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Unit of mass (kilogram)

This international prototype, made of platinum-iridium, is kept at the BIPM under conditions specified by the 1st CGPM in 1889.



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The U.S. National Prototype Kilogram, K20