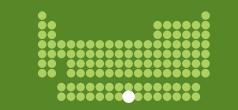
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CURIUM



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RADIOACTIVE



Curium is one of the most radioactive elements - so radioactive that it glows purple in the dark.

SPECTROMETERS



Curium-244 was used as an alpha particle source in the X-ray spectrometers in a number of space probes.

SPACE BATTERIES



Curium has potential to be used in batteries to power satellites, but its rarity and high cost is prohibitive.







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