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	test conditions, and data (imaging and thermal) of the Constrained Vapor Bubble (CVB) experiment conducted on the International Space Station (ISS) can isolate several important instability physical mechanisms, such as Marangoni stresses. CVB data, without the overpowering effect of gravity, will enable incorporation and validation of the nuances of unstable interfacial dynamics to the reduced-order interface model.
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