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"Success is stumbling from failure to failure with no loss of enthusiasm."

— Winston S. Churchill

New Laser Treatment Brings Hope to Brain Tumor Patients

Doctors have found better ways to use a special laser treatment for brain tumors. This is very good news for patients and their families.

Brain tumors are very serious. In the past, doctors had to do major surgery to treat them. That meant opening the skull, which was hard on patients.

Now, doctors can use a tiny laser instead. It is much gentler on the body. It reaches tumors that regular surgery cannot. Patients recover more quickly and feel better during treatment.

Researchers at Washington University in St. Louis studied 787 patients over five years. They learned two important things. First, removing more of the tumor helps patients live longer. Second, the timing of treatment matters a lot. Getting the laser treatment at the right time gives patients the best chance.

The lead doctor said the goal is to help patients live longer and feel well while doing so. This new information will help doctors choose the best plan for each person. Many cancer centers across the United States took part in this study. Together, they are finding new ways to give patients more good days ahead.

Scientists Discover Key to Saving Endangered Salmon

Scientists have made an exciting discovery about salmon survival. They found a secret that could help save California's rarest fish. The Sacramento River winter-run Chinook salmon is in great need of help.

Researchers from NOAA Fisheries and UC Davis worked together. They used both traditional fieldwork and new technology. Together, they uncovered something very important about salmon eggs.

The key is cool water in the first 15 days after eggs are laid. When the water stays cool during this time, more baby salmon survive. This short window of time turns out to be very powerful.

The Sacramento River can get warm in summer. Scientists and water managers work hard to keep it cool enough for the eggs. Cold water is released from a nearby reservoir to help the young salmon grow.

This discovery gives scientists a clearer picture of how to protect these special fish. By knowing exactly when cool water matters most, experts can make better decisions. There is real hope that this knowledge will help the salmon population grow stronger for years to come.

Scientists Photograph How Water Moves During Life's Reactions

Scientists have taken the first-ever pictures of water moving inside a chemical reaction. These tiny reactions happen in all living things. They are too small to see with the naked eye. But now, researchers have found a way to capture them.

The team used powerful X-ray beams to take the photos. They worked at two top science labs in the United States. The pictures show how water rearranges itself when light hits a molecule. A molecule is a tiny group of atoms bonded together.

This kind of reaction happens in plants every day. Plants use sunlight to make energy. This process is called photosynthesis. Scientists have long wanted to understand exactly how it works. Now they are one step closer to knowing.

The discovery could lead to better batteries and fuel cells. These tools store and use energy in our homes and cars. Better energy tools could help many people around the world. The findings were published in a respected science journal.

Researchers are excited about what comes next. These new X-ray tools can be used to study many other reactions too. Every discovery like this helps scientists learn more about life itself. Nature continues to surprise and inspire us all.

Science Park Grows, Bringing Great Jobs to New Mexico

A special science park in New Mexico has been a big success for 27 years. The Sandia Science and Technology Park keeps growing and helping people find good jobs.

The park sits next to a famous science lab called Sandia National Laboratories. It opened in 1998 with a simple goal. Leaders wanted businesses and scientists to work together and create great opportunities.

That plan has worked wonderfully. Over 27 years, the park helped create nearly 6,600 jobs. Workers there have earned a total of \$8.6 billion in wages. That money helped families and the whole state of New Mexico thrive.

The jobs at this park pay very well. In 2025, the average worker there earned \$115,000 a year. That is much higher than the typical salary in the area. Six new companies joined the park in 2025. There are now 47 companies working inside the park's 27 buildings.

The park's director said she is very proud of what has been built. Businesses and scientists working as partners have created something truly special. This park shows what people can achieve when they work together toward a shared and hopeful future.

Giant Iceberg Bumps Into Island Near Greenland

A huge iceberg is making news near Greenland this summer. It broke away from a glacier and began drifting slowly through icy Arctic waters.

The iceberg came from a place called Petermann Glacier. It is roughly the size of a small island. Scientists say it is the biggest chunk of ice to break free from an Arctic glacier since 2020.

NASA satellites took photos of the journey from space. The images showed the giant berg bumping gently into a small island called Joe Island. It then slowly turned and kept on drifting.

Icebergs breaking off glaciers is a natural process. It happens regularly and is part of how glaciers work. Scientists watch these events closely to learn more about Arctic ice over time.

It is wonderful that cameras in space can capture such amazing moments. A mountain of floating ice, slowly turning in cold blue waters, is truly one of nature's most beautiful sights to behold.

Activity Time - Word Search

Find the words below in the puzzle. Words go across or down only.

Words to Find:

MOLECULE

GLACIER

PARTNER

SCIENCE

PROTON

SALMON

WATER

