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impurities of rare earth metals and their oxides--  
Determination of thorium content--Arsenazo III  
spectrophotometric method and inductively coupled  
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## Foreword

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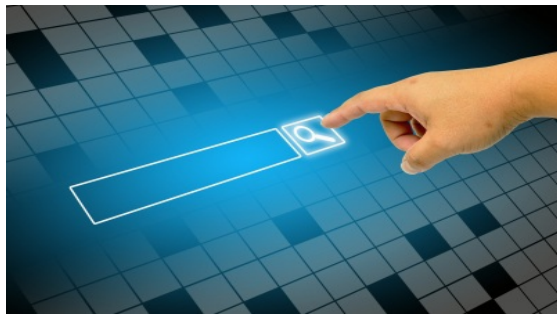
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