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Design, Characterization and Novel Applications of Shape Memory Alloys

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SMA new developments and applications;

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