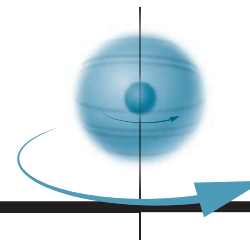


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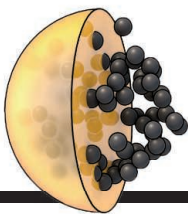
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The venom droplets grow larger as the spider holds its defensive posture. The Gordon Research Conference on Venom Evolution, Function and Biomedical Applications will be held from 5 to 10 August 2018 in West Dover, Vermont. See page 808 for the Gordon Research Conference schedule and preliminary programs. *Photo: © Michael Doe*

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