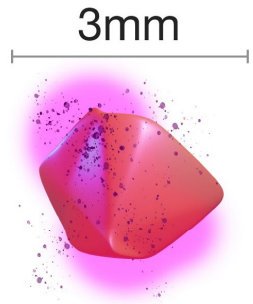


Microplastics move up the food web

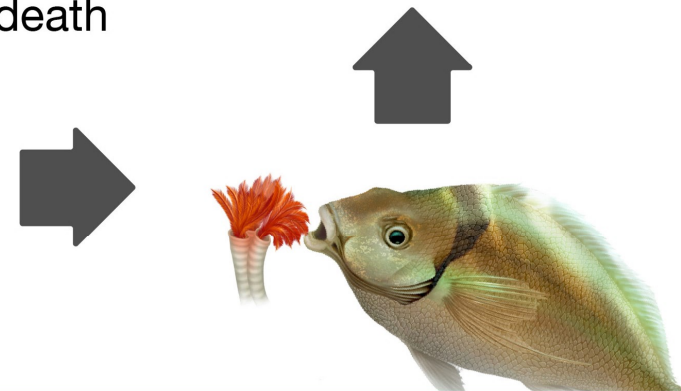
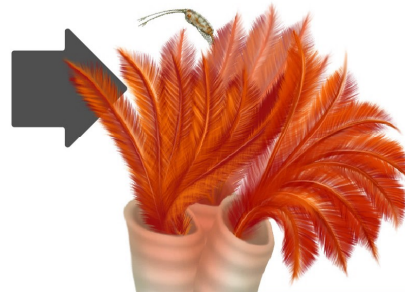
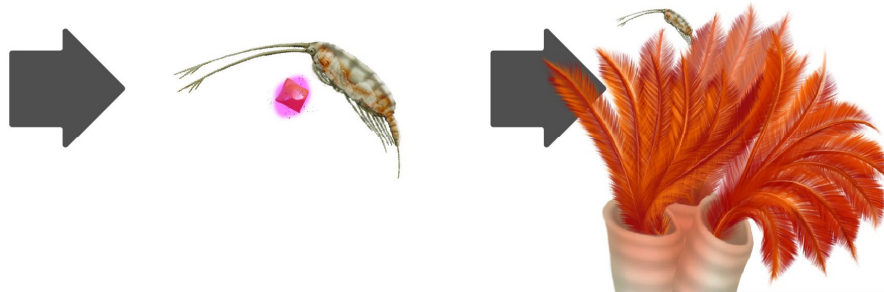
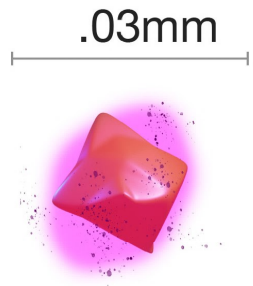
Microplastics are plastic pieces less than 5 mm in size.



Microplastics absorb toxins and harmful chemicals

These particles are ingested by filter feeders, zooplankton, and larger wildlife

Larger animals build up toxins and plastics within their bodies, causing health problems, starvation, or death



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