

# Re: Mineral analysis may reveal life on Mars

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>> <http://www.newscientistspace.com/article.ns?id=dn8534>  
>> Some evidence suggests Mars was warm and wet in its first hundred  
>> million years, raising the possibility that it could have fostered life.  
>> But neither of the two Viking landers found organic molecules when they  
>> studied the planet's soil in the 1970s.  
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> I was present in the lab when the viking signals arrived, one of the  
> pyrolysis ovens did give a strong organic content in the chromatography  
> experiment. Like it was a plant.  
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> Because this was so contentious and because the signal was only in one of  
> 8, it was ignored as contamination. However there is no way of checking.  
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> I have heard that those probes that were lost did, in fact land  
> successfully and that they were primarily designed to look for life.  
> These were said to be lost because of what was found.  
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> The west will not survive the discovery of exobiology and the only way for  
> easy transition is to teach it in schools. At present people are being  
> murdered over this concept as it means to christians the total collapse of  
> their faith.  
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> I think in terms "If god made me immortal then I am". Perhaps we live on  
> in god's memory. In fact because my natural death of heart disease is  
> imminent I am very frightened and I'm not looking forward to it at all.  
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> Chris.

Sounds like you inhaled too much nitrous oxide in that lab, Chris.

George

- *Follow-Ups:*

- ◆ *Re: Mineral analysis may reveal life on Mars*

- ◆ *From:* Jo Schaper

- *References:*

- ◆ *Mineral analysis may revea*