

Life?

natural process
universe's chemistry
our Earth's not unique

since three billion years
evolution continues
we're not its end-point

Goldilocks zones teem
Drake's equation* calculates
spacetime hosts trillions

Perseverance seeks
autopsy of ancient life
coroner for Mars

to prove to skeptics
sentience finds bio-niches
we are not alone

* The Drake Equation estimates the number of life-forms in the Milky Way and in trillions of other galaxies in the knowable universe.

Reference: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Drake_equation



Image: Perseverance Rover on Mars (artist's conception)

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