

Report from NMIJ for CCM 2023

1. Main research activities

Mass/Gravity

- Realization of the kilogram based on the Planck constant using ^{28}Si -enriched spheres.
- Mass measurement in sub-microgram region by electrostatic force balance.

Force/Torque

- Development of a new dynamic torque standard machine based on the Kibble balance method.
- Development of a new force and torque standard machines with a very low capacity based on the Kibble balance method.
- Development of the remote calibration technique for force calibration machines.

Pressure/Vacuum

- Development of optical-based pressure standards.
- Dynamic pressure measurement (atmospheric pressure) for infrasound observations.
- Cooperative research on precise pressure monitoring at seafloor to detect crustal movements.

Density/Viscosity/Refractive Index:

- Development of density calibration techniques based on the silicon density standard and their applications to PVT property measurements for working fluids to meet demands from industry, and density measurements for standard sea water samples.
- Development of measurement and calibration techniques for viscometry and rheometry.
- Development of measurement techniques for other related liquid physical properties such as speed of sound and dielectric constant.

Hardness

- Coordinate measurement approach for the consistent direct verification of indenter geometry.
- Study on the instrumented indentation technique.
- Development of indentation diameter/diagonal length measurement method.

Fluid Flow

- Investigation on flow dynamics of pipe flow at very high Reynolds number.
- Development of ultrasonic in-situ flow measurement technique.
- Development of measurement and calibration techniques for liquid microflow.

2. Participation in relevant comparisons

| Comparison ID | Subfield | Number of participants | Pilot | Status | Years |
|---------------|----------|------------------------|-------|--|--------|
| APMP.M.M-K5 | Mass | 19 | NIM | Approved, <i>Metrologia</i> , 2023, 60 (1A) 07002 | 2013 - |
| CCM.M-K8.2021 | Mass | 9 | BIPM | Approved, <i>Metrologia</i> , 60 (1A), 07003, 2023 | 2021- |

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|-------------------|---|------------------------|-------------------|---|--------|
| CCM.F-K1.a.2022 | Force | 20 | UME | Planned | 2022 - |
| CCM.F-K23 | Force | - | METAS | Draft B | 2019 - |
| APMP.M.F-K3.b | Force | - | NIM | Measurements completed. | 2011 - |
| CCM.T-K1 | Torque | - | - | Planned | 2024 |
| CCM.T-K2.1 | Torque | 2 | NMIJ | Measurements completed. | 2021 - |
| CCM.T-K3 | Torque | 10 | PTB | Planned. | 2023 - |
| APMP.M.T-K1 | Torque | 8 | KRISS | Planned. | 2011 |
| CCM.P-K16, 17, 18 | Pressure | 9 | CENAM PTB | Measurement in progress | 2020- |
| APMP.M.P-K15 | Vacuum | 7 | NMIJ/AIS T | DraftA | 2013- |
| APMP.M.P-K7.3 | Hydraulic gauge pressure | 7 | NIMT and NMIJ | Approved, <i>Metrologia</i> 2022 59 , 07015 | 2016- |
| APMP.M.P-K4 | Pressure measurements in gas (absolute mode) | 8 | KRISS | Measurements completed | 2018- |
| CCM.D-K1.2023 | Density of a silicon sphere | 11 | PTB | Measurement in progress | 2022 - |
| CCM.D-K3 | Solid density standards | | NMIJ/AIS T | Protocol in progress | 2011- |
| CCM. D-K5 | Density of liquids determined by using density meters | 15 | BEV | Measurement in progress | 2019- |
| CCM. D-K6 | Refractive Index of Liquids | 10 | NMIJ | Planned | |
| APMP. M. D-K4 | Hydrometers | 10 | KRISS | Approved, <i>Metrologia</i> , 2023, 60 , 07007 | 2007 |
| CCM.V-K4 | Viscosity | 11 | CENAM | Report in progress, Draft B | 2018- |
| CCM.H-K3 | Hardness (Rockwell C) | - | INRiM, PTB, NIST, | Protocol Complete A) | - |
| APMP.M.H-S5 | Brinell hardness | 3 | NIMT | Approved, <i>Metrologia</i> 2022 59 , 07019 | 2018- |
| APMP.M.H-S6 | Vickers hardness | 4 | NIMT | Approved, <i>Metrologia</i> 2022 59 , 07020 | 2018- |
| CCM.FF-K1.2015 | Water flow | 11 | PTB | Approved, <i>Metrologia</i> , 2022, 59 , 07013 | 2015 |

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| Comparison ID | Subfield | Number of participants | Pilot | Status | Years |
|-------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------|-------------|---|-------|
| CCM.FF-K1.2022 | Water flow | 6 | METAS | Planned | 2022 |
| CCM.FF- K2.2011 | Fluid flow of hydrocarbon and water | 8 | VSL | Report in progress, Draft B | 2013- |
| CCM.FF-K5.2021 | High pressure gas flow | 8 | PTB | Measurement in progress | 2021- |
| CCM.FF-K6.2017 | Low pressure gas flow | 10 | CMS/ITRI | Approved, <i>Metrologia</i> , 2022, 59, 07012 | 2017 |
| APMP.M.FF-K2.2021 | Hydrocarbon flow | 4 | NMIJ | Measurement in progress | 2021- |
| APMP.M.FF-K3.2020 | Air Speed | 8 | CMS/ITRI | Report in progress, draft A | 2019- |
| APMP.M.FF-S1.2015 | Water flow | 2 | KRISS/ NMIJ | Approved, <i>Metrologia</i> , 2022, 59, 07004 | 2015- |
| APMP.M.FF-S2.2016 | Water flow | 2 | RCM-LIPI | Report in progress, Draft B | 2016- |
| APMP.M.FF-S3.2020 | Water flow | 7 | NIMT | Report in progress, draft A | 2020- |

A) CCM.H.K3: The status in KCDB of Key comparison of Rockwell C scale hardness is planned. First circulation between pilots was already done in 2011. CCM WGH decided to re-start the comparison after long pause in the last WGH meeting held in NPL at Sep. 2015.

3. List of relevant publications in 2021-2022

Mass/Gravity

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- 5) L. Zhang, N. Kuramoto and A. Kurokawa: XPS analysis of a ²⁸Si-enriched sphere for realization of the kilogram to realize the kilogram, *IEEE Trans. Instrum. Meas.*, **70**, 1006305 (2021).
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milligram weights at NMIJ, *Measurement*, **198**, 111320 (2022).

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- 11) S. Mizushima and T. Umeda: Electron paramagnetic resonance study of silicon-28 single crystal for realization of the kilogram, *Metrologia*, **59**, 025005 (2022).
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Force/Torque

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- 2) A. Nishino, M. Kinoshita: Development of a nano-torque generating machine using electromagnetic force based on the principle of the Kibble balance, *Measurement*, **194**, 111081 (2022).
- 3) M. Hamaji, A. Nishino, K. Ogushi: Development of a novel dynamic torque generation machine based on the principle of a Kibble balance, *Meas. Sci. Technol.*, **33**, 115901 (2022).

Pressure/Vacuum

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- 2) Y. Takei, H. Yoshida, E. Komatsu, K. Arai, Uncertainty evaluation of the static expansion system and its long-term stability at NMIJ, *Vacuum*, **187**, 110034 (2021).
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Hardness

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- 5) Furuichi, N., Arias, R., Yang, C.T., Chun, S., Meng, T., Shinder, I., Frahm, E., Bükler, O., Mills, C., Akselli, B., Smits, F.M.: Final report "Key comparison CCM.FF-K1.2015 - water flow: 30 m³/h ... 200 m³/h," *Metrologia*, **59**, 1A (2022).
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4. Topical issues

The kilogram is presently defined by the Planck constant. Under this new definition, in principle, any national metrology institute (NMI) has the possibility to realize the kilogram independently. To confirm the consistency among the individual realizations by NMIs, the second international comparison of the realizations based on the new definition, CCM.M-K8.2021, was organized from 2021 to 2023. Eight NMIs

including NMIJ and BIPM participated in the comparison and used their own realization methods. By this key comparison, the consistency of the individual realizations was confirmed, and the consensus value of the kilogram was updated on 1st March 2023. In CCM.M-K8.2021, NMIJ realized the new kilogram by the X-ray crystal density method using a ²⁸Si-enriched sphere. The relative standard uncertainty of the realization was estimated to be 2.3×10^{-8} . This corresponds to the realization of the new kilogram with a standard uncertainty of 23 μ g for 1 kg.