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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Material(kg) | Factor A \* | Factor B | Liquid(ml) |
| 0.0 | 8.3 | 0.2 | 0.0 |
| 25.2 | 9.7 | 99.3 | 0.4 |
| 35.8 | 12-point TNRoman | -46.8 | 0.7 |
| 42.6 | 6.1 | 5.0 | 0.8 |

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