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00:01:57,130 --> 00:00:10,790
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00:03:02,830 --> 00:01:57,140
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do

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well today's discussion about nasa's

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00:05:37,189 --> 00:05:34,880
insight lander

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00:05:38,550 --> 00:05:37,199
before insight touched down on mars in

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00:05:41,350 --> 00:05:38,560
2018

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00:05:42,390 --> 00:05:41,360

rovers and orbiters mainly focused on

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00:05:45,909 --> 00:05:42,400

the surface

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00:05:47,590 --> 00:05:45,919

of the planet now insight is giving

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00:05:50,629 --> 00:05:47,600

scientists the first look

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00:05:53,270 --> 00:05:50,639

at the heart of mars with

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three new studies about its crust mantle

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and core

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published just this week

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the insight team members joining us

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today are

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mark panning of nasa's jet propulsion

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laboratory

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sabina stanley of johns hopkins

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00:06:13,189 --> 00:06:09,840

university

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00:06:16,469 --> 00:06:13,199

and amir khan of eth zurich

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00:06:17,270 --> 00:06:16,479

and the university of zurich and i'm

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00:06:20,790 --> 00:06:17,280

your host

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00:06:21,830 --> 00:06:20,800

raquel villanueva you can use the ask

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nasa

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00:06:25,270 --> 00:06:24,720

on facebook youtube and twitter to ask

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the team

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any questions now before we get to

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indians

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mark can you give us a quick recap of

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00:06:35,110 --> 00:06:33,199

insight's mission

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00:06:37,510 --> 00:06:35,120

for those who aren't really familiar

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00:06:40,230 --> 00:06:37,520

with the lander

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00:06:41,670 --> 00:06:40,240

yeah thanks raquel um if you bring up

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00:06:45,110 --> 00:06:41,680

image one

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uh you can see that uh uh inside

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00:06:49,029 --> 00:06:47,280

a lander we're not a rover we're not

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moving around we're standing still so

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00:06:52,629 --> 00:06:50,160

that we can record

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00:06:53,589 --> 00:06:52,639

uh the things we want to record um and

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00:06:56,230 --> 00:06:53,599

we landed with

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00:06:56,950 --> 00:06:56,240

a bunch of instruments that are aimed at

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00:06:59,029 --> 00:06:56,960

as raquel

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00:07:00,390 --> 00:06:59,039

said looking at the inside of mars

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rather than the surface of mars

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and we're the first mission that's

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00:07:05,270 --> 00:07:03,599
really focused on understanding the

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00:07:07,189 --> 00:07:05,280
interior of mars

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um we landed with a lot of instruments

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as i said but uh today we're only going

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to be talking about results from the

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seismometer

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which uh in the image you could see is

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00:07:17,510 --> 00:07:16,240
is sitting out in front of the lander

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00:07:19,990 --> 00:07:17,520
underneath that thing that kind of looks

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00:07:23,029 --> 00:07:20,000
like an upside down pie plate

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00:07:24,629 --> 00:07:23,039

and uh so as i said we're trying to

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understand the inside of mars

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00:07:28,870 --> 00:07:27,759

and the the plan there the the the goal

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is to understand

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the insides of that we can look at the

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formation and evolution of mars and the

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overall

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reason why we want to do that is because

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mars is one of our four

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rocky planets of the solar system which

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also includes earth

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venus and mercury and by going from

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cartoon understanding of what the inside

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of

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numbers on it as we've done in the

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studies that that came out this week

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we are able to you know really expand

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the family tree of understanding how

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these rocky planets form and how they're

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similar and how they're different it's

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good to hear our family tree

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is now growing now before we

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get to additional questions i want to

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ask

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each of you the same question

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what was one of the most intriguing

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results

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for you personally uh can we start with

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00:08:26,469 --> 00:08:25,510

thanks for calling you know what that

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00:08:28,629 --> 00:08:26,479

that's a really

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difficult question actually simply

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because that we have made so many

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interesting discoveries

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um but if i have to single out one thing

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then it would have to be the observation

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that we have actually you know we have

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landed an entire geophysical laboratory

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including a highly sensitive seismometer

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00:08:48,470 --> 00:08:46,160
on the surface of moss

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00:08:50,710 --> 00:08:48,480
and that that seismometer has actually

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00:08:52,630 --> 00:08:50,720
been able to detect mars quakes

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00:08:54,550 --> 00:08:52,640
which allowed us to look inside the

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00:08:56,230 --> 00:08:54,560
planet and from which we have learned

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00:09:00,470 --> 00:08:56,240
quite a bit about its interior

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00:09:02,470 --> 00:09:00,480
for example insight has confirmed our

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00:09:05,670 --> 00:09:02,480
view that mars is a planet

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00:09:08,150 --> 00:09:05,680
that was once probably completely molten

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00:09:08,870 --> 00:09:08,160
as a result of which it's separated into

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00:09:11,509 --> 00:09:08,880
a crust

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00:09:12,790 --> 00:09:11,519
a mantle and a core that's what we see

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00:09:14,710 --> 00:09:12,800

on this image here

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00:09:17,110 --> 00:09:14,720

and the most fascinating thing is that

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00:09:19,910 --> 00:09:17,120

we have now been able to put numbers

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00:09:22,310 --> 00:09:19,920

on these units crust mantle and core with

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00:09:24,150 --> 00:09:22,320

the data that we have gotten from inside

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00:09:26,150 --> 00:09:24,160

we know the crustal thickness we know

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00:09:27,509 --> 00:09:26,160

the thickness of the mantle and we know

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the core size

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00:09:33,990 --> 00:09:30,959

and its density its mass and

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00:09:35,509 --> 00:09:34,000

of course their properties and all of

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00:09:37,750 --> 00:09:35,519

this is really what we need

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00:09:40,230 --> 00:09:37,760

in order for us to move on to what i

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would call the next stage

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00:09:43,269 --> 00:09:42,480
which is to say something about how ma

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00:09:46,389 --> 00:09:43,279
is formed

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00:09:48,470 --> 00:09:46,399
and evolved which is really the main

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00:09:49,670 --> 00:09:48,480
reason why we put mars on the planet in

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00:09:52,070 --> 00:09:49,680
the first place

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00:09:53,829 --> 00:09:52,080
i think this is to me the most single

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00:09:55,990 --> 00:09:53,839
outstanding thing

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00:09:57,190 --> 00:09:56,000
also because it paves the way for you

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00:10:00,070 --> 00:09:57,200
know future

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00:10:01,430 --> 00:10:00,080
missions future seismological missions

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00:10:04,949 --> 00:10:01,440
be it single station

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00:10:08,790 --> 00:10:04,959
because we know it works that is

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00:10:11,110 --> 00:10:08,800

fascinating and what about you sabina

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00:10:12,790 --> 00:10:11,120

thanks for cal so for me i think this

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00:10:13,910 --> 00:10:12,800

would have to be the fact that the core

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00:10:15,590 --> 00:10:13,920

is actually quite

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00:10:17,269 --> 00:10:15,600

large it's on the high end of what we

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00:10:19,269 --> 00:10:17,279

expected before the mission

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00:10:21,030 --> 00:10:19,279

and the density of the core is actually

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00:10:22,150 --> 00:10:21,040

on the low end of what we expected

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00:10:23,750 --> 00:10:22,160

before the mission

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00:10:25,750 --> 00:10:23,760

so the reason those are interesting is

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00:10:26,069 --> 00:10:25,760

because there are big implications for

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00:10:29,430 --> 00:10:26,079

how

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00:10:32,550 --> 00:10:29,440

mars created its magnetic field long ago

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00:10:34,230 --> 00:10:32,560
so today on the surface of mars we see

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00:10:35,350 --> 00:10:34,240
that the crustal rocks some of them are

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00:10:38,470 --> 00:10:35,360
magnetized

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00:10:40,949 --> 00:10:38,480
formed while mars had an

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00:10:41,750 --> 00:10:40,959
active dynamo and that happened over

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00:10:44,550 --> 00:10:41,760
three and a half

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00:10:46,790 --> 00:10:44,560
billion years ago but now that we know

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00:10:48,790 --> 00:10:46,800
the size of the core and we have some

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00:10:50,790 --> 00:10:48,800
information about the composition of the

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00:10:53,430 --> 00:10:50,800
core from the density measurements

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00:10:55,030 --> 00:10:53,440
we can start thinking about how mars

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00:10:57,190 --> 00:10:55,040
dynamo worked

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00:10:58,949 --> 00:10:57,200

and that's exciting because a global

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00:11:00,550 --> 00:10:58,959

magnetic field that was created by the

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00:11:02,870 --> 00:11:00,560

dynamo

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00:11:03,670 --> 00:11:02,880

that has important implications for mars

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00:11:05,269 --> 00:11:03,680

atmosphere

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00:11:07,430 --> 00:11:05,279

and as soon as you start mentioning

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

atmospheres you start

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00:11:10,710 --> 00:11:10,000

connecting to whether or not mars was

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00:11:14,870 --> 00:11:10,720

habitable

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00:11:16,790 --> 00:11:14,880

in its early life habitability is on

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00:11:19,750 --> 00:11:16,800

everyone's mind when you talk about mars

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00:11:21,430 --> 00:11:19,760

and mark what about you

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00:11:23,350 --> 00:11:21,440

yeah to me what's actually most

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00:11:25,350 --> 00:11:23,360

fascinating is what we've done with

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00:11:27,509 --> 00:11:25,360

events that are actually pretty small

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00:11:28,949 --> 00:11:27,519

um the the biggest events that we're

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00:11:31,190 --> 00:11:28,959

talking about and that

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

that we've used to to nail down the

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00:11:34,470 --> 00:11:33,040

details of the crest mantle and core in

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00:11:36,230 --> 00:11:34,480

the studies that came out

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00:11:37,509 --> 00:11:36,240

um the biggest ones have been less than

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00:11:39,030 --> 00:11:37,519

magnitude four

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00:11:40,550 --> 00:11:39,040

and so these are the kind of events that

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00:11:41,829 --> 00:11:40,560

here in california where i'm at

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there's a good chance you wouldn't even

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00:11:44,069 --> 00:11:43,440

feel it unless you were pretty close to

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00:11:46,949 --> 00:11:44,079

it

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00:11:47,829 --> 00:11:46,959

um and so you know the the the fact that

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00:11:49,269 --> 00:11:47,839

we've been able to

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00:11:51,430 --> 00:11:49,279

get all these details is really

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00:11:52,230 --> 00:11:51,440

interesting and it's and the the fact

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00:11:53,750 --> 00:11:52,240

that these

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00:11:55,509 --> 00:11:53,760

events are all more than a thousand

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00:11:56,949 --> 00:11:55,519

miles away and we've still been able to

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00:11:58,790 --> 00:11:56,959

measure them is something we could only

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00:12:01,910 --> 00:11:58,800

do on mars and not on earth

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00:12:03,750 --> 00:12:01,920

and that's because on earth the

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00:12:05,590 --> 00:12:03,760

background is noisy and it's because of

201
00:12:06,790 --> 00:12:05,600
the oceans the oceans are always

202
00:12:07,990 --> 00:12:06,800
pounding and even if you're sitting in

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00:12:09,670 --> 00:12:08,000
the middle of siberia

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00:12:11,110 --> 00:12:09,680
well away from any oceans you're always

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00:12:13,110 --> 00:12:11,120
hearing the noise of the oceans

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00:12:14,550 --> 00:12:13,120
on mars you're not hearing that at all

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00:12:16,310 --> 00:12:14,560
because there's no oceans

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00:12:17,590 --> 00:12:16,320
and that means that in the frequency

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00:12:19,110 --> 00:12:17,600
band that we're looking at where we're

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00:12:21,269 --> 00:12:19,120
making these measurements

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00:12:22,790 --> 00:12:21,279
uh mars is probably two orders of

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00:12:25,670 --> 00:12:22,800
magnitude quieter than

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00:12:27,190 --> 00:12:25,680

anywhere on earth um and so we've been

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able to make some really astounding

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measurements and really

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get at the the things we wanted to do

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with this mission with events that are

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actually pretty small

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which makes me wonder about the core

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amir you study the core

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00:12:47,110 --> 00:12:42,160

uh how does studying it help scientists

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00:12:53,110 --> 00:12:50,550

well raquel you know the core is really

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00:12:55,110 --> 00:12:53,120

the heart of the planet so to speak

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00:12:57,430 --> 00:12:55,120

because it contains the clues to mars

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formation

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it informs us about the how

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and when and of what did mars form

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00:13:07,910 --> 00:13:06,959

you know mars like earth heated up as it

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00:13:10,310 --> 00:13:07,920

formed from the

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00:13:12,310 --> 00:13:10,320

dust and the larger clumps of material

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00:13:15,590 --> 00:13:12,320

that was around in the early syste

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00:13:17,670 --> 00:13:15,600

solar system and and

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00:13:19,430 --> 00:13:17,680

over the next few million years the

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00:13:21,670 --> 00:13:19,440

planet sort of separated

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00:13:24,550 --> 00:13:21,680

into a cross mantle and core which is

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00:13:27,670 --> 00:13:24,560

what we saw on image two here please

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um and this um

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this observation tells us that mars was

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most likely completely molten

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for it to form such a large iron nickel

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core

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as the heavy stuff would you know sink

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relatively easily

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00:13:44,389 --> 00:13:43,040

toward the center of the planet that's

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00:13:47,110 --> 00:13:44,399

the howl

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00:13:48,230 --> 00:13:47,120

next we have learned from insight that

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00:13:50,949 --> 00:13:48,240

the density of the

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00:13:52,949 --> 00:13:50,959

core that is the mass of the core is low

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00:13:55,910 --> 00:13:52,959

compared to what we'd expect

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00:13:57,590 --> 00:13:55,920

if it was made made of of nick iron

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00:13:59,590 --> 00:13:57,600
nickel only

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00:14:01,509 --> 00:13:59,600
this implies that if you know the core

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00:14:04,710 --> 00:14:01,519
of mars must contain

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00:14:05,829 --> 00:14:04,720
a lot of light elements such as sulfur

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00:14:08,790 --> 00:14:05,839
and carbon and

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00:14:10,310 --> 00:14:08,800
oxygen and hydrogen because that's the

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00:14:11,910 --> 00:14:10,320
only way to make an iron

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00:14:14,710 --> 00:14:11,920
you know a heavy iron nickel core

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lighter now this in turn suggests that

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00:14:19,670 --> 00:14:17,279
mars probably formed while the dust

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00:14:21,110 --> 00:14:19,680
in the early solar system which

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00:14:22,150 --> 00:14:21,120
basically consists of a lot of these

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00:14:25,750 --> 00:14:22,160

light elements

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was still around and that suggests again

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that mars must have formed right at the

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start of the solar system

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that's the when as for the what is mars

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made

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it it seems very difficult to form mars

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from the same material as the earth the

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need for you know these light elements

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almost begs for material that is further

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from the sun

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because the material will bring with it

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00:14:52,069 --> 00:14:49,279

more of the light elements that we need

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to lower the mass of the core and

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incidentally the

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you know these light elements in the

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core also explains why the core of mars

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is liquid today

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simply because the white elements lower

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the freezing point of

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00:15:07,670 --> 00:15:05,680

the liquid or of the iron nickel core

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00:15:08,870 --> 00:15:07,680

you know like the freezing of water is

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lowered

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when you mix it with salt for example

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some great details about the core now

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sabina

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00:15:19,189 --> 00:15:17,519

what are the similarities and

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00:15:22,310 --> 00:15:19,199

differences in how

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00:15:24,069 --> 00:15:22,320

earth and mars work

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00:15:25,829 --> 00:15:24,079

yeah great question raquel so we can

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00:15:28,710 --> 00:15:25,839

look at image

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00:15:29,350 --> 00:15:28,720

3 now so you can see in the image mars

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00:15:31,910 --> 00:15:29,360

is about

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00:15:33,189 --> 00:15:31,920

half the size of earth and in some ways

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00:15:34,310 --> 00:15:33,199

the planets actually behave very

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00:15:36,629 --> 00:15:34,320

differently

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00:15:38,230 --> 00:15:36,639

so the outer rigid layer of rocky

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00:15:40,310 --> 00:15:38,240

planets that's called the lithosphere

301
00:15:41,509 --> 00:15:40,320
and on earth the lithosphere is kind of

302
00:15:43,829 --> 00:15:41,519
thin and it's

303
00:15:44,790 --> 00:15:43,839
broken up into plates marked with these

304
00:15:47,430 --> 00:15:44,800
lines here

305
00:15:49,749 --> 00:15:47,440
now those plates move relative to each

306
00:15:51,110 --> 00:15:49,759
other that's known as plate tectonics

307
00:15:52,870 --> 00:15:51,120
and it's the motion of these plates

308
00:15:54,230 --> 00:15:52,880
that's largely responsible for most of

309
00:15:55,990 --> 00:15:54,240
the earthquakes

310
00:15:58,230 --> 00:15:56,000
so for example on the west coast of the

311
00:16:00,310 --> 00:15:58,240
us you know about the san andreas fault

312
00:16:01,590 --> 00:16:00,320
which is a boundary between two plates

313
00:16:03,590 --> 00:16:01,600

that are moving against each other and

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00:16:05,749 --> 00:16:03,600

that causes lots of earthquakes

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00:16:07,030 --> 00:16:05,759

there are also strong earthquakes at

316

00:16:09,189 --> 00:16:07,040

subduction zones

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00:16:10,150 --> 00:16:09,199

that's where one plate descends back

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00:16:12,470 --> 00:16:10,160

into the mantle

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00:16:14,629 --> 00:16:12,480

underneath another that example for

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00:16:17,590 --> 00:16:14,639

example happens around the pacific rim

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00:16:18,870 --> 00:16:17,600

now because mars is smaller it has a

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00:16:21,189 --> 00:16:18,880

thicker lithosphere

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00:16:23,269 --> 00:16:21,199

and it's much harder to get the surface

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00:16:24,470 --> 00:16:23,279

to break apart and descend back into the

325

00:16:26,870 --> 00:16:24,480

planet

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00:16:27,670 --> 00:16:26,880

that means mars doesn't have plate

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00:16:30,629 --> 00:16:27,680

tectonics

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00:16:31,430 --> 00:16:30,639

mars is a one plate planet so we don't

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00:16:34,150 --> 00:16:31,440

expect

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00:16:34,790 --> 00:16:34,160

mars quakes to be as large or as

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00:16:36,230 --> 00:16:34,800

frequent

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00:16:39,430 --> 00:16:36,240

as earthquakes and that's how the

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00:16:41,189 --> 00:16:39,440

planets are actually quite different

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00:16:43,189 --> 00:16:41,199

it's fascinating to think of mars as a

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00:16:45,430 --> 00:16:43,199

one-plate planet

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00:16:47,990 --> 00:16:45,440

and kind of speaking about quakes mark

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00:16:51,269 --> 00:16:48,000

can you tell us what tools insight uses

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00:16:54,790 --> 00:16:51,279

to detect marsquakes

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00:16:56,870 --> 00:16:54,800

yeah uh thanks raquel so the um the the

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00:16:57,829 --> 00:16:56,880

instrument we're using for for these

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00:16:59,430 --> 00:16:57,839

studies is

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00:17:01,110 --> 00:16:59,440

called the the very broadband

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00:17:03,829 --> 00:17:01,120

seismometer um

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00:17:04,150 --> 00:17:03,839

and uh it's supplied by the the french

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00:17:06,870 --> 00:17:04,160

and

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00:17:08,470 --> 00:17:06,880

um the image you see on the screen here

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00:17:10,390 --> 00:17:08,480

image five that's the

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00:17:11,750 --> 00:17:10,400

that's a kind of a cross section of what

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00:17:13,669 --> 00:17:11,760

this is and um

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00:17:15,029 --> 00:17:13,679

it's a there's a lot of complicated

351
00:17:15,750 --> 00:17:15,039
things happening in there but there's

352
00:17:18,949 --> 00:17:15,760
layers

353
00:17:21,350 --> 00:17:18,959
protecting the instrument from

354
00:17:23,029 --> 00:17:21,360
wind and thermal noise temperature

355
00:17:24,390 --> 00:17:23,039
changes all of that that cause noise in

356
00:17:25,189 --> 00:17:24,400
the seismometer and the seismometer

357
00:17:26,630 --> 00:17:25,199
itself is

358
00:17:28,549 --> 00:17:26,640
deep in the middle of it some of the

359
00:17:29,909 --> 00:17:28,559
kind of metal complicated metal bits

360
00:17:32,310 --> 00:17:29,919
there in the middle

361
00:17:33,270 --> 00:17:32,320
and this is an extremely sensitive

362
00:17:34,870 --> 00:17:33,280
instrument it's

363
00:17:38,390 --> 00:17:34,880

capable of measuring motions that are

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00:17:41,029 --> 00:17:38,400

the scale of a hydrogen atom so this is

365

00:17:42,710 --> 00:17:41,039

amazingly sensitive that we're that that

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00:17:43,990 --> 00:17:42,720

we can do and we we need to do that

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00:17:45,830 --> 00:17:44,000

because like i said

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00:17:47,350 --> 00:17:45,840

um these are small events that we're

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00:17:48,789 --> 00:17:47,360

measuring from more than a thousand

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00:17:49,830 --> 00:17:48,799

miles away so we need to have that

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00:17:52,630 --> 00:17:49,840

really sensitive

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00:17:53,750 --> 00:17:52,640

instrument and if you go to image four

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00:17:55,830 --> 00:17:53,760

you can see

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00:17:57,430 --> 00:17:55,840

um the the seismo on the left you can

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00:17:59,350 --> 00:17:57,440

see the seismometer there and it's uh

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00:18:00,549 --> 00:17:59,360

native habitat on the surface of mars

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00:18:02,070 --> 00:18:00,559

making its measurements

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00:18:04,390 --> 00:18:02,080

and the measurements we get back look

379

00:18:05,430 --> 00:18:04,400

like the the what we call the seismogram

380

00:18:06,950 --> 00:18:05,440

on the right

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00:18:08,630 --> 00:18:06,960

um they're just wiggles showing the

382

00:18:10,950 --> 00:18:08,640

ground motion up and down

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00:18:12,630 --> 00:18:10,960

um side to side and uh you can see

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00:18:13,029 --> 00:18:12,640

there's two big peaks on there those are

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00:18:15,110 --> 00:18:13,039

the p

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00:18:18,150 --> 00:18:15,120

s waves for those who have have studied

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00:18:19,029 --> 00:18:18,160

uh intro seismology or intro geology at

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00:18:21,350 --> 00:18:19,039

some point

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00:18:22,549 --> 00:18:21,360

and the studies we that we're talking

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00:18:25,029 --> 00:18:22,559

about this week

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00:18:26,710 --> 00:18:25,039

um are all taking really smaller wiggles

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00:18:28,150 --> 00:18:26,720

that are after those big arrivals in

393

00:18:29,830 --> 00:18:28,160

order to get at the

394

00:18:31,590 --> 00:18:29,840

the structure of the deep interior of

395

00:18:33,110 --> 00:18:31,600

mars

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00:18:34,950 --> 00:18:33,120

and i have one more question about those

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00:18:37,750 --> 00:18:34,960

wiggles sabina

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00:18:39,669 --> 00:18:37,760

where are most quakes coming from on

399

00:18:41,990 --> 00:18:39,679

mars

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00:18:43,750 --> 00:18:42,000

yeah great question raquel so we can

401

00:18:45,669 --> 00:18:43,760

actually look at image six now

402

00:18:47,590 --> 00:18:45,679

so most of the quakes we've observed

403

00:18:49,669 --> 00:18:47,600

appear to come from one region of mars

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00:18:51,350 --> 00:18:49,679

and it's called cerberus fosse

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00:18:53,430 --> 00:18:51,360

and this region is about a thousand

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00:18:55,350 --> 00:18:53,440

miles east of the inside lander

407

00:18:57,029 --> 00:18:55,360

now the fosse occur because forces are

408

00:18:58,710 --> 00:18:57,039

kind of pulling the crust apart a bit

409

00:18:59,830 --> 00:18:58,720

there and that's causing the cracks that

410

00:19:01,190 --> 00:18:59,840

we see

411

00:19:03,270 --> 00:19:01,200

now before the mission we thought this

412

00:19:06,070 --> 00:19:03,280

region might actually be tectonically

413

00:19:07,669 --> 00:19:06,080

active and have things like earthquakes

414

00:19:09,430 --> 00:19:07,679

because of the shifting and cracking

415

00:19:10,789 --> 00:19:09,440

that we were expecting and we thought

416

00:19:12,870 --> 00:19:10,799

this because we've actually seen

417

00:19:14,390 --> 00:19:12,880

trails left from boulders that are

418

00:19:17,029 --> 00:19:14,400

rolling down the sides of the cliffs

419

00:19:18,390 --> 00:19:17,039

that's what's shown in this image here

420

00:19:20,150 --> 00:19:18,400

there are also signs that this region

421

00:19:21,830 --> 00:19:20,160

was actually volcanically active quite

422

00:19:23,029 --> 00:19:21,840

recently maybe tens of thousands to

423

00:19:26,070 --> 00:19:23,039

millions of years ago

424

00:19:28,150 --> 00:19:26,080

which for geology that's quite recent

425

00:19:29,510 --> 00:19:28,160

now there's another region of mars that

426

00:19:31,270 --> 00:19:29,520

we thought we might see

427

00:19:33,510 --> 00:19:31,280

mars quakes from and that's tharsis

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00:19:35,270 --> 00:19:33,520

starsus is that giant volcanic province

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00:19:36,470 --> 00:19:35,280

that has all the really big volcanoes on

430

00:19:38,549 --> 00:19:36,480

mars

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00:19:39,990 --> 00:19:38,559

and it turns out now that we've actually

432

00:19:41,430 --> 00:19:40,000

narrowed down the size of the core and

433

00:19:43,750 --> 00:19:41,440

we know that it's quite big

434

00:19:46,310 --> 00:19:43,760

it makes sense that we haven't

435

00:19:48,710 --> 00:19:46,320

identified any quakes from there

436

00:19:50,549 --> 00:19:48,720

and that's because tharsis ends up in a

437

00:19:52,950 --> 00:19:50,559

region called the shadow zone

438

00:19:54,870 --> 00:19:52,960

of the insight seismometer so this is a

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00:19:56,070 --> 00:19:54,880

region where we actually can't detect

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00:19:59,270 --> 00:19:56,080

seismic waves

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00:20:01,590 --> 00:19:59,280

if an earth a marsquake occurs

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00:20:03,590 --> 00:20:01,600

near tharsis because the material

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00:20:06,390 --> 00:20:03,600

properties of mars mantle cause all the

444

00:20:08,630 --> 00:20:06,400

waves to deflect away from

445

00:20:10,470 --> 00:20:08,640

the insight lander so it's not

446

00:20:12,630 --> 00:20:10,480

surprising now that we haven't yet

447

00:20:13,990 --> 00:20:12,640

seen any quakes from the tharsis region

448

00:20:16,310 --> 00:20:14,000

even though we expect it might be

449

00:20:19,510 --> 00:20:16,320

tectonically active

450

00:20:21,750 --> 00:20:19,520

yeah this is kind of a great segue into

451
00:20:23,270 --> 00:20:21,760
viewer questions that we have now if

452
00:20:24,789 --> 00:20:23,280
anyone watching has a question they'd

453
00:20:28,070 --> 00:20:24,799
like to ask they can use

454
00:20:31,590 --> 00:20:28,080
the ask nasa hashtag to submit it and

455
00:20:34,630 --> 00:20:31,600
first up we have

456
00:20:37,110 --> 00:20:34,640
fred on facebook who asks how does the

457
00:20:39,909 --> 00:20:37,120
recorded martian seismic activity

458
00:20:41,990 --> 00:20:39,919
compare with earth's mark would you like

459
00:20:45,350 --> 00:20:42,000
to take that

460
00:20:48,549 --> 00:20:45,360
yeah sure um so uh as

461
00:20:51,350 --> 00:20:48,559
as sabine pointed out earlier earth has

462
00:20:52,070 --> 00:20:51,360
plate tectonics and that causes really

463
00:20:54,149 --> 00:20:52,080

big

464

00:20:56,149 --> 00:20:54,159

earthquakes that happen particularly in

465

00:20:58,149 --> 00:20:56,159

places like subduction zones

466

00:21:00,230 --> 00:20:58,159

where where the plates running under

467

00:21:01,909 --> 00:21:00,240

another one mars doesn't have that so we

468

00:21:03,510 --> 00:21:01,919

don't see any of the big quakes

469

00:21:05,190 --> 00:21:03,520

if you look at the total amount of

470

00:21:07,990 --> 00:21:05,200

quakes we see um it's

471

00:21:09,190 --> 00:21:08,000

it's um quite a bit less than we see

472

00:21:11,270 --> 00:21:09,200

even in the quiet

473

00:21:12,870 --> 00:21:11,280

inner portions of the plates that aren't

474

00:21:13,750 --> 00:21:12,880

near the edges we're seeing less size

475

00:21:15,190 --> 00:21:13,760

missing that

476
00:21:16,870 --> 00:21:15,200
but we are seeing a little more size

477
00:21:18,230 --> 00:21:16,880
missing than we saw on the moon with a

478
00:21:21,510 --> 00:21:18,240
with with apollo

479
00:21:22,950 --> 00:21:21,520
seismometers um and so uh overall it's a

480
00:21:25,350 --> 00:21:22,960
it's a pretty small number

481
00:21:26,470 --> 00:21:25,360
um and uh at this point as i said we

482
00:21:28,470 --> 00:21:26,480
haven't seen anything

483
00:21:29,990 --> 00:21:28,480
bigger than a magnitude 4 whereas on

484
00:21:31,430 --> 00:21:30,000
earth you get events that are bigger

485
00:21:33,909 --> 00:21:31,440
than magnitude eight or nine

486
00:21:35,990 --> 00:21:33,919
and um if you don't know how magnitude

487
00:21:37,270 --> 00:21:36,000
scales work that's a really really big

488
00:21:41,350 --> 00:21:37,280

difference in energy so

489

00:21:43,909 --> 00:21:41,360

uh mars is much much quieter than earth

490

00:21:44,789 --> 00:21:43,919

and then we have another one that seems

491

00:21:48,390 --> 00:21:44,799

kind of

492

00:21:50,950 --> 00:21:48,400

fun what about meteorites

493

00:21:52,230 --> 00:21:50,960

can robert on twitter ask can you detect

494

00:21:56,830 --> 00:21:52,240

meteor strikes

495

00:22:00,470 --> 00:21:58,950

quake

496

00:22:02,950 --> 00:22:00,480

mark would you want to take that one too

497

00:22:05,990 --> 00:22:02,960

yeah i i want to dominate all the

498

00:22:08,310 --> 00:22:06,000

the answers here but um so uh

499

00:22:10,390 --> 00:22:08,320

going into the mission we had um uh

500

00:22:12,390 --> 00:22:10,400

hoped to see meteor strikes um

501
00:22:13,830 --> 00:22:12,400
see impacts um those are the kinds of

502
00:22:15,430 --> 00:22:13,840
things you can detect if you look on the

503
00:22:16,470 --> 00:22:15,440
moon we actually detected a lot of

504
00:22:19,510 --> 00:22:16,480
impacts

505
00:22:20,630 --> 00:22:19,520
um with with apollo seismometers um at

506
00:22:23,830 --> 00:22:20,640
this point

507
00:22:24,470 --> 00:22:23,840
we have not uh uh conclusively seen any

508
00:22:26,630 --> 00:22:24,480
impacts

509
00:22:29,029 --> 00:22:26,640
um and uh that that that's a little

510
00:22:32,390 --> 00:22:29,039
disappointing but the impact rates

511
00:22:33,190 --> 00:22:32,400
not very high and um and mars does have

512
00:22:35,430 --> 00:22:33,200
a thin

513
00:22:37,350 --> 00:22:35,440

atmosphere that filters out uh some of

514

00:22:38,149 --> 00:22:37,360

the impacts so at this point we haven't

515

00:22:40,149 --> 00:22:38,159

seen one

516

00:22:41,750 --> 00:22:40,159

um but that doesn't mean we can't uh we

517

00:22:43,270 --> 00:22:41,760

have we we we have

518

00:22:44,870 --> 00:22:43,280

estimations of all sorts of things and

519

00:22:47,990 --> 00:22:44,880

we're actually uh looking at

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00:22:49,909 --> 00:22:48,000

uh images from from various orbiters

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00:22:52,470 --> 00:22:49,919

around mars that are always looking for

522

00:22:54,310 --> 00:22:52,480

fresh impact craters by comparing images

523

00:22:56,230 --> 00:22:54,320

and whenever any of those are seen we

524

00:22:58,950 --> 00:22:56,240

try to see if we can see it in the data

525

00:23:02,149 --> 00:22:58,960

um so thus far we haven't but uh trust

526

00:23:05,350 --> 00:23:02,159

me we're looking very closely

527

00:23:06,710 --> 00:23:05,360

we'll see one day and cnn news

528

00:23:08,549 --> 00:23:06,720

oh did amir would you like to add

529

00:23:08,950 --> 00:23:08,559

something yeah yeah i just wanted to say

530

00:23:10,710 --> 00:23:08,960

i mean

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00:23:12,789 --> 00:23:10,720

like just to pick up on mark's last

532

00:23:14,950 --> 00:23:12,799

point i mean it's like uh so we see

533

00:23:16,870 --> 00:23:14,960

these images right and we can see that

534

00:23:18,710 --> 00:23:16,880

you know there's been an impact uh you

535

00:23:21,510 --> 00:23:18,720

know and since uh

536

00:23:22,230 --> 00:23:21,520

the orbiter was there the last time so

537

00:23:24,149 --> 00:23:22,240

you have like

538

00:23:25,669 --> 00:23:24,159

the problem is you have a time frame of

539

00:23:27,909 --> 00:23:25,679

you know

540

00:23:30,230 --> 00:23:27,919

anything from half to a full year and

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00:23:33,110 --> 00:23:30,240

you have to go back and look at the data

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00:23:34,390 --> 00:23:33,120

or you have to look through the data for

543

00:23:36,950 --> 00:23:34,400

that period

544

00:23:38,710 --> 00:23:36,960

and it's like literally like looking um

545

00:23:41,590 --> 00:23:38,720

for the needle in a haystack to

546

00:23:42,549 --> 00:23:41,600

to to find that thing but technically it

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00:23:45,990 --> 00:23:42,559

could be in there

548

00:23:47,909 --> 00:23:46,000

says most of the meteorite impacts that

549

00:23:49,830 --> 00:23:47,919

we have seen on these images

550

00:23:52,230 --> 00:23:49,840

are relatively small as a result of

551
00:23:55,430 --> 00:23:52,240
which you are not expecting to see

552
00:23:57,990 --> 00:23:55,440
to pick them up by insight

553
00:23:59,430 --> 00:23:58,000
but they could be there and then i do

554
00:24:00,310 --> 00:23:59,440
actually have another question for you

555
00:24:03,750 --> 00:24:00,320
that's coming in

556
00:24:05,830 --> 00:24:03,760
cnc news on youtube asks what's the

557
00:24:08,470 --> 00:24:05,840
biggest surprise about the interior of

558
00:24:14,950 --> 00:24:11,590
that's for me that's for you

559
00:24:17,909 --> 00:24:14,960
oh thanks thanks raquel um

560
00:24:18,549 --> 00:24:17,919
the the biggest surprise i think i i

561
00:24:21,190 --> 00:24:18,559
sabine

562
00:24:22,870 --> 00:24:21,200
went over a little bit i think you know

563
00:24:24,230 --> 00:24:22,880

one of the things that i find the most

564

00:24:26,310 --> 00:24:24,240

surprising is this uh

565

00:24:28,230 --> 00:24:26,320

i mean we sort of had a good idea about

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00:24:30,950 --> 00:24:28,240

you know the core of mars being

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00:24:32,230 --> 00:24:30,960

being relatively big but we didn't

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00:24:35,110 --> 00:24:32,240

expect it maybe to be

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00:24:36,070 --> 00:24:35,120

so big as it is and as a result of the

570

00:24:37,750 --> 00:24:36,080

size

571

00:24:40,549 --> 00:24:37,760

you know the radius of of this thing

572

00:24:44,310 --> 00:24:40,559

being you know more than 1800 kilometers

573

00:24:46,549 --> 00:24:44,320

that the the the density that is that

574

00:24:47,510 --> 00:24:46,559

the total mass divided by the volume if

575

00:24:50,149 --> 00:24:47,520

you want

576
00:24:51,029 --> 00:24:50,159
is relatively low as sabine said and and

577
00:24:54,630 --> 00:24:51,039
you know as i

578
00:24:55,190 --> 00:24:54,640
uh pointed out in my um in my talk about

579
00:25:07,269 --> 00:24:55,200
the

580
00:25:08,070 --> 00:25:07,279
so that's i think for me is as

581
00:25:09,510 --> 00:25:08,080
personally

582
00:25:11,190 --> 00:25:09,520
you know is is one of the most

583
00:25:12,470 --> 00:25:11,200
intriguing things that we have to

584
00:25:14,230 --> 00:25:12,480
understand it's not

585
00:25:15,669 --> 00:25:14,240
something that's just going to be you

586
00:25:16,630 --> 00:25:15,679
know very simple and easy and

587
00:25:19,029 --> 00:25:16,640
straightforward to

588
00:25:20,870 --> 00:25:19,039

to come up with an answer to this thing

589

00:25:22,149 --> 00:25:20,880

but it does tell us something about the

590

00:25:24,789 --> 00:25:22,159

composition of ma

591

00:25:26,549 --> 00:25:24,799

of the core of mars which again tells us

592

00:25:29,110 --> 00:25:26,559

something about how moz

593

00:25:31,750 --> 00:25:29,120

formed particularly as to you know the

594

00:25:36,070 --> 00:25:31,760

timing it has had to have formed

595

00:25:37,750 --> 00:25:36,080

very early to have these light elements

596

00:25:40,390 --> 00:25:37,760

thanks samir and then sabine would you

597

00:25:42,149 --> 00:25:40,400

like to add to that

598

00:25:43,590 --> 00:25:42,159

i agree with amir completely to me that

599

00:25:44,870 --> 00:25:43,600

was very surprising and it's you know

600

00:25:46,470 --> 00:25:44,880

it's kind of funny because i'm

601
00:25:48,149 --> 00:25:46,480
i'm someone who studies how magnetic

602
00:25:50,149 --> 00:25:48,159
fields are generated and

603
00:25:51,750 --> 00:25:50,159
i really kind of wanted the core to be a

604
00:25:53,269 --> 00:25:51,760
little bit smaller and

605
00:25:54,789 --> 00:25:53,279
a little bit more dense because that

606
00:25:55,990 --> 00:25:54,799
actually makes it easier for the planet

607
00:25:57,990 --> 00:25:56,000
to generate a magnetic field

608
00:26:00,230 --> 00:25:58,000
early on so now that we know this

609
00:26:01,909 --> 00:26:00,240
information we have to kind of go back

610
00:26:03,269 --> 00:26:01,919
and revise what we thought about how

611
00:26:05,590 --> 00:26:03,279
mars dynamo could have

612
00:26:07,350 --> 00:26:05,600
worked and generated that field early on

613
00:26:09,029 --> 00:26:07,360

in its history so i find that very

614

00:26:11,190 --> 00:26:09,039

exciting

615

00:26:12,470 --> 00:26:11,200

okay we have lots of social media

616

00:26:15,110 --> 00:26:12,480

questions coming in

617

00:26:16,230 --> 00:26:15,120

another one is neil on youtube who asks

618

00:26:19,110 --> 00:26:16,240

will the geologic

619

00:26:22,470 --> 00:26:19,120

ages of mars need to be updated based on

620

00:26:26,149 --> 00:26:24,710

mark is thinking about that would you

621

00:26:29,029 --> 00:26:26,159

like to

622

00:26:30,390 --> 00:26:29,039

take a shot at the question i mean i

623

00:26:33,029 --> 00:26:30,400

think you know when you

624

00:26:35,430 --> 00:26:33,039

the the the remote observational

625

00:26:37,190 --> 00:26:35,440

geologists have have done a lot of uh

626

00:26:38,549 --> 00:26:37,200

really careful work with with crater

627

00:26:40,470 --> 00:26:38,559

accounting and all of that still

628

00:26:42,710 --> 00:26:40,480

applicable i don't think we've changed

629

00:26:44,230 --> 00:26:42,720

that story of what the surface of mars

630

00:26:44,950 --> 00:26:44,240

is doing that's that's all still the

631

00:26:48,070 --> 00:26:44,960

same

632

00:26:48,390 --> 00:26:48,080

um you know this as as amir have pointed

633

00:26:51,029 --> 00:26:48,400

out

634

00:26:52,149 --> 00:26:51,039

um this may have some impact in

635

00:26:54,789 --> 00:26:52,159

understanding what happened

636

00:26:55,430 --> 00:26:54,799

very early right in formation of mars

637

00:26:56,950 --> 00:26:55,440

but that's

638

00:26:59,190 --> 00:26:56,960

mainly not preserved on the surface

639

00:27:01,669 --> 00:26:59,200

because mars was molten then

640

00:27:02,390 --> 00:27:01,679

and so the the surface wasn't there yet

641

00:27:04,630 --> 00:27:02,400

um so

642

00:27:05,430 --> 00:27:04,640

uh yeah i don't think the geology

643

00:27:07,269 --> 00:27:05,440

picture

644

00:27:09,190 --> 00:27:07,279

has has changed they've done some

645

00:27:13,190 --> 00:27:09,200

amazing work with with what they can do

646

00:27:19,830 --> 00:27:16,710

great and then um

647

00:27:23,110 --> 00:27:19,840

partosh on youtube asks if there are no

648

00:27:24,389 --> 00:27:23,120

tectonic plates on mars how was olympus

649

00:27:27,990 --> 00:27:24,399

mons created and

650

00:27:34,549 --> 00:27:31,510

so i can start on that one so on earth

651
00:27:35,909 --> 00:27:34,559
yeah others might chime in um so

652
00:27:38,470 --> 00:27:35,919
the short answer is it's not fully

653
00:27:39,990 --> 00:27:38,480
understood right but what we do know is

654
00:27:40,870 --> 00:27:40,000
that on earth there are different kinds

655
00:27:44,149 --> 00:27:40,880
of volcanoes

656
00:27:45,750 --> 00:27:44,159
occur near subduction zones where one

657
00:27:46,870 --> 00:27:45,760
plate is going underneath another that

658
00:27:48,070 --> 00:27:46,880
melts some of the

659
00:27:49,830 --> 00:27:48,080
the crust underneath and creates

660
00:27:50,789 --> 00:27:49,840
volcanoes but we also have volcanoes

661
00:27:52,230 --> 00:27:50,799
kind of in the

662
00:27:54,630 --> 00:27:52,240
middle of plates and they're due to

663
00:27:56,310 --> 00:27:54,640

something called hot spots so a hot spot

664

00:27:57,190 --> 00:27:56,320

hawaii is a great example of a hotspot

665

00:27:58,789 --> 00:27:57,200

volcano

666

00:28:01,110 --> 00:27:58,799

so what happens on a hot spot is you

667

00:28:03,990 --> 00:28:01,120

have a plume of hot material

668

00:28:05,430 --> 00:28:04,000

coming through the mantle and that gets

669

00:28:08,149 --> 00:28:05,440

to the surface and eventually

670

00:28:10,549 --> 00:28:08,159

leads to volcanic activity now because

671

00:28:13,029 --> 00:28:10,559

mars is a one plate planet

672

00:28:14,870 --> 00:28:13,039

if it has a hot spot that hot spot would

673

00:28:16,710 --> 00:28:14,880

kind of stay in the same location

674

00:28:18,070 --> 00:28:16,720

under the surface which means that you

675

00:28:20,630 --> 00:28:18,080

can actually create much

676

00:28:22,230 --> 00:28:20,640

bigger volcanoes over it on earth

677

00:28:24,389 --> 00:28:22,240

because the plates are moving

678

00:28:25,510 --> 00:28:24,399

it's almost like your your your surface

679

00:28:27,350 --> 00:28:25,520

part of the volcano

680

00:28:28,789 --> 00:28:27,360

moves away from where the hot spot is

681

00:28:31,190 --> 00:28:28,799

and so you get a chain

682

00:28:33,269 --> 00:28:31,200

of volcanoes instead so it's thought

683

00:28:36,070 --> 00:28:33,279

that probably a region like tharsis

684

00:28:38,310 --> 00:28:36,080

got so big and so volcanic because a hot

685

00:28:40,070 --> 00:28:38,320

spot got to stay kind of under one spot

686

00:28:41,750 --> 00:28:40,080

for a long time

687

00:28:43,990 --> 00:28:41,760

i don't know if amir or mark want to add

688

00:28:45,909 --> 00:28:44,000

to that

689

00:28:47,750 --> 00:28:45,919

oh i think there's i would just add

690

00:28:50,470 --> 00:28:47,760

that's a really

691

00:28:51,350 --> 00:28:50,480

yeah it's absolutely correct but i i i'd

692

00:28:53,510 --> 00:28:51,360

add in that

693

00:28:55,430 --> 00:28:53,520

uh one of the interesting open questions

694

00:28:57,990 --> 00:28:55,440

that we still don't understand

695

00:28:59,430 --> 00:28:58,000

is why a hot spot would stay there for

696

00:29:02,470 --> 00:28:59,440

billions of years

697

00:29:04,230 --> 00:29:02,480

um to create uh the the olympus

698

00:29:06,149 --> 00:29:04,240

olympus mons and the tharsis uh

699

00:29:07,830 --> 00:29:06,159

volcanoes that that seem like they've

700

00:29:10,070 --> 00:29:07,840

been active pretty much over the entire

701
00:29:11,909 --> 00:29:10,080
history of mars it's recorded

702
00:29:14,310 --> 00:29:11,919
so that's that's something that we'd all

703
00:29:15,990 --> 00:29:14,320
still like to understand

704
00:29:18,549 --> 00:29:16,000
thank you that was a great question that

705
00:29:20,070 --> 00:29:18,559
came in okay okay go ahead

706
00:29:22,310 --> 00:29:20,080
i could just maybe add that you know

707
00:29:24,789 --> 00:29:22,320
there's been ideas that

708
00:29:26,710 --> 00:29:24,799
the the you know this this plume that

709
00:29:28,389 --> 00:29:26,720
sabine was talking about has been fed by

710
00:29:30,389 --> 00:29:28,399
the lower mantle

711
00:29:31,909 --> 00:29:30,399
like on earth we have plumes that you

712
00:29:34,549 --> 00:29:31,919
know originate from

713
00:29:36,149 --> 00:29:34,559

from deep down almost at the cormental

714

00:29:38,549 --> 00:29:36,159

boundary of the earth

715

00:29:39,510 --> 00:29:38,559

and that was sort of has been taken over

716

00:29:42,230 --> 00:29:39,520

and

717

00:29:43,750 --> 00:29:42,240

has been one of the main ideas but

718

00:29:45,029 --> 00:29:43,760

actually what's happened now because of

719

00:29:47,510 --> 00:29:45,039

the new results of insight

720

00:29:48,789 --> 00:29:47,520

is that mars doesn't have a lower mantle

721

00:29:50,630 --> 00:29:48,799

it doesn't have the equivalent of the

722

00:29:54,149 --> 00:29:50,640

lower mantle of the earth

723

00:29:56,789 --> 00:29:54,159

so you know that idea has to be

724

00:29:59,029 --> 00:29:56,799

you know it doesn't work and which is

725

00:29:59,750 --> 00:29:59,039

like sabine was saying we need to go

726
00:30:04,070 --> 00:29:59,760
back and

727
00:30:07,350 --> 00:30:06,070
we also have a question coming in about

728
00:30:09,909 --> 00:30:07,360
the crust uh

729
00:30:11,350 --> 00:30:09,919
kim on facebook asks do we know what

730
00:30:15,029 --> 00:30:11,360
causes the cracking

731
00:30:17,909 --> 00:30:15,039
of the crust uh

732
00:30:18,789 --> 00:30:17,919
yeah so i'm gonna do that yeah i can

733
00:30:21,909 --> 00:30:18,799
talk a little bit

734
00:30:23,430 --> 00:30:21,919
i so i you know even if you don't have

735
00:30:25,669 --> 00:30:23,440
plate tectonics

736
00:30:27,110 --> 00:30:25,679
planets still have tectonics in the

737
00:30:29,750 --> 00:30:27,120
sense of of their

738
00:30:30,870 --> 00:30:29,760

they are they they crack and deform as

739

00:30:34,230 --> 00:30:30,880

things happen

740

00:30:36,070 --> 00:30:34,240

um and so um there are some really long

741

00:30:37,430 --> 00:30:36,080

slow processes that are happening so it

742

00:30:40,070 --> 00:30:37,440

turns out um

743

00:30:40,870 --> 00:30:40,080

you know most of what planets do you can

744

00:30:43,430 --> 00:30:40,880

think about

745

00:30:44,789 --> 00:30:43,440

uh understanding it by what heat in the

746

00:30:47,990 --> 00:30:44,799

planet is doing

747

00:30:50,149 --> 00:30:48,000

um and so on on mars

748

00:30:51,350 --> 00:30:50,159

like every planet it's constantly losing

749

00:30:53,909 --> 00:30:51,360

heat out to the

750

00:30:55,990 --> 00:30:53,919

you know out to space um and that means

751
00:30:57,430 --> 00:30:56,000
it's slowly cooling down over time

752
00:31:00,070 --> 00:30:57,440
and when you cool things down they

753
00:31:02,950 --> 00:31:00,080
actually shrink um and that causes

754
00:31:04,950 --> 00:31:02,960
a long slow buildup of pressure because

755
00:31:07,590 --> 00:31:04,960
it's shrinking and that causes cracking

756
00:31:09,110 --> 00:31:07,600
and then also you've got these hot spots

757
00:31:09,990 --> 00:31:09,120
underneath that are causing great big

758
00:31:12,630 --> 00:31:10,000
volcanoes

759
00:31:14,149 --> 00:31:12,640
those are great big huge masses of rocks

760
00:31:16,470 --> 00:31:14,159
sitting on top of the crust

761
00:31:17,669 --> 00:31:16,480
that push down on the crust and cause

762
00:31:20,230 --> 00:31:17,679
all sorts of

763
00:31:21,350 --> 00:31:20,240

gravitational things at long distances

764

00:31:24,230 --> 00:31:21,360

away from

765

00:31:25,029 --> 00:31:24,240

big mountains like olympus mons and

766

00:31:26,950 --> 00:31:25,039

tarsus

767

00:31:28,070 --> 00:31:26,960

and so you know there are still all

768

00:31:30,230 --> 00:31:28,080

these forces

769

00:31:31,509 --> 00:31:30,240

that are happening um even though we

770

00:31:32,950 --> 00:31:31,519

don't have this

771

00:31:34,549 --> 00:31:32,960

pretty plate tectonics where

772

00:31:37,029 --> 00:31:34,559

everything's lining up in nice

773

00:31:37,830 --> 00:31:37,039

boundaries um there's still tectonics

774

00:31:39,909 --> 00:31:37,840

happening

775

00:31:41,509 --> 00:31:39,919

because of the processes that are

776

00:31:44,789 --> 00:31:41,519

happening as mars is getting rid of its

777

00:31:47,830 --> 00:31:46,470

thanks mark we have a lot of questions

778

00:31:50,149 --> 00:31:47,840

like i said coming in

779

00:31:50,870 --> 00:31:50,159

so now we have lofty on facebook who

780

00:31:53,830 --> 00:31:50,880

asks

781

00:31:55,190 --> 00:31:53,840

has the data given you clearly defined

782

00:31:59,190 --> 00:31:55,200

boundaries

783

00:32:01,750 --> 00:31:59,200

sizes to the crust mantle and core

784

00:32:04,470 --> 00:32:01,760

uh you know mark amir who would like to

785

00:32:07,669 --> 00:32:07,110

yeah i i i can take a first step but and

786

00:32:10,870 --> 00:32:07,679

then

787

00:32:12,950 --> 00:32:10,880

maybe uh mark can um follow up

788

00:32:13,990 --> 00:32:12,960

so yeah i mean we got some pretty good

789

00:32:17,029 --> 00:32:14,000

numbers uh

790

00:32:19,029 --> 00:32:17,039

off of say the crustal thickness but

791

00:32:20,630 --> 00:32:19,039

again it's beneath inside it's at one

792

00:32:23,110 --> 00:32:20,640

single location

793

00:32:25,110 --> 00:32:23,120

of course you can make inferences about

794

00:32:26,630 --> 00:32:25,120

locations elsewhere but you have to make

795

00:32:28,950 --> 00:32:26,640

certain assumptions

796

00:32:31,029 --> 00:32:28,960

but we do i mean we got some pretty good

797

00:32:33,269 --> 00:32:31,039

numbers now that allow us to really

798

00:32:34,710 --> 00:32:33,279

uh you know crustal thickness is

799

00:32:37,029 --> 00:32:34,720

constrained to within

800

00:32:38,310 --> 00:32:37,039

20 kilometers depending on certain

801
00:32:41,190 --> 00:32:38,320
assumptions

802
00:32:42,870 --> 00:32:41,200
and we know to good uh you know the core

803
00:32:45,909 --> 00:32:42,880
the size of the core as we said

804
00:32:46,389 --> 00:32:45,919
is is pretty well resolved to you know

805
00:32:50,470 --> 00:32:46,399
40

806
00:32:52,870 --> 00:32:50,480
the thickness of the mantle

807
00:32:54,950 --> 00:32:52,880
and we all you know we have we've we

808
00:32:58,310 --> 00:32:54,960
know the properties of the different

809
00:33:00,710 --> 00:32:58,320
you know the properties this the the

810
00:33:02,230 --> 00:33:00,720
the waves you know the the the speed

811
00:33:03,190 --> 00:33:02,240
with which the waves travel through

812
00:33:05,750 --> 00:33:03,200
these different

813
00:33:07,190 --> 00:33:05,760

regions across mapline core to a

814

00:33:10,310 --> 00:33:07,200

reasonable extent now

815

00:33:14,549 --> 00:33:10,320

and that's as we said before is what we

816

00:33:17,669 --> 00:33:16,630

yeah and you know and to be even more

817

00:33:21,190 --> 00:33:17,679

specific

818

00:33:24,070 --> 00:33:21,200

the you know we now can say um

819

00:33:25,350 --> 00:33:24,080

the the the core has a radius of one

820

00:33:26,789 --> 00:33:25,360

thousand eight hundred and thirty

821

00:33:27,590 --> 00:33:26,799

kilometers plus or minus forty

822

00:33:30,070 --> 00:33:27,600

kilometers

823

00:33:31,590 --> 00:33:30,080

we put specific numbers and the crust is

824

00:33:33,590 --> 00:33:31,600

a little bit more difficult because it

825

00:33:35,669 --> 00:33:33,600

varies from place to place but

826

00:33:37,269 --> 00:33:35,679

by comparing with gravity we can make an

827

00:33:39,190 --> 00:33:37,279

estimate of the range

828

00:33:40,470 --> 00:33:39,200

of possible average crustal thickness

829

00:33:43,830 --> 00:33:40,480

and it's i believe

830

00:33:46,230 --> 00:33:43,840

36 to 72 kilometers i think was what

831

00:33:47,590 --> 00:33:46,240

was what we said um and the interesting

832

00:33:49,269 --> 00:33:47,600

thing about both of those is how they

833

00:33:50,789 --> 00:33:49,279

compare with expectations we repeated

834

00:33:53,430 --> 00:33:50,799

over and over again that the core

835

00:33:55,750 --> 00:33:53,440

is at the big end of what we expected um

836

00:33:57,509 --> 00:33:55,760

the crust actually uh tends towards the

837

00:33:59,430 --> 00:33:57,519

the thinner end of the pre-mission

838

00:34:01,029 --> 00:33:59,440

expectations and excluded

839

00:34:03,269 --> 00:34:01,039

some models that suggested that the

840

00:34:05,990 --> 00:34:03,279

crust would be over 100 kilometers thick

841

00:34:06,710 --> 00:34:06,000

which also implied a really dense crust

842

00:34:10,389 --> 00:34:06,720

that uh

843

00:34:12,790 --> 00:34:10,399

matched uh the estimations of surface

844

00:34:13,669 --> 00:34:12,800

chemistry and then you extrapolate that

845

00:34:16,149 --> 00:34:13,679

down you get the

846

00:34:17,430 --> 00:34:16,159

how dense the whole crust is um because

847

00:34:18,790 --> 00:34:17,440

it's on the thin end we know that the

848

00:34:20,710 --> 00:34:18,800

crust is actually den

849

00:34:22,310 --> 00:34:20,720

is less dense than you'd get just from

850

00:34:23,829 --> 00:34:22,320

looking at the surface material so you

851
00:34:25,349 --> 00:34:23,839
probably have to have

852
00:34:27,589 --> 00:34:25,359
quite a bit of things like broken up

853
00:34:28,470 --> 00:34:27,599
porosity um in the top several

854
00:34:30,950 --> 00:34:28,480
kilometers of

855
00:34:32,230 --> 00:34:30,960
of the martian crust um and so you know

856
00:34:34,389 --> 00:34:32,240
the the

857
00:34:36,790 --> 00:34:34,399
the new knowledge we have compared with

858
00:34:37,829 --> 00:34:36,800
our pre-mission expectations are telling

859
00:34:41,510 --> 00:34:37,839
us new things about

860
00:34:43,430 --> 00:34:41,520
how what's happening with mars

861
00:34:45,669 --> 00:34:43,440
and we have several questions coming in

862
00:34:48,710 --> 00:34:45,679
about quakes uh

863
00:34:49,909 --> 00:34:48,720

novotassi on twitter asks um what power

864

00:34:53,109 --> 00:34:49,919

does quicks have

865

00:34:57,030 --> 00:34:53,119

would a person be able to hear or

866

00:35:01,190 --> 00:34:58,470

mark would you like to start and we'll

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00:35:04,150 --> 00:35:01,200

give everything else so

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00:35:04,870 --> 00:35:04,160

as a as a quick answer um if you were

869

00:35:08,630 --> 00:35:04,880

standing

870

00:35:10,790 --> 00:35:08,640

right next to insight you know uh on on

871

00:35:12,710 --> 00:35:10,800

at the lander um you wouldn't feel any

872

00:35:13,510 --> 00:35:12,720

of these these are really tiny motions

873

00:35:14,950 --> 00:35:13,520

that we're seeing

874

00:35:16,870 --> 00:35:14,960

so you wouldn't have felt a thing you

875

00:35:18,790 --> 00:35:16,880

wouldn't have heard a thing it it

876

00:35:20,710 --> 00:35:18,800

you you know you would have to look at

877

00:35:22,390 --> 00:35:20,720

the seismometer to know what it happened

878

00:35:24,310 --> 00:35:22,400

but you know the biggest events

879

00:35:27,270 --> 00:35:24,320

magnitude 3.8 ish

880

00:35:28,230 --> 00:35:27,280

um if you were right there at cerberus

881

00:35:29,670 --> 00:35:28,240

fossey where we

882

00:35:32,310 --> 00:35:29,680

where we think these events have

883

00:35:33,430 --> 00:35:32,320

happened um you'd probably feel it

884

00:35:34,870 --> 00:35:33,440

that's you know that's a

885

00:35:36,950 --> 00:35:34,880

that's a decent sized quake so if you

886

00:35:39,109 --> 00:35:36,960

were right there um where the quake

887

00:35:43,670 --> 00:35:39,119

happened yes but uh at the location of

888

00:35:47,910 --> 00:35:45,030

anyone else want to chime in before i

889

00:35:50,069 --> 00:35:47,920

get to the next question

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00:35:51,030 --> 00:35:50,079

all right we have jason redd on twitter

891

00:35:53,910 --> 00:35:51,040

who asks

892

00:35:54,550 --> 00:35:53,920

why does mars have such a weak magnetic

893

00:35:56,950 --> 00:35:54,560

field

894

00:35:59,270 --> 00:35:56,960

even with a molten core would you like

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00:36:01,990 --> 00:35:59,280

to start savina

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00:36:04,390 --> 00:36:02,000

sure yeah i love that question so today

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00:36:07,430 --> 00:36:04,400

mars does not have a dynamo the dynamo

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00:36:09,030 --> 00:36:07,440

shut down very early in mars history

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00:36:11,510 --> 00:36:09,040

and that's expected because you kind of

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00:36:13,829 --> 00:36:11,520

need a planet needs to be able to cool

901
00:36:15,589 --> 00:36:13,839
very quickly in order to generate a

902
00:36:17,750 --> 00:36:15,599
dynamo in order to create motions in the

903
00:36:19,430 --> 00:36:17,760
core these churning motions that can

904
00:36:21,030 --> 00:36:19,440
bend and twist magnetic field lines and

905
00:36:23,270 --> 00:36:21,040
create new ones so

906
00:36:25,109 --> 00:36:23,280
mars is a smaller planet and now that we

907
00:36:26,470 --> 00:36:25,119
know information about the composition

908
00:36:28,550 --> 00:36:26,480
we also learned that it you know it

909
00:36:28,790 --> 00:36:28,560
can't really cool as quickly as it needs

910
00:36:34,390 --> 00:36:28,800
to

911
00:36:36,069 --> 00:36:34,400
there was a dynamo very early on early

912
00:36:37,589 --> 00:36:36,079
on in the history the planet could cool

913
00:36:40,630 --> 00:36:37,599

faster

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00:36:42,470 --> 00:36:40,640

and there are remnants of that dynamo

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00:36:44,470 --> 00:36:42,480

kind of frozen into rocks in the crust

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00:36:47,109 --> 00:36:44,480

of the planet now those

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00:36:48,310 --> 00:36:47,119

crustal magnetic signatures are actually

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00:36:51,349 --> 00:36:48,320

we can measure them today

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00:36:52,470 --> 00:36:51,359

so uh that's what we say that's what we

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00:36:53,990 --> 00:36:52,480

see today when we talk about the

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00:36:56,069 --> 00:36:54,000

magnetic field of mars today

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00:36:57,910 --> 00:36:56,079

it's the rocks the magnetic fields from

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00:36:58,710 --> 00:36:57,920

those rocks that froze in the magnetic

924

00:37:00,870 --> 00:36:58,720

field of mars

925

00:37:02,390 --> 00:37:00,880

so there are still weak fields and by

926
00:37:04,150 --> 00:37:02,400
week we mean compared to say

927
00:37:06,470 --> 00:37:04,160
the field strength at the surface of the

928
00:37:06,950 --> 00:37:06,480
earth today right earth has a dynamo

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00:37:08,470 --> 00:37:06,960
earth

930
00:37:10,310 --> 00:37:08,480
today and it's creating an active

931
00:37:11,030 --> 00:37:10,320
magnetic field so that field is much

932
00:37:12,710 --> 00:37:11,040
stronger

933
00:37:16,550 --> 00:37:12,720
mars's is weaker because there's no

934
00:37:20,630 --> 00:37:18,310
and we actually have some questions

935
00:37:24,390 --> 00:37:20,640
coming in about

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00:37:26,310 --> 00:37:24,400
your backgrounds uh we want to know

937
00:37:27,510 --> 00:37:26,320
how did you get your career nightman on

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00:37:29,670 --> 00:37:27,520

youtube is asking

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00:37:32,069 --> 00:37:29,680

how did you start your career and how

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00:37:34,550 --> 00:37:32,079

did you get into analyzing quakes

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00:37:36,230 --> 00:37:34,560

on another planet so i'll give everyone

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00:37:38,310 --> 00:37:36,240

a chance to answer

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00:37:40,950 --> 00:37:38,320

we can start with amir sabina and then

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00:37:45,109 --> 00:37:43,829

okay i i i mean i studied geophysics and

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00:37:47,990 --> 00:37:45,119

actually for my

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00:37:48,790 --> 00:37:48,000

as part of my phd thesis i happened to

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00:37:51,510 --> 00:37:48,800

study

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00:37:52,069 --> 00:37:51,520

the quakes from the moon so that's how

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00:37:55,030 --> 00:37:52,079

i'm i

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00:37:56,069 --> 00:37:55,040

i did not start by i have a physics

951
00:37:57,910 --> 00:37:56,079
background and i

952
00:37:59,670 --> 00:37:57,920
came into this field of geophysics a

953
00:38:01,750 --> 00:37:59,680
little by happenstance

954
00:38:04,069 --> 00:38:01,760
and uh the first thing i was confronted

955
00:38:07,270 --> 00:38:04,079
with were these very strange luna

956
00:38:09,349 --> 00:38:07,280
are you know quakes from from the moon

957
00:38:12,230 --> 00:38:09,359
which are extremely noisy

958
00:38:13,349 --> 00:38:12,240
if you the the the data from mars uh the

959
00:38:15,270 --> 00:38:13,359
seismic data for mars

960
00:38:16,630 --> 00:38:15,280
really uh you know contain a lot more

961
00:38:18,230 --> 00:38:16,640
information than the

962
00:38:20,470 --> 00:38:18,240
than the quakes from the moon so that

963
00:38:26,710 --> 00:38:20,480

that was my take to into

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00:38:30,630 --> 00:38:29,510

yeah so for me um my background is also

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00:38:31,910 --> 00:38:30,640

in physics also

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00:38:33,430 --> 00:38:31,920

in astronomy that's what i did in my

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00:38:34,150 --> 00:38:33,440

undergrad and i really got interested in

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00:38:36,069 --> 00:38:34,160

planets

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00:38:37,190 --> 00:38:36,079

probably from watching star trek as a

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00:38:39,190 --> 00:38:37,200

kid to be honest

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00:38:40,870 --> 00:38:39,200

next generation that was sort of my my

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00:38:42,230 --> 00:38:40,880

big inspiration

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00:38:43,990 --> 00:38:42,240

but because i'm someone who studies

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00:38:45,670 --> 00:38:44,000

magnetic fields i'm interested in kind

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00:38:46,230 --> 00:38:45,680

of all the planets that have magnetic

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00:38:47,990 --> 00:38:46,240

fields

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00:38:50,150 --> 00:38:48,000

and mars is a really interesting

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00:38:52,230 --> 00:38:50,160

magnetic planet so i love spending time

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00:38:53,190 --> 00:38:52,240

uh thinking about mars and the insight

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00:38:55,430 --> 00:38:53,200

mission was really

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00:38:56,310 --> 00:38:55,440

a great opportunity for me to get to

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00:38:58,150 --> 00:38:56,320

work with a

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00:38:59,430 --> 00:38:58,160

group of scientists who have so many

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00:39:01,270 --> 00:38:59,440

different expertise

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00:39:02,630 --> 00:39:01,280

in studying the interior of a planet

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00:39:04,150 --> 00:39:02,640

which is really kind of what

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00:39:05,990 --> 00:39:04,160

what i love to do is trying to figure

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00:39:07,109 --> 00:39:06,000

out what's going on way deep down inside

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00:39:12,870 --> 00:39:07,119

the planet

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00:39:16,069 --> 00:39:15,349

yeah so i started um uh unlike the other

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00:39:18,470 --> 00:39:16,079

two my

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00:39:21,190 --> 00:39:18,480

initial background was actually geology

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00:39:21,990 --> 00:39:21,200

um uh and uh i started in geology but i

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00:39:24,790 --> 00:39:22,000

was also

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00:39:26,310 --> 00:39:24,800

you know kind of good at math so so i

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00:39:28,470 --> 00:39:26,320

had so i

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00:39:30,550 --> 00:39:28,480

wandered off into seismology and when i

998

00:39:31,670 --> 00:39:30,560

uh did my phd i mainly focused on the

999

00:39:32,870 --> 00:39:31,680

earth i was looking at

1000

00:39:34,790 --> 00:39:32,880

understanding what's happening in the

1001

00:39:37,190 --> 00:39:34,800

earth's mantle

1002

00:39:39,349 --> 00:39:37,200

but right after finishing my degree i

1003

00:39:40,550 --> 00:39:39,359

stumbled on some funding that was to

1004

00:39:42,390 --> 00:39:40,560

make up

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00:39:44,630 --> 00:39:42,400

what seismology might look like on

1006

00:39:47,750 --> 00:39:44,640

europa which is a moon of jupiter

1007

00:39:49,430 --> 00:39:47,760

um and uh it was you know it was

1008

00:39:52,150 --> 00:39:49,440

funded through a mission that never flew

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00:39:54,390 --> 00:39:52,160

but i got a chance to think about what

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00:39:55,270 --> 00:39:54,400

seismograms on another planet might look

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00:39:57,109 --> 00:39:55,280

like and it's

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00:39:58,950 --> 00:39:57,119

been something i've constantly kept

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00:40:01,030 --> 00:39:58,960

working on and eventually uh

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00:40:02,710 --> 00:40:01,040

four years ago i i moved to jpl and

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00:40:05,670 --> 00:40:02,720

that's all i think about now is

1016

00:40:07,190 --> 00:40:05,680

is uh thinking about seismology on other

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00:40:10,390 --> 00:40:07,200

planets and that's mars

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00:40:12,069 --> 00:40:10,400

that's um the moon that's europa

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00:40:13,670 --> 00:40:12,079

titan the moon of saturn all of these

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00:40:15,990 --> 00:40:13,680

things i love to think about

1021

00:40:17,430 --> 00:40:16,000

uh what quakes look like there and how

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00:40:19,589 --> 00:40:17,440

they look different than what we see on

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00:40:20,950 --> 00:40:19,599

earth

1024

00:40:22,710 --> 00:40:20,960

it's great to hear all your different

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00:40:24,390 --> 00:40:22,720

career paths to get here

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00:40:25,750 --> 00:40:24,400

and i actually have another question for

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00:40:30,309 --> 00:40:25,760

you mark

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00:40:33,190 --> 00:40:30,319

we have um samuel on linkedin who asks

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00:40:34,950 --> 00:40:33,200

can you estimate how old the quakes are

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00:40:38,710 --> 00:40:34,960

and if more might happen

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00:40:40,309 --> 00:40:38,720

in the near future

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00:40:42,390 --> 00:40:40,319

well um i mean i'm not sure what you

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00:40:43,589 --> 00:40:42,400

mean by how old so the quakes

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00:40:45,670 --> 00:40:43,599

all the quakes we're seeing are things

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00:40:46,069 --> 00:40:45,680

that are happening right now um so this

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00:40:48,630 --> 00:40:46,079

is

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00:40:50,150 --> 00:40:48,640

uh you know we i i think sometimes

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00:40:51,270 --> 00:40:50,160

people think of mars as old

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00:40:53,430 --> 00:40:51,280

you know when you look at the surface of

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00:40:55,990 --> 00:40:53,440

mars everything is billions of years old

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00:40:57,750 --> 00:40:56,000

or millions of years old um and so

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00:40:59,030 --> 00:40:57,760

you think of it as old but you know what

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00:41:00,550 --> 00:40:59,040

we're seeing right now is activity

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00:41:02,390 --> 00:41:00,560

that's happening right now

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00:41:04,829 --> 00:41:02,400

um this is stuff that's happening

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00:41:06,150 --> 00:41:04,839

primarily under an area that we know had

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00:41:09,190 --> 00:41:06,160

volcanism

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00:41:12,309 --> 00:41:09,200

in the past million years or so

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00:41:13,829 --> 00:41:12,319

um not we don't know exactly but uh

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00:41:15,510 --> 00:41:13,839

but that means that there's activity

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00:41:15,910 --> 00:41:15,520
happening there right now so we're

1052
00:41:17,510 --> 00:41:15,920
seeing

1053
00:41:22,470 --> 00:41:17,520
quakes that are happening right now and

1054
00:41:25,829 --> 00:41:25,430
let me pull it back up could we detect

1055
00:41:30,550 --> 00:41:25,839
more

1056
00:41:32,069 --> 00:41:30,560
happen in the near future can we predict

1057
00:41:33,829 --> 00:41:32,079
it

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00:41:35,670 --> 00:41:33,839
yeah so you know we can look at the

1059
00:41:37,750 --> 00:41:35,680
statistics of what's already happened

1060
00:41:40,069 --> 00:41:37,760
um and so we've seen lots of quakes um

1061
00:41:42,230 --> 00:41:40,079
more than 700 quakes have been observed

1062
00:41:43,430 --> 00:41:42,240
already and so we're going to keep

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00:41:44,470 --> 00:41:43,440

seeing those those are

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00:41:46,069 --> 00:41:44,480

happening we're actually in a really

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00:41:47,910 --> 00:41:46,079

good time to listen right now because

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00:41:48,870 --> 00:41:47,920

mars atmosphere is really quiet during

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00:41:51,030 --> 00:41:48,880

this time of year

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00:41:52,630 --> 00:41:51,040

and so we can we can detect a lot of

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00:41:53,510 --> 00:41:52,640

quakes and so we're detecting them every

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00:41:56,309 --> 00:41:53,520

day

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00:41:57,670 --> 00:41:56,319

um as far as what kinds we're going to

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00:41:59,030 --> 00:41:57,680

see we'll probably see a lot that are

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00:41:59,910 --> 00:41:59,040

pretty similar to what we've already

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00:42:01,510 --> 00:41:59,920

seen

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00:42:03,109 --> 00:42:01,520

but if you look at the statistics it's

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00:42:05,510 --> 00:42:03,119

possible we'll see some bigger

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00:42:06,710 --> 00:42:05,520

events where you know fingers crossed we

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00:42:09,910 --> 00:42:06,720

would love to see

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00:42:13,109 --> 00:42:12,150

and we have a follow-up question for

1080

00:42:18,470 --> 00:42:13,119

amir

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00:42:20,550 --> 00:42:18,480

in a little bit more detail why the

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00:42:26,069 --> 00:42:20,560

light elements in the core suggest

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00:42:30,630 --> 00:42:27,670

well that has something to do with the

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00:42:31,109 --> 00:42:30,640

fact that you got to um you know when

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00:42:33,349 --> 00:42:31,119

mars

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00:42:34,630 --> 00:42:33,359

form due to clumping together of

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00:42:36,790 --> 00:42:34,640

material

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00:42:38,390 --> 00:42:36,800

you have to ensure that you know you get

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00:42:41,349 --> 00:42:38,400

a lot of these light elements

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00:42:43,430 --> 00:42:41,359

into your you know into uh into the

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00:42:45,990 --> 00:42:43,440

planet accumulated or treated into the

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00:42:51,589 --> 00:42:49,030

which is for for for

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00:42:52,630 --> 00:42:51,599

for mars you know the constraint is

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00:42:56,390 --> 00:42:52,640

really

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00:42:59,109 --> 00:42:56,400

how do you get into such a little planet

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00:43:00,870 --> 00:42:59,119

at the location where it's at how can

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00:43:03,589 --> 00:43:00,880

you really um

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00:43:04,870 --> 00:43:03,599

how can we really explain i mean we have

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00:43:06,790 --> 00:43:04,880

to be careful because of course

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00:43:09,510 --> 00:43:06,800

earth also the earth's core also

1101
00:43:11,430 --> 00:43:09,520
contains you know light elements

1102
00:43:12,710 --> 00:43:11,440
but they are slightly different light

1103
00:43:15,270 --> 00:43:12,720
elements than than

1104
00:43:17,829 --> 00:43:15,280
those from oz and you know the problem

1105
00:43:20,950 --> 00:43:17,839
is again this this number this mean core

1106
00:43:23,670 --> 00:43:20,960
density that we're getting at is so low

1107
00:43:25,750 --> 00:43:23,680
or is relatively low that you need a lot

1108
00:43:26,069 --> 00:43:25,760
of these extremely light elements such

1109
00:43:29,190 --> 00:43:26,079
as

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00:43:31,510 --> 00:43:29,200
carbon oxygen and particularly hydrogen

1111
00:43:34,069 --> 00:43:31,520
and those elements you know that they

1112
00:43:36,630 --> 00:43:34,079
they only stick around the solar nebula

1113
00:43:38,870 --> 00:43:36,640

um you know very early at the very

1114

00:43:40,710 --> 00:43:38,880

earliest stages of

1115

00:43:42,550 --> 00:43:40,720

you know planetary formation in the in

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00:43:44,550 --> 00:43:42,560

the inner solar system

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00:43:45,750 --> 00:43:44,560

because after a couple million years

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00:43:48,630 --> 00:43:45,760

what happens is that the

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00:43:50,790 --> 00:43:48,640

the young sun gets very active and this

1120

00:43:53,030 --> 00:43:50,800

solar nebula is this gaseous

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00:43:55,510 --> 00:43:53,040

solar nebula this gaseous material gets

1122

00:43:57,270 --> 00:43:55,520

dispersed into the outer reaches of the

1123

00:43:59,190 --> 00:43:57,280

of the solar system right and then this

1124

00:44:00,390 --> 00:43:59,200

stuff is gone and when this stuff is

1125

00:44:02,950 --> 00:44:00,400

gone you're not gonna

1126

00:44:03,910 --> 00:44:02,960

you know you can't get it into uh i mean

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00:44:05,910 --> 00:44:03,920

let alone

1128

00:44:07,349 --> 00:44:05,920

on on the planet you're not gonna get it

1129

00:44:09,829 --> 00:44:07,359

into the core of the planet

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00:44:11,670 --> 00:44:09,839

right so that's why it has you know the

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00:44:14,630 --> 00:44:11,680

constraint that it has to have formed

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00:44:17,990 --> 00:44:15,910

and sabina do you have anything you'd

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00:44:20,630 --> 00:44:18,000

like to add to

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00:44:21,670 --> 00:44:20,640

no i mean i i thought that was that was

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00:44:24,069 --> 00:44:21,680

great it was a

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00:44:24,710 --> 00:44:24,079

great answer now we have a question

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00:44:28,150 --> 00:44:24,720

coming in

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00:44:31,990 --> 00:44:28,160

about the studies dan on twitter asks

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00:44:34,230 --> 00:44:32,000

finding say the crust of mars is

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00:44:36,230 --> 00:44:34,240

likely highly enriched in radioactive

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00:44:38,470 --> 00:44:36,240

elements that help to heat

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00:44:39,910 --> 00:44:38,480

this layer at the expense of the

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00:44:43,349 --> 00:44:39,920

interior

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00:44:46,870 --> 00:44:43,359

what radioactive elements are likely

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00:44:47,190 --> 00:44:46,880

how do you detect that and why are they

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00:44:57,349 --> 00:44:47,200

at

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00:45:03,270 --> 00:44:59,670

amir you want to talk about it or uh or

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00:45:05,670 --> 00:45:03,280

i i can talk about it too but

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00:45:07,109 --> 00:45:05,680

have a uh don't know in any case i would

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00:45:09,270 --> 00:45:07,119

have to have the question again please

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00:45:12,230 --> 00:45:09,280
raquel

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00:45:13,510 --> 00:45:12,240
yes of course um findings say the crust

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00:45:15,349 --> 00:45:13,520
of mars is high

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00:45:17,750 --> 00:45:15,359
likely highly enriched in radioactive

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00:45:19,270 --> 00:45:17,760
elements that help heat the

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00:45:21,990 --> 00:45:19,280
this layer at the expense of the

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00:45:22,790 --> 00:45:22,000
interior what radioactive elements are

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00:45:24,950 --> 00:45:22,800
likely

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00:45:25,990 --> 00:45:24,960
how do you detect that and why are they

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00:45:29,349 --> 00:45:26,000
at the expense of the

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00:45:31,910 --> 00:45:29,359
interior ah okay

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00:45:33,589 --> 00:45:31,920
yeah so the main radioactive elements we

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00:45:36,550 --> 00:45:33,599

have on the crust

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00:45:37,990 --> 00:45:36,560

would be uranium thorium and potassium

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00:45:40,390 --> 00:45:38,000

and that's the same on earth and pretty

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00:45:43,670 --> 00:45:40,400

much the same on all terrestrial planets

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00:45:47,750 --> 00:45:43,680

um we say that they are enriched

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00:45:49,430 --> 00:45:47,760

because we have you know prior to inside

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00:45:52,390 --> 00:45:49,440

landing on mars we

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00:45:54,309 --> 00:45:52,400

had this there was this previous in the

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00:45:56,630 --> 00:45:54,319

early 2000s this

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00:45:59,190 --> 00:45:56,640

mars global surveyor satellite mission

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00:46:00,950 --> 00:45:59,200

that was orbiting mars and was measuring

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00:46:02,950 --> 00:46:00,960

it contained a so-called gamma ray

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00:46:05,030 --> 00:46:02,960

spectrometer which measure

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00:46:06,069 --> 00:46:05,040

basically measures uh the number of

1177

00:46:07,829 --> 00:46:06,079

gamma rays

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00:46:09,670 --> 00:46:07,839

that are emitted from the surface and

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00:46:12,069 --> 00:46:09,680

gamma rays are emitted

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00:46:13,430 --> 00:46:12,079

from radioactive decay of these

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00:46:15,670 --> 00:46:13,440

radioactive elements

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00:46:17,349 --> 00:46:15,680

right so we prior to insight we had this

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00:46:20,150 --> 00:46:17,359

idea of of

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00:46:21,670 --> 00:46:20,160

the radioactive element content but of

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00:46:25,270 --> 00:46:21,680

course only on the surface

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00:46:28,069 --> 00:46:25,280

right and now what we did

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00:46:29,910 --> 00:46:28,079

with insight is of course to to you know

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00:46:31,430 --> 00:46:29,920

you look inside the planet you look

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00:46:34,470 --> 00:46:31,440

inside the crust

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00:46:37,030 --> 00:46:34,480

so the the i mean again i have we have

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00:46:40,710 --> 00:46:37,040

to be aware that insight doesn't

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00:46:42,710 --> 00:46:40,720

uh directly see you know radioactive

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00:46:43,910 --> 00:46:42,720

radioactive elements inside is all about

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00:46:46,630 --> 00:46:43,920

seismology

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00:46:47,990 --> 00:46:46,640

but you can indirectly estimate from the

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00:46:50,550 --> 00:46:48,000

seismic data

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00:46:51,829 --> 00:46:50,560

and from the models we produce by you

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00:46:55,670 --> 00:46:51,839

know running

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00:46:59,190 --> 00:46:55,680

so-called you know models that sort of

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00:47:00,790 --> 00:46:59,200

try to mimic the evolution of mars over

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00:47:03,109 --> 00:47:00,800

four and a half billion years

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00:47:05,670 --> 00:47:03,119

right and what you end up with when you

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00:47:07,109 --> 00:47:05,680

run these so-called evolution models

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00:47:09,510 --> 00:47:07,119

uh over four and a half billion years

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00:47:10,150 --> 00:47:09,520

you end up with something today which is

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00:47:12,150 --> 00:47:10,160

you know

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00:47:13,910 --> 00:47:12,160

the models will predict uh crustal

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00:47:16,150 --> 00:47:13,920

thickness it will predict a

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00:47:17,589 --> 00:47:16,160

lithospheric thickness and and it will

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00:47:19,109 --> 00:47:17,599

predict temperatures

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00:47:20,790 --> 00:47:19,119

and those things from these modeling

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00:47:23,109 --> 00:47:20,800

studies you can compare

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00:47:24,230 --> 00:47:23,119

with what we have predicted from insight

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00:47:27,030 --> 00:47:24,240

and when you do that

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00:47:28,630 --> 00:47:27,040

you find that you know in order to to

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00:47:30,069 --> 00:47:28,640

predict the crustal thickness that

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00:47:33,109 --> 00:47:30,079

inside a scene and the

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00:47:34,069 --> 00:47:33,119

lithospheric thickness uh the crust of

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00:47:35,990 --> 00:47:34,079

moss

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00:47:37,589 --> 00:47:36,000

needs to be enriched in these light

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00:47:38,710 --> 00:47:37,599

elements if not you don't get the right

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00:47:40,390 --> 00:47:38,720

you know crustal thickness and

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00:47:41,829 --> 00:47:40,400

lithospheric thickness and temperature

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00:47:44,790 --> 00:47:41,839

and stuff like that

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00:47:46,309 --> 00:47:44,800

so relative to what we had what we knew

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00:47:49,670 --> 00:47:46,319

you know from the surface from this

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00:47:51,510 --> 00:47:49,680

uh mass global severe the the radiation

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00:47:52,710 --> 00:47:51,520

radioactive elements have to be you know

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00:47:54,470 --> 00:47:52,720

they're more of them right

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00:47:55,910 --> 00:47:54,480

but that means you know you can't just

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00:47:57,510 --> 00:47:55,920

get rid of mgs because

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00:47:59,750 --> 00:47:57,520

mg has actually measured something on

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00:48:00,470 --> 00:47:59,760

the surface but it means that you know

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00:48:03,109 --> 00:48:00,480

as you

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00:48:04,150 --> 00:48:03,119

inside the crust you know deeper down in

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00:48:06,790 --> 00:48:04,160

the crust

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00:48:08,309 --> 00:48:06,800

you have rocks different type of rocks

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00:48:09,990 --> 00:48:08,319

on the surface that contain more

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00:48:15,109 --> 00:48:10,000

radioactive elements

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00:48:21,270 --> 00:48:19,190

yeah the key elements there is that

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00:48:22,390 --> 00:48:21,280

there's you know we have estimates of

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00:48:24,309 --> 00:48:22,400

how much

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00:48:25,510 --> 00:48:24,319

of the these heat producing elements

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00:48:28,950 --> 00:48:25,520

were available

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00:48:31,750 --> 00:48:28,960

to mars based on estimates of of of

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00:48:32,710 --> 00:48:31,760

the solar material that that that

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00:48:34,309 --> 00:48:32,720

created mars

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00:48:36,150 --> 00:48:34,319

and so if you're putting more in the

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00:48:37,190 --> 00:48:36,160

crust it means you're taking more out of

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00:48:38,950 --> 00:48:37,200

the mantle so this

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00:48:41,349 --> 00:48:38,960
you know when you melt the mantle to

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00:48:43,910 --> 00:48:41,359
create the crust i wouldn't you know um

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00:48:45,750 --> 00:48:43,920
you are shoving those heat producing

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00:48:48,150 --> 00:48:45,760
elements into the crust and therefore

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00:48:49,349 --> 00:48:48,160
relatively cooling down the mantle um

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00:48:50,950 --> 00:48:49,359
because you don't have as much heat

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00:48:54,069 --> 00:48:50,960
production in the mantle so

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00:48:55,670 --> 00:48:54,079
that makes the mantle a little more cool

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00:48:57,670 --> 00:48:55,680
gives you a thicker lithosphere all of

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00:49:06,470 --> 00:48:57,680
that because we're putting all of those

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00:49:09,829 --> 00:49:07,829
just to follow up to what mark said i

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00:49:13,109 --> 00:49:09,839
mean you know and and

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00:49:14,309 --> 00:49:13,119

the the real way to get at uh to get at

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00:49:17,670 --> 00:49:14,319

the the you know the

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00:49:19,190 --> 00:49:17,680

how many radioactive or the radioactive

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00:49:19,990 --> 00:49:19,200

element content of the crust would have

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00:49:21,750 --> 00:49:20,000

been to

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00:49:24,150 --> 00:49:21,760

you know put that heat flow probe on

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00:49:25,109 --> 00:49:24,160

there which we did but unfortunately it

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00:49:28,150 --> 00:49:25,119

never

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00:49:31,190 --> 00:49:28,160

you know reached the the the depths

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00:49:32,549 --> 00:49:31,200

that it had to in order to measure the

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00:49:35,510 --> 00:49:32,559

heat flow

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00:49:37,270 --> 00:49:35,520

uh that we would have needed in order to

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00:49:39,030 --> 00:49:37,280

to put constraints on the radiator

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00:49:41,589 --> 00:49:39,040

radioactive element content of the

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00:49:45,190 --> 00:49:41,599

martian crust and the heat flow and

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00:49:49,510 --> 00:49:45,200

you know everything beneath it really

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00:49:51,910 --> 00:49:49,520

so that was a very unfortunate um yeah

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00:49:54,150 --> 00:49:51,920

occurrence that it didn't function of

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00:49:59,430 --> 00:49:57,349

i'd like to thank you and mark for that

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00:50:01,990 --> 00:49:59,440

really detailed answer to the question

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00:50:02,790 --> 00:50:02,000

we are getting some great conversations

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00:50:05,270 --> 00:50:02,800

going and

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00:50:07,670 --> 00:50:05,280

we have neil's on youtube who is asking

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00:50:09,990 --> 00:50:07,680

are any of insight's findings

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00:50:11,190 --> 00:50:10,000

likely to influence the science mission

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00:50:16,870 --> 00:50:11,200

of perseverance

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00:50:20,069 --> 00:50:19,589

mark would you like to try yeah oh i

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00:50:23,510 --> 00:50:20,079

mean

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00:50:23,910 --> 00:50:23,520

so um you know so you know perseverance

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00:50:27,510 --> 00:50:23,920

is

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00:50:29,829 --> 00:50:27,520

know we're not

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00:50:31,430 --> 00:50:29,839

uh directly affecting that you know

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00:50:34,790 --> 00:50:31,440

we're

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00:50:35,670 --> 00:50:34,800

inside isn't at the surface so

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00:50:37,270 --> 00:50:35,680

perseverance

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00:50:38,870 --> 00:50:37,280

is going to make their decisions on what

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00:50:40,150 --> 00:50:38,880

to sample um on

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00:50:41,670 --> 00:50:40,160

the surface based on orbital

1301
00:50:42,790 --> 00:50:41,680
observations and what they see as they

1302
00:50:45,190 --> 00:50:42,800
drive around

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00:50:46,470 --> 00:50:45,200
um and so uh we're not gonna probably

1304
00:50:49,670 --> 00:50:46,480
have any direct impact

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00:50:52,790 --> 00:50:49,680
on on perseverance necessarily um

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00:50:54,870 --> 00:50:52,800
but um you know in terms of

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00:50:56,470 --> 00:50:54,880
future missions things we'd like to see

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00:50:58,710 --> 00:50:56,480
on mars i mean you know so

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00:51:01,190 --> 00:50:58,720
amir just pointed out we'd still love to

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00:51:03,910 --> 00:51:01,200
get a heat flow measurement um

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00:51:04,549 --> 00:51:03,920
that would be a great uh future mission

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00:51:07,109 --> 00:51:04,559
and

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00:51:07,670 --> 00:51:07,119

we now know more about where quakes

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00:51:10,230 --> 00:51:07,680

happen

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00:51:11,270 --> 00:51:10,240

uh near insight but as sabina said

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00:51:14,790 --> 00:51:11,280

there's also

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00:51:16,069 --> 00:51:14,800

uh likely to be seismicity associated

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00:51:17,990 --> 00:51:16,079

with narcissists so we can imagine

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00:51:18,950 --> 00:51:18,000

putting seismometers in different places

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00:51:21,030 --> 00:51:18,960

on the surface and

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00:51:21,990 --> 00:51:21,040

we're constraining better where we'd

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00:51:23,829 --> 00:51:22,000

like to do that in order

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00:51:26,230 --> 00:51:23,839

to better increase our understanding of

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00:51:30,069 --> 00:51:27,750

and if i can add just a little bit to

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00:51:32,470 --> 00:51:30,079

that even though you know the

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00:51:33,670 --> 00:51:32,480

a lot of the basis of the mission and

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00:51:35,109 --> 00:51:33,680

the focus of the mission is

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00:51:37,589 --> 00:51:35,119

the seismicity and understanding the

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00:51:39,270 --> 00:51:37,599

deep interior there are instruments on

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00:51:40,470 --> 00:51:39,280

insight that look at the surface and

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00:51:41,829 --> 00:51:40,480

look at the atmosphere so we have

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00:51:43,430 --> 00:51:41,839

cameras that can tell us about the

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00:51:45,030 --> 00:51:43,440

surface and that helps us understand the

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00:51:47,430 --> 00:51:45,040

geology and how things

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00:51:48,790 --> 00:51:47,440

what what's the very very top layer of

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00:51:51,030 --> 00:51:48,800

the surface what what's it

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00:51:55,670 --> 00:51:51,040

all about and even though we're learning

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00:51:59,349 --> 00:51:57,349

but it's an important data point to try

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00:52:01,589 --> 00:51:59,359

and understand all of mars

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00:52:02,950 --> 00:52:01,599

um and we learned about the aeromar

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00:52:04,950 --> 00:52:02,960

turns out to be important

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00:52:06,630 --> 00:52:04,960

to unders to kind of take out the

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00:52:09,430 --> 00:52:06,640

atmospheric signals from the um

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00:52:11,030 --> 00:52:09,440

seismicity signals and that again can

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00:52:13,270 --> 00:52:11,040

kind of be used with with

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00:52:15,030 --> 00:52:13,280

all the atmospheric information we have

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00:52:16,470 --> 00:52:15,040

on mars and all that's going to be

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00:52:22,069 --> 00:52:16,480

helpful for any mission

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00:52:25,670 --> 00:52:23,670

we do have time for a couple more

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00:52:28,230 --> 00:52:25,680

questions so we have

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00:52:30,069 --> 00:52:28,240
jesse on facebook who asks scientists

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00:52:32,069 --> 00:52:30,079
believed the factors like the moon's

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00:52:35,030 --> 00:52:32,079
gravitational push and pull

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00:52:35,589 --> 00:52:35,040
the planet compressing or meteor impacts

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00:52:38,069 --> 00:52:35,599
caused

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00:52:39,829 --> 00:52:38,079
quakes how likely is it that more than

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00:52:45,030 --> 00:52:39,839
one factor could be causing

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00:52:49,430 --> 00:52:47,670
uh quakes i mean i can i can talk about

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00:52:52,470 --> 00:52:49,440
talk about that briefly i mean

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00:52:55,910 --> 00:52:52,480
um quakes are are uh

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00:52:56,630 --> 00:52:55,920
uh an expression of stresses and forces

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00:53:00,069 --> 00:52:56,640
within a

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00:53:01,910 --> 00:53:00,079

within the crest to mars and undoubtedly

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00:53:03,589 --> 00:53:01,920

that those those stresses are the

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00:53:05,670 --> 00:53:03,599

combination of lots of different things

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00:53:08,230 --> 00:53:05,680

um you know i i i i

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00:53:09,349 --> 00:53:08,240

got at that earlier with talking about

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00:53:12,630 --> 00:53:09,359

the the overall

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00:53:13,670 --> 00:53:12,640

slow cooling and the the the weight of

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00:53:15,670 --> 00:53:13,680

big things

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00:53:17,349 --> 00:53:15,680

uh sitting on the surface of mars you

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00:53:19,829 --> 00:53:17,359

know and and you know that's even

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00:53:21,430 --> 00:53:19,839

including weight of uh the ice caps on

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00:53:23,589 --> 00:53:21,440

at the north and south pole all of those

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00:53:25,670 --> 00:53:23,599

things are putting

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00:53:27,589 --> 00:53:25,680

pressures on on mars and changing the

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00:53:30,230 --> 00:53:27,599

stress within the crust so everything

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00:53:30,710 --> 00:53:30,240

is a a is a combination there's there's

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00:53:33,910 --> 00:53:30,720

no

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00:53:34,549 --> 00:53:33,920

one single answer um to what's causing

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00:53:44,470 --> 00:53:34,559

the

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which were

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you know apparently uh they correlated

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00:53:50,790 --> 00:53:48,319

very well with the tides that were

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00:53:53,109 --> 00:53:50,800

raised on the moon by the earth

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and uh you i suppose the question is a

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00:53:57,430 --> 00:53:54,400

little bit the same here

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00:54:00,549 --> 00:53:57,440

could uh you know the martian moons um

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00:54:02,630 --> 00:54:00,559

influence mars uh marsquake activity

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00:54:03,750 --> 00:54:02,640

but that's actually pretty simple to

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00:54:07,349 --> 00:54:03,760

answer and it's

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00:54:09,030 --> 00:54:07,359

i mean we uh i not me personally but

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00:54:11,190 --> 00:54:09,040

people have looked for you know

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00:54:11,589 --> 00:54:11,200

correlations between the tithes raised

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00:54:14,309 --> 00:54:11,599

by

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00:54:16,630 --> 00:54:14,319

folk i mean daimus is too far away and

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00:54:19,510 --> 00:54:16,640

it's too small to raise any significant

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00:54:20,470 --> 00:54:19,520

tides on mars phobos does raise the tide

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but it's not

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it wouldn't be strong enough to produce

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00:54:26,470 --> 00:54:23,760

any strong quakes

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00:54:28,549 --> 00:54:26,480

or stresses in the cross the lithosphere

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00:54:31,670 --> 00:54:28,559

or the interior of the planet

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00:54:34,390 --> 00:54:31,680

that would you know

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release any type of or produce any type

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00:54:38,630 --> 00:54:35,599

of seismicity as

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00:54:42,309 --> 00:54:38,640

as we see it at least we haven't seen

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00:54:46,870 --> 00:54:44,309

and we have time for two more questions

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00:54:52,789 --> 00:54:46,880

so sonja on facebook asks

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00:54:55,030 --> 00:54:52,799

what's the mission going to look at next

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00:54:56,390 --> 00:54:55,040

maybe i can take a step at that i mean

1412

00:54:58,390 --> 00:54:56,400

one of the one of the

1413

00:55:00,710 --> 00:54:58,400

one of the interesting things with

1414

00:55:02,630 --> 00:55:00,720

regard to the core

1415

00:55:04,470 --> 00:55:02,640

sabine has been talking a lot about the

1416

00:55:07,030 --> 00:55:04,480

magnetic field is of course

1417

00:55:07,670 --> 00:55:07,040

the question of whether the earth um i'm

1418

00:55:10,630 --> 00:55:07,680

sorry

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00:55:12,069 --> 00:55:10,640

mars has a solid inner core like the

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00:55:16,069 --> 00:55:12,079

earth has

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00:55:17,910 --> 00:55:16,079

and likely it doesn't but

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00:55:19,750 --> 00:55:17,920

then again we don't really know right we

1423

00:55:21,589 --> 00:55:19,760

have to go down and

1424

00:55:25,349 --> 00:55:21,599

you know dig into the data and look for

1425

00:55:29,030 --> 00:55:27,190

very likely going to be a very difficult

1426
00:55:30,390 --> 00:55:29,040
problem and another one of those things

1427
00:55:31,510 --> 00:55:30,400
where you have to look for the needle in

1428
00:55:34,549 --> 00:55:31,520
the haystack

1429
00:55:36,230 --> 00:55:34,559
but if mars contains um you know the

1430
00:55:39,750 --> 00:55:36,240
equivalent of these

1431
00:55:42,230 --> 00:55:39,760
and in a core then it it is in the data

1432
00:55:43,190 --> 00:55:42,240
and it's about trying to you know to

1433
00:55:52,549 --> 00:55:43,200
extract

1434
00:55:58,069 --> 00:55:53,990
mark savino would you like to add to

1435
00:56:01,349 --> 00:56:00,710
so yeah i agree i'm i'm most interested

1436
00:56:10,950 --> 00:56:01,359
in

1437
00:56:12,950 --> 00:56:10,960
bigger earthquakes as us

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00:56:14,470 --> 00:56:12,960

mars quakes as well that would be very

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00:56:16,870 --> 00:56:14,480

helpful um

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00:56:18,069 --> 00:56:16,880

and from the right location so that we

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00:56:21,349 --> 00:56:18,079

can see them

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00:56:22,309 --> 00:56:21,359

at the insight lander so um everyone

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00:56:24,150 --> 00:56:22,319

cross your fingers

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00:56:27,430 --> 00:56:24,160

and keep wishing and and hope that this

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00:56:31,670 --> 00:56:29,670

yeah and i just say we're continuing to

1446

00:56:35,190 --> 00:56:31,680

listen we're recording right now

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00:56:35,910 --> 00:56:35,200

um so we're we're getting new quakes all

1448

00:56:37,510 --> 00:56:35,920

the time

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00:56:39,510 --> 00:56:37,520

um and there's still a lot of mysteries

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00:56:41,109 --> 00:56:39,520

about the quakes themselves uh the ones

1451
00:56:42,150 --> 00:56:41,119
we're talking about that we've used for

1452
00:56:44,150 --> 00:56:42,160
these studies are

1453
00:56:46,069 --> 00:56:44,160
all a type of quake that we call either

1454
00:56:49,109 --> 00:56:46,079
low frequency or broadband and

1455
00:56:50,069 --> 00:56:49,119
and these look a lot like um earthquakes

1456
00:56:51,990 --> 00:56:50,079
in a lot of ways we

1457
00:56:53,349 --> 00:56:52,000
we we have a pretty uh good

1458
00:56:55,349 --> 00:56:53,359
understanding of how of

1459
00:56:57,030 --> 00:56:55,359
of how they work but there's also

1460
00:56:57,670 --> 00:56:57,040
different types of quakes we're seeing

1461
00:57:00,309 --> 00:56:57,680
that are

1462
00:57:01,750 --> 00:57:00,319
called we have a whole suite of names

1463
00:57:03,750 --> 00:57:01,760

for them high frequency

1464

00:57:04,870 --> 00:57:03,760

very high frequency even super high

1465

00:57:06,789 --> 00:57:04,880

frequency

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00:57:07,910 --> 00:57:06,799

um and they're all different and they

1467

00:57:09,670 --> 00:57:07,920

have lots of

1468

00:57:12,150 --> 00:57:09,680

weird properties that we don't totally

1469

00:57:13,670 --> 00:57:12,160

understand um and so you know

1470

00:57:15,270 --> 00:57:13,680

the more of that data we can get and

1471

00:57:16,630 --> 00:57:15,280

look at the statistics of when they

1472

00:57:18,630 --> 00:57:16,640

happen and all of that those are all a

1473

00:57:19,030 --> 00:57:18,640

lot of questions we'd like to understand

1474

00:57:23,030 --> 00:57:19,040

um

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00:57:23,990 --> 00:57:23,040

you for understanding all of them yet

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00:57:25,670 --> 00:57:24,000

and hopefully

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00:57:28,789 --> 00:57:25,680

after some more data we'll we'll have

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00:57:31,910 --> 00:57:28,799

better answers for that sort of stuff

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00:57:34,390 --> 00:57:31,920

well this is a good segue into our ad

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00:57:35,990 --> 00:57:34,400

go ahead sorry just i'll just also

1481

00:57:36,950 --> 00:57:36,000

quickly add that one thing that's been

1482

00:57:38,390 --> 00:57:36,960

great about

1483

00:57:40,710 --> 00:57:38,400

the length of time of the insight

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00:57:41,270 --> 00:57:40,720

mission is that so mars's year is about

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00:57:43,270 --> 00:57:41,280

twice

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00:57:44,630 --> 00:57:43,280

that of earth's year the amount of time

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00:57:46,710 --> 00:57:44,640

it takes to go around

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00:57:48,309 --> 00:57:46,720

the sun in its orbit and so we're also

1489

00:57:48,950 --> 00:57:48,319

able to now because we've been there for

1490

00:57:51,190 --> 00:57:48,960

so long

1491

00:57:53,510 --> 00:57:51,200

look for seasonal effects look for you

1492

00:57:54,549 --> 00:57:53,520

know since we have repeats of the mars

1493

00:57:56,150 --> 00:57:54,559

seasons

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00:57:57,430 --> 00:57:56,160

and so i think that's also an

1495

00:58:00,390 --> 00:57:57,440

interesting thing we're going to be

1496

00:58:05,670 --> 00:58:04,150

that kind of segues into this final

1497

00:58:08,390 --> 00:58:05,680

question that i have that we can

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00:58:08,950 --> 00:58:08,400

i want each of you to quickly answer joe

1499

00:58:11,910 --> 00:58:08,960

on youtube

1500

00:58:13,910 --> 00:58:11,920

asks based on all your findings what

1501
00:58:14,710 --> 00:58:13,920
would be the next generation of

1502
00:58:17,430 --> 00:58:14,720
instruments

1503
00:58:17,990 --> 00:58:17,440
you would like to see sent to mars for

1504
00:58:21,510 --> 00:58:18,000
further

1505
00:58:23,510 --> 00:58:21,520
understanding oh i see sabina like

1506
00:58:25,750 --> 00:58:23,520
getting excited about that one would you

1507
00:58:29,030 --> 00:58:25,760
like to go first

1508
00:58:29,510 --> 00:58:29,040
sure um i think that there is a whole

1509
00:58:33,109 --> 00:58:29,520
lot of

1510
00:58:35,109 --> 00:58:33,119
opportunity in things like drones or

1511
00:58:36,789 --> 00:58:35,119
helicopters right we have ginny there

1512
00:58:40,150 --> 00:58:36,799
right now

1513
00:58:40,870 --> 00:58:40,160

the ability to to move around and get

1514

00:58:43,510 --> 00:58:40,880

information

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00:58:44,789 --> 00:58:43,520

from different places on the surface

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00:58:46,230 --> 00:58:44,799

that would be

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00:58:47,829 --> 00:58:46,240

really great in terms of learning about

1518

00:58:49,990 --> 00:58:47,839

the next generation we want to have

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00:58:52,470 --> 00:58:50,000

information about the magnetic field

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00:58:54,150 --> 00:58:52,480

the surface properties the gravity um

1521

00:58:55,670 --> 00:58:54,160

seismicity we want it from a lot of

1522

00:58:57,750 --> 00:58:55,680

different locations

1523

00:58:58,789 --> 00:58:57,760

so the more we can do that the more

1524

00:59:02,390 --> 00:58:58,799

we're going to learn about the interior

1525

00:59:08,870 --> 00:59:05,670

like to go next mark uh sure

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00:59:12,549 --> 00:59:08,880

uh yeah so um for me i i

1527

00:59:14,470 --> 00:59:12,559

i 100 agree with sabina that you know um

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00:59:15,750 --> 00:59:14,480

more and more locations and you know

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00:59:18,230 --> 00:59:15,760

connected with that

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00:59:19,990 --> 00:59:18,240

um one of the big challenges we have an

1531

00:59:21,750 --> 00:59:20,000

insight is that we're trying to locate

1532

00:59:23,030 --> 00:59:21,760

events with one station and you know if

1533

00:59:25,349 --> 00:59:23,040

you took an intro class

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00:59:27,430 --> 00:59:25,359

they they teach you somewhat incorrectly

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00:59:28,470 --> 00:59:27,440

that you need three stations to locate a

1536

00:59:30,150 --> 00:59:28,480

a quake

1537

00:59:32,710 --> 00:59:30,160

um we've proven that you can do a lot

1538

00:59:35,349 --> 00:59:32,720

with one station and we can locate a

1539

00:59:37,589 --> 00:59:35,359

uh quakes with with one station but the

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00:59:39,670 --> 00:59:37,599

factory means it's still a lot easier to

1541

00:59:40,630 --> 00:59:39,680

do a lot of seismology if you have more

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00:59:43,430 --> 00:59:40,640

stations

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00:59:44,630 --> 00:59:43,440

and so um you know there are options you

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00:59:46,870 --> 00:59:44,640

can imagine

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00:59:48,470 --> 00:59:46,880

a global network of stations that are

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00:59:49,750 --> 00:59:48,480

really sensitive and are measuring like

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00:59:52,230 --> 00:59:49,760

what we're doing um

1548

00:59:53,589 --> 00:59:52,240

and just really nailing down the global

1549

00:59:55,349 --> 00:59:53,599

picture of what's happening with

1550

00:59:57,030 --> 00:59:55,359

seismology and then maybe looking at

1551

00:59:59,109 --> 00:59:57,040

variations in crystal thickness

1552

01:00:00,950 --> 00:59:59,119

or you could imagine local networks that

1553

01:00:04,069 --> 01:00:00,960

are looking at areas of interest like

1554

01:00:05,750 --> 01:00:04,079

cerberus fosse or or or tharsis

1555

01:00:07,109 --> 01:00:05,760

um where you could get away with maybe

1556

01:00:08,549 --> 01:00:07,119

having less sensitive stations because

1557

01:00:11,190 --> 01:00:08,559

you're sitting right where you know

1558

01:00:12,309 --> 01:00:11,200

quakes are are active and so maybe you

1559

01:00:15,109 --> 01:00:12,319

could have

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01:00:16,390 --> 01:00:15,119

keep landers with with with uh uh less

1561

01:00:18,950 --> 01:00:16,400

expensive sensors

1562

01:00:20,230 --> 01:00:18,960

um and and get networks and and really

1563

01:00:22,630 --> 01:00:20,240

get into understanding

1564

01:00:23,349 --> 01:00:22,640

locations of these small events that we

1565

01:00:27,109 --> 01:00:23,359

can't really

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01:00:30,230 --> 01:00:27,119

locate with one station with insight

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01:00:32,309 --> 01:00:30,240

and then amir yeah i think i

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01:00:34,390 --> 01:00:32,319

i i share the optimism of mark and

1569

01:00:35,910 --> 01:00:34,400

sabine but i think we still have in the

1570

01:00:38,069 --> 01:00:35,920

light of what we have learned now and

1571

01:00:39,750 --> 01:00:38,079

what we've seen with a single station

1572

01:00:41,910 --> 01:00:39,760

and we've done a lot with a single

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01:00:42,390 --> 01:00:41,920

station right and it's amazing it's it's

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01:00:44,069 --> 01:00:42,400

it's

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01:00:45,430 --> 01:00:44,079

outstanding the stuff that we've been

1576

01:00:47,589 --> 01:00:45,440

able to do

1577

01:00:48,789 --> 01:00:47,599

um but i still think that we have to

1578

01:00:51,430 --> 01:00:48,799

keep in mind that

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01:00:52,870 --> 01:00:51,440

you know we have all these different you

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01:00:54,870 --> 01:00:52,880

know geophysical methods

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01:00:56,470 --> 01:00:54,880

uh you know like you look at magnetic

1582

01:00:59,589 --> 01:00:56,480

fields and gravity

1583

01:01:01,349 --> 01:00:59,599

and stuff like that but you know we have

1584

01:01:03,510 --> 01:01:01,359

to keep in mind that seismology is the

1585

01:01:05,430 --> 01:01:03,520

gold standard in the sense that it is

1586

01:01:06,870 --> 01:01:05,440

the geophysical method that has

1587

01:01:09,670 --> 01:01:06,880

you know that gives you the highest

1588

01:01:13,750 --> 01:01:09,680

resolution when you look inside a planet

1589

01:01:17,910 --> 01:01:16,150

we've been talking a lot about i don't

1590

01:01:19,190 --> 01:01:17,920

know make this a long story but we've

1591

01:01:20,950 --> 01:01:19,200

been talking a lot about the you know

1592

01:01:23,270 --> 01:01:20,960

the the the

1593

01:01:24,390 --> 01:01:23,280

the broadband seismometer but there was

1594

01:01:26,710 --> 01:01:24,400

also a short period of

1595

01:01:27,829 --> 01:01:26,720

moment on there which is based on men's

1596

01:01:29,670 --> 01:01:27,839

technology and

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01:01:31,829 --> 01:01:29,680

you know it's light it's compact it

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01:01:34,069 --> 01:01:31,839

doesn't it doesn't weigh anything

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01:01:36,069 --> 01:01:34,079

and you know you could send stuff like

1600

01:01:36,870 --> 01:01:36,079

that but unfortunately what it's turned

1601
01:01:38,549 --> 01:01:36,880
out is that

1602
01:01:40,230 --> 01:01:38,559
you know a lot of the stuff a lot of the

1603
01:01:42,549 --> 01:01:40,240
stuff you know the the the

1604
01:01:43,829 --> 01:01:42,559
marsquakes that we've been using to look

1605
01:01:46,069 --> 01:01:43,839
inside the planet

1606
01:01:48,309 --> 01:01:46,079
have really only been picked up properly

1607
01:01:50,950 --> 01:01:48,319
by the broadband seismometer

1608
01:01:52,710 --> 01:01:50,960
so i think you know going back and doing

1609
01:01:54,630 --> 01:01:52,720
arrays and you know

1610
01:01:56,390 --> 01:01:54,640
tens of stations stuff of course we'd

1611
01:01:59,029 --> 01:01:56,400
love to do that and we'd like to dream

1612
01:02:01,349 --> 01:01:59,039
about magnitude fives and sixes but

1613
01:02:02,710 --> 01:02:01,359

you know these these particular the

1614

01:02:04,390 --> 01:02:02,720

seismometer that mars

1615

01:02:06,150 --> 01:02:04,400

that mark talked about and showed on the

1616

01:02:09,029 --> 01:02:06,160

images you know they they

1617

01:02:10,950 --> 01:02:09,039

are built specifically and you know in

1618

01:02:13,349 --> 01:02:10,960

laboratories for these types of missions

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01:02:15,510 --> 01:02:13,359

and it's not something that's simply

1620

01:02:16,630 --> 01:02:15,520

you know packaged and moved elsewhere

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01:02:18,710 --> 01:02:16,640

right so

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01:02:19,990 --> 01:02:18,720

it's a little more difficult than that

1623

01:02:21,670 --> 01:02:20,000

if you want

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01:02:24,069 --> 01:02:21,680

the type of stuff that we've been able

1625

01:02:24,870 --> 01:02:24,079

to do on on mars with insight but i

1626

01:02:28,870 --> 01:02:24,880

think

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01:02:30,950 --> 01:02:28,880

the you know the fact that we've been

1628

01:02:31,430 --> 01:02:30,960

able to do so much with a single station

1629

01:02:34,630 --> 01:02:31,440

is

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01:02:37,750 --> 01:02:34,640

the way for

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01:02:39,190 --> 01:02:37,760

for for future missions because you can

1632

01:02:41,910 --> 01:02:39,200

just take a single station

1633

01:02:43,589 --> 01:02:41,920

and you know move from there place it on

1634

01:02:43,990 --> 01:02:43,599

a different location of the planet of

1635

01:02:47,430 --> 01:02:44,000

course

1636

01:02:47,990 --> 01:02:47,440

but we're all dreaming of big mars

1637

01:02:50,470 --> 01:02:48,000

quakes like

1638

01:02:51,270 --> 01:02:50,480

you said that is all the time we have

1639

01:02:53,190 --> 01:02:51,280

today

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01:02:55,670 --> 01:02:53,200

and i'd like to thank everyone for their

1641

01:02:57,109 --> 01:02:55,680

questions and thank you to the team for

1642

01:02:59,829 --> 01:02:57,119

chatting with us today

1643

01:03:01,510 --> 01:02:59,839

now for more information and to stay up

1644

01:03:05,190 --> 01:03:01,520

to date with the mission

1645

01:03:08,470 --> 01:03:05,200

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