potentially circumvent this

622

00:26:24,149 --> 00:26:21,840

problem of activation of carboxylates

623

00:26:25,990 --> 00:26:24,159

the second limitation of thioesters that

624

00:26:28,070 --> 00:26:26,000

sean and i have thought about or

625

00:26:30,070 --> 00:26:28,080

wondered about at great length is

626

00:26:32,870 --> 00:26:30,080

whether or not the hydrolysis of

627

00:26:35,110 --> 00:26:32,880

thioesters is coupled to significant

628

00:26:37,990 --> 00:26:35,120

conformational change

629

00:26:39,830 --> 00:26:38,000

so we know that atp and gtp hydrolysis

630

00:26:40,950 --> 00:26:39,840

can be coupled to large conformational

631

00:26:43,590 --> 00:26:40,960

changes

632

00:26:45,269 --> 00:26:43,600

but actually very little is known about

633

00:26:46,950 --> 00:26:45,279

the extent to which this occurs with

634

00:26:48,470 --> 00:26:46,960

thioesters

635

00:26:51,190 --> 00:26:48,480

it's hard to show an absence of

636

00:26:54,310 --> 00:26:51,200

knowledge so i have here kind of acute

637

00:26:56,950 --> 00:26:54,320

pubmed search analysis if you search for

638

00:27:00,230 --> 00:26:56,960

conformational change in hydrolysis

639

00:27:01,510 --> 00:27:00,240

with no third term you get about 1200

640

00:27:05,430 --> 00:27:01,520

hits

641

00:27:08,549 --> 00:27:05,440

if you add atp as a required third hit

642

00:27:10,710 --> 00:27:08,559

you drop that down to about a half of

643

00:27:14,390 --> 00:27:10,720

the total number of hits

644

00:27:17,430 --> 00:27:14,400

but if you use co a or thioester you get

645

00:27:19,590 --> 00:27:17,440

virtually no significant hits and so

646

00:27:22,789 --> 00:27:19,600

we've wondered whether or not the lack

647

00:27:24,950 --> 00:27:22,799

of thioester hydrolysis coupled to large

648

00:27:27,510 --> 00:27:24,960

conformational changes is a

649

00:27:29,990 --> 00:27:27,520

representation of our ignorance or if

650

00:27:33,350 --> 00:27:30,000

it's perhaps some fundamental limitation

651
00:27:35,669 --> 00:27:33,360
of thioesters just due to their size or

652
00:27:37,029 --> 00:27:35,679
their hydrolysis properties which of

653
00:27:38,710 --> 00:27:37,039
course would be very different than a

654
00:27:40,789 --> 00:27:38,720
fosso anhydride

655
00:27:42,950 --> 00:27:40,799
if anyone in the audience knows of a

656
00:27:45,350 --> 00:27:42,960
large protein conformational change

657
00:27:47,510 --> 00:27:45,360
coupled with thioester hydrolysis please

658
00:27:49,830 --> 00:27:47,520
email sean and i immediately we would be

659
00:27:51,110 --> 00:27:49,840
very curious to hear about it and with

660
00:27:52,950 --> 00:27:51,120
that i would like to thank you for

661
00:27:55,669 --> 00:27:52,960
listening and i would like to thank my

662
00:27:59,380 --> 00:27:55,679
collaborators for our fun discussions

663
00:28:06,310 --> 00:27:59,390

over the past few months

664

00:28:12,549 --> 00:28:09,269

okay so as unfortunately liam uh was not

665

00:28:15,110 --> 00:28:12,559

able to join us online uh we are going

666

00:28:18,310 --> 00:28:15,120

to move to our next speaker

667

00:28:20,389 --> 00:28:18,320

um let's see

668

00:28:25,269 --> 00:28:20,399

so next up we have

669

00:28:30,230 --> 00:28:27,830

from only molars group

670

00:28:37,590 --> 00:28:30,240

he will talk about gdp synthesis by a

671

00:28:42,789 --> 00:28:40,070

thank you

672

00:28:44,630 --> 00:28:42,799

yeah so today i'm excited to

673

00:28:46,950 --> 00:28:44,640

share with you a project

674

00:28:50,149 --> 00:28:46,960

that our lab was working on to identify

675

00:28:53,830 --> 00:28:50,159

a ribozyme capable of synthesizing the

676

00:28:55,110 --> 00:28:53,840

nucleoside triphosphate gtp

677

00:28:58,549 --> 00:28:55,120

so

678

00:29:01,269 --> 00:28:58,559

we know that in extant biology

679

00:29:03,750 --> 00:29:01,279

ntps are involved in many different

680

00:29:06,070 --> 00:29:03,760

biochemical processes besides being the

681

00:29:07,190 --> 00:29:06,080

monomers of rna they're also involved in

682

00:29:09,110 --> 00:29:07,200

energy

683

00:29:12,070 --> 00:29:09,120

signaling and certain nucleotide

684

00:29:14,310 --> 00:29:12,080

derivatives can act as coenzymes

685

00:29:16,630 --> 00:29:14,320

and the way that modern biology makes

686

00:29:18,710 --> 00:29:16,640

ntps is through the use of protein

687

00:29:21,350 --> 00:29:18,720

kinases

688

00:29:24,070 --> 00:29:21,360

what we wanted to investigate was

689

00:29:26,389 --> 00:29:24,080

whether or not

690

00:29:28,470 --> 00:29:26,399

this catalysis prior to coded protein

691

00:29:29,990 --> 00:29:28,480

catalysts could have been mediated by

692

00:29:32,070 --> 00:29:30,000

ribozymes

693

00:29:34,310 --> 00:29:32,080

and if rna is indeed capable of this

694

00:29:36,789 --> 00:29:34,320

type of catalysis then that might

695

00:29:40,870 --> 00:29:36,799

indicate an important role for rna in

696

00:29:41,669 --> 00:29:40,880

the replication of an rna world organism

697

00:29:44,070 --> 00:29:41,679

the

698

00:29:46,310 --> 00:29:44,080

replication of which

699

00:29:47,750 --> 00:29:46,320

might rely on three important chemical

700

00:29:49,350 --> 00:29:47,760

steps

701
00:29:50,870 --> 00:29:49,360
so first we have the synthesis of

702
00:29:52,950 --> 00:29:50,880
nucleosides

703
00:29:55,110 --> 00:29:52,960
their chemical activation

704
00:29:56,789 --> 00:29:55,120
and then the polymerization into rna

705
00:30:00,070 --> 00:29:56,799
strands

706
00:30:02,710 --> 00:30:00,080
and our lab was primarily interested in

707
00:30:04,870 --> 00:30:02,720
identifying rna that can catalyze this

708
00:30:06,549 --> 00:30:04,880
step in the middle

709
00:30:10,870 --> 00:30:06,559
and the way we do that is we use a

710
00:30:12,870 --> 00:30:10,880
technique called in vitro selections

711
00:30:14,230 --> 00:30:12,880
the general principle of an individual

712
00:30:17,029 --> 00:30:14,240
selection

713
00:30:19,990 --> 00:30:17,039

is you basically start with an enormous

714

00:30:22,549 --> 00:30:20,000

pool of randomized rna molecules

715

00:30:25,669 --> 00:30:22,559

usually on the order of 10 to the 13th

716

00:30:27,990 --> 00:30:25,679

to 10 through the 16th unique sequences

717

00:30:30,710 --> 00:30:28,000

and you subject this pool to some sort

718

00:30:33,190 --> 00:30:30,720

of functional screen

719

00:30:35,669 --> 00:30:33,200

you can also do

720

00:30:38,310 --> 00:30:35,679

reverse transcription and pcr

721

00:30:41,909 --> 00:30:38,320

amplification and transcription again in

722

00:30:43,350 --> 00:30:41,919

order to regenerate the rna pool

723

00:30:44,549 --> 00:30:43,360

and you can do multiple rounds of

724

00:30:46,549 --> 00:30:44,559

selection

725

00:30:48,549 --> 00:30:46,559

and hopefully if you've set up your

726

00:30:50,389 --> 00:30:48,559

selection system well

727

00:30:53,990 --> 00:30:50,399

your pool will then be dominated by

728

00:30:57,830 --> 00:30:56,470

and the specific activity that we were

729

00:31:00,789 --> 00:30:57,840

interested in

730

00:31:03,990 --> 00:31:00,799

was the ability of an rna molecule

731

00:31:06,630 --> 00:31:04,000

to bind cyclic tri-metaphosphate

732

00:31:08,710 --> 00:31:06,640

and thiomodified guanosine

733

00:31:11,990 --> 00:31:08,720

and react them together in order to form

734

00:31:13,590 --> 00:31:12,000

sixth io gtp

735

00:31:16,070 --> 00:31:13,600

we use a second

736

00:31:18,950 --> 00:31:16,080

ribozyme called the polymerase ribozyme

737

00:31:21,990 --> 00:31:18,960

as a sort of detection system and it

738

00:31:23,909 --> 00:31:22,000

would take freshly generated gtp and tag

739

00:31:26,230 --> 00:31:23,919

it on to the end of the active pull

740

00:31:28,870 --> 00:31:26,240

sequence and we could use this thio

741

00:31:32,710 --> 00:31:28,880

modification as a sort of handle to

742

00:31:35,669 --> 00:31:32,720

isolate those active sequences

743

00:31:38,310 --> 00:31:35,679

so there was one major hurdle that we

744

00:31:39,909 --> 00:31:38,320

needed to overcome

745

00:31:41,590 --> 00:31:39,919

in this selection

746

00:31:43,350 --> 00:31:41,600

so if we were to do the selection in

747

00:31:46,230 --> 00:31:43,360

bulk solution you can imagine a

748

00:31:47,830 --> 00:31:46,240

situation in which you have an inactive

749

00:31:49,909 --> 00:31:47,840

pool sequence

750

00:31:52,230 --> 00:31:49,919

and because this molecule can freely

751
00:31:54,630 --> 00:31:52,240
diffuse

752
00:31:56,389 --> 00:31:54,640
it might get tagged by the polymerase

753
00:31:58,230 --> 00:31:56,399
ribozyme

754
00:32:00,149 --> 00:31:58,240
such that you're pulling down inactive

755
00:32:02,230 --> 00:32:00,159
sequences

756
00:32:05,190 --> 00:32:02,240
and the way that we got around this

757
00:32:07,430 --> 00:32:05,200
was to do the selection in emulsion

758
00:32:09,909 --> 00:32:07,440
so that each pool molecule was

759
00:32:11,669 --> 00:32:09,919
sequestered in their own droplet and

760
00:32:14,389 --> 00:32:11,679
inactive sequences

761
00:32:17,110 --> 00:32:14,399
would not be able to form gtp 6th

762
00:32:19,830 --> 00:32:17,120
thiogtp and they would not get tagged by

763
00:32:21,350 --> 00:32:19,840

the polymerase ribozyme

764

00:32:22,710 --> 00:32:21,360

one other important thing that i want to

765

00:32:23,909 --> 00:32:22,720

point out here

766

00:32:25,509 --> 00:32:23,919

is this

767

00:32:28,070 --> 00:32:25,519

selection system

768

00:32:30,630 --> 00:32:28,080

relied on the coupling of the activities

769

00:32:33,110 --> 00:32:30,640

of two ribozymes

770

00:32:36,389 --> 00:32:33,120

through their common metabolite of sixth

771

00:32:40,549 --> 00:32:37,909

so a

772

00:32:42,789 --> 00:32:40,559

previous grad student in our lab

773

00:32:43,990 --> 00:32:42,799

arvin performed the selection in

774

00:32:47,110 --> 00:32:44,000

emulsion

775

00:32:50,470 --> 00:32:47,120

and he made 18 rounds of selection

776
00:32:53,269 --> 00:32:50,480
and observed an increase in pool

777
00:32:55,269 --> 00:32:53,279
activity starting at round 12.

778
00:32:58,230 --> 00:32:55,279
so you might be wondering what this off

779
00:33:00,630 --> 00:32:58,240
inactivity at round 15 is he did one

780
00:33:03,029 --> 00:33:00,640
round of mutagenic pcr in order to

781
00:33:05,269 --> 00:33:03,039
sample the local sequence space

782
00:33:07,830 --> 00:33:05,279
of the pool

783
00:33:10,470 --> 00:33:07,840
he also did high throughput sequencing

784
00:33:12,870 --> 00:33:10,480
of each round of selection and the plot

785
00:33:14,789 --> 00:33:12,880
on the right is showing the last nine

786
00:33:15,830 --> 00:33:14,799
rounds of selection

787
00:33:17,990 --> 00:33:15,840
and

788
00:33:21,590 --> 00:33:18,000

five of the major clusters

789

00:33:23,590 --> 00:33:21,600

of he observed a cluster is just

790

00:33:24,389 --> 00:33:23,600

sequences that are closely related to

791

00:33:26,710 --> 00:33:24,399

each other

792

00:33:28,470 --> 00:33:26,720

so each of these clusters is assigned a

793

00:33:30,310 --> 00:33:28,480

different color in the plot

794

00:33:32,149 --> 00:33:30,320

and the size of the stacked plot

795

00:33:34,230 --> 00:33:32,159

indicates the

796

00:33:38,389 --> 00:33:34,240

abundance of sequences within that

797

00:33:39,110 --> 00:33:38,399

cluster for a given round of selection

798

00:33:41,350 --> 00:33:39,120

so

799

00:33:43,430 --> 00:33:41,360

i next took

800

00:33:45,430 --> 00:33:43,440

candidate sequences from each one of

801
00:33:47,110 --> 00:33:45,440
these rounds of

802
00:33:47,830 --> 00:33:47,120
from each one of these clusters excuse

803
00:33:50,950 --> 00:33:47,840
me

804
00:33:52,389 --> 00:33:50,960
and tested them biochemically

805
00:33:55,669 --> 00:33:52,399
so the biochemical

806
00:33:57,990 --> 00:33:55,679
assay that i used was very similar to

807
00:34:01,269 --> 00:33:58,000
the selection step

808
00:34:03,509 --> 00:34:01,279
except for a couple key differences

809
00:34:05,190 --> 00:34:03,519
so one of them is that we are now

810
00:34:06,389 --> 00:34:05,200
challenging the sequences to use

811
00:34:11,510 --> 00:34:06,399
guanosine

812
00:34:13,990 --> 00:34:11,520
and the polymerase ribozyme is now

813
00:34:15,349 --> 00:34:14,000

taking generated gtp

814

00:34:17,829 --> 00:34:15,359

and adding it to the end of a

815

00:34:20,629 --> 00:34:17,839

radio-labeled oligo instead of to the

816

00:34:22,149 --> 00:34:20,639

end of the sequence

817

00:34:23,589 --> 00:34:22,159

and because of this

818

00:34:25,909 --> 00:34:23,599

radioactivity

819

00:34:29,990 --> 00:34:25,919

we could then monitor the incorporation

820

00:34:32,470 --> 00:34:30,000

of g using gel electrophoresis

821

00:34:33,270 --> 00:34:32,480

so if we look at one of these gels

822

00:34:34,470 --> 00:34:33,280

the

823

00:34:36,550 --> 00:34:34,480

upper band

824

00:34:37,510 --> 00:34:36,560

corresponds to successful incorporation

825

00:34:39,349 --> 00:34:37,520

of g

826
00:34:41,109 --> 00:34:39,359
and our first two lanes are negative and

827
00:34:43,750 --> 00:34:41,119
positive control

828
00:34:45,990 --> 00:34:43,760
and you could see from the

829
00:34:48,629 --> 00:34:46,000
gel and from the quantification

830
00:34:50,790 --> 00:34:48,639
that it appeared that sequences only

831
00:34:52,710 --> 00:34:50,800
from cluster one were able to

832
00:34:55,510 --> 00:34:52,720
successfully incorporate g to the

833
00:34:56,629 --> 00:34:55,520
radio-labeled oligo

834
00:34:59,030 --> 00:34:56,639
and

835
00:35:00,870 --> 00:34:59,040
we next took the

836
00:35:03,910 --> 00:35:00,880
sequence that had the highest percent

837
00:35:05,990 --> 00:35:03,920
ligation sequence number 59 and i don't

838
00:35:09,030 --> 00:35:06,000

have time to go into it but it i did a

839

00:35:11,990 --> 00:35:09,040

number of reaction optimization

840

00:35:14,150 --> 00:35:12,000

and sequence optimization to arrive at

841

00:35:15,750 --> 00:35:14,160

an optimal sequence which we renamed

842

00:35:17,829 --> 00:35:15,760

gtr1

843

00:35:21,430 --> 00:35:17,839

so that's how i'll be referring to it

844

00:35:26,550 --> 00:35:24,310

one limitation with this assay is that

845

00:35:28,550 --> 00:35:26,560

we're not really directly measuring the

846

00:35:31,589 --> 00:35:28,560

formation of gtp

847

00:35:37,430 --> 00:35:31,599

and so to assess whether or not gtr1 was

848

00:35:39,510 --> 00:35:37,440

actually making gtp we used lcms

849

00:35:41,910 --> 00:35:39,520

and i'd like to thank dr sue for help

850

00:35:42,790 --> 00:35:41,920

with these experiments

851
00:35:44,950 --> 00:35:42,800
so

852
00:35:47,910 --> 00:35:44,960
from the lc trace you can see that

853
00:35:49,349 --> 00:35:47,920
there's a peak around two minutes that's

854
00:35:55,030 --> 00:35:49,359
only present when you have nine

855
00:35:58,710 --> 00:35:57,109
and the mass spec data

856
00:36:01,910 --> 00:35:58,720
reveals a

857
00:36:03,670 --> 00:36:01,920
peak around 524 m over z

858
00:36:06,870 --> 00:36:03,680
that's only present in the nine

859
00:36:09,589 --> 00:36:06,880
micromolar gtr1 samples or the six

860
00:36:11,349 --> 00:36:09,599
micromolar gtp samples and it's absent

861
00:36:12,710 --> 00:36:11,359
in the buffer system

862
00:36:15,750 --> 00:36:12,720
and this peak

863
00:36:17,670 --> 00:36:15,760

is indicative of the presence of gtp so

864

00:36:20,390 --> 00:36:17,680

from this data we were reasonably

865

00:36:21,990 --> 00:36:20,400

confident that gtr1 was indeed making

866

00:36:24,710 --> 00:36:22,000

gtp

867

00:36:27,910 --> 00:36:24,720

and i next characterize the reaction

868

00:36:31,990 --> 00:36:27,920

kinetics of gtr1

869

00:36:36,870 --> 00:36:34,390

assay that i showed before as a time

870

00:36:39,750 --> 00:36:36,880

course we observed the rate

871

00:36:40,550 --> 00:36:39,760

of the catalyzed reaction around 1.9 per

872

00:36:42,630 --> 00:36:40,560

hour

873

00:36:44,710 --> 00:36:42,640

and the uncatalyzed reaction was on the

874

00:36:47,030 --> 00:36:44,720

order of 10 to the minus fourth

875

00:36:50,150 --> 00:36:47,040

so that means that the rate enhancement

876

00:36:52,390 --> 00:36:50,160

was around 17 000.

877

00:36:55,510 --> 00:36:52,400

i also measured the turnover number of

878

00:36:57,349 --> 00:36:55,520

the reaction by titrating the ribozyme

879

00:36:59,270 --> 00:36:57,359

concentration and holding everything

880

00:37:02,550 --> 00:36:59,280

else constant

881

00:37:05,670 --> 00:37:02,560

and i use the saturation point of these

882

00:37:09,030 --> 00:37:05,680

type of these curves to estimate the

883

00:37:11,750 --> 00:37:09,040

concentration of gtp formed and compared

884

00:37:13,829 --> 00:37:11,760

that to the concentration of ribozyme to

885

00:37:15,430 --> 00:37:13,839

determine that the turnover number was

886

00:37:17,190 --> 00:37:15,440

quite low for the ribozyme it's only

887

00:37:21,270 --> 00:37:17,200

around 1.7

888

00:37:22,390 --> 00:37:21,280

and we'll return to that at the end

889

00:37:24,790 --> 00:37:22,400

um so

890

00:37:25,829 --> 00:37:24,800

we also wanted to know

891

00:37:26,550 --> 00:37:25,839

if

892

00:37:32,470 --> 00:37:26,560

the

893

00:37:33,910 --> 00:37:32,480

now be incorporated into a growing rna

894

00:37:37,270 --> 00:37:33,920

polymer

895

00:37:39,109 --> 00:37:37,280

again

896

00:37:42,790 --> 00:37:39,119

and so this time

897

00:37:44,310 --> 00:37:42,800

we are feeding the polymerase ribozyme

898

00:37:46,790 --> 00:37:44,320

in the negative control we're only

899

00:37:48,710 --> 00:37:46,800

feeding it atp and ctp

900

00:37:51,670 --> 00:37:48,720

in the positive control we're giving it

901
00:37:54,390 --> 00:37:51,680
atp ctp and gtp

902
00:37:57,270 --> 00:37:54,400
and in our sample we're feeding it atp

903
00:38:00,390 --> 00:37:57,280
and ctp and then the reaction products

904
00:38:03,190 --> 00:38:00,400
of a gtr1 reaction to see if it can

905
00:38:05,750 --> 00:38:03,200
extend a primer on a template

906
00:38:09,190 --> 00:38:05,760
and what we observe is if you compare

907
00:38:11,109 --> 00:38:09,200
the no gtr1 condition to the plus gtr1

908
00:38:13,109 --> 00:38:11,119
condition you can see that there's

909
00:38:15,109 --> 00:38:13,119
measurably more extension at the plus

910
00:38:17,190 --> 00:38:15,119
two position which corresponds to

911
00:38:19,030 --> 00:38:17,200
incorporation of gtp

912
00:38:21,829 --> 00:38:19,040
suggesting that there is indeed

913
00:38:27,430 --> 00:38:21,839

successful incorporation of ribozyme

914

00:38:33,030 --> 00:38:30,550

and finally i wanted to examine the

915

00:38:36,069 --> 00:38:33,040

secondary structure of gt01

916

00:38:39,190 --> 00:38:36,079

using shape chemical probing

917

00:38:41,349 --> 00:38:39,200

so basically the way this re this assay

918

00:38:43,990 --> 00:38:41,359

works is

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00:38:46,069 --> 00:38:44,000

high reactivity to the chemical probe

920

00:38:47,670 --> 00:38:46,079

indicates flexibility and single

921

00:38:50,790 --> 00:38:47,680

strandedness

922

00:38:53,750 --> 00:38:50,800

and low reactivity indicates rigidity

923

00:38:55,430 --> 00:38:53,760

and is more likely to be double-stranded

924

00:38:58,230 --> 00:38:55,440

so by measuring the

925

00:38:59,510 --> 00:38:58,240

chemical reactivity at each position

926
00:39:00,710 --> 00:38:59,520
of the

927
00:39:02,390 --> 00:39:00,720
ribozyme

928
00:39:04,390 --> 00:39:02,400
you can use that information to

929
00:39:05,589 --> 00:39:04,400
construct the secondary structure shown

930
00:39:06,790 --> 00:39:05,599
on the right

931
00:39:09,589 --> 00:39:06,800
and i'll just point out a few

932
00:39:11,670 --> 00:39:09,599
interesting features of the structure

933
00:39:12,790 --> 00:39:11,680
it appears to show this tri-helical

934
00:39:14,790 --> 00:39:12,800
junction

935
00:39:17,030 --> 00:39:14,800
and there's an interesting

936
00:39:19,750 --> 00:39:17,040
region in the loop on the right that

937
00:39:23,190 --> 00:39:19,760
appears to be protected and we believe

938
00:39:25,829 --> 00:39:23,200

that that is making tertiary con context

939

00:39:29,270 --> 00:39:25,839

with either this stem here or this loop

940

00:39:34,630 --> 00:39:32,230

so to summarize

941

00:39:37,270 --> 00:39:34,640

we used a selection in emulsion to

942

00:39:39,349 --> 00:39:37,280

identify gtr1

943

00:39:42,390 --> 00:39:39,359

and we coupled the activity of that

944

00:39:44,069 --> 00:39:42,400

ribozyme to a polymerase ribozyme

945

00:39:45,870 --> 00:39:44,079

through gtp

946

00:39:48,550 --> 00:39:45,880

and we believe that these

947

00:39:51,270 --> 00:39:48,560

triphosphorylation ribozymes strengthen

948

00:39:54,630 --> 00:39:51,280

the case for a central role of rna in an

949

00:39:59,750 --> 00:39:56,790

the turnover number of the ribozyme was

950

00:40:00,870 --> 00:39:59,760

a little low 1.7 so that's the subject

951
00:40:03,109 --> 00:40:00,880
of

952
00:40:05,750 --> 00:40:03,119
some ongoing studies

953
00:40:06,950 --> 00:40:05,760
which i'll share a little bit

954
00:40:10,870 --> 00:40:06,960
about

955
00:40:13,109 --> 00:40:10,880
we want to try to do a dope selection

956
00:40:15,349 --> 00:40:13,119
in order to identify sequences with

957
00:40:16,309 --> 00:40:15,359
higher variance

958
00:40:19,589 --> 00:40:16,319
and

959
00:40:22,710 --> 00:40:19,599
dope selection simply means that we are

960
00:40:23,670 --> 00:40:22,720
starting with a partially mutagenized

961
00:40:25,510 --> 00:40:23,680
pool

962
00:40:27,990 --> 00:40:25,520
from the parental sequence and the

963
00:40:30,870 --> 00:40:28,000

starting sequence we're going to use is

964

00:40:32,630 --> 00:40:30,880

a slightly shorter variant of gtr1 and

965

00:40:36,470 --> 00:40:32,640

that's to enable higher sequence

966

00:40:41,430 --> 00:40:39,349

and i'd finally like to thank

967

00:40:44,309 --> 00:40:41,440

um some important people who contributed

968

00:40:46,710 --> 00:40:44,319

to this work of course my pioli

969

00:40:49,190 --> 00:40:46,720

arvin this was his main thesis project

970

00:40:51,910 --> 00:40:49,200

and he spent a lot of time and effort

971

00:40:53,990 --> 00:40:51,920

working on the pilot experiment for the

972

00:40:55,030 --> 00:40:54,000

emulsion selection doing the selection

973

00:40:57,750 --> 00:40:55,040

itself

974

00:40:59,990 --> 00:40:57,760

and analyzing the sequencing data i'd

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00:41:02,550 --> 00:41:00,000

also like to thank dr shu from the mass

976

00:41:06,069 --> 00:41:02,560

spec facility at ucsd

977

00:41:09,109 --> 00:41:06,079

sophie for help with analyzing the hts

978

00:41:11,430 --> 00:41:09,119

data and doug magdy for help

979

00:41:14,950 --> 00:41:11,440

tuning the droplet sizes for the

980

00:41:28,950 --> 00:41:16,710

and i'll take any questions if you're

981

00:41:31,109 --> 00:41:29,829

um

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00:41:33,349 --> 00:41:31,119

so one

983

00:41:35,030 --> 00:41:33,359

hypothesis of course for the low

984

00:41:36,510 --> 00:41:35,040

turnover number

985

00:41:39,349 --> 00:41:36,520

is that the right enzyme is

986

00:41:40,630 --> 00:41:39,359

stoichiometric rather than catalytic so

987

00:41:43,510 --> 00:41:40,640

have you guys

988

00:41:44,870 --> 00:41:43,520

done any analysis to see if the ribozyme

989

00:41:47,030 --> 00:41:44,880

is itself

990

00:41:50,309 --> 00:41:47,040

modified or spent

991

00:41:52,390 --> 00:41:50,319

by the reaction of the metaphosphate

992

00:41:56,069 --> 00:41:52,400

um that's a good thought

993

00:41:58,309 --> 00:41:56,079

we haven't tested anything yet

994

00:42:00,309 --> 00:41:58,319

i think to your point what we believe is

995

00:42:02,790 --> 00:42:00,319

happening is

996

00:42:03,750 --> 00:42:02,800

when we were doing the selection

997

00:42:06,470 --> 00:42:03,760

we

998

00:42:11,270 --> 00:42:06,480

progressively reduced the concentration

999

00:42:15,430 --> 00:42:12,950

so that by the end of the selection they

1000

00:42:18,390 --> 00:42:15,440

were quite low and we believe that the

1001
00:42:20,870 --> 00:42:18,400
ribozyme is just really holding on to

1002
00:42:23,270 --> 00:42:20,880
the product

1003
00:42:25,190 --> 00:42:23,280
so we're hoping that with the dope

1004
00:42:27,430 --> 00:42:25,200
selection we'll be able to identify

1005
00:42:32,710 --> 00:42:27,440
sequences that can help release the

1006
00:42:37,349 --> 00:42:35,270
uh chris mayer bacon university of

1007
00:42:38,790 --> 00:42:37,359
maryland baltimore county a very

1008
00:42:42,790 --> 00:42:38,800
interesting talk

1009
00:42:45,030 --> 00:42:42,800
i'm curious if you've

1010
00:42:47,109 --> 00:42:45,040
with the gtr1

1011
00:42:49,030 --> 00:42:47,119
uh sequence if

1012
00:42:51,030 --> 00:42:49,040
that's capable of

1013
00:42:51,829 --> 00:42:51,040

uh adding other

1014

00:42:53,349 --> 00:42:51,839

uh

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00:42:57,349 --> 00:42:53,359

other

1016

00:42:58,710 --> 00:42:57,359

ntps besides quantizing or

1017

00:43:01,510 --> 00:42:58,720

that

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00:43:04,230 --> 00:43:01,520

addition of other ntps would require

1019

00:43:06,470 --> 00:43:04,240

slightly different sequences of rna

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00:43:09,030 --> 00:43:06,480

yeah i think that's a great

1021

00:43:10,950 --> 00:43:09,040

question it's definitely

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00:43:14,390 --> 00:43:10,960

a subject for future studies in our lab

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00:43:17,910 --> 00:43:14,400

we are definitely interested in

1024

00:43:21,990 --> 00:43:17,920

identifying other sequences that can use

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00:43:23,990 --> 00:43:22,000

atp ctp utp

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00:43:25,750 --> 00:43:24,000

we haven't actually directly tested it

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00:43:26,470 --> 00:43:25,760

using gtr1

1028

00:43:28,230 --> 00:43:26,480

but

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00:43:29,430 --> 00:43:28,240

maybe i'll jump in the lab next week and

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00:43:31,349 --> 00:43:29,440

try it

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00:43:34,309 --> 00:43:31,359

it will be very interesting yeah thank

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00:43:39,109 --> 00:43:34,319

you for the question chris

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00:43:43,430 --> 00:43:41,349

did you ever test um all those other

1034

00:43:47,030 --> 00:43:43,440

clusters that ended up not working if it

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00:43:49,750 --> 00:43:48,950

derivative

1036

00:43:52,390 --> 00:43:49,760

or

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00:43:54,470 --> 00:43:52,400

um was there probably just an issue like

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00:43:55,829 --> 00:43:54,480

leakiness in the

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00:43:57,349 --> 00:43:55,839

uh

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00:44:01,190 --> 00:43:57,359

selection

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00:44:06,790 --> 00:44:04,550

one thought that i had about that is

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00:44:09,109 --> 00:44:06,800

the activity of those

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00:44:12,150 --> 00:44:09,119

so sorry let me back up

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00:44:14,550 --> 00:44:12,160

we also tested the activity of those

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00:44:16,710 --> 00:44:14,560

ribozymes using six thiaguenozine i was

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00:44:18,630 --> 00:44:16,720

just showing the guanozine reactions and

1047

00:44:21,270 --> 00:44:18,640

some of those other clusters are active

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00:44:23,910 --> 00:44:21,280

for six thiaguanosine but not guanozine

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00:44:25,030 --> 00:44:23,920

so cluster one actually had i believe

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00:44:27,109 --> 00:44:25,040

the

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00:44:29,670 --> 00:44:27,119

reverse phenotype where it wasn't as

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00:44:34,790 --> 00:44:29,680

active with six thiaguanosine but it was

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00:44:40,550 --> 00:44:37,349

thank you okay

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00:44:43,030 --> 00:44:40,560

and uh let's move on to the next speaker

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00:44:45,430 --> 00:44:43,040

um roy black from university of

1056

00:44:47,030 --> 00:44:45,440

washington who will provide the details

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00:44:49,670 --> 00:44:47,040

on how deep

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00:44:51,910 --> 00:44:49,680

the peptides bind to vehicles composed

1059

00:44:53,750 --> 00:44:51,920

of a prebiotic fatty acids and are

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00:45:12,550 --> 00:44:53,760

compatible with vehicle stability and

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00:45:12,560 --> 00:45:18,150

so just use this

1062

00:45:23,750 --> 00:45:20,950

okay thanks to the organizers for the

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00:45:24,630 --> 00:45:23,760

opportunity to speak

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00:45:27,109 --> 00:45:24,640

it's

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00:45:29,829 --> 00:45:27,119

uh late uh in the

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00:45:32,790 --> 00:45:29,839

last day of the conference so

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00:45:34,470 --> 00:45:32,800

i'm going to be a bit provocative

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00:45:38,950 --> 00:45:34,480

um

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00:45:38,960 --> 00:45:42,069

over here

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00:45:47,349 --> 00:45:45,109

if i can get the slides going i guess

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00:45:51,349 --> 00:45:47,359

okay

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00:45:55,030 --> 00:45:51,359

so i'm going to uh suggest that

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00:45:56,630 --> 00:45:55,040

the big question in the origin of

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00:45:58,950 --> 00:45:56,640

cells

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00:46:00,069 --> 00:45:58,960

is the following

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00:46:02,710 --> 00:46:00,079

do

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00:46:05,910 --> 00:46:02,720

generic oligomers that is with

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00:46:09,430 --> 00:46:05,920

relatively non-specific sequence

1079

00:46:13,109 --> 00:46:09,440

confer a selective advantage to

1080

00:46:20,150 --> 00:46:13,119

fatty acid vesicles

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00:46:27,109 --> 00:46:23,109

a quick reminder of what fatty acid

1082

00:46:30,950 --> 00:46:28,710

fatty acids

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00:46:33,030 --> 00:46:30,960

such as

1084

00:46:33,829 --> 00:46:33,040

decanoic acid

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00:46:36,870 --> 00:46:33,839

are

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00:46:39,470 --> 00:46:36,880

prebiotic amphiphiles

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00:46:41,430 --> 00:46:39,480

that when placed in water

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00:46:43,750 --> 00:46:41,440

spontaneously

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00:46:46,710 --> 00:46:43,760

form micelles

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00:46:49,190 --> 00:46:46,720

and bi-layered structures called

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00:46:53,270 --> 00:46:49,200

vesicles

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00:46:56,870 --> 00:46:53,280

so what i'm proposing is that including

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00:47:00,150 --> 00:46:56,880

analogue in this system would

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00:47:04,550 --> 00:47:00,160

increase the stability or growth of

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00:47:04,560 --> 00:47:08,390

and if that's the case

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00:47:14,150 --> 00:47:10,309

i'm arguing that these effects could

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00:47:16,390 --> 00:47:14,160

have been a key driver of the evolution

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00:47:19,190 --> 00:47:16,400

toward complexity

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00:47:22,790 --> 00:47:19,200

prior to the advent of replication of

1100

00:47:24,390 --> 00:47:22,800

specific sequences

1101
00:47:25,349 --> 00:47:24,400
so we've focused

1102
00:47:28,950 --> 00:47:25,359
on

1103
00:47:31,670 --> 00:47:28,960
whether peptides have such effects

1104
00:47:33,829 --> 00:47:31,680
uh because peptides are the simplest

1105
00:47:36,630 --> 00:47:33,839
biological oligomer

1106
00:47:38,549 --> 00:47:36,640
uh resulting simply from the joining

1107
00:47:42,710 --> 00:47:38,559
of

1108
00:47:50,829 --> 00:47:46,549
so another way to put it is

1109
00:47:54,230 --> 00:47:50,839
does simply joining two amino

1110
00:47:55,750 --> 00:47:54,240
acids in the context of a fatty acid

1111
00:47:59,829 --> 00:47:55,760
vesicle

1112
00:48:03,190 --> 00:47:59,839
have evolutionary consequences

1113
00:48:04,950 --> 00:48:03,200

and i'll give you my answer up front

1114

00:48:07,750 --> 00:48:04,960

uh yes

1115

00:48:10,069 --> 00:48:07,760

we found that unmodified simple

1116

00:48:11,270 --> 00:48:10,079

unmodified dipeptides

1117

00:48:12,470 --> 00:48:11,280

increase

1118

00:48:14,230 --> 00:48:12,480

vesicle

1119

00:48:16,870 --> 00:48:14,240

stability

1120

00:48:19,109 --> 00:48:16,880

as measured by resistance to salt

1121

00:48:22,390 --> 00:48:19,119

induced flocculation

1122

00:48:26,710 --> 00:48:22,400

and increase vesicle growth

1123

00:48:30,790 --> 00:48:26,720

as monitored by the increase in size

1124

00:48:33,910 --> 00:48:30,800

upon addition of of micelles

1125

00:48:35,510 --> 00:48:33,920

and that the dipeptides do this to a

1126
00:48:39,030 --> 00:48:35,520
greater extent

1127
00:48:41,829 --> 00:48:39,040
than unjoined amino acids

1128
00:48:45,670 --> 00:48:41,839
so why is this important

1129
00:48:46,790 --> 00:48:45,680
it means that a population of fatty acid

1130
00:48:50,390 --> 00:48:46,800
vesicles

1131
00:48:53,670 --> 00:48:50,400
would change over time that is evolve

1132
00:48:56,069 --> 00:48:53,680
as those associated with peptides

1133
00:48:57,990 --> 00:48:56,079
outcompeted others

1134
00:48:59,829 --> 00:48:58,000
for fatty acids

1135
00:49:04,230 --> 00:48:59,839
due to their greater

1136
00:49:08,630 --> 00:49:06,710
okay i'm going to go over the data in

1137
00:49:09,589 --> 00:49:08,640
three parts

1138
00:49:12,470 --> 00:49:09,599

first

1139

00:49:16,230 --> 00:49:12,480

do amino acids and dipeptides

1140

00:49:19,910 --> 00:49:16,240

bind to fatty acid vesicles

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00:49:21,430 --> 00:49:19,920

using diffusion nmr we've found that

1142

00:49:24,230 --> 00:49:21,440

all the

1143

00:49:28,069 --> 00:49:24,240

amino acids that we've tested

1144

00:49:31,109 --> 00:49:28,079

do bind to somewhat variable extent

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00:49:34,549 --> 00:49:31,119

here we're plotting the percent bound to

1146

00:49:37,829 --> 00:49:34,559

the fatty acid vesicle

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00:49:41,750 --> 00:49:37,839

and the dimers of these amino acids

1148

00:49:42,829 --> 00:49:41,760

also bind uh with somewhat altered

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00:49:46,309 --> 00:49:42,839

relative

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00:49:50,309 --> 00:49:46,319

affinities now one complication with

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00:49:51,950 --> 00:49:50,319

these data is that our nmr signal may be

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00:49:55,109 --> 00:49:51,960

detecting

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00:49:59,030 --> 00:49:55,119

encapsulation as well as

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00:50:01,750 --> 00:49:59,040

binding but either way the key point the

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00:50:05,589 --> 00:50:01,760

key question now is does such

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00:50:08,630 --> 00:50:05,599

association have any beneficial effects

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00:50:14,470 --> 00:50:08,640

on uh the vesicles

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00:50:19,109 --> 00:50:16,069

when

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00:50:21,510 --> 00:50:19,119

decanoic acid vesicles are exposed to a

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00:50:23,270 --> 00:50:21,520

high concentration of salt

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00:50:25,030 --> 00:50:23,280

they aggregate

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00:50:28,150 --> 00:50:25,040

into these large

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00:50:31,430 --> 00:50:28,160

structures called flocks

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00:50:34,710 --> 00:50:31,440

and this is bad for the vesicles

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00:50:36,790 --> 00:50:34,720

they can't grow and divide in this state

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00:50:38,630 --> 00:50:36,800

so you could say they're they're they're

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00:50:40,470 --> 00:50:38,640

dormant

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00:50:43,510 --> 00:50:40,480

the flocks

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00:50:45,990 --> 00:50:43,520

scatter light to a much greater extent

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00:50:49,190 --> 00:50:46,000

than vesicles do

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00:50:50,470 --> 00:50:49,200

so we can use the extent of light

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00:50:52,710 --> 00:50:50,480

scattering

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00:50:55,910 --> 00:50:52,720

as a quantitative measure of

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00:51:01,030 --> 00:50:57,910

and with this assay

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00:51:02,710 --> 00:51:01,040

we find that a number

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00:51:07,270 --> 00:51:02,720

of simple

1177

00:51:09,510 --> 00:51:07,280

unmodified dipeptides do inhibit salt

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00:51:13,190 --> 00:51:09,520

induced flocculation

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00:51:17,510 --> 00:51:13,200

preserving the ability of the vesicles

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00:51:24,390 --> 00:51:19,829

now there is some specificity to this

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00:51:28,230 --> 00:51:24,400

phenomenon all the effective dipeptides

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00:51:30,390 --> 00:51:28,240

include a leucine residue

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00:51:32,230 --> 00:51:30,400

and we think part of the explanation for

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00:51:34,309 --> 00:51:32,240

that specificity

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00:51:35,670 --> 00:51:34,319

is the hydrophobicity

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00:51:39,589 --> 00:51:35,680

of leucine

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00:51:42,150 --> 00:51:39,599

leucine contains a relatively long

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00:51:44,150 --> 00:51:42,160

hydrophobic side chain

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00:51:46,390 --> 00:51:44,160
which could actually fit into the

1190

00:51:48,470 --> 00:51:46,400
hydrophobic core

1191

00:51:51,670 --> 00:51:48,480
of the bilayer

1192

00:51:53,750 --> 00:51:51,680
thereby anchoring the peptide uh to the

1193

00:51:56,069 --> 00:51:53,760
membrane

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00:51:58,150 --> 00:51:56,079
in any event the key take them here is

1195

00:51:59,829 --> 00:51:58,160
that whatever the mechanism

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00:52:03,109 --> 00:51:59,839
a number of

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00:52:06,790 --> 00:52:03,119
uh simple unmodified dipeptides

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00:52:09,750 --> 00:52:06,800
do inhibit salt-induced flocculation

1199

00:52:12,950 --> 00:52:09,760
and that sets up the critical question

1200

00:52:16,069 --> 00:52:12,960
are these effective peptides

1201
00:52:17,270 --> 00:52:16,079
more effective than their unjoined amino

1202
00:52:20,069 --> 00:52:17,280
acids

1203
00:52:22,470 --> 00:52:20,079
and the answer is yes

1204
00:52:30,230 --> 00:52:22,480
unjoined leucine

1205
00:52:33,190 --> 00:52:30,240
do not inhibit salt induced flocculation

1206
00:52:36,710 --> 00:52:33,200
so the amino acids do have to be joined

1207
00:52:40,470 --> 00:52:39,030
so vesicles that

1208
00:52:42,950 --> 00:52:40,480
acquired

1209
00:52:45,750 --> 00:52:42,960
and eventually made

1210
00:52:47,750 --> 00:52:45,760
dipeptides would have an advantage in

1211
00:52:53,030 --> 00:52:47,760
salty environments

1212
00:53:01,910 --> 00:52:56,630
so do the dipeptides actually affect the

1213
00:53:08,870 --> 00:53:03,990

by way of background

1214

00:53:10,790 --> 00:53:08,880

if you add a bolus of of my cells to

1215

00:53:13,109 --> 00:53:10,800

fatty acid vesicles

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00:53:16,790 --> 00:53:13,119

the vesicles will grow

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00:53:17,670 --> 00:53:16,800

by incorporating micellar fatty acids

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00:53:22,470 --> 00:53:17,680

and

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00:53:28,470 --> 00:53:26,069

so zoe todd with whom we collaborate at

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00:53:31,430 --> 00:53:28,480

the university of washington

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00:53:35,270 --> 00:53:31,440

asked whether including

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00:53:37,910 --> 00:53:35,280

a dipeptide in this system would affect

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00:53:40,870 --> 00:53:37,920

the rate of growth upon the addition of

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00:53:46,790 --> 00:53:44,309

she used fret analysis to measure the

1225

00:53:47,750 --> 00:53:46,800

increase in surface area

1226
00:53:49,349 --> 00:53:47,760
and

1227
00:53:54,630 --> 00:53:49,359
from that we can

1228
00:54:00,309 --> 00:53:58,069
so here we're plotting the radius as a

1229
00:54:03,109 --> 00:54:00,319
function of time

1230
00:54:05,109 --> 00:54:03,119
following the addition of micelles

1231
00:54:08,390 --> 00:54:05,119
and you can see clearly that with the

1232
00:54:11,589 --> 00:54:08,400
addition of the lulu dipeptide

1233
00:54:14,630 --> 00:54:11,599
we get a greater rate of growth

1234
00:54:15,829 --> 00:54:14,640
than in the case with the control

1235
00:54:19,190 --> 00:54:15,839
vesicles

1236
00:54:20,710 --> 00:54:19,200
without added dipeptide

1237
00:54:22,870 --> 00:54:20,720
in contrast

1238
00:54:25,990 --> 00:54:22,880

unjoined leucine

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00:54:28,710 --> 00:54:26,000

does not affect the rate of growth of

1240

00:54:31,069 --> 00:54:28,720

the vesicles

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00:54:33,910 --> 00:54:31,079

and zoe found that other

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00:54:35,910 --> 00:54:33,920

leucine-containing dipeptides

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00:54:39,109 --> 00:54:35,920

also increase

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00:54:41,829 --> 00:54:39,119

the rate of growth and

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00:54:43,190 --> 00:54:41,839

as we saw when we were looking at

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00:54:46,870 --> 00:54:43,200

effects on

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00:54:46,880 --> 00:54:50,789

sorry

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00:54:59,109 --> 00:54:54,870

a peptide that does not contain leucine

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00:55:01,589 --> 00:54:59,910

so

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00:55:04,710 --> 00:55:01,599

in conclusion

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00:55:07,990 --> 00:55:04,720
simple unmodified dipeptides

1252
00:55:09,430 --> 00:55:08,000
increase fatty acid vesicle

1253
00:55:10,950 --> 00:55:09,440
stability

1254
00:55:11,990 --> 00:55:10,960
and growth

1255
00:55:14,150 --> 00:55:12,000
and

1256
00:55:17,030 --> 00:55:14,160
they do so to a greater extent than

1257
00:55:19,670 --> 00:55:17,040
unjoined amino acids

1258
00:55:22,950 --> 00:55:19,680
so what are the implications of this

1259
00:55:25,270 --> 00:55:22,960
well this is what i suggest

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00:55:27,349 --> 00:55:25,280
as i said i'd be a bit provocative to

1261
00:55:30,390 --> 00:55:27,359
try to keep people awake

1262
00:55:31,910 --> 00:55:30,400
evolution began with the simple joining

1263
00:55:33,829 --> 00:55:31,920

of

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00:55:37,750 --> 00:55:33,839

amino acids

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00:55:39,589 --> 00:55:37,760

in association with fatty acid vesicles

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00:55:43,030 --> 00:55:39,599

this led to the emergence of a

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00:55:44,549 --> 00:55:43,040

population of vesicles associated with

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00:55:47,109 --> 00:55:44,559

dipeptides

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00:55:50,630 --> 00:55:47,119

because those vesicles could out-compete

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00:55:53,030 --> 00:55:50,640

others for free fatty acids

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00:55:56,150 --> 00:55:53,040

and i further suggest that vesicles

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00:55:58,710 --> 00:55:56,160

bearing nucleotides as well

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00:56:00,230 --> 00:55:58,720

may have been most favored

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00:56:02,390 --> 00:56:00,240

but that would have been because

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00:56:05,750 --> 00:56:02,400

nucleotides can actually

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00:56:07,670 --> 00:56:05,760
activate amino acids for peptide bond

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00:56:10,549 --> 00:56:07,680
synthesis

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00:56:12,069 --> 00:56:10,559
not because the nucleotides polymerized

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00:56:15,510 --> 00:56:12,079
and started

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00:56:19,349 --> 00:56:15,520
replicating from the get-go

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00:56:23,910 --> 00:56:19,359
and so this scheme suggests that

1282
00:56:25,990 --> 00:56:23,920
this trinity of membranes peptides and

1283
00:56:28,390 --> 00:56:26,000
nucleotides

1284
00:56:30,950 --> 00:56:28,400
emerged at the very beginning

1285
00:56:31,829 --> 00:56:30,960
of the origin of

1286
00:56:32,710 --> 00:56:31,839
life

1287
00:56:36,710 --> 00:56:32,720
and

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00:56:40,309 --> 00:56:36,720

indeed actually drove the progression

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00:56:45,510 --> 00:56:41,990

and so i'd like to recognize in

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00:56:49,910 --> 00:56:45,520

particular zoe for all the work on the

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00:56:52,069 --> 00:56:49,920

growth and ming zhenjua did all the

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00:56:53,109 --> 00:56:52,079

the nmr work

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00:57:00,630 --> 00:56:53,119

thank you

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00:57:05,430 --> 00:57:02,789

hello anthony burnett here from georgia

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00:57:07,589 --> 00:57:05,440

tech and i was wondering you you were

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00:57:09,750 --> 00:57:07,599

speaking of testing different

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00:57:12,069 --> 00:57:09,760

dipeptides to see how they worked with

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00:57:13,910 --> 00:57:12,079

these different lipid vesicles have you

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00:57:15,109 --> 00:57:13,920

given any thought to selection in the

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00:57:17,589 --> 00:57:15,119

other direction could there be

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00:57:19,190 --> 00:57:17,599
particular lipids that would be selected

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00:57:21,270 --> 00:57:19,200
because they would

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00:57:23,670 --> 00:57:21,280
grow better in an environment that had

1304
00:57:26,069 --> 00:57:23,680
dipeptides

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00:57:28,309 --> 00:57:26,079
uh yeah very interesting question i mean

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00:57:31,430 --> 00:57:28,319
i think this this is a

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00:57:34,789 --> 00:57:31,440
a simplified system using just pure

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00:57:37,589 --> 00:57:34,799
one one particular uh fatty acid

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00:57:41,589 --> 00:57:37,599
and uh yeah that would be a good good

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00:57:47,030 --> 00:57:44,309
very interesting talk over here

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00:57:49,230 --> 00:57:47,040
um i'm curious about whether or not you

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00:57:51,270 --> 00:57:49,240
have any quantitative information on

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00:57:53,829 --> 00:57:51,280

stoichiometry so how many of these

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00:57:55,990 --> 00:57:53,839

dipeptides might you need for amphiphyl

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00:57:58,549 --> 00:57:56,000

molecule or per

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00:58:00,710 --> 00:57:58,559

uh surface area of the

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00:58:01,829 --> 00:58:00,720

vesicle just to have the stabilizing

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00:58:04,230 --> 00:58:01,839

effect

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00:58:06,789 --> 00:58:04,240

yeah no that that's a great question and

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00:58:08,710 --> 00:58:06,799

uh i've been conferring with jason

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00:58:11,589 --> 00:58:08,720

greenwald here at the conference about

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00:58:15,030 --> 00:58:11,599

how you really interpret the nmr data so

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00:58:17,510 --> 00:58:15,040

it's it's it's not easy to to really

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00:58:18,870 --> 00:58:17,520

again for one thing to distinguish

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00:58:22,309 --> 00:58:18,880

what's bound

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00:58:24,789 --> 00:58:22,319

from what's encapsulated so a short

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00:58:28,069 --> 00:58:24,799

answer no but yes that would be very

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00:58:30,789 --> 00:58:29,510

okay

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00:58:32,390 --> 00:58:30,799

so

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00:58:35,589 --> 00:58:32,400

for the sake of keeping up with the

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00:58:38,560 --> 00:58:35,599

schedule i would like to move on to the

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00:58:40,390 --> 00:58:38,570

next speakers let's thank dr uh

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00:58:43,430 --> 00:58:40,400

[Music]

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00:58:47,829 --> 00:58:46,150

please stay after this

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00:58:51,829 --> 00:58:47,839

the last speaker

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00:58:54,870 --> 00:58:51,839

we will have a 15 minute q a session

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00:58:56,230 --> 00:58:54,880

so you will still have chance to ask

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00:58:58,789 --> 00:58:56,240

your questions

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00:59:01,829 --> 00:58:58,799

so our last but not least speakers of

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00:59:04,710 --> 00:59:01,839

this session is kavita matanesh

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00:59:06,789 --> 00:59:04,720

from georgia tech and she will be

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00:59:09,430 --> 00:59:06,799

talking about molecular memory of

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00:59:23,670 --> 00:59:09,440

chemical systems

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00:59:28,549 --> 00:59:26,710

hello uh good afternoon everyone um

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00:59:30,230 --> 00:59:28,559

i am going to be talking about memory

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00:59:34,230 --> 00:59:30,240

and molecules today

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00:59:36,549 --> 00:59:34,240

um and um just to get us started

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00:59:39,510 --> 00:59:36,559

i would like to present a framework

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00:59:40,710 --> 00:59:39,520

within which biochemists see the origin

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00:59:44,069 --> 00:59:40,720

of life

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00:59:47,430 --> 00:59:44,079

uh we typically see very small molecules

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00:59:49,910 --> 00:59:47,440

or monomers going to slightly larger

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00:59:52,549 --> 00:59:49,920

uh groups of monomers and oligomers

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00:59:56,309 --> 00:59:52,559

which then go to slightly even larger

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00:59:58,950 --> 00:59:56,319

oligomers and then much much much later

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01:00:00,789 --> 00:59:58,960

things get much much much more complex

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01:00:03,829 --> 01:00:00,799

to give you life

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and um i guess

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01:00:08,549 --> 01:00:06,640

um i really i really liked what roy said

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01:00:11,109 --> 01:00:08,559

uh in terms of provocative statements on

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01:00:14,630 --> 01:00:11,119

a friday afternoon so i'm gonna go ahead

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01:00:19,589 --> 01:00:16,309

we in the williams lab are trying to

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01:00:22,630 --> 01:00:19,599

define this idea of molecular memory at

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01:00:24,710 --> 01:00:22,640

prebiotic chemistry

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01:00:27,030 --> 01:00:24,720

we believe that the origin and evolution

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01:00:29,750 --> 01:00:27,040

of life is the origin and evolution of

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01:00:31,109 --> 01:00:29,760

sophisticated molecular memory

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01:00:32,390 --> 01:00:31,119

now i believe

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01:00:34,230 --> 01:00:32,400

very

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01:00:36,150 --> 01:00:34,240

i believe many many people in this

1371

01:00:38,470 --> 01:00:36,160

community will agree with the statement

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01:00:42,069 --> 01:00:38,480

but very very few people would agree on

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01:00:43,589 --> 01:00:42,079

what constitutes molecular memory and we

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are going to try to define it in the

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01:00:48,230 --> 01:00:45,520

next few slides

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01:00:50,789 --> 01:00:48,240

in order to do that

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01:00:52,950 --> 01:00:50,799

we are going to ask two main questions

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01:00:56,230 --> 01:00:52,960

the first one being what are the

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strategies that biology uses to record

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01:01:00,710 --> 01:00:58,880

the environmental information

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01:01:03,430 --> 01:01:00,720

and of these strategies what are the

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01:01:04,630 --> 01:01:03,440

strategies that can be

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01:01:06,230 --> 01:01:04,640

extended

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to chemical systems what are the

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01:01:11,109 --> 01:01:08,559

strategies that chemical systems can use

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01:01:11,990 --> 01:01:11,119

to record environmental information

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the

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01:01:15,270 --> 01:01:13,520

presumption being that environmental

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01:01:17,109 --> 01:01:15,280

information was one of the driving

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01:01:19,270 --> 01:01:17,119

factors of evolution

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01:01:20,870 --> 01:01:19,280

and it's important for systems to

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01:01:24,230 --> 01:01:20,880

respond to the environment to

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01:01:26,069 --> 01:01:24,240

continuously change and evolve

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01:01:27,910 --> 01:01:26,079

with that premise in mind and with those

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01:01:29,510 --> 01:01:27,920

questions in mind i'm just going to go

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01:01:31,750 --> 01:01:29,520

ahead and show you our ideas of

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01:01:33,510 --> 01:01:31,760

molecular memory

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01:01:36,870 --> 01:01:33,520

and we believe that these are the

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01:01:39,990 --> 01:01:36,880

chemical strategies in place in biology

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01:01:42,069 --> 01:01:40,000

today that help biological systems

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01:01:43,349 --> 01:01:42,079

record environmental information and

1402

01:01:46,870 --> 01:01:43,359

we're going to go through some of them

1403

01:01:50,150 --> 01:01:46,880

i'm going to talk about why we think so

1404

01:01:54,309 --> 01:01:50,160

the first one the first strategy that

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01:01:58,870 --> 01:01:54,319

we believe conferred memory two systems

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01:02:03,670 --> 01:02:01,589

all right the first strategy is we

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01:02:07,670 --> 01:02:03,680

believe chemical identity

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01:02:08,950 --> 01:02:07,680

now we have redefined chemical identity

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01:02:09,750 --> 01:02:08,960

to mean

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01:02:13,589 --> 01:02:09,760

these

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01:02:16,630 --> 01:02:13,599

specific structures of molecules used in

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01:02:19,190 --> 01:02:16,640

biochemistry or biology today

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01:02:22,069 --> 01:02:19,200

typically they would be the structure of

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01:02:24,150 --> 01:02:22,079

adenosine thymine cytosine and guanine

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01:02:25,109 --> 01:02:24,160

in terms of dna

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01:02:27,589 --> 01:02:25,119

and

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01:02:29,190 --> 01:02:27,599

biology has used these molecules has

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01:02:32,630 --> 01:02:29,200

used the chemical identity of these

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01:02:35,750 --> 01:02:32,640

molecules in very complicated structures

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01:02:38,230 --> 01:02:35,760

over time fantastically to record memory

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01:02:41,029 --> 01:02:38,240

over 4 billion years and that's that's

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01:02:42,789 --> 01:02:41,039

amazing biology is great at recording

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01:02:46,710 --> 01:02:42,799

memory in these specifically in these

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01:02:49,109 --> 01:02:46,720

molecules over a huge period of time

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01:02:50,150 --> 01:02:49,119

but it extends beyond that so it's it

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01:02:52,870 --> 01:02:50,160

extends

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01:02:55,910 --> 01:02:52,880

um chemical identity goes much beyond ac

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01:02:58,150 --> 01:02:55,920

and gnt and it goes

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01:03:00,789 --> 01:02:58,160

uh beyond that in terms of dna

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01:03:03,750 --> 01:03:00,799

modifications uh in terms of chromatin

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01:03:06,069 --> 01:03:03,760

modifications biology responds to the

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01:03:07,829 --> 01:03:06,079

environment epigenetic modifications are

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01:03:09,109 --> 01:03:07,839

the ways in which biology responds to

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01:03:11,990 --> 01:03:09,119

the environment

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01:03:15,029 --> 01:03:12,000

and in and incorporates changes or

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01:03:17,430 --> 01:03:15,039

alterations into the chemical identity

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01:03:19,910 --> 01:03:17,440

of the genetic code

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01:03:21,190 --> 01:03:19,920

to respond to the environment and adapt

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01:03:22,069 --> 01:03:21,200

or evolve

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01:03:24,069 --> 01:03:22,079

and

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01:03:27,430 --> 01:03:24,079

this is what we

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01:03:30,150 --> 01:03:27,440

believe is one molecular strategy also

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01:03:33,270 --> 01:03:30,160

we what we call molecular memory that

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01:03:35,190 --> 01:03:33,280

biology uses to record information

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01:03:36,789 --> 01:03:35,200

the problem with chemical identity the

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01:03:38,870 --> 01:03:36,799

problem with tying ourselves to the

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01:03:41,750 --> 01:03:38,880

identity of these molecules

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01:03:43,990 --> 01:03:41,760

is that they can only take us so far

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01:03:46,150 --> 01:03:44,000

one of the earlier papers in our lab

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01:03:49,029 --> 01:03:46,160

actually talks about how many of these

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01:03:51,510 --> 01:03:49,039

small molecules even polymers

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01:03:54,150 --> 01:03:51,520

are heavily accepted and heavily adapted

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01:03:56,390 --> 01:03:54,160

after the origin of life they have been

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01:03:57,990 --> 01:03:56,400

changed they have changed their function

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01:03:59,750 --> 01:03:58,000

and they are doing very different things

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01:04:01,750 --> 01:03:59,760

from what they did

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01:04:05,190 --> 01:04:01,760

when life started

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01:04:06,789 --> 01:04:05,200

so it's it's tricky to um understand

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01:04:09,990 --> 01:04:06,799

chemical identity

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01:04:12,549 --> 01:04:10,000

in this space which is way way uh which

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01:04:14,230 --> 01:04:12,559

predates the origin of life

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01:04:16,470 --> 01:04:14,240

so what else can we

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01:04:17,829 --> 01:04:16,480

learn from or what else can we look at

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01:04:19,910 --> 01:04:17,839

and one other

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01:04:22,789 --> 01:04:19,920

strategy that we can look at is

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01:04:25,349 --> 01:04:22,799

conformational changes of biopolymers in

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01:04:27,270 --> 01:04:25,359

biology today

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01:04:29,430 --> 01:04:27,280

this is not specific to proteins

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01:04:31,910 --> 01:04:29,440

although in this case i've used the

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01:04:34,309 --> 01:04:31,920

example of protein because phenotypic

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01:04:36,230 --> 01:04:34,319

plasticity and prion-based inheritance

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01:04:38,230 --> 01:04:36,240

is something that

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01:04:40,309 --> 01:04:38,240

is uh that has

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01:04:41,990 --> 01:04:40,319

given us a lot of information about the

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01:04:44,150 --> 01:04:42,000

way biology records environmental

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01:04:46,789 --> 01:04:44,160

information responses to temperature

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01:04:49,829 --> 01:04:46,799

changes have been fantastically recorded

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01:04:52,630 --> 01:04:49,839

in prions and um

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01:04:55,670 --> 01:04:52,640

and actually the transverse generations

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01:04:58,470 --> 01:04:55,680

they have been prion sometimes

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01:04:59,510 --> 01:04:58,480

last up to 10 to the five generations

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01:05:01,510 --> 01:04:59,520

which was

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01:05:03,109 --> 01:05:01,520

very very interesting to us when we came

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01:05:04,870 --> 01:05:03,119

up when we

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01:05:06,630 --> 01:05:04,880

discovered this idea

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01:05:08,630 --> 01:05:06,640

and this is independent of the genetic

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01:05:09,990 --> 01:05:08,640

code this is independent of the identity

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01:05:12,309 --> 01:05:10,000

of these molecules and this is

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01:05:14,470 --> 01:05:12,319

independent of

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01:05:17,029 --> 01:05:14,480

the structure of the

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01:05:19,829 --> 01:05:17,039

small of the organism itself so this is

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01:05:21,190 --> 01:05:19,839

found in yeast and bacteria in multiple

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01:05:23,109 --> 01:05:21,200

different organisms but the

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01:05:25,510 --> 01:05:23,119

conformational changes

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01:05:28,150 --> 01:05:25,520

are ways in which molecules can record

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01:05:29,270 --> 01:05:28,160

information and pass it on to generation

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01:05:31,750 --> 01:05:29,280

for

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01:05:33,990 --> 01:05:31,760

variable amounts of time

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although this one is a long-term memory

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01:05:38,309 --> 01:05:36,160

of molecules of course we can also

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01:05:40,789 --> 01:05:38,319
account for short-term memory in terms

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01:05:43,430 --> 01:05:40,799
of conformational changes of signaling

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01:05:45,190 --> 01:05:43,440
proteins conformational changes

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01:05:48,230 --> 01:05:45,200
which will then connect downstream

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01:05:49,910 --> 01:05:48,240
pathways for um

1506
01:05:52,230 --> 01:05:49,920
for detecting the environment and

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01:05:53,910 --> 01:05:52,240
recording it for any period of time so

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01:05:55,829 --> 01:05:53,920
hence we believe that conformational

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01:05:57,349 --> 01:05:55,839
changes in biopolymers

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01:05:59,270 --> 01:05:57,359
are a form of molecular memory in

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01:06:01,510 --> 01:05:59,280
biology today and we can definitely

1512
01:06:04,230 --> 01:06:01,520
learn from them

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01:06:06,630 --> 01:06:04,240

the other strategy and in our case the

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01:06:09,829 --> 01:06:06,640

last one in our list is chemical

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01:06:12,230 --> 01:06:09,839

gradients chemical gradients are a very

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01:06:14,309 --> 01:06:12,240

very common strategy used in biology

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01:06:15,990 --> 01:06:14,319

independent of the identity of the

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01:06:17,270 --> 01:06:16,000

molecule so in here we have the

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01:06:19,750 --> 01:06:17,280

potassium

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01:06:21,270 --> 01:06:19,760

sodium gradient across a neuron which is

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01:06:23,829 --> 01:06:21,280

commonly used to respond to

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01:06:26,309 --> 01:06:23,839

environmental cues may it be in the

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01:06:28,950 --> 01:06:26,319

first ever neuron formed where that was

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01:06:31,990 --> 01:06:28,960

that just gave a survival advantage to

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01:06:34,870 --> 01:06:32,000

the organism or in very complex

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01:06:37,589 --> 01:06:34,880

mammalian brains where we have um

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01:06:39,190 --> 01:06:37,599

information stored every minute to form

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01:06:41,510 --> 01:06:39,200

memories

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01:06:43,349 --> 01:06:41,520

uh chemical gradients can also be as i

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01:06:47,190 --> 01:06:43,359

said independent of chemical identity

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01:06:49,349 --> 01:06:47,200

which can be gradients of nutrients

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01:06:55,029 --> 01:06:49,359

which

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01:06:57,270 --> 01:06:55,039

are taken advantage of by bacteria and

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01:06:59,349 --> 01:06:57,280

by demonstrating tumbling behavior

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01:07:03,430 --> 01:06:59,359

or they may be a small molecule

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01:07:05,829 --> 01:07:03,440

gradients which bacteria use in a very

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01:07:07,829 --> 01:07:05,839

in a fantastic way for quorum sensing

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01:07:12,069 --> 01:07:07,839

and responding to the environment going

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01:07:15,109 --> 01:07:13,670

independent of the identity again

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01:07:17,990 --> 01:07:15,119

chemical gradients we believe are

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01:07:19,670 --> 01:07:18,000

molecular memory which uh exist in

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01:07:21,349 --> 01:07:19,680

biology today

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01:07:24,390 --> 01:07:21,359

uh there are some others which i'm not

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01:07:28,390 --> 01:07:24,400

going to go into too much detail about

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01:07:30,789 --> 01:07:28,400

but just as uh just to conclude

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01:07:32,150 --> 01:07:30,799

although biological memory itself looks

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01:07:33,510 --> 01:07:32,160

very different

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01:07:36,309 --> 01:07:33,520

these are some of the underlying

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01:07:38,230 --> 01:07:36,319

chemical mechanisms which we can take

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01:07:40,390 --> 01:07:38,240

into the space that is prebiotic

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01:07:42,230 --> 01:07:40,400
chemistry and study them in that space

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01:07:44,069 --> 01:07:42,240
without the constraints that biology

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01:07:45,829 --> 01:07:44,079
places on memory

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01:07:47,510 --> 01:07:45,839
and

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01:07:49,510 --> 01:07:47,520
as you see here although chemical

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01:07:51,910 --> 01:07:49,520
identity and conformational changes

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01:07:53,190 --> 01:07:51,920
might only take us so far back

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01:07:55,990 --> 01:07:53,200
we can

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01:07:58,069 --> 01:07:56,000
very reliably and very confidently study

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01:07:59,910 --> 01:07:58,079
chemical gradients

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01:08:02,470 --> 01:07:59,920
in molecules we can study reaction

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01:08:04,549 --> 01:08:02,480
cascades we can study feedback loops in

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01:08:07,750 --> 01:08:04,559

small molecular system and gain more

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01:08:09,990 --> 01:08:07,760

understanding in them about them to

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01:08:11,750 --> 01:08:10,000

learn more about prebiotic chemistry

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01:08:12,950 --> 01:08:11,760

without worrying about whether they

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01:08:14,069 --> 01:08:12,960

might

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01:08:16,149 --> 01:08:14,079

not be

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01:08:19,590 --> 01:08:16,159

completely replicated in biology today

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01:08:23,430 --> 01:08:21,590

with this i want to end the first part

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01:08:25,510 --> 01:08:23,440

of my talk which focuses on the

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01:08:29,269 --> 01:08:25,520

principles and move on to the

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01:08:31,430 --> 01:08:29,279

experimental aspect wherein i say

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01:08:35,269 --> 01:08:31,440

we at the williams lab obviously have

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01:08:40,390 --> 01:08:37,669

strategy for molecular memory

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01:08:43,030 --> 01:08:40,400

which we call your ensemble memory and

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01:08:44,789 --> 01:08:43,040

we are studying this in a system that is

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01:08:47,829 --> 01:08:44,799

chemically evolving

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01:08:49,669 --> 01:08:47,839

and here i would um refer to

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01:08:50,789 --> 01:08:49,679

dr moran's talk

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01:08:53,269 --> 01:08:50,799

where she

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01:08:55,269 --> 01:08:53,279

spoke about the details of this

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01:08:58,390 --> 01:08:55,279

chemically evolving system

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01:09:00,390 --> 01:08:58,400

for my talk today i'm just gonna as uh

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01:09:03,030 --> 01:09:00,400

i'm just going to say that we took a

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01:09:06,470 --> 01:09:03,040

bunch of small molecules and wet dry

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01:09:07,430 --> 01:09:06,480

cycle them for about 15 cycles at 45

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01:09:10,470 --> 01:09:07,440

degrees

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01:09:12,390 --> 01:09:10,480

and conducted an hplc analysis on them

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01:09:13,749 --> 01:09:12,400

hbl's analysis on them

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01:09:15,430 --> 01:09:13,759

for the chemistry i would again

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01:09:16,870 --> 01:09:15,440

recommend you see the talk or the

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01:09:19,269 --> 01:09:16,880

preprint

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01:09:22,070 --> 01:09:19,279

given below

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01:09:23,430 --> 01:09:22,080

we found that this group of or a group

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01:09:25,669 --> 01:09:23,440

of molecules

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01:09:28,950 --> 01:09:25,679

are capable of changing their chemical

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01:09:30,870 --> 01:09:28,960

landscape over a period of 15 cycles

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01:09:32,950 --> 01:09:30,880

only with the addition of water every

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01:09:35,669 --> 01:09:32,960

two days and this was fantastic for us

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01:09:37,749 --> 01:09:35,679

we saw a change in chemical level we saw

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01:09:40,229 --> 01:09:37,759

change in the chemical landscape we saw

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01:09:42,709 --> 01:09:40,239

chemical evolution we saw open-ended

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01:09:45,110 --> 01:09:42,719

change in a system that required us to

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01:09:47,189 --> 01:09:45,120

do nothing else but add water

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01:09:50,229 --> 01:09:47,199

and the chemistry behind this was really

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01:09:54,070 --> 01:09:50,239

amazing and the analysis

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01:09:57,669 --> 01:09:54,080

uh has been covered in this paper here

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01:10:00,550 --> 01:09:57,679

but what i can what we extended this

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01:10:03,189 --> 01:10:00,560

into was we use this as a chemically

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01:10:06,149 --> 01:10:03,199

evolving system and we decided to study

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01:10:08,390 --> 01:10:06,159

memory in this we decided to study how

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01:10:09,590 --> 01:10:08,400

in how this system is capable of

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01:10:11,990 --> 01:10:09,600

recording

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01:10:14,630 --> 01:10:12,000

in our case environmental perturbation

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01:10:16,550 --> 01:10:14,640

so if the control we considered the

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01:10:19,030 --> 01:10:16,560

original system which changed every

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01:10:21,750 --> 01:10:19,040

cycle as the control

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01:10:24,790 --> 01:10:21,760

and we introduced a perturbation so just

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01:10:27,030 --> 01:10:24,800

at one cycle at cycle two we shocked the

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01:10:28,470 --> 01:10:27,040

system at 65 degrees

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01:10:30,709 --> 01:10:28,480

and then

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01:10:32,550 --> 01:10:30,719

took it back down to its original format

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01:10:33,510 --> 01:10:32,560

and treated it exactly the same for the

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01:10:35,189 --> 01:10:33,520

next

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01:10:37,110 --> 01:10:35,199

um

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01:10:39,270 --> 01:10:37,120

next set of cycles

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01:10:40,790 --> 01:10:39,280

and we see that we can actually record

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01:10:43,830 --> 01:10:40,800

this perturbation in the chemical

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01:10:46,470 --> 01:10:43,840

landscape and the perturbation is very

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01:10:48,070 --> 01:10:46,480

evident in the hplc spectra

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01:10:49,990 --> 01:10:48,080

and we can confidently say that the

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01:10:51,669 --> 01:10:50,000

environmental perturbation alters the

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01:10:55,030 --> 01:10:51,679

chemical landscape

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01:10:56,070 --> 01:10:55,040

and further analysis of the hplc spectra

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01:10:58,870 --> 01:10:56,080

can

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01:11:01,430 --> 01:10:58,880

tease out some more information about

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01:11:03,270 --> 01:11:01,440

the memory of this ensemble but we can

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01:11:04,790 --> 01:11:03,280

definitely see how

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01:11:06,709 --> 01:11:04,800

studying

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01:11:08,790 --> 01:11:06,719

ensemble memory

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in a small system can give us more

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01:11:13,590 --> 01:11:11,040

information and can give us

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01:11:15,830 --> 01:11:13,600

insights into the origin and evolution

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01:11:17,189 --> 01:11:15,840

of molecular memory at prebiotic

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01:11:19,030 --> 01:11:17,199

chemistry

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01:11:22,070 --> 01:11:19,040

as a conclusion i would just like to

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01:11:24,070 --> 01:11:22,080

reiterate that biological systems are

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01:11:25,990 --> 01:11:24,080

known to use genetic and non-genetic

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01:11:29,189 --> 01:11:26,000

strategies to record environmental

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01:11:29,990 --> 01:11:29,199
information study of chemical systems

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01:11:31,590 --> 01:11:30,000
uh

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01:11:33,590 --> 01:11:31,600
the way that chemical systems use

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01:11:35,669 --> 01:11:33,600
non-genetic strategies is definitely

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01:11:37,030 --> 01:11:35,679
going to benefit this field i would also

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01:11:39,270 --> 01:11:37,040
like to say that i was really happy to

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01:11:42,870 --> 01:11:39,280
see a lot of talks in this

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01:11:44,790 --> 01:11:42,880
in this space doing that and i think

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01:11:46,950 --> 01:11:44,800
i think that's that's great

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01:11:49,110 --> 01:11:46,960
um with this i would like to acknowledge

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01:11:51,510 --> 01:11:49,120
the williams lab uh specifically dr

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01:11:53,669 --> 01:11:51,520
williams moran and varhab uh we've been

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01:11:55,510 --> 01:11:53,679

working together on this project and of

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01:11:57,550 --> 01:11:55,520

course the williams lab as a whole

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01:12:01,750 --> 01:11:57,560

itself thank you

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01:12:06,870 --> 01:12:04,390

let's thank felipe for presentation and

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01:12:09,350 --> 01:12:06,880

uh so we have time for a couple of

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01:12:12,470 --> 01:12:09,360

questions for kavita meanwhile

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01:12:15,590 --> 01:12:12,480

all the other speakers please uh come to

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01:12:17,590 --> 01:12:15,600

the podium uh so we will have like 15

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01:12:19,350 --> 01:12:17,600

minutes q a session

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if you still have all your questions

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01:12:24,550 --> 01:12:21,040

there are a few questions online so

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01:12:27,270 --> 01:12:24,560

we'll try to cover all of that

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01:12:29,189 --> 01:12:27,280

any questions for kavita yes please hi

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01:12:31,669 --> 01:12:29,199

lynn rothschild nasa ames kavita that

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01:12:33,430 --> 01:12:31,679

was great do you know i really am a

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01:12:34,950 --> 01:12:33,440

great believer in what you're getting at

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01:12:37,270 --> 01:12:34,960

and i think what you're really getting

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01:12:39,510 --> 01:12:37,280

at is very fundamental property of life

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01:12:42,229 --> 01:12:39,520

that's even bigger than what you think

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01:12:44,470 --> 01:12:42,239

that chemistry and physics is a

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01:12:46,550 --> 01:12:44,480

historical i don't care where the water

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01:12:47,510 --> 01:12:46,560

molecule i just drank came from it's

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01:12:50,229 --> 01:12:47,520

water

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01:12:52,070 --> 01:12:50,239

but if you take 100 people and put them

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01:12:53,990 --> 01:12:52,080

in a room and ask you know what do you

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01:12:56,149 --> 01:12:54,000

think about phosphine on venus you will

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01:12:59,110 --> 01:12:56,159

get a range of answers it depends on

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01:13:00,790 --> 01:12:59,120

their history and i'm not convinced

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01:13:03,110 --> 01:13:00,800

having heard this twice you're not

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01:13:05,270 --> 01:13:03,120

actually getting at that very step of

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01:13:06,149 --> 01:13:05,280

the difference between chemistry and

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01:13:08,390 --> 01:13:06,159

life

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01:13:10,310 --> 01:13:08,400

and so i'd really encourage you to think

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01:13:12,950 --> 01:13:10,320

even more broadly on it and by the way

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01:13:14,709 --> 01:13:12,960

also morphological inheritance

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01:13:17,110 --> 01:13:14,719

as an old protozoologist there is

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01:13:18,630 --> 01:13:17,120

literature on inheritance of

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01:13:20,470 --> 01:13:18,640

reversal of committees and so on

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01:13:22,390 --> 01:13:20,480

conciliates so

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01:13:23,830 --> 01:13:22,400

you know keep it up

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01:13:25,910 --> 01:13:23,840

thank you all right

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01:13:27,910 --> 01:13:25,920

absolutely i will definitely look into

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01:13:30,149 --> 01:13:27,920

that

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01:13:32,870 --> 01:13:30,159

uh chris may or bacon university of

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01:13:34,070 --> 01:13:32,880

maryland baltimore county a great good

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01:13:38,149 --> 01:13:34,080

great talk

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01:13:42,390 --> 01:13:40,229

chemical systems and chemical ensembles

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01:13:46,550 --> 01:13:42,400

that

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01:13:47,669 --> 01:13:46,560

reconstruct environmental conditions

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01:13:49,350 --> 01:13:47,679

from

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01:13:52,310 --> 01:13:49,360

those ensembles it

1714

01:13:56,310 --> 01:13:52,320

reminded me a bit of

1715

01:13:58,870 --> 01:13:56,320

some auto catalytic modeling work out of

1716

01:14:01,510 --> 01:13:58,880

david baum's lab so i'm curious if

1717

01:14:03,189 --> 01:14:01,520

you're familiar at all with that work or

1718

01:14:07,270 --> 01:14:03,199

if that has

1719

01:14:12,229 --> 01:14:09,669

chemical ensembles and how they

1720

01:14:15,270 --> 01:14:12,239

grow and evolve

1721

01:14:16,950 --> 01:14:15,280

um yes um so

1722

01:14:19,430 --> 01:14:16,960

did you say david baum

1723

01:14:21,350 --> 01:14:19,440

yeah sorry yes uh i was here for the

1724

01:14:23,830 --> 01:14:21,360

talk in the earlier session i guess lina

1725

01:14:25,669 --> 01:14:23,840

one of his uh phd students gave the talk

1726

01:14:28,470 --> 01:14:25,679

and it was really really interesting to

1727

01:14:29,430 --> 01:14:28,480

me i had uh i did not know about it

1728

01:14:32,149 --> 01:14:29,440

before

1729

01:14:33,910 --> 01:14:32,159

but going ahead uh it would it would be

1730

01:14:35,510 --> 01:14:33,920

very beneficial for us to look into that

1731

01:14:37,189 --> 01:14:35,520

that's for sure

1732

01:14:40,630 --> 01:14:37,199

absolutely

1733

01:14:46,070 --> 01:14:43,350

all right let's thank kavita and let me

1734

01:14:47,350 --> 01:14:46,080

once again invite all speakers from this

1735

01:14:50,870 --> 01:14:47,360

session

1736

01:14:59,350 --> 01:14:50,880

upstairs here bradley

1737

01:15:07,669 --> 01:15:00,470

or

1738

01:15:11,350 --> 01:15:08,550

and

1739

01:15:12,229 --> 01:15:11,360

so you are all welcome to ask

1740

01:15:14,790 --> 01:15:12,239

uh

1741

01:15:17,510 --> 01:15:14,800

questions to any speaker but

1742

01:15:25,030 --> 01:15:17,520

we can start with sketching up

1743

01:15:25,040 --> 01:15:35,189

um

1744

01:15:39,669 --> 01:15:36,870

the first question

1745

01:15:42,229 --> 01:15:39,679

we have from uh clara lauchawa from

1746

01:15:44,070 --> 01:15:42,239

prague uh thank you roy for the

1747

01:15:46,310 --> 01:15:44,080

interesting talk i'm interested in

1748

01:15:49,350 --> 01:15:46,320

whether you have also tried or thought

1749

01:15:51,510 --> 01:15:49,360

about trying longer peptides and include

1750

01:15:55,430 --> 01:15:51,520

other hydrophobic amino acids

1751

01:16:00,709 --> 01:15:58,709

yeah testing a longer peptide is uh the

1752

01:16:03,030 --> 01:16:00,719

first thing i'm going to do when i get

1753

01:16:16,709 --> 01:16:03,040

to get back to seattle

1754

01:16:22,229 --> 01:16:19,510

okay next one we have also um on the

1755

01:16:24,470 --> 01:16:22,239

chat from uli muller that's also for roy

1756

01:16:26,470 --> 01:16:24,480

black so d alanine seemed to help

1757

01:16:29,830 --> 01:16:26,480

vesicles on an earlier

1758

01:16:32,870 --> 01:16:29,840

slide better than dilucine the final

1759

01:16:35,110 --> 01:16:32,880

analysis was focused on dilucine was

1760

01:16:37,669 --> 01:16:35,120

there a reason for choosing leucine over

1761

01:16:40,310 --> 01:16:37,679

the likely more abundant alanine amino

1762

01:16:43,590 --> 01:16:42,550

sorry i could could you repeat that yeah

1763

01:16:45,910 --> 01:16:43,600

so

1764

01:16:48,470 --> 01:16:45,920

the question was that

1765

01:16:50,870 --> 01:16:48,480

in the earlier slides that you showed

1766

01:16:52,630 --> 01:16:50,880

that diane seemed to have a more a

1767

01:16:54,550 --> 01:16:52,640

better effect and then you focus on

1768

01:16:56,709 --> 01:16:54,560

diluting so

1769

01:16:58,950 --> 01:16:56,719

what was the reason and so dialing would

1770

01:17:01,189 --> 01:16:58,960

be more abundant on the periodic earth

1771

01:17:03,669 --> 01:17:01,199

then right yeah no this started

1772

01:17:06,070 --> 01:17:03,679

essentially as a screen i you know

1773

01:17:09,910 --> 01:17:06,080

bought about 20 or whatever

1774

01:17:11,990 --> 01:17:09,920

uh different die peptides and uh

1775

01:17:16,390 --> 01:17:12,000

diluting was the one that had the most

1776

01:17:22,790 --> 01:17:18,870

all right so any other questions you've

1777

01:17:24,950 --> 01:17:22,800

had uh from the audience here yes please

1778

01:17:26,790 --> 01:17:24,960

okay

1779

01:17:28,630 --> 01:17:26,800

yes

1780

01:17:32,470 --> 01:17:28,640

vladimir suborton university of

1781

01:17:35,830 --> 01:17:33,830

question to

1782

01:17:38,310 --> 01:17:35,840

the same presenter

1783

01:17:41,430 --> 01:17:38,320

are these

1784

01:17:43,189 --> 01:17:41,440

dipeptides that appeared inside vesicles

1785

01:17:46,950 --> 01:17:43,199

is it flip flop

1786

01:17:52,149 --> 01:17:49,510

sorry could you repeat that yes you

1787

01:17:55,350 --> 01:17:52,159

mentioned that you have a dipeptide

1788

01:17:57,430 --> 01:17:55,360

appeared inside vesicles

1789

01:18:00,229 --> 01:17:57,440

is it a flip-flop

1790

01:18:05,030 --> 01:18:00,239

in membrane flip-flop from

1791

01:18:07,110 --> 01:18:05,040

outside to inside or they are free

1792

01:18:10,229 --> 01:18:07,120

dipeptide

1793

01:18:12,790 --> 01:18:10,239

so how how do the peptides get in is

1794

01:18:14,950 --> 01:18:12,800

that essentially the question

1795

01:18:17,350 --> 01:18:14,960

yeah is it

1796

01:18:20,070 --> 01:18:17,360

are they still bound to membrane and

1797

01:18:22,950 --> 01:18:20,080

it's just flip-flop from outside

1798

01:18:24,870 --> 01:18:22,960

membrane to inside membrane uh-huh yeah

1799

01:18:26,630 --> 01:18:24,880

no i assume that they are getting

1800

01:18:29,669 --> 01:18:26,640

through again if you look at some of

1801

01:18:32,070 --> 01:18:29,679

jason greenwald's work he's

1802

01:18:36,310 --> 01:18:32,080

looked at the penetration

1803

01:18:37,910 --> 01:18:36,320

of a variety of uh amino acids and and

1804

01:18:39,910 --> 01:18:37,920

peptides and

1805

01:18:42,870 --> 01:18:39,920

these are very leaky membranes right

1806

01:18:45,830 --> 01:18:42,880

it's just a decanoic acid membrane

1807

01:18:47,990 --> 01:18:45,840

so uh we we assume that they are getting

1808

01:18:50,550 --> 01:18:48,000

inside and

1809

01:18:53,030 --> 01:18:50,560

right could be acting from the inside as

1810

01:19:00,870 --> 01:18:54,709

further outside

1811

01:19:06,149 --> 01:19:04,070

sorry i guess i'm still like so they can

1812

01:19:08,870 --> 01:19:06,159

further participate

1813

01:19:12,070 --> 01:19:08,880

in enhancing durability of vehicles

1814

01:19:14,870 --> 01:19:12,080

because if they are bound to inside

1815

01:19:17,430 --> 01:19:14,880

membrane they can flip-flop and appear

1816

01:19:20,830 --> 01:19:17,440

at outside

1817

01:19:24,229 --> 01:19:20,840

i assume they can go in and out

1818

01:19:27,350 --> 01:19:24,239

and uh again we're assuming that the

1819

01:19:29,669 --> 01:19:27,360

mechanism is is the binding

1820

01:19:30,550 --> 01:19:29,679

but you know we haven't even proven that

1821

01:19:31,750 --> 01:19:30,560

so

1822

01:19:33,430 --> 01:19:31,760

thank you

1823

01:19:35,430 --> 01:19:33,440

okay please kim

1824

01:19:37,510 --> 01:19:35,440

hello my name is tim sakolsky university

1825

01:19:39,189 --> 01:19:37,520

wisconsin madison i also have a question

1826

01:19:41,110 --> 01:19:39,199

for professor black

1827

01:19:43,830 --> 01:19:41,120

um and i was wondering if you have

1828

01:19:45,990 --> 01:19:43,840

examined the role of the interactions

1829

01:19:47,510 --> 01:19:46,000

between charged amino acids and because

1830

01:19:49,430 --> 01:19:47,520

it goes out of the example house like

1831

01:19:54,149 --> 01:19:49,440

you gonna cast it or destiny which also

1832

01:19:57,510 --> 01:19:55,830

so could you repeat that

1833

01:19:59,030 --> 01:19:57,520

oh yeah i was wondering if you examine

1834

01:20:00,709 --> 01:19:59,040

the interactions between charged amino

1835

01:20:01,590 --> 01:20:00,719

acids and charged

1836

01:20:05,030 --> 01:20:01,600

um

1837

01:20:07,350 --> 01:20:05,040

vesicles how to charge

1838

01:20:08,310 --> 01:20:07,360

well i mean the decanoic acid vesicles

1839

01:20:11,590 --> 01:20:08,320

will

1840

01:20:13,110 --> 01:20:11,600

at this is a neutral ph bear a negative

1841

01:20:17,590 --> 01:20:13,120

charge

1842

01:20:19,030 --> 01:20:17,600

so

1843

01:20:22,550 --> 01:20:19,040

that's

1844

01:20:25,430 --> 01:20:22,560

one direction we really want to go in is

1845

01:20:27,750 --> 01:20:25,440

uh the is there interaction between the

1846

01:20:29,990 --> 01:20:27,760

amine groups of the

1847

01:20:33,350 --> 01:20:30,000

peptides or amino acids

1848

01:20:34,950 --> 01:20:33,360

with the carboxylates of the uh

1849

01:20:35,990 --> 01:20:34,960

the head groups

1850

01:20:38,470 --> 01:20:36,000

um

1851

01:20:39,910 --> 01:20:38,480

the uh you know that that's one

1852

01:20:41,590 --> 01:20:39,920

possibility

1853

01:20:43,350 --> 01:20:41,600

uh

1854

01:20:45,030 --> 01:20:43,360

it i it's a really interesting question

1855

01:20:47,910 --> 01:20:45,040

why why would the dye peptides have

1856

01:20:49,510 --> 01:20:47,920

these effects that the unjoined amino

1857

01:20:54,070 --> 01:20:49,520

acids don't

1858

01:20:56,470 --> 01:20:54,080

uh the pka of the amine is different

1859

01:20:59,590 --> 01:20:56,480

in a peptide as

1860

01:21:02,229 --> 01:20:59,600

compared to an unjoined amino acid

1861

01:21:04,070 --> 01:21:02,239

whether that's significant enough to

1862

01:21:06,950 --> 01:21:04,080

explain it i don't know

1863

01:21:09,510 --> 01:21:06,960

you've got the peptide bond itself

1864

01:21:10,229 --> 01:21:09,520

which could be interacting

1865

01:21:12,229 --> 01:21:10,239

and

1866

01:21:13,350 --> 01:21:12,239

the the other thing i thought about is

1867

01:21:17,430 --> 01:21:13,360

the

1868

01:21:20,070 --> 01:21:17,440

are uh

1869

01:21:22,629 --> 01:21:20,080

further removed from each other in a in

1870

01:21:26,629 --> 01:21:22,639

an amino in a dipeptide

1871

01:21:28,550 --> 01:21:26,639

uh allowing a different range of

1872

01:21:31,110 --> 01:21:28,560

uh

1873

01:21:32,470 --> 01:21:31,120

you know relative positions

1874

01:21:34,470 --> 01:21:32,480

uh

1875

01:21:36,629 --> 01:21:34,480

and that could be critical so those are

1876

01:21:40,149 --> 01:21:36,639

my thoughts about

1877

01:21:42,310 --> 01:21:40,159

how they could be interacting

1878

01:21:43,510 --> 01:21:42,320

next question hey how's it going sean

1879

01:21:45,350 --> 01:21:43,520

brown from the university of maryland

1880

01:21:47,910 --> 01:21:45,360

baltimore county hey another question

1881

01:21:49,590 --> 01:21:47,920

production great talks everyone uh have

1882

01:21:52,950 --> 01:21:49,600

you taken a look

1883

01:22:02,229 --> 01:21:52,960

at possible other amino acids that are a

1884

01:22:06,149 --> 01:22:04,390

yeah actually

1885

01:22:08,390 --> 01:22:06,159

very interestingly

1886

01:22:10,470 --> 01:22:08,400

uh isoleucine

1887

01:22:11,750 --> 01:22:10,480

does not have the effect on the

1888

01:22:12,709 --> 01:22:11,760

stability

1889

01:22:15,830 --> 01:22:12,719

uh

1890

01:22:19,189 --> 01:22:15,840

at least at the concentrations we tested

1891

01:22:21,590 --> 01:22:19,199

so that suggests that uh

1892

01:22:24,229 --> 01:22:21,600

isoleucine of course has the uh methyl

1893

01:22:25,750 --> 01:22:24,239

group coming off right at the beginning

1894

01:22:28,310 --> 01:22:25,760

of the side chain

1895

01:22:29,510 --> 01:22:28,320

and so that might block uh

1896

01:22:31,669 --> 01:22:29,520

this uh

1897

01:22:34,229 --> 01:22:31,679

notion that the side chain is actually

1898

01:22:35,910 --> 01:22:34,239

has to penetrate into the hydrophobic

1899

01:22:39,189 --> 01:22:35,920

core of the bilayer

1900

01:22:44,229 --> 01:22:39,199

so uh yeah that was very striking

1901

01:22:48,550 --> 01:22:46,470

hi justin boomin from georgia tech my

1902

01:22:50,310 --> 01:22:48,560

question is for bradley i was um this is

1903

01:22:52,390 --> 01:22:50,320

the first time i've tried bradley first

1904

01:22:54,390 --> 01:22:52,400

time i've heard of these terrans i was

1905

01:22:56,310 --> 01:22:54,400

wondering if you could comment on the

1906

01:22:57,590 --> 01:22:56,320

you know the probiotic relevance and

1907

01:22:59,669 --> 01:22:57,600

their potential for uses and

1908

01:23:01,430 --> 01:22:59,679

informational followers from

1909

01:23:04,070 --> 01:23:01,440

informational parliament

1910

01:23:07,590 --> 01:23:04,080

so you wanted to comment on the terrans

1911

01:23:09,270 --> 01:23:07,600

in what regards um they're i guess

1912

01:23:11,350 --> 01:23:09,280

they're clear if you could clarify their

1913

01:23:13,510 --> 01:23:11,360

prebiotic relevance and potential for

1914

01:23:14,709 --> 01:23:13,520

incorporation into an informational

1915

01:23:18,870 --> 01:23:14,719

polymer

1916

01:23:21,910 --> 01:23:18,880

uh well i don't think the the terrans

1917

01:23:25,510 --> 01:23:21,920

are important necessarily for the

1918

01:23:27,910 --> 01:23:25,520

informational problems so they don't

1919

01:23:30,229 --> 01:23:27,920

exhibit the same sort of like

1920

01:23:32,390 --> 01:23:30,239

hydrogen bonding that we see and what we

1921

01:23:33,350 --> 01:23:32,400

like for modern

1922

01:23:36,149 --> 01:23:33,360

um

1923

01:23:37,270 --> 01:23:36,159

pyrimidines and purines or protonucleic

1924

01:23:39,830 --> 01:23:37,280

acids

1925

01:23:42,310 --> 01:23:39,840

uh but what we do see in modern

1926

01:23:45,350 --> 01:23:42,320

biochemistry they play a really large

1927

01:23:47,270 --> 01:23:45,360

part in supportive biochemistry and as

1928

01:23:48,550 --> 01:23:47,280

cofactors for a lot of important

1929

01:23:50,310 --> 01:23:48,560

reactions

1930

01:23:52,550 --> 01:23:50,320

and so

1931

01:23:54,709 --> 01:23:52,560

we're really

1932

01:23:57,430 --> 01:23:54,719

intrigued by how they could have

1933

01:24:00,149 --> 01:23:57,440

supported the nascent biochemistry

1934

01:24:02,390 --> 01:24:00,159

during the prebiotic

1935

01:24:04,470 --> 01:24:02,400

the the prebiotic chemistry of the early

1936

01:24:07,750 --> 01:24:04,480

earth as well and so that's how i look

1937

01:24:10,070 --> 01:24:07,760

at it there um

1938

01:24:12,470 --> 01:24:10,080

yeah so i don't see any um hydrogen

1939

01:24:13,590 --> 01:24:12,480

bonding necessarily capabilities that

1940

01:24:15,270 --> 01:24:13,600

would make them

1941

01:24:16,790 --> 01:24:15,280

competitive with the other options

1942

01:24:20,709 --> 01:24:16,800

available at the time

1943

01:24:23,270 --> 01:24:20,719

so that's what really excites us because

1944

01:24:25,270 --> 01:24:23,280

if you're looking in the prebiotic world

1945

01:24:27,669 --> 01:24:25,280

it's not just like

1946

01:24:30,709 --> 01:24:27,679

each polymer or each type of

1947

01:24:33,669 --> 01:24:30,719

biochemistry operating in isolation

1948

01:24:36,149 --> 01:24:33,679

there's a lot of unexplored chemistry

1949

01:24:39,030 --> 01:24:36,159

with the cooperation between them

1950

01:24:40,470 --> 01:24:39,040

that we really have to uncover and so we

1951

01:24:42,550 --> 01:24:40,480

view this as

1952

01:24:45,030 --> 01:24:42,560

like one step in

1953

01:24:46,709 --> 01:24:45,040

helping us to

1954

01:24:48,870 --> 01:24:46,719

view the different associations that

1955

01:24:51,270 --> 01:24:48,880

could have happened to know what could

1956

01:24:53,590 --> 01:24:51,280

be present and then the next steps would

1957

01:24:55,510 --> 01:24:53,600

be to figure out how prebiotic chemistry

1958

01:24:57,990 --> 01:24:55,520

could utilize them compared to modern

1959

01:24:58,790 --> 01:24:58,000

biochemistry

1960

01:25:01,830 --> 01:24:58,800

you

1961

01:25:05,830 --> 01:25:03,910

hi i'm mark ditzler from the nasa ames

1962

01:25:08,390 --> 01:25:05,840

research center and i just

1963

01:25:09,830 --> 01:25:08,400

had a comment related to roy's talk

1964

01:25:12,950 --> 01:25:09,840

uh it is

1965

01:25:15,030 --> 01:25:12,960

it is interesting that um the

1966

01:25:17,350 --> 01:25:15,040

the most hydrophobic

1967

01:25:20,550 --> 01:25:17,360

hydrophobic difference

1968

01:25:22,870 --> 01:25:20,560

is actually it's very similar to

1969

01:25:24,149 --> 01:25:22,880

kate alamado when she was in jackson i

1970

01:25:27,990 --> 01:25:24,159

had shown

1971

01:25:31,030 --> 01:25:28,000

uh growth of fatty acid specifically um

1972

01:25:32,229 --> 01:25:31,040

by taking up my cells uh in a system

1973

01:25:33,629 --> 01:25:32,239

where they were generating a

1974

01:25:35,830 --> 01:25:33,639

phenylalanine

1975

01:25:37,030 --> 01:25:35,840

beneficial diet

1976

01:25:39,030 --> 01:25:37,040

and so that's also you know it's a very

1977

01:25:40,550 --> 01:25:39,040

hydrophobic diet peptide and

1978

01:25:43,189 --> 01:25:40,560

uh there's actually a paper that just

1979

01:25:44,950 --> 01:25:43,199

came out last year from a

1980

01:25:46,390 --> 01:25:44,960

android really and

1981

01:25:48,950 --> 01:25:46,400

cheney way

1982

01:25:50,070 --> 01:25:48,960

did some simulations looking at that

1983

01:25:52,390 --> 01:25:50,080

peptide and a couple of other

1984

01:25:54,149 --> 01:25:52,400

hypothetical peptides and they saw in

1985

01:25:56,310 --> 01:25:54,159

their simulations that the more

1986

01:25:57,990 --> 01:25:56,320

hydrophobic it was the faster the uptake

1987

01:25:59,270 --> 01:25:58,000

was and they actually have a it's an

1988

01:26:00,950 --> 01:25:59,280

interesting paper they they have a

1989

01:26:02,950 --> 01:26:00,960

mechanism where the hydrophobic

1990

01:26:04,550 --> 01:26:02,960

dipeptides cluster together from a

1991

01:26:06,310 --> 01:26:04,560

hydrophobic patch

1992

01:26:08,790 --> 01:26:06,320

and that allows a stock to form between

1993

01:26:10,550 --> 01:26:08,800

the micellar and vegetables so it seems

1994

01:26:13,270 --> 01:26:10,560

like this is consistent with that and

1995

01:26:15,510 --> 01:26:13,280

that likely the diamond scene was

1996

01:26:17,189 --> 01:26:15,520

establishing uh is probably doing the

1997

01:26:20,229 --> 01:26:17,199

same thing making a hydrophobic patch

1998

01:26:23,990 --> 01:26:20,239

and supporting the uptake of myself

1999

01:26:25,590 --> 01:26:24,000

right yeah i looked at that and that may

2000

01:26:28,149 --> 01:26:25,600

be true but

2001

01:26:29,430 --> 01:26:28,159

with that peptide they had both ends

2002

01:26:33,590 --> 01:26:29,440

blocked

2003

01:26:35,590 --> 01:26:33,600

so it was a very hydrophobic molecule

2004

01:26:37,990 --> 01:26:35,600

and with the the amine and the

2005

01:26:41,430 --> 01:26:38,000

carboxylate both blocked

2006

01:26:43,990 --> 01:26:41,440

that precluded some interactions that

2007

01:26:45,030 --> 01:26:44,000

i suspect are going on here too

2008

01:26:45,750 --> 01:26:45,040

yeah uh

2009

01:26:51,990 --> 01:26:45,760

so

2010

01:26:54,310 --> 01:26:52,000

there was clear correlation between

2011

01:26:55,189 --> 01:26:54,320

hydropurposity and activity i suspect

2012

01:26:56,470 --> 01:26:55,199

it's

2013

01:26:58,470 --> 01:26:56,480

telling us that

2014

01:27:03,669 --> 01:26:58,480

even with the non-block that it's the

2015

01:27:07,110 --> 01:27:05,590

hi my name is

2016

01:27:09,189 --> 01:27:07,120

from university of arizona and i also

2017

01:27:11,430 --> 01:27:09,199

have a question to avoid blog it's kind

2018

01:27:13,590 --> 01:27:11,440

of any of all the questions that have

2019

01:27:15,830 --> 01:27:13,600

been asked but i specifically was

2020

01:27:18,390 --> 01:27:15,840

wondering um

2021

01:27:21,669 --> 01:27:18,400

the kind of bias towards certain amino

2022

01:27:22,470 --> 01:27:21,679

acids this kind of mechanism

2023

01:27:24,870 --> 01:27:22,480

does

2024

01:27:26,870 --> 01:27:24,880

and if that bias towards certain types

2025

01:27:29,910 --> 01:27:26,880

that are better encapsulated or selected

2026

01:27:30,950 --> 01:27:29,920

for by this mechanism if it's consistent

2027

01:27:32,870 --> 01:27:30,960

with the

2028

01:27:35,669 --> 01:27:32,880

sort of trends we see in amino acid

2029

01:27:36,870 --> 01:27:35,679

composition of very very early protein

2030

01:27:39,430 --> 01:27:36,880

per se

2031

01:27:41,910 --> 01:27:39,440

right yeah great question and

2032

01:27:43,110 --> 01:27:41,920

i've looked at that very very casually

2033

01:27:44,550 --> 01:27:43,120

and uh

2034

01:27:46,629 --> 01:27:44,560

don't see it

2035

01:27:48,390 --> 01:27:46,639

readily but uh the the next session

2036

01:27:49,830 --> 01:27:48,400

we're going to hear more about there's a

2037

01:27:50,950 --> 01:27:49,840

three-class session we're going to hear

2038

01:27:53,110 --> 01:27:50,960

more about

2039

01:27:54,790 --> 01:27:53,120

what amino acids were incorporated or

2040

01:27:57,430 --> 01:27:54,800

utilized early on

2041

01:27:59,430 --> 01:27:57,440

uh but uh

2042

01:28:03,189 --> 01:27:59,440

no it doesn't pop out right

2043

01:28:07,350 --> 01:28:05,110

okay we're almost done but there's just

2044

01:28:08,870 --> 01:28:07,360

one more question for bradley on the

2045

01:28:10,149 --> 01:28:08,880

chat so

2046

01:28:13,350 --> 01:28:10,159

uh that's from

2047

01:28:14,709 --> 01:28:13,360

that's from molly muller so are the um

2048

01:28:17,350 --> 01:28:14,719

pterydines

2049

01:28:21,350 --> 01:28:17,360

as photostable as the canonical nuclear

2050

01:28:27,750 --> 01:28:22,470

that

2051

01:28:30,550 --> 01:28:27,760

i did a lot of work on the analytical

2052

01:28:32,149 --> 01:28:30,560

aspects of it and cesar is the one who

2053

01:28:35,750 --> 01:28:32,159

did a lot of the

2054

01:28:37,990 --> 01:28:35,760

reaction synthesis and those pathways

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01:28:39,590 --> 01:28:38,000

for that i know

2056

01:28:40,790 --> 01:28:39,600

he did

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01:28:43,830 --> 01:28:40,800

uv

2058

01:28:45,910 --> 01:28:43,840

for part of the reactions early on but i

2059

01:28:48,550 --> 01:28:45,920

cannot comment on

2060

01:28:50,870 --> 01:28:48,560

the relative stability between them i

2061

01:28:54,470 --> 01:28:50,880

think that's in our paper

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01:28:57,189 --> 01:28:54,480

but i'm not 100 sure so if it's

2063

01:28:58,950 --> 01:28:57,199

important i suggest emailing cesar on

2064

01:29:01,270 --> 01:28:58,960

that i wish i could speak to it so i

2065

01:29:03,990 --> 01:29:01,280

apologize all right thanks

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01:29:06,080 --> 01:29:04,000

so let's thank all speakers and thank