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Eine Delfinmutter lehrt ihr Kalb, sich an einer Koralle zu reiben. Manche Korallen und Schwämme produzieren Wirkstoffe, die gegen Hautprobleme der Meeressäuger helfen. (Foto: Norbert Probst/imagoe images/imagebroker)

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These dolphins might be self-medicating

Animals rub against antibacterial corals and sponges, possibly to ward off skin infections

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ANGELA ZILTENER

We're not the only creatures who pop a pill or slather on an ointment when we're ill or itchy. Chimpanzees swallow rough leaves to rid their intestines of parasites, for example, and some ants eat foods rich in hydrogen peroxide to expel fungal infections. Now, scientists might be adding dolphins to the list. Researchers have discovered that bottlenose dolphins in the Red Sea rub against corals and sponges that have medicinal properties, possibly to ward off pathogens that cause skin diseases.

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So lösen Delfine ihre Hautprobleme

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Delfine - die intelligenten Meeressäuger. Es gibt viele interessante Fakten über die Meerestiere, doch warum sich Delfine an bestimmten Korallen reiben war Forschenden lange unklar. Nun erlauben Biologinnen den Grund zu kennen.

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Des dauphins soignent leur peau avec des coraux

Dans la mer Rouge, un groupe de dauphins se frottent régulièrement à des récifs coralliens. Ce comportement leur permettrait de soigner leur peau grâce au mucus des coraux, riche en molécules aux propriétés thérapeutiques



La peau de l'ailleron dorsal de ce grand dauphin montre des signes d'infection fongique. — © Angela Ziltener/UZH

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Delfine behandeln Hautprobleme mit Korallen selbst

Neue Studienergebnisse deuten darauf hin, dass bestimmte Delfine Hautprobleme selbst behandeln können, indem sie sich an Korallen und Schwämmen reiben. Besonders kurios: Die Tiere wurden dabei beobachtet, wie sie sich vor den „Korallenkliniken“ anstellen und warten, bis sie an der Reihe sind.

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Bei Hautproblemen hilft oft nur der Weg zum Arzt und die Behandlung mit Salben oder anderen Medikamenten. Nicht nur Menschen leiden aber hin und wieder an Ausschlägen und Hautirritationen – auch Delfine haben damit manchmal zu kämpfen. Ein internationales Forscherteam um die Biologin **Angela Ziltener** von der Universität Zürich und die Chemikerin **Gertrud Morlock** von der Justus-Liebig-Universität Giessen hat das Verhalten der Meeresbewohner genauer unter die Lupe genommen und dabei Besonderes entdeckt. Das **Ergebnis** der Untersuchung präsentieren die Expertinnen und Experten aktuell im Fachjournal „iScience“.



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Dolfijnen gebruiken koraal als medicijn



Dolfijnen doen aan zelfmedicatie bij huidandoeningen door langs te gaan bij 'koraalklinieken'. Dat stelt een nieuw onderzoek, dat ook de opmerkelijke manier waarop ze dat doen in beeld heeft gebracht.

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Wenn ein Mensch einen Ausschlag bekommt, geht er vielleicht zum Arzt und bekommt eine Salbe, die er darauf auftragen kann. Indopazifische Große Tümmler leiden ebenfalls unter Hauterkrankungen, aber sie bekommen ihre Medikamente, indem sie sich mit der Nase an den Schwanz anstellen und sich an Korallen reiben. In der Zeitschrift *iScience* vom 19. Mai zeigen Forscher, dass diese Korallen medizinische Eigenschaften haben, was darauf hindeutet, dass die Delfine die wirbellosen Meerestiere zur Behandlung von Hautkrankheiten nutzen.



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Delfine scheinen Selbstmedikation zu betreiben: Forschende haben Indopazifische Grosse Tümmler im Roten Meer beobachtet, die sich an ausgewählten Korallen reiben. Dies, um ihre Hautinfektionen zu pflegen und zu behandeln.

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Watch dolphins line up to self-medicate skin ailments at coral 'clinics'

Date: May 19, 2022

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Summary: If a human comes down with a rash, they might go to the doctor and come away with some ointment to put on it. Indo-Pacific bottlenose dolphins get skin conditions, too, but they come about their medication by queuing up nose-to-tail to rub themselves against corals. Researchers now show that these corals have medicinal properties, suggesting that the dolphins are using the marine invertebrates to medicate skin conditions.

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Korallenschleim verhilft Delfinen zu reiner Haut

Auch Delfine haben hin und wieder Hautprobleme. Abhilfe schafft eine kratzige Hautpflege-Routine. Die ist so beliebt, dass die Säuger sogar Schlange stehen.



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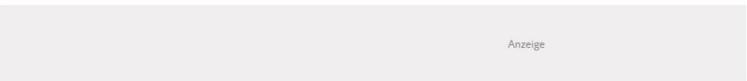
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Within the waters of the Crimson Sea off the coast of Egypt, bottlenose dolphins have a extremely uncommon relationship with their reef habitat. Divers ceaselessly witness the marine mammals rubbing their faces and our bodies in opposition to sure corals and sponges, even ready in orderly strains to method the invertebrates.

"You get very excited to see that for the primary time," says Angela Ziltener, a wildlife biologist on the College of Zurich who has studied dolphins on this area for greater than a decade. When she initially witnessed the conduct, she questioned if the dolphins have been brushing up in opposition to the corals as a result of it merely felt good or if there was one thing extra to it.

To search out out, Ziltener and her collaborators analyzed tissue samples from the invertebrates. They recognized 17 chemical compounds that have been bioactive, or more likely to affect residing cells or tissues. This implies that rubbing in opposition to the corals and sponges would possibly really assist the dolphins maintain their pores and skin wholesome and struggle infections, the staff reported on May 19 within the journal *iScience*.

"These are potent lively compounds that we discovered," says Gertrud Morlock, an analytical chemist and meals scientist at Justus Liebig College Giessen in Germany and one other coauthor of the paper. Once they come into contact with the physique, she says, the coral compounds may fit equally to the antibacterial lotions folks placed on their pores and skin.



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STUDIE

Delfine reiben sich bei Hautproblemen an Korallen



Forschende beobachteten Delfine im Roten Meer vor Ägypten dabei, wie sie sich an ausgewählten Korallen und Schwämmen rieben und dafür auch in einer Reihe anstellten



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Im Roten Meer vor der Küste Ägyptens hat eine Wildtierbiologin Delfine beobachtet, die ein erstaunliches Verhalten an den Tag legen: Regelmäßig reiben sie sich an bestimmten Korallen – und stellen sich sogar hinter Artgenossen an, bis sie selbst an die Reihe kommen. Doch warum? Um diese Frage zu beantworten, haben die Forschenden Proben der von den Delfinen präferierten Korallen und Schwämme genommen und im Labor untersucht. Das Ergebnis: Durch

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Dolphins use coral to treat skin problems, study suggests



New footage shows dolphins queuing up to treat skin ailments at coral reef "clinics", in behaviour researchers say is the equivalent of humans showering after getting out of bed.

The intelligent mammals can be seen lining up nose-to-tail to scratch themselves against the outcroppings and the tactic has been detailed in a new study.

Researchers have now shown that the corals have medicinal properties, suggesting that the Indo-Pacific bottlenose dolphins are using the marine invertebrates to treat skin conditions.

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The coral will see you now! Dolphins form orderly queues to use coral as medicine for skin ailments, study reveals

- Some dolphins with skin conditions 'rub against coral with medicinal properties'
- According to study they're selective about which coral they use to self-medicate
- Experts were able to dive down with a pod to identify corals dolphins rubbed on
- Mucus of the corals is 'regulating dolphin skin's microbiome and treat infections'

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Some dolphins with skin ailments use an ingenious solution to self-medicate, experts have found, after observing them forming an orderly queue to rub against coral.

The animals are selective about seeking out a particular type of coral which has medicinal properties in the mucus it releases, according to the study.

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Dolphins line up to self-medicate skin conditions with coral, research suggests

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A rash might send humans rushing to the pharmacy, but when some dolphins get skin conditions they queue up to rub themselves against coral with medicinal properties, new research suggests.

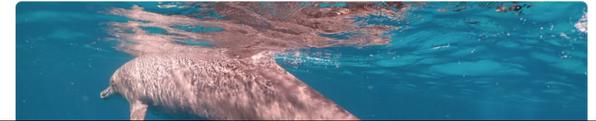
According to the study, the animals are selective about which coral they use to self-medicate.

Co-lead author Angela Ziltener, a wildlife biologist at the University of Zurich in Switzerland, first observed the dolphins rubbing against coral 13 years ago in the northern Red Sea, off the coast of Egypt.

She said: "I hadn't seen this coral rubbing behaviour described before, and it was clear that the dolphins knew exactly which coral they wanted to use.

"I thought, there must be a reason."

The researchers were able to dive down with the pod regularly and identify and sample the corals the dolphins were rubbing on.



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