Molecular Speciation of Phosphorus in Long-term Located Fertilization by Liquid-state Nuclear Magnetic Resonance Spectroscopy

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