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Dosimetry for exposures to cosmic radiation in civilian aircraft — Part 2: Characterization of instrument response

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