Weak localization and Shubnikov-de Haas oscillation in high carrier density AlInN/GaN heterostructures

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