bolometer

A detector constructed from a material having a large temperature coefficient of resistance. Absorption of radiation gives rise to a change in resistance. A bolometer is named according to its active component, e.g. thermistor bolometer, semiconductor bolometer, superconductor bolometer.

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