1138-55-59   **Julie Bergner*** (`jeb2md@virginia.edu`), **Angelica Osorno**, **Viktoriya Ozornova**, **Martina Rovelli** and **Claudia Scheimbauer**. *The Waldhausen S-construction as an equivalence of homotopy theories.*

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