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## Abbreviations

CMB: Core-mantle boundary; GOSAT: Greenhouse Gases Observing Satellite; JAXA: Japan Aerospace eXploration Agency; TRMM: Tropical rainfall measuring mission

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