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Determination of metal source in used oil.

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A tracer metal, which is not present in engine parts subject to wear, is used to ascertain the source of metals in used oil as between lubricating oil additives and other sources, particularly wear of engine parts.

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