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REVIEW OF THE SOLAR NEUTRINO PUZZLE

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The Davis experiment setting an upper limit of 1 SNU to the neutrino flux on Earth is reviewed together with solar models predicting 7-9 SNU, mostly in 14 MeV B neutrinos. We emphasise that any change in solar model input that reduces the calculated central temperature or mean molecular weight per electron by 10% suffices to obliterate the B neutrinos and reduce Davis' expected rate to 1.5 SNU. We find unlikely, however, any of the so-far proposed changes in nuclear physics, chemical composition, solar mixing, or neutrino physics.