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Metallic materials - Steel - Method of test for the determination of brittle crack arrest temperature (CAT)

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