Fallout from Iranian strike on Dimona plant would be symbolic, not radioactive

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Prof. Zaki Shalom: The primary significance of a strike on the reactor would not lie in physical danger, but in a major psychological and symbolic achievement for Iran.

If such a sensitive security site were damaged, even minimally, it can be assumed that Israel would need to respond in an exceptional manner. It would not be able to suffice with a parallel strike on nuclear sites in Iran, since it is already doing so in any case.

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