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Caption: This fossilized amphibian, *Yaksha peretti*, extends the historical record of slingshot predation to 100 million years ago.

Academy scientists describe 213 species in 2020

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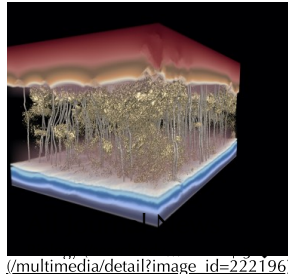
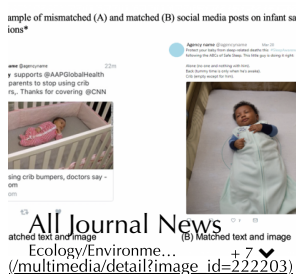
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