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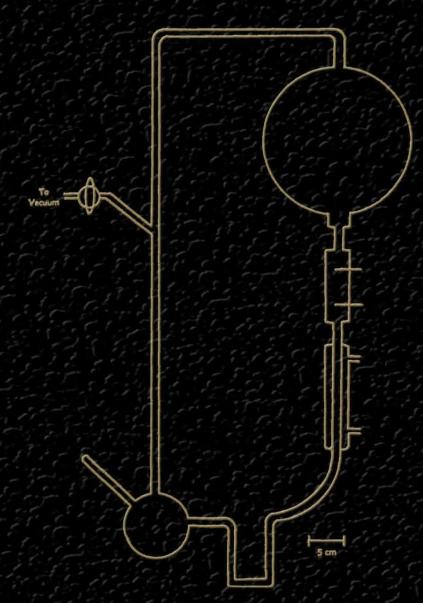
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A Production of Amino Acids Under Possible Primitive Earth Conditions

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The idea that the organic compounds that serve as the basis of life were formed when the earth had an atmosphere of methane, ammonia, water, and hydrogen instead of carbon dioxide, nitrogen, oxygen, and water was suggested by Oparin (1) and has been given emphasis recently by Urey (2) and Bernal (3).



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