

## **Baby Dima**

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The baby Dima struggled to free himself from silty water in a Siberian pond about 40,000 years ago. His mother tried her hardest to help her baby, but unfortunately baby Dima vanished. He was less than a year old. Then in 1977 baby Dima was rediscovered. Dima's heart was in such a good condition that scientists were able to create a three-dimensional image of the mammoth's well preserved heart. Frozen mammoth tissue from baby Dima have been helping scientist to have a better understanding on how a mammoth's body worked in the cold weather. An analysis of baby Dima's blood cells show that the mammoth is very similar to the Asian Elephant.

Baby Dima tried his hardest to get out, but by doing so pulled himself further and further into the silt and mud.