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Axions and dark radiation from string compactications

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I shall present a general analysis of the role played by axion-like particles which emerge in the low energy limit of type IIB string compactications, showing that one can obtain viable QCD axion candidates and additional light axions which can behave as dark radiation recently observed by PLANCK at 2 sigma level.

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