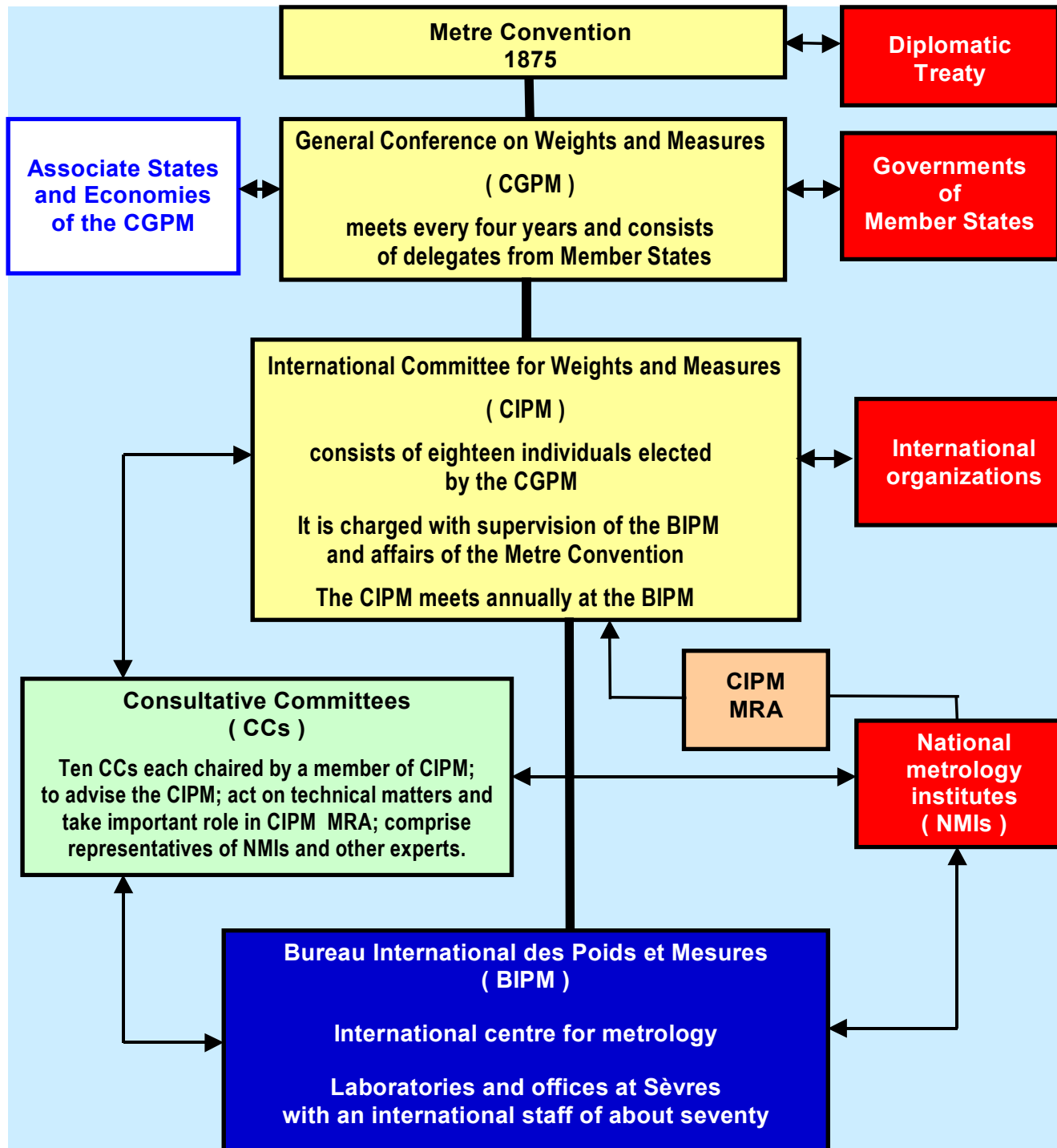


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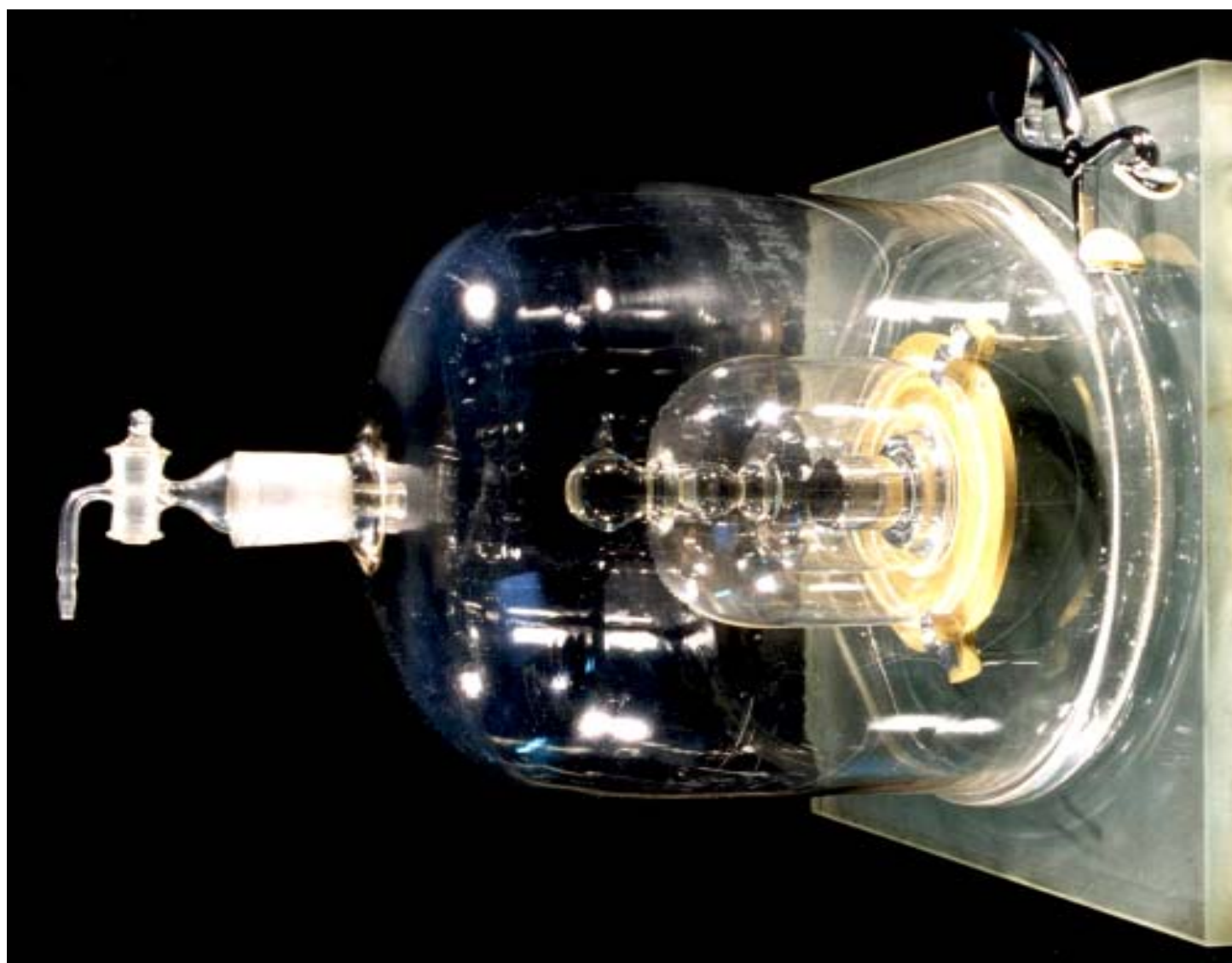
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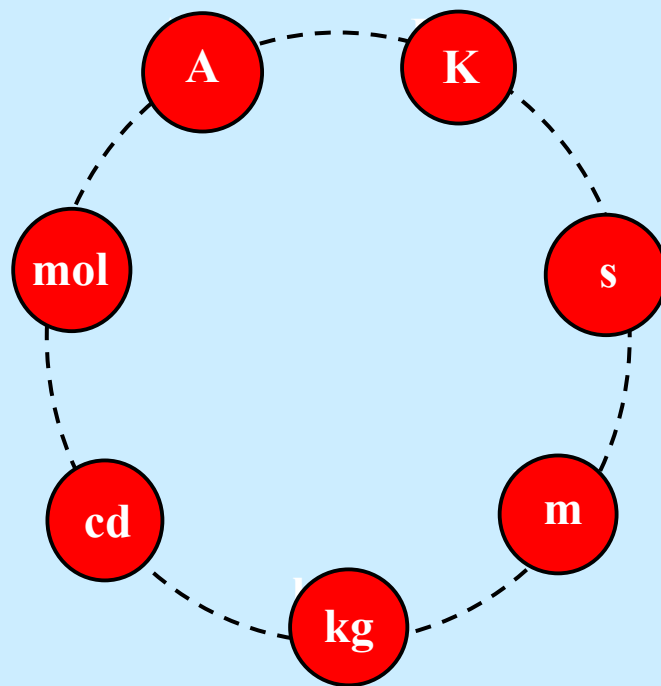
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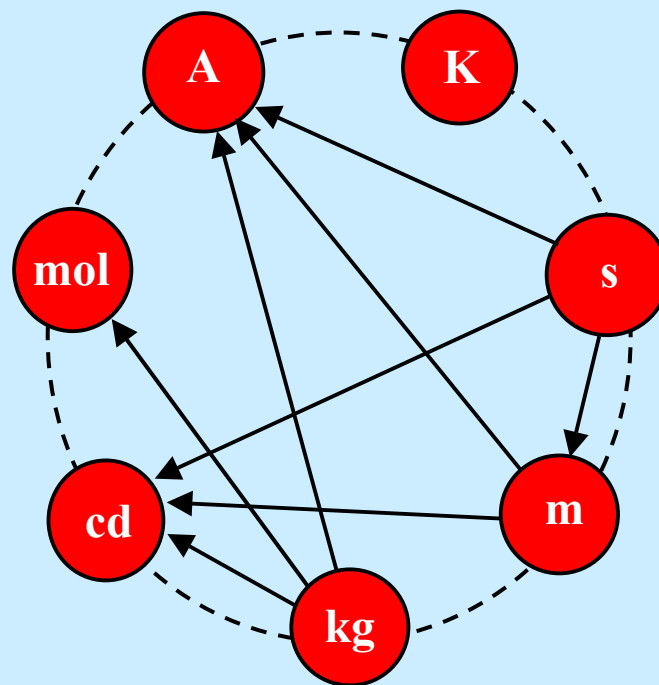
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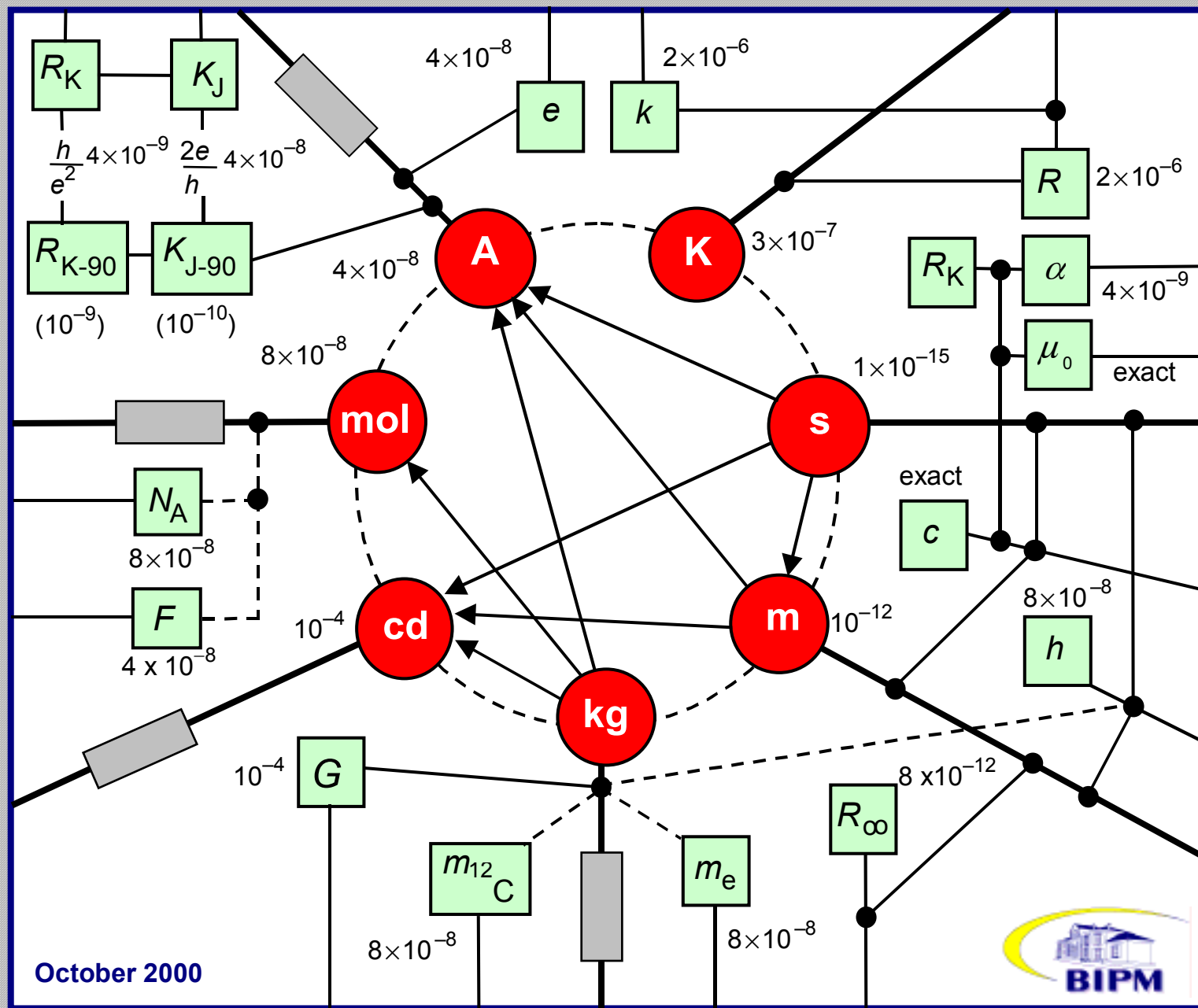








The base units of the SI



October 2000



Metrology in Chemistry

- National Measurement Institutes (NMIs) have historically provided Chemical Standards (NIST, LGC, NPL, BAM, PTB, IRMM.....)
- **1971** SI unit of amount of substance, the mole, introduced as a base unit
- **1993** Comité Consultatif pour la Quantité de Matière (CCQM) created (BIPM provides Executive Secretary)
- **1999** Mutual Recognition Arrangement (MRA) signed
- **2000 +** Key comparison results and Calibration and Measurement Capabilities of NMIs available on the web: www.bipm.org



CCQM

- Terms of reference

- Advise on matters relating to the accuracy of quantitative chemical measurements and traceability to the SI
- Raise awareness of the concept of measurement uncertainty
- Co-ordinate activities of the NMIs in establishing traceability to the highest level

- Primary Methods

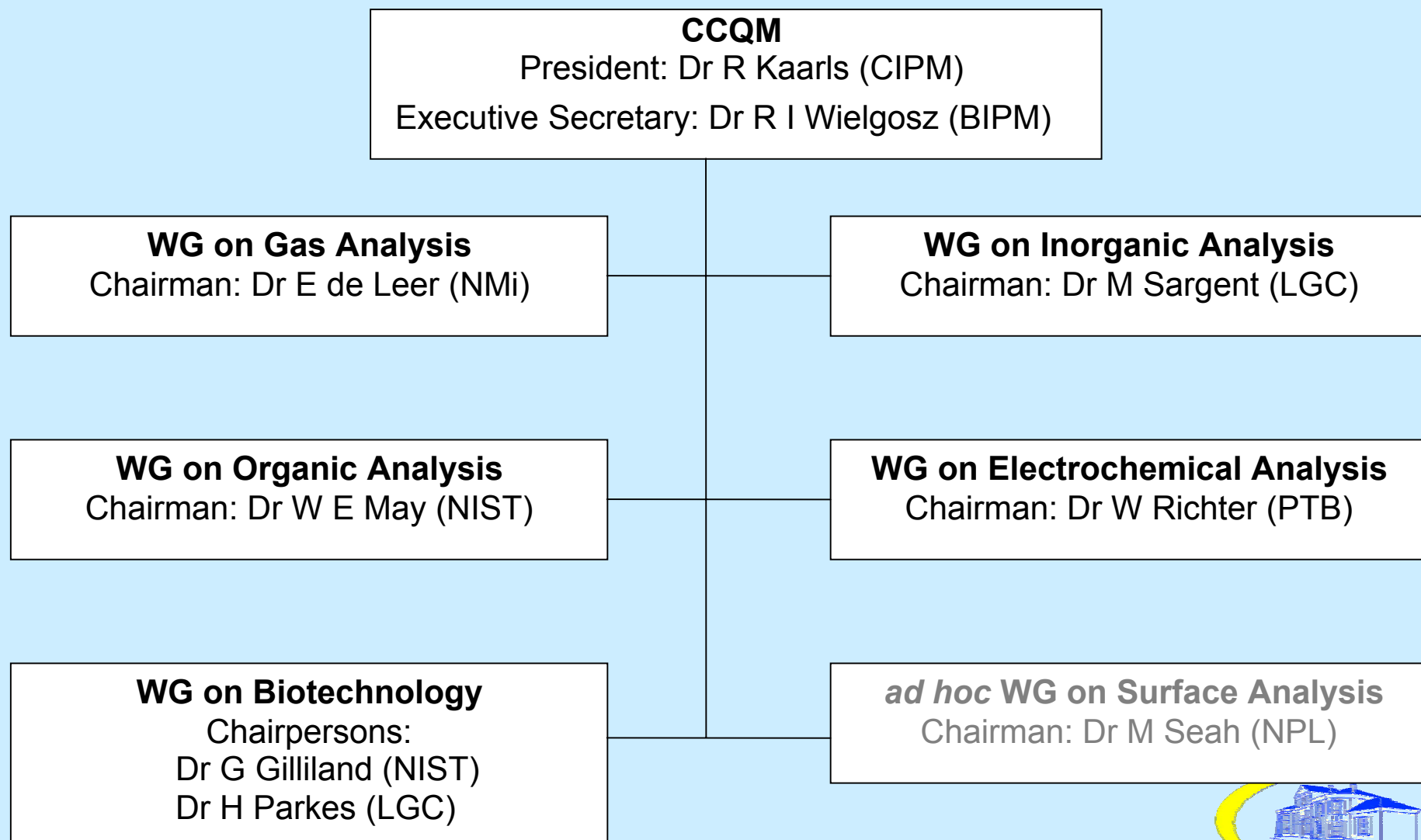
- ‘A method having the highest metrological qualities, whose operation can be completely described and understood, and for which a complete uncertainty statement can be written down in terms of SI units’

- Key Comparisons and Pilot studies (Mutual Recognition Arrangement)



CCQM

Organizational Structure



METROLOGY IN CHEMISTRY

- International comparability of measurements
- Traceability to the SI - an efficient tool
- Infrastructure for realizing traceability to the SI in the field of Chemistry
- National Measurement Institutes and the BIPM
- ‘Measured once, accepted everywhere’ (MRA)



Reconnaissance mutuelle

des étalons nationaux de mesure
et des certificats d'étalonnage et de mesurage
émis par les laboratoires nationaux de métrologie

Paris, le 14 octobre 1999



Mutual recognition
of national measurement standards
and of calibration and measurement certificates
issued by national metrology institutes

Paris, 14 October 1999

Comité international des poids et mesures

Bureau international des poids et mesures	Organisation intergouvernementale de la Convention du Mètre
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Objectives of the MRA are to:

establish the degree of equivalence of measurement standards maintained by NMIs;

provide for the mutual recognition of calibration and measurement certificates issued by NMIs; thereby to

provide governments and other parties with a secure technical foundation for wider agreements related to international trade, commerce and regulatory affairs



Mutual recognition of national measurement standards and of calibration and measurement certificates issued by national metrology institutes

Outcome

Statements of the measurement capabilities of each NMI in the BIPM key comparisons and calibration database publicly available on the web; included are:

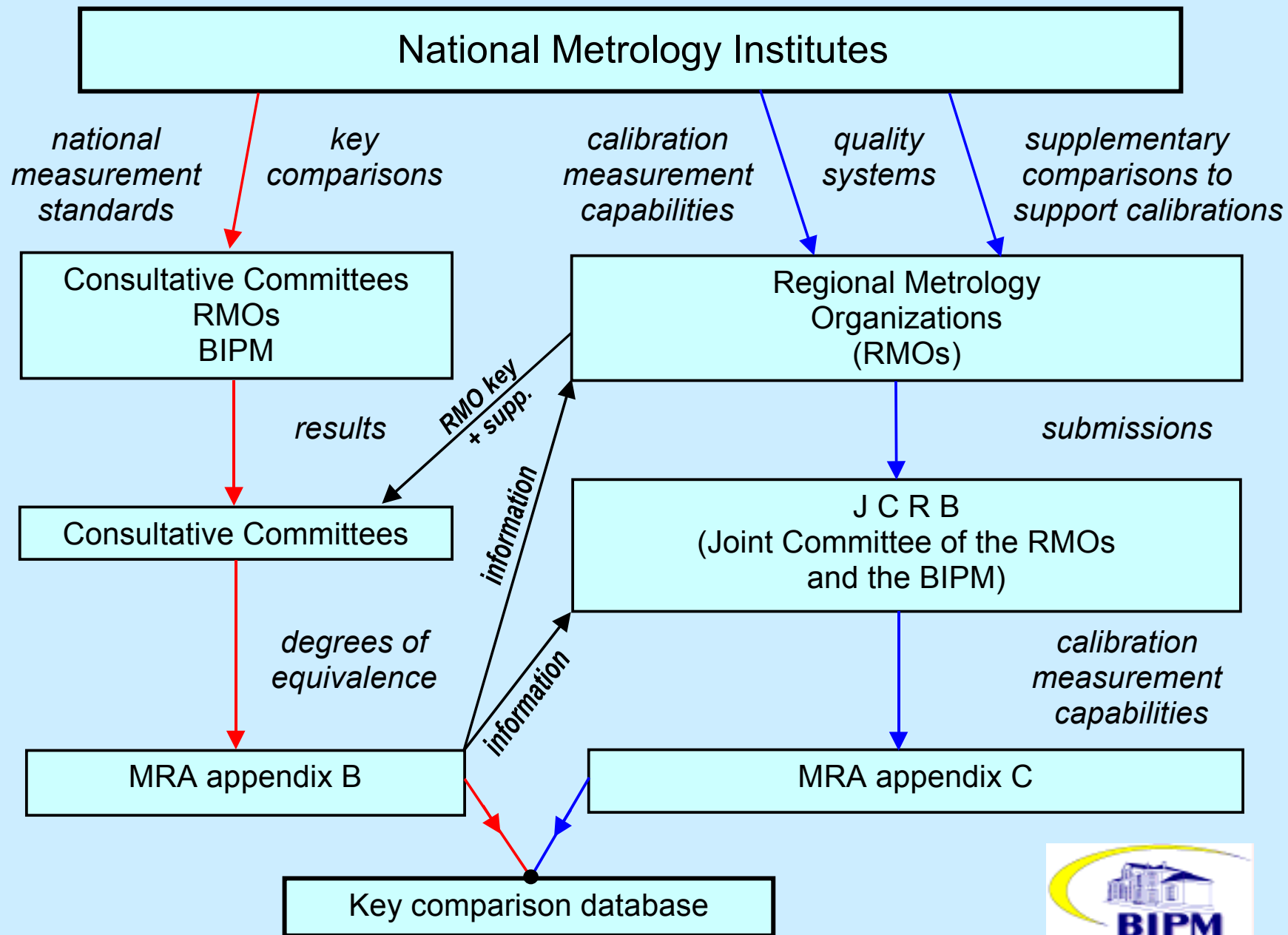
the results of the key comparisons
(some 300 now underway)

lists of calibration and measurement capabilities of each participating NMI (some ten thousand lines of data now on the web)

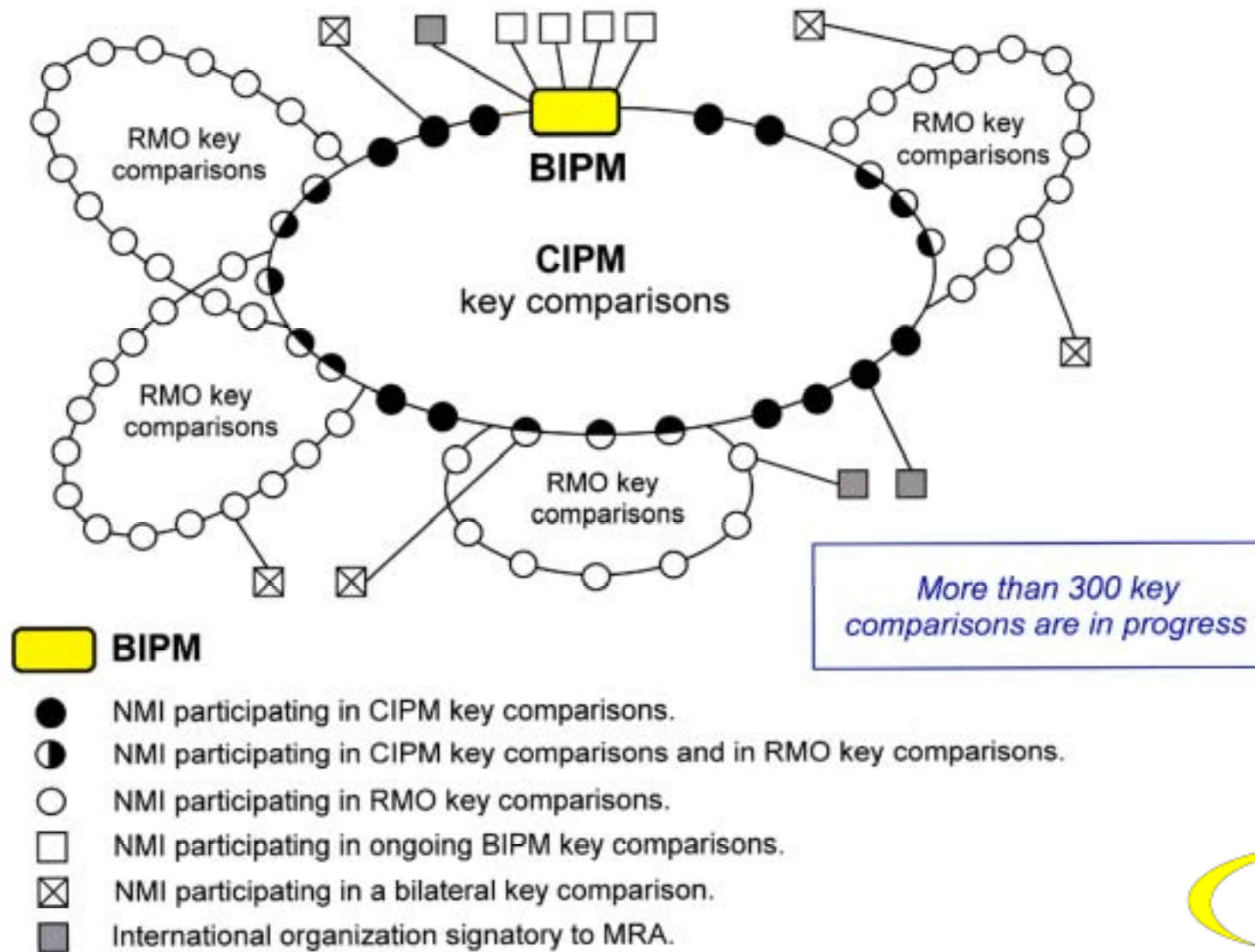
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Mutual Recognition Arrangement



Scheme for key comparisons



Measurement Service Categories (Appendix C)

- ☐ 01: High Purity Chemicals
- ☐ 02: Inorganic Solutions
- ☐ 03: Organic solutions
- ☐ 04: Gases
- ☐ 05: Water
- ☐ 06: pH
- ☐ 07: Electrolytic Conductivity
- ☐ 08: Metals and Metal Alloys
- ☐ 09: Advanced Materials
- ☐ 10: Biological Fluids and Materials
- ☐ 11: Food
- ☐ 12: Fuels
- ☐ 13: Sediments, Soils, Ores and Particulates
- ☐ 14: Other Materials



CCQM Working Group on Gas Analysis

Reference Number	Description	Pilot Laboratory	Start date
CCQM-K1a	CO in N ₂	NMi	1998
CCQM-K1b	CO ₂ in N ₂	NMi	1998
CCQM-K1c	NO in N ₂	NMi	1998
CCQM-K1d	SO ₂ in N ₂	NMi	1998
CCQM-K1e,f,g	Natural gases (Types 1,2,3)	NMi	1998
CCQM-K3	CO, CO ₂ , propane in N ₂	NMi	1998
CCQM-K4	Ethanol in air	NPL	1999
CCQM-K7	Benzene/toluene/xylene (BTX) in N ₂ /Air	NIST	1999
CCQM-K10	BTX in Air (low conc 10-30 ppb)	NIST/NPL	2001
CCQM-K14	CO ₂ , CH ₄ - ambient levels	NMi	2002
CCQM-K15	SF ₆ , CFCs - emission levels	NIST/NPL	2002
CCQM-K16	Natural Gas (Types 4,5))	BAM/NMi	2001
CCQM-K22	VOCs in Air	NMIJ	2002
CCQM-K23	Natural Gas (Repeat)	NMi	2003
CCQM-P23	CO in Nitrogen (50000,1000, 10 ppm) Gravimetry	NMi	2000
CCQM-P24	Dynamic Mixing Methods	LNE	2001
CCQM-P28	Ozone - ambient levels	NIST/NPL	2002
CCQM-P?	NO ₂ in Air (10 ppm)	NIST	2003
EURO-QM-K1	(Euromet)	NMi	
EURO-QM-K3	(Euromet 485)	NMi	2000
EURO-QM-K4	(Euromet 580)	NPL	2000
APMP-QM-K3	(APMP Comp.)	KRISS	2000
APMP-QM-K4	(APMP Comparison)	NMIJ	2000



Gas Analysis Key Comparison

Key comparison CCQM-K1.b

MEASURAND : Amount-of-substance fraction of Carbon dioxide (CO₂) in Nitrogen (N₂)
 NOMINAL VALUE : 150 mmol/mol

x_i : result of measurement carried out by laboratory i

u_i : combined standard uncertainty of x_i

$x_{i\text{grav}}$: gravimetric value of the CO₂ amount-of-substance fraction in the cylinder received by laboratory i

$u_{i\text{grav}}$: combined standard uncertainty of $x_{i\text{grav}}$

Lab i	x_i mmol/mol	u_i mmol/mol	$x_{i\text{grav}}$ mmol/mol	$u_{i\text{grav}}$ mmol/mol	Date of measurement
NPL	150.30	0.15	150.110	0.005	93-10
NIST	149.95	0.19	149.950	0.004	93-11
NMI	149.70	0.15	149.530	0.004	93-06
BAM	149.90	0.22	149.950	0.004	94-01
BNM-LNE	150.30	0.30	150.170	0.005	93-09
KRISS	150.03	0.19	149.980	0.004	93-08
NRLM	150.00	0.38	150.030	0.005	93-10
NRCCRM	150.20	0.25	150.080	0.005	93-07
VNIIM	149.60	0.25	150.130	0.005	93-09
OMH	150.15	0.05	150.080	0.005	94-03

Gas Analysis Key Comparison

Key comparison CCQM-K1.b

MEASURAND : Amount-of-substance fraction of Carbon dioxide (CO₂) in Nitrogen (N₂)
NOMINAL VALUE: 150 mmol/mol

Key comparison reference value: there is no single reference value for this comparison, the value $x_{i\text{grav}}$ is taken as the reference value for laboratory i .

The degree of equivalence of each laboratory with respect to the reference value is given by a pair of numbers:

$D_i = (x_i - x_{i\text{grav}})$ and U_i , its expanded uncertainty ($k = 2$), both expressed in mmol/mol

$$U_i^2 = 2^2(u_i^2 + u_{i\text{grav}}^2)$$

The degree of equivalence between two laboratories is given by a pair of numbers:

$D_{ij} = D_i - D_j = (x_i - x_{i\text{grav}}) - (x_j - x_{j\text{grav}})$ and U_{ij} , its expanded uncertainty ($k = 2$), both expressed in mmol/mol

$$U_{ij}^2 = 2^2(u_i^2 + u_j^2 + u_{i\text{grav}}^2 + u_{j\text{grav}}^2)$$

The approximation $U_{ij}^2 \sim 2^2(u_i^2 + u_j^2)$ is used in the Matrix of equivalence.



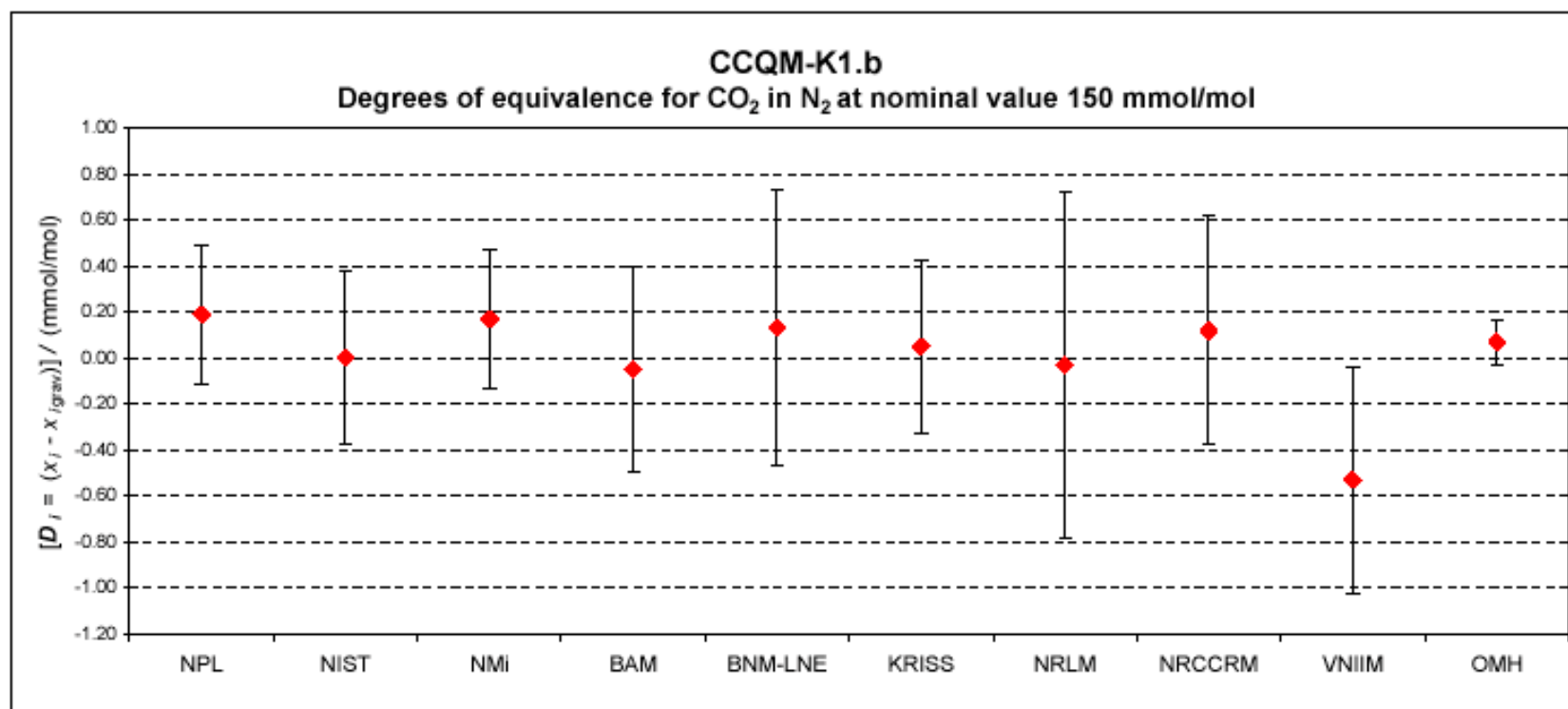
Gas Analysis Key Comparison

Lab *i* ↓

Lab *j* →

	D_i	U_i	NPL		NIST		NMI		BAM		BNM-LNE		KRISS		NRLM		NRCCRM		VNIIM		OMH	
	mmol/mol		D_j	U_j	D_j	U_j	D_j	U_j	D_j	U_j	D_j	U_j	D_j	U_j	D_j	U_j	D_j	U_j	D_j	U_j	D_j	U_j
	mmol/mol		mmol/mol		mmol/mol		mmol/mol		mmol/mol		mmol/mol		mmol/mol		mmol/mol		mmol/mol		mmol/mol		mmol/mol	
NPL	0.19	0.30			0.19	0.48	0.02	0.42	0.24	0.54	0.06	0.67	0.14	0.48	0.22	0.81	0.07	0.58	0.72	0.58	0.12	0.32
NIST	0.00	0.37	-0.19	0.48			-0.17	0.48	0.05	0.59	-0.13	0.71	-0.05	0.53	0.03	0.84	-0.12	0.62	0.53	0.62	-0.07	0.39
NMI	0.17	0.30	-0.02	0.42	0.17	0.48			0.22	0.54	0.04	0.67	0.12	0.48	0.20	0.81	0.05	0.58	0.70	0.58	0.10	0.31
BAM	-0.05	0.45	-0.24	0.54	-0.05	0.59	-0.22	0.54			-0.18	0.75	-0.10	0.59	-0.02	0.87	-0.17	0.67	0.48	0.67	-0.12	0.46
BNM-LNE	0.13	0.60	-0.06	0.67	0.13	0.71	-0.04	0.67	0.18	0.75			0.08	0.71	0.16	0.96	0.01	0.78	0.66	0.78	0.06	0.61
KRISS	0.05	0.38	-0.14	0.48	0.05	0.53	-0.12	0.48	0.10	0.59	-0.08	0.71			0.08	0.84	-0.07	0.62	0.58	0.62	-0.02	0.39
NRLM	-0.03	0.75	-0.22	0.81	-0.03	0.84	-0.20	0.81	0.02	0.87	-0.16	0.96	-0.08	0.84			-0.15	0.90	0.50	0.90	-0.10	0.76
NRCCRM	0.12	0.50	-0.07	0.58	0.12	0.62	-0.05	0.58	0.17	0.67	-0.01	0.78	0.07	0.62	0.15	0.90			0.65	0.70	0.05	0.50
VNIIM	-0.53	0.49	-0.72	0.58	-0.53	0.62	-0.70	0.58	-0.48	0.67	-0.66	0.78	-0.58	0.62	-0.50	0.90	-0.65	0.70			-0.60	0.50
OMH	0.07	0.10	-0.12	0.32	0.07	0.39	-0.10	0.31	0.12	0.46	-0.06	0.61	0.02	0.39	0.10	0.76	-0.05	0.50	0.60	0.50		

Gas Analysis Key Comparison



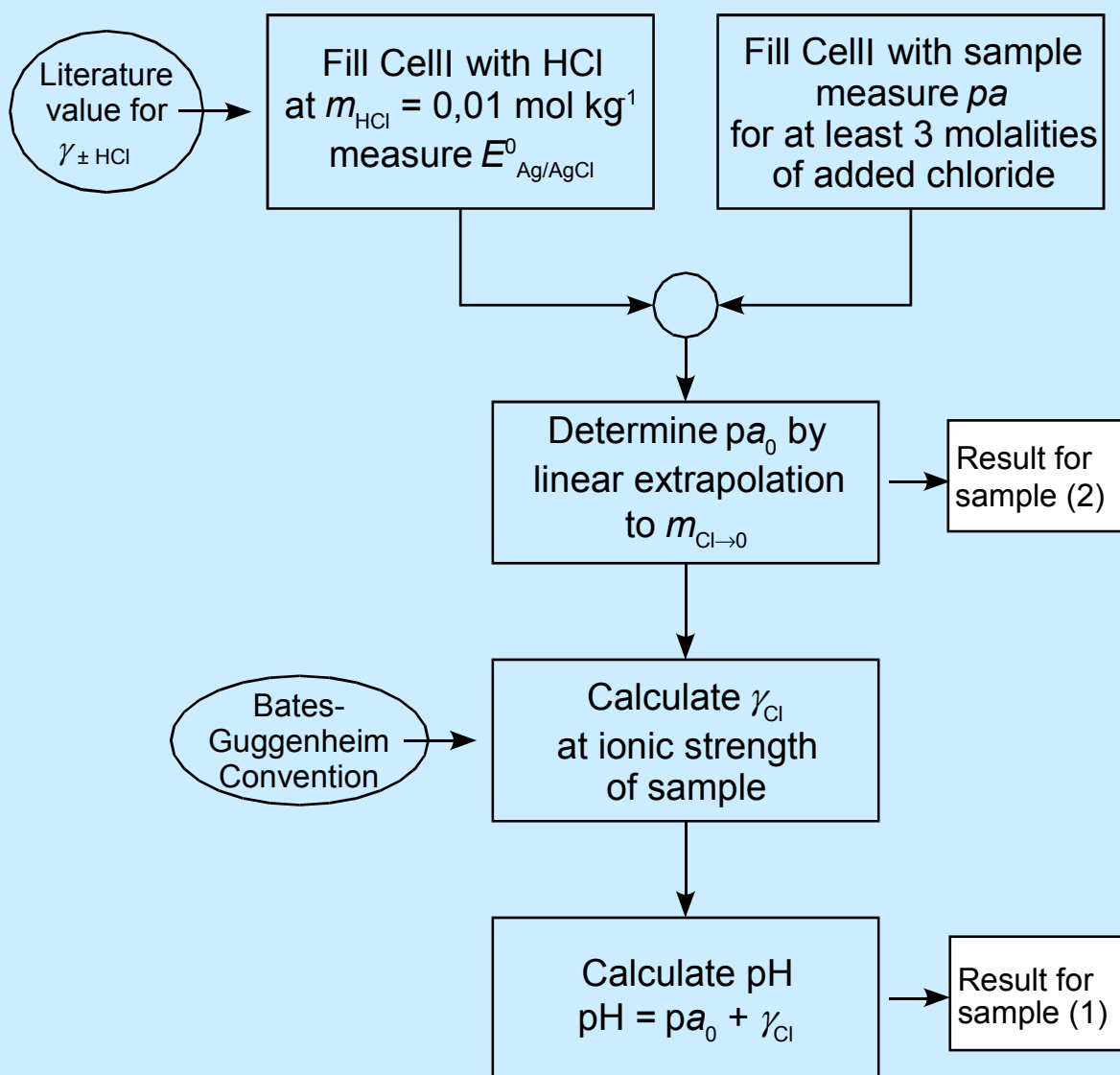
CCQM Working Group on Electrochemical Analysis

Reference Number	Description	Pilot Laboratory	Start date
CCQM-K9	pH 7.0 (Phosphate)	PTB	1999
CCQM-K17	pH 4.1 (Phthalate)	PTB	2001
CCQM-K18	pH 10.1(Carbonate)	SMU	2002
CCQM-K19	pH 9.2 (Borate)	?	
CCQM-K20	pH 1.7 (Tetroxalate)	?	
CCQM-P22	Electrolytic Conductivity	DFM	2001
CCQM-P36	Assay of Potassium hydrogen phthalate (KHP)	SMU/NIST	2002
CCQM-P37	Fundamental Studies of pH Stnds	SMU	2001



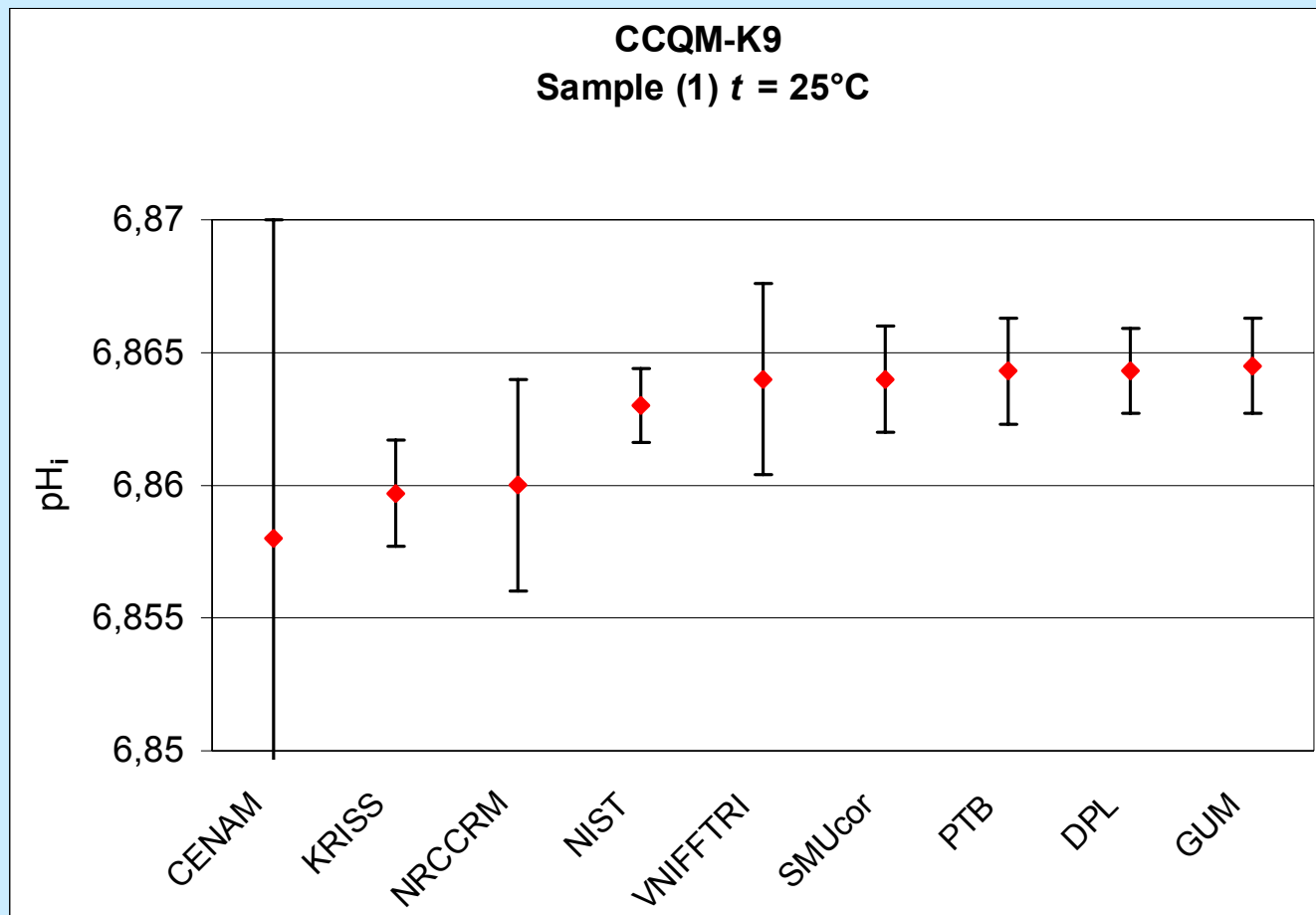
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Pt | H₂ | buffer, Cl⁻ | AgCl | Ag



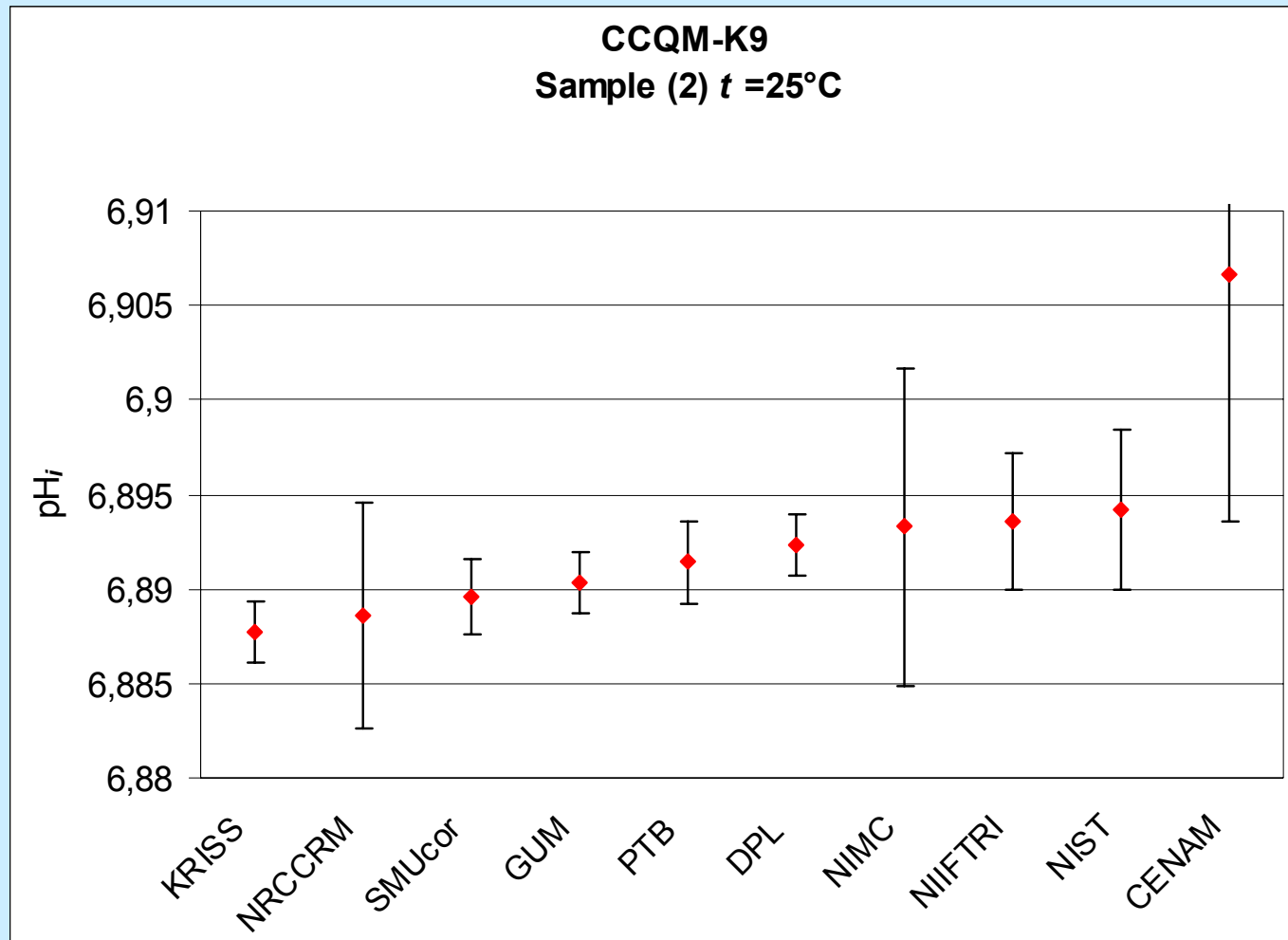
CCQM-K9

Sample 1: $0.025 \text{ mol}\cdot\text{kg}^{-1} \text{ KH}_2\text{PO}_4 + 0.025 \text{ mol}\cdot\text{kg}^{-1} \text{ Na}_2\text{HPO}_4$



CCQM-K9

Sample (2): $0.02 \text{ mol}\cdot\text{kg}^{-1} \text{ KH}_2\text{PO}_4 + 0.02 \text{ mol}\cdot\text{kg}^{-1} \text{ Na}_2\text{HPO}_4$



CCQM Working Group on Inorganic Analysis

Reference Number	Description	Pilot Laboratory	Start date
CCQM-K2	Cd and Pb in natural water	IRMM	1998
CCQM-K8	Elemental solution standards (Al,Cu,Fe,Mg)	EMPA/LNE	1999
CCQM-K13	Pb/Cd in Sediments	IRMM	2000
CCQM-K24	Cd in Rice	IRMM/NMIJ	2001
CCQM-K?	Cu, Pb in Wine	INTEC/IRMM	2002
CCQM-P1	Trace elements in water Pb	NIST	1997
CCQM-P7	KCl, NaCl, K ₂ Cr ₂ O ₇	NIST	1998?
CCQM-P11	As in shellfish	NIST	2001
CCQM-P12	Pb in wine	IRMM	2000
CCQM-P12.1	Cu in Wine	IRMM	2001
CCQM-P13	Metals in synthetic food digest	LGC	2001
CCQM-P14	Trace elements (Pb, Se) in serum	NIST/LGC	1999
CCQM-P14	Ca in Serum	IRMM/SP	2001
CCQM-P15	Pb/Cd in Sediments	IRMM	1999
CCQM-P16	Elements in synthetic digest sol'ns	NMi	1999
CCQM-P25	Minor Elements in Steel	NMIJ/NIST	2001
CCQM-P26	Sulfur in Fuels	IRMM/NIST	2001
CCQM-P29	Cd, Zn in rice	IRMM/NMIJ	2001
CCQM-P30	Elemental Solution Standards (Al,Cu,Fe,Mg)	EMPA/LNE	1999
CCQM-P32	Anions in Calibration Solutions	EMPA	2001
CCQM-P33	Boron in Si	PTB	2002
CCQM-P34	Constituents in Al Alloy	BAM	2001
CCQM-P19	Hydrochloric acid	NIST	1999
CCQM-P19.1		NIST	2001



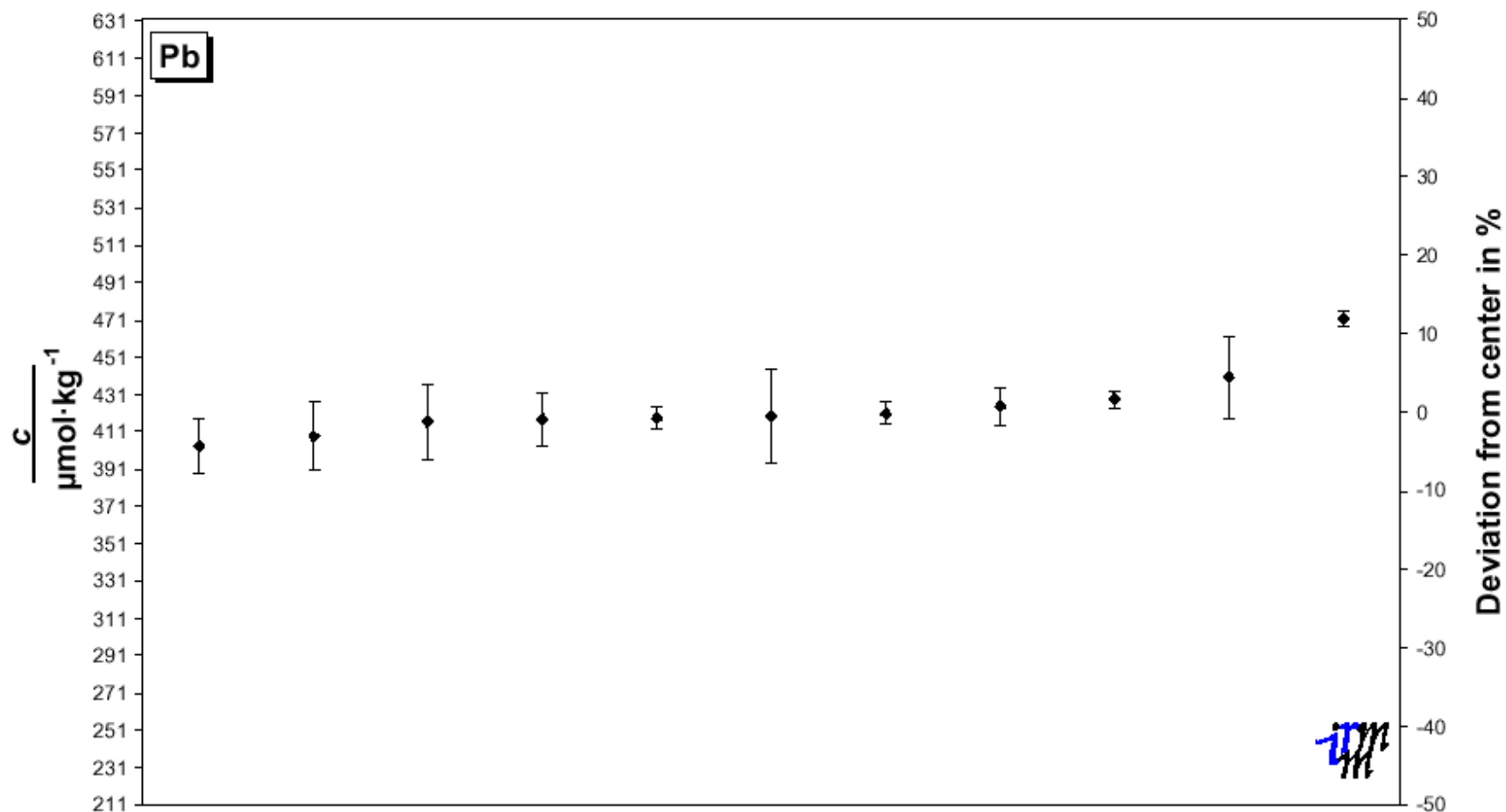
Inorganic Analysis WG, Pb and Cd measurements

- CCQM-K2 Cadmium and lead content in natural water
- International Measurement Evaluation Programme
IMEP-9 (181 participants - 22 labs 50% different from certified value)
- Regulatory requirements of measurement quality $\pm 10\%$
- Complex matrix study
 - CCQM-P15
 - IMEP-14
 - CCQM-K13 - Cd and Pb amount content in sediment

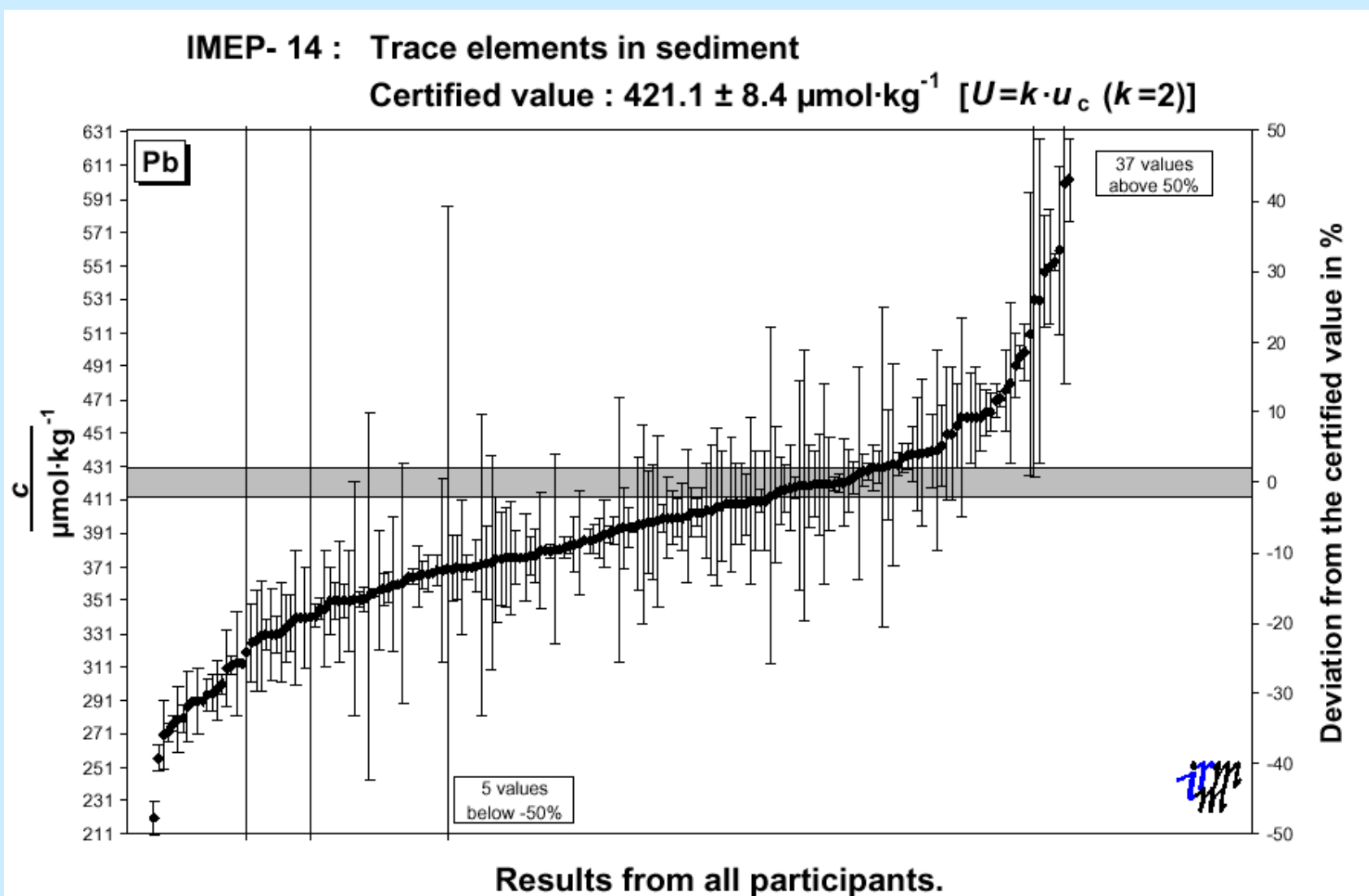


CCQM Pilot Study CCQM-P15, Pb and Cd in Sediment

CCQM-P15 : Pb and Cd in sediment



CCQM Pilot Study CCQM-P15, Pb and Cd in Sediment



CCQM Working Group on Organic Analysis

Reference Number	Description	Pilot Laboratory	Start date
CCQM-K5	p,p'-DDE in Fish oil	LGC	1999
CCQM-K6	Cholesterol in serum	NIST	1999
CCQM-K11	Glucose in serum	NIST	2001
CCQM-K12	Creatinine in serum	NIST	2001
CCQM-K21	p,p'-DDT in Fish Oil	LGC	2000
CCQM-K25	PCBs in sediments (PCBs 28,101,153,170)	NIST/NRC	2001
CCQM-K?	Cholesterol bilateral?	NIST	
CCQM-P2	p,p'-DDE in isooctane	LGC	1997
CCQM-P3	NMR study	BAM	1998
CCQM-P3.2	NMR study	BAM	1999
CCQM-P4	p,p'-DDE in corn oil	LGC	1998
CCQM-P5	Acetanilide, benzoic acid	NIST	1998
CCQM-P6	Cholesterol in serum	NIST	1998
CCQM-P8	Glucose in serum	NIST	1999
CCQM-P9	Creatinine in serum	NIST	1999
CCQM-P10	Gamma-HCH in Fish Oil	LGC	1999
CCQM-P10.2	Gamma-HCH in Fish Oil 74 ng/g, 240 ng/g	LGC	2000
CCQM-P17	PCBs in sediments	NRC/NIST	2000
CCQM-P18	TriButylTin in sediment	LGC/NRC	2001
CCQM-P20	Purity of Compounds (glucose,DDE,xylene,TBT)	NIST/NARL	1999
CCQM-P21	p,p'-DDT in Fish Oil	LGC	1999
CCQM-P27	LSD in Urine	LGC	2000
CCQM-P31	Organic Calibration Solutions (PCBs,PAHs,Pesticides)	NIST	2002?
CCQM-P35	Ethanol in aqueous matrix (for. & commod. levels)	BAM/LGC	



Organic Analysis WG - Health status markers

- Traceability of measurements used to assess health status
- EU Directive on In-vitro Diagnostic (IVD) devices
- IVD devices must be traceable to higher order standards
- Internationally recognized reference system for health status markers
- Key comparisons:
 - Cholesterol: ID-MS procedure
 - Glucose, highly water soluble, associates strongly with proteins
 - Creatinine, much lower levels than cholesterol, requires separation from creatine

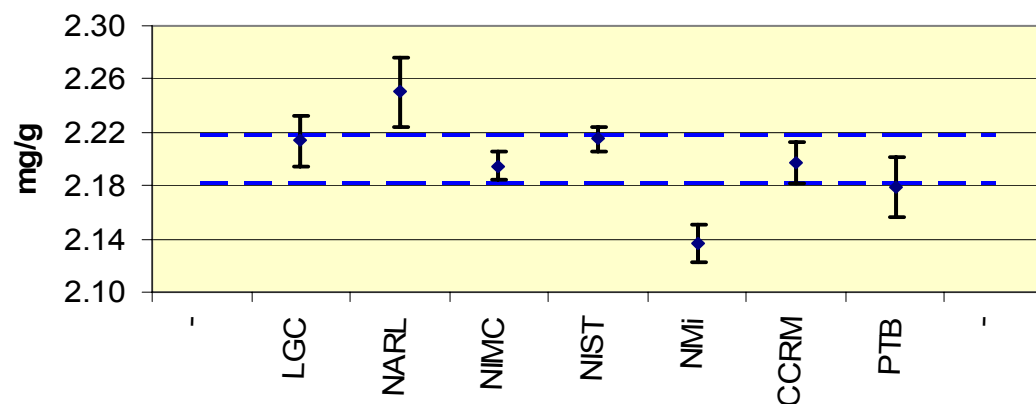


CCQM-K6 Cholesterol in Human Serum

- Results reported CCQM Meeting 2000 April 6-7
- Samples sent to participants: January 2000
- Participants: LGC, NARL, NIMC, NIST, NMI, NRCCRM, PTB (All NMIs receiving samples reported results.)
- Correlation between cholesterol concentration and cardiovascular disease
- Cholesterol Mass Fraction 1.5 to 2.5 mg/g (physiological range)
- Study contained two samples (each laboratory received three discrete aliquots of each for analysis); CVs for both samples ~1%
- KCRV and associated uncertainty: Recommend that the KCRV be assigned as the mean $\pm$ U of the eligible results (excluding the one statistical outlier for Material A).
- Material A: KCRV of 2.200 ± 0.019 mg/g corresponding to a 95% confidence interval of 2.181 to 2.219 mg/g.
- Material B: KCRV of 1.726 ± 0.015 mg/g, corresponding to a 95% confidence interval of 1.711 to 1.741 mg/g.)

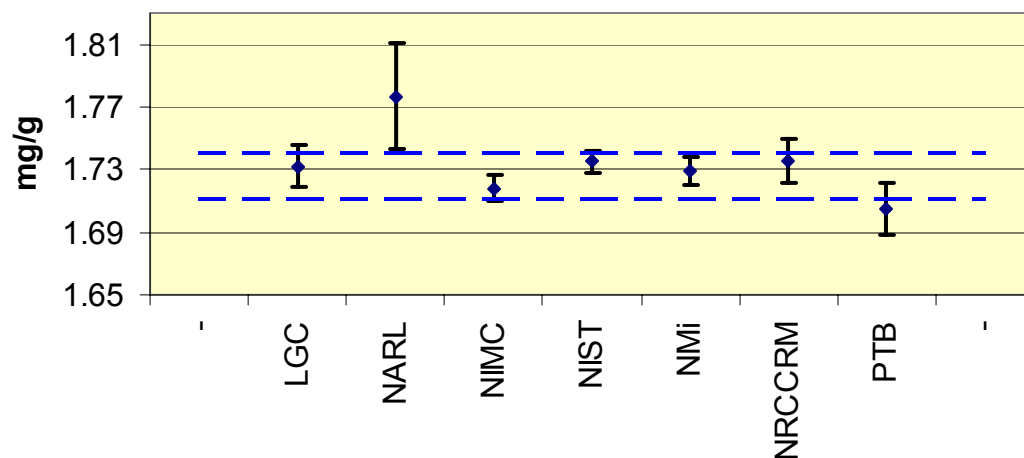


CCQM-K6 Cholesterol in Human Serum



CCQM-K6 Cholesterol in Serum: Material A

Material A: KCRV - the mean $\pm$ U of the eligible results*, excluding the one statistical outlier.
KCRV of 2.200 ± 0.019 mg/g corresponding to a 95% confidence interval of 2.181 to 2.219 mg/g.



CCQM-K6 Cholesterol in Serum: Material B

Material B, KCRV - the mean $\pm$ U of all of the eligible results*. KCRV 1.726 ± 0.015 mg/g, corresponding to a 95% confidence interval of 1.711 to 1.741 mg/g.

*Exclusions from KCRV calculation: NARL results not eligible for KCRV calculation as NARL did not participate in Pilot Study

CCQM-K6 Cholesterol in Human Serum

Tables of Equivalence

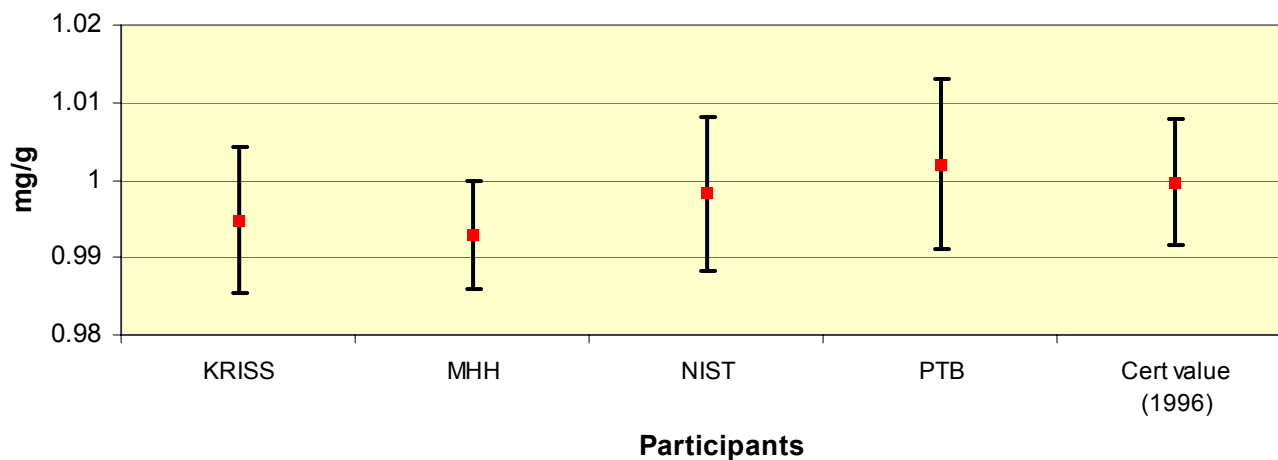
Material A			KCRV		LGC		NARL		NIMC		NIST		NMI		NRCCRM		PTB	
	Mean	U	D_1	U_1	D_U	U_U	D_U	U_U	D_U	U_U	D_U	U_U	D_U	U_U	D_U	U_U	D_U	U_U
NMI	mg/g		mg/g		mg/g		mg/g		mg/g		mg/g		mg/g		mg/g		mg/g	
LGC	2.214	0.019	0.014	0.024			0.036	0.032	-0.019	0.021	0.001	0.021	-0.077	0.023	-0.017	0.025	-0.035	0.030
NARL	2.250	0.026	0.050	0.029	-0.036	0.032			-0.055	0.028	0.035	0.027	-0.113	0.029	-0.053	0.030	-0.071	0.034
NIMC	2.195	0.010	-0.005	0.019	0.019	0.021	0.055	0.028			0.020	0.013	-0.058	0.017	0.002	0.019	-0.016	0.025
NIST	2.215	0.009	0.015	0.019	-0.001	0.021	0.035	0.027	-0.020	0.013			-0.078	0.016	-0.018	0.018	-0.036	0.024
NMI	2.137	0.014	-0.063	0.021	0.077	0.023	0.113	0.029	0.058	0.017	0.078	0.016			0.060	0.021	0.042	0.027
NRCCRM	2.197	0.016	-0.003	0.022	0.017	0.025	0.053	0.030	-0.002	0.019	0.018	0.018	-0.060	0.021			-0.018	0.028
PTB	2.179	0.023	-0.021	0.027	0.035	0.030	0.071	0.034	0.016	0.025	0.036	0.024	-0.042	0.027	0.018	0.028		
KCRV	2.200	0.019																
Material B			KCRV		LGC		NARL		NIMC		NIST		NMI		NRCCRM		PTB	
	Mean	U	D_1	U_1	D_U	U_U	D_U	U_U	D_U	U_U	D_U	U_U	D_U	U_U	D_U	U_U	D_U	U_U
NMI	mg/g		mg/g		mg/g		mg/g		mg/g		mg/g		mg/g		mg/g		mg/g	
LGC	1.732	0.013	0.006	0.018			0.045	0.036	-0.014	0.015	0.003	0.015	-0.003	0.016	0.004	0.019	-0.027	0.021
NARL	1.777	0.034	0.051	0.036	-0.045	0.036			-0.059	0.035	-0.042	0.035	-0.048	0.035	-0.041	0.037	-0.072	0.038
NIMC	1.718	0.008	-0.008	0.016	0.014	0.015	0.059	0.035			0.017	0.010	0.011	0.012	0.018	0.016	-0.013	0.019
NIST	1.735	0.007	0.009	0.016	-0.003	0.015	0.042	0.035	-0.017	0.010			-0.006	0.011	0.001	0.016	-0.030	0.018
NMI	1.729	0.009	0.003	0.017	0.003	0.016	0.048	0.035	-0.011	0.012	0.006	0.011			0.007	0.017	-0.024	0.019
NRCCRM	1.736	0.014	0.010	0.019	-0.004	0.019	0.041	0.037	-0.018	0.016	-0.001	0.016	-0.007	0.017			-0.031	0.022
PTB	1.705	0.017	-0.021	0.021	0.027	0.021	0.072	0.038	0.013	0.019	0.030	0.018	0.024	0.019	0.031	0.022		
KCRV	1.726	0.015																

CCQM-P8 Glucose in Serum

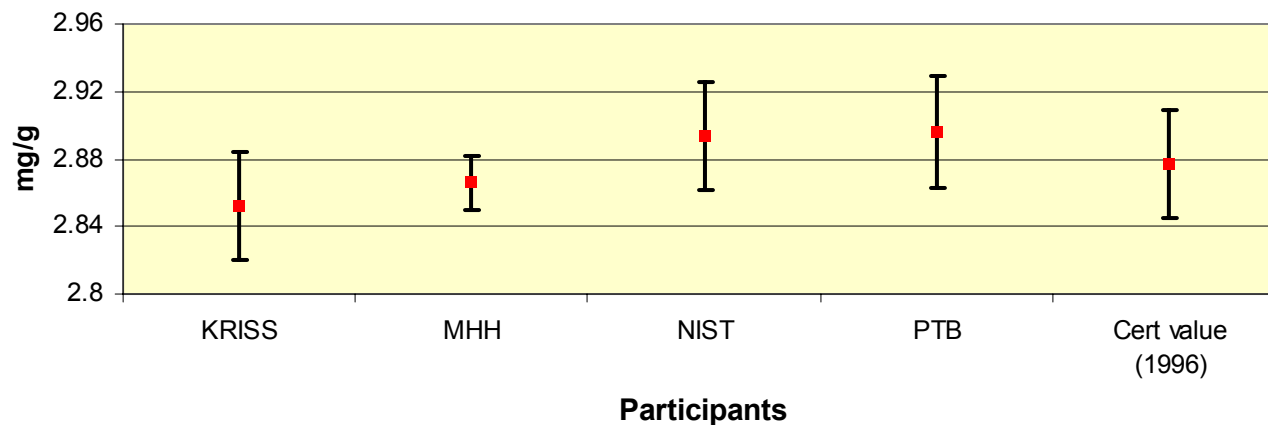
- **Participants:** KRISS, MHH, NIST, PTB
- **Glucose - blood sugar levels - diabetes**
- **Clinical labs - enzymatic procedures -variability**
- **Materials sent February 2000:**
 - Two NIST frozen sera (relabeled SRM 965, Glucose in Frozen Human Serum, Levels I (unfortified) and II (fortified))
 - NIST SRM 917, Glucose, provided as calibration compound
- **Results:**
 - **Material A:** ~ 1 mg/g (level in medically desirable range); **CV 0.4%**
 - **Material B:** ~ 3 mg/g (representative of medically elevated level); **CV 0.8%**
- **Action: Propose to proceed to Key Comparison using IMEP-17 samples (~0.7 and ~1.4 mg/g)**
 - ID-GC/MS to be used in Key Comparison (only method used/validated)
 - Data Quality Objective: $CV \leq 1\%$



CCQM-P8 Material A: Glucose in Serum



CCQM-P8 Material B: Glucose in Serum



CCQM-P8 Glucose in Serum

Material A (level in medically desirable range); Mean 0.998 mg/g, CV 0.4 %; Material B (representative of medically elevated level); Mean 2.88 mg/g, CV 0.8 %

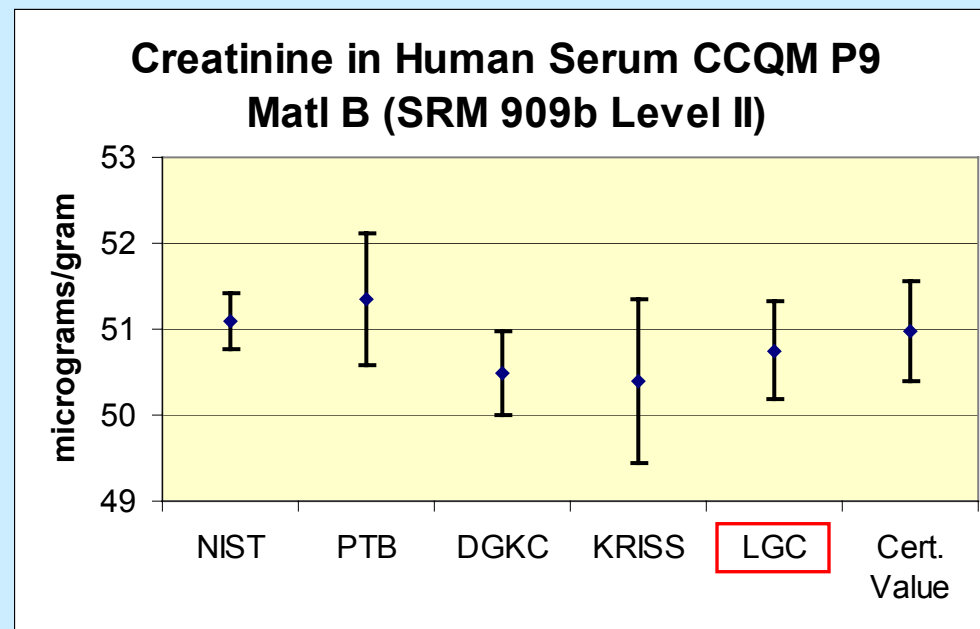
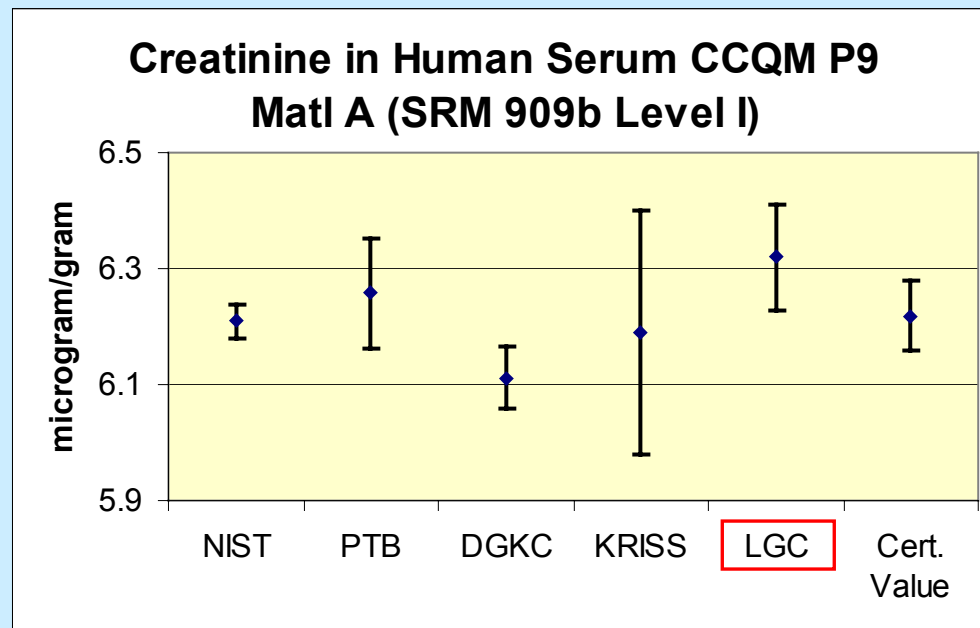


CCQM-P9 Creatinine in Serum

- **Participants: DGKC, KRISS, LGC, NIST, PTB**
- **Creatinine measured to determine renal function**
- **Clinical laboratories - Jaffe reaction - enzymatic procedures - variability**
- **Materials sent February 2000:**
 - Two NIST lyophilized sera (relabeled SRM 909b, Human Serum, Levels I and II)
 - NIST SRM 914a, Creatinine, provided as calibration compound
- **Results:**
 - **Material A: ~ 6 $\mu\text{g/g}$** (level in medically desirable range); **CV 1.3%**
 - **Material B: ~ 50 $\mu\text{g/g}$** (representative of medically elevated level); **CV 0.8%**
- **Action: Propose to proceed to Key Comparison using IMEP-17 samples (~10 and ~20 $\mu\text{g/g}$)**
 - ID-GC/MS or LC/MS (LGC) to be used in Key Comparison (methods used/validated)
 - Data Quality Objective: CV ≤ 1.5 %



CCQM-P9 Creatinine in Serum



CCQM Comparisons for Small Molecule Health Status Markers

- Small molecule health marker surrogates used: cholesterol, creatinine, glucose
- Matrix: human sera
- Studies conducted:

	Mean	~CV
CCQM-K6 Cholesterol in serum		
• Material A (level in medically desirable range)	~ 2.2 mg/g	0.3 %
• Material B (representative of medically elevated level)	~ 2.7 mg/g	0.3 %

CCQM-K11 Glucose in serum (proposing to proceed)

CCQM-K12 Creatinine in serum (proposing to proceed)

CCQM-P6 Cholesterol in serum		
• Material A (level in medically desirable range)	~ 1.7 mg/g	1.8 %
• Material B (representative of medically elevated level)	~ 2.7 mg/g	1.4 %

CCQM-P8 Glucose in serum		
• Material A (level in medically desirable range)	~ 1 mg/g	0.4 %
• Material B (representative of medically elevated level)	~ 3 mg/g	0.8 %

CCQM-P9 Creatinine in serum		
• Material A (level in medically desirable range)	~ 6 µg/g	1.3 %
• Material B (representative of medically elevated level)	~ 50 µg/g	0.8 %

Future comparison: Cortisol (very polar, lower levels) in serum
Reference range for cortisol in serum or plasma: 50 - 230 ng/g



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Amount of Substance

Branch

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Reset

Comparison Type

Key

Organization

CIPM

Reset

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Comparison identifier	Type	Metrology area	Description	Measurand	Independent variable	Status	Years
CCQM-K2	Key	Amount of Substance - Inorganics	Cadmium (Cd) and Lead (Pb) in natural water	Amount content: Cd: 83 nmol/kg, Pb: 63 nmol/kg		Approved for equivalence, RESULTS AVAILABLE	1998-1998
CCQM-K5	Key	Amount of Substance - Organics	p,p' DDE in fish oil	Mass fraction: natural level and natural level plus fortification with pp' DDE		Approved for equivalence	1999-2000
CCQM-K6	Key	Amount of Substance - Organics	Cholesterol in human serum	Mass fraction: 1.5 mg/g to 2.5 mg/g (2 samples in physiological range)		Approved for equivalence	1999-2000
CCQM-K8	Key	Amount of Substance - Inorganics	Single element calibration solutions; analyte species: Aluminium (Al), Copper (Cu), Iron (Fe), and Magnesium (Mg)	Mass fraction: Al: 1 g/kg, Cu: 1 g/kg, Fe: 1 g/kg, Mg: 1 g/kg		Report in progress Draft B	1999-2000
CCQM-K13	Key	Amount of Substance - Inorganics	Cadmium (Cd) and Lead (Pb) in sediments	Amount content: Cd: ~5.5 µmol/kg, Pb: ~170 µmol/kg		Report in progress Draft B	2000-2000



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Calibration and Measurement Capabilities of National Metrology Institutes

This is the part of the BIPM key comparison database concerning Appendix C of the Mutual Recognition Arrangement. It includes the Calibration and Measurement Capabilities (CMCs) declared by National Metrology Institutes. Not all metrology areas are yet available via this database.

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- [Acoustics, Ultrasound, Vibration \(AUV\)](#)
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- [Length \(L\)](#)
This metrology area covers the fields of laser frequencies and dimensional metrology.
- [Mass and related quantities \(M\)](#)
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Calibration and Measurement Capabilities

Amount of Substance

(not including pH and electrolytic conductivity)

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This page proposes two different ways to access CMC information:

1. a choice of one country name and of one chemical category from full lists of countries and of chemical categories ('Go To' then delivers the .pdf file of all CMCs relevant to the selected category and declared by the selected country);
2. a keyword search for selecting an analyte ('Search' then returns the full list of analytes matching the entry), selecting one or more analytes from the list and clicking on 'Continue' returns information on the selection.

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1. CMCs in Amount of Substance (chemical categories other than pH and electrolytic conductivity): Direct access to full lists of CMCs by country and by category as .pdf files

Country

Category

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2. CMCs in Amount of Substance (chemical categories other than pH and electrolytic conductivity): Keyword search

In this criteria area, please type part or full name, or part or full chemical formula of the searched analyte(s). Clicking on 'Search' returns the full list of analytes matching the entry.

Analyte or component
keyword search

Match exactly :
☐ Yes ☒ No



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Amount of Substance (not including pH and electrolytic conductivity)

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Your selection:

Amount of substance
ozone

6 CMCs match your selection.

They are described below with the following information: Analyte, Matrix, Service provider (Country, National Metrology Institute, Regional Metrology Organization). Use the 'Sort' facility to classify by alphabetic order the information.

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	Analyte or component	Matrix or material	Country	NMI	RMO
Select here					
☐	ozone	air	France	BNM	EUROMET
☐	ozone	air	Germany	PTB	EUROMET
☐	ozone	air	Switzerland	METAS	EUROMET
☐	ozone	air	United States	NIST	SIM
☐	ozone	synthetic air	Germany	UBA	EUROMET
☐	ozone	synthetic air	United Kingdom	NPL	EUROMET

Gases, environmental

United States, NIST (National Institute of Standards and Technology)
[Complete CMCs in Amount of Substance for Gases for United States](#) (pdf file)

Matrix or material	Analyte or component	Dissemination range of measurement capability	
		Amount-of-substance fraction in nmol/mol	Absolute expanded uncertainty in nmol/mol
air	ozone	1 to 100	1

[Mechanism\(s\) for measurement service delivery](#) : Standard reference photometer
No range of certified values in reference material has been declared
Internal NMI service identifier: NIST/8393131

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- MRA - chemical standards and measurement capabilities compared internationally
- Amount of Substance entries Appendix B and C
- Comparability of data
- Underpin other agreements (e.g. ILAC MRA)
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