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Life Dwells Deep within Earth's Crust

What is living there and how?



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A Slithery Ocean Mystery

Scientists gain grasp on the epic migration of eels

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A Coral in Hand

WHOI Biologist Tim Shank holds a deep-sea coral specimen collected from an unnamed canyon south of Martha's Vineyard in May. Deep-sea corals have evolved to survive without the support of photosynthesizing algae that provide food for their shallow-water cousins in the Great Barrier Reef and elsewhere. Like shallow-water corals, however, deep-sea varieties provide habitat for a diverse array of marine organisms. Deep-sea corals will be the focus of an international symposium co-organized by Shank and held in Boston next week. (Photo by Ken Kostel, Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution).



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New York Times Facebook Live Event

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The Atlantic

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Take a breath. Thank the ocean! Phytoplankton in the surface ocean (spanning from 0 to 330 feet down) are responsible for 1/2 of the photosynthesis on Earth.

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Events Calendar

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