

Interactive comment on “Spatial and radiometric characterization of multi-spectrum satellite images through multifractal analysis” by Carmelo Alonso et al.

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