Structure / Property (Constitutive and Dynamic Strength / Damage) Characterization of Additively Manufactured (AM) Tantalum

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