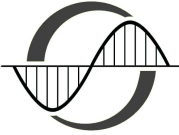




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The Interplanetary Magnetic Field – The Earth’s Magnetosphere – Impact of solar phenomena on the magnetosphere of the Earth – Space Weather effects: magnetic storms, aurorae, ionospheric perturbations – Impact of Space Weather on technological systems.

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