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Microburst precipitation of energetic electrons associated with chorus wave generation

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Electron microbursts, which are short-duration (< 1 sec) bursts of energetic electrons that precipitate into the atmosphere, comprise an important loss process from the outer radiation belt. By means of a self-consistent full-particle simulation, we show that microburst precipitation of electrons of energies 10 keV - 100 keV accompanies the generation of discrete bursty chorus wave emissions. Specifically, we demonstrate a one-to-one correspondence between the electron microbursts and the generation of discrete chorus elements. This simulation study establishes such an exact correlation between electron microbursts and the generation of chorus elements.

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