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"Anyone about to begin using diffraction as a method of solving problems in materials science should read this book." (Materials World, February 2002)

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