At the Forefront of Advanced Technology

A Spectrum of Metrology

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Measurement

"Set of operations having the object of determining a value of a quantity"

International Vocabulary of Basic and General Terms in Metrology (1993)

Measurement Services

A critical need for:

Excellence in metrology Traceability & legal metrology

leads to measurement services



THE NATION'S FIRST "NATIONAL LAB"

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THE EMBRYOLOGICAL BASIS OF

SCIENTIFIC NOTES AND NEWS.

PROFESSOR S. W. STRATTON has, in view of his appointment as director of the Bureau of Standards, resigned his professorship in the University of Chicago. He will go abroad soon to study similar institutions in foreign countries.

Science, March 1901





NIST Measurement Services

Calibration Program

Standard Reference Materials

Standard Reference Data

Laboratory Accreditation (NVLAP)



NIST Measurement Services

Calibrations and Tests 500 tests available 3,000 items calibrated/year

Standard Reference Materials 1,300 products available 31,000 units sold/year

Standard Reference Data

90 types available 5,500 units sold/ year

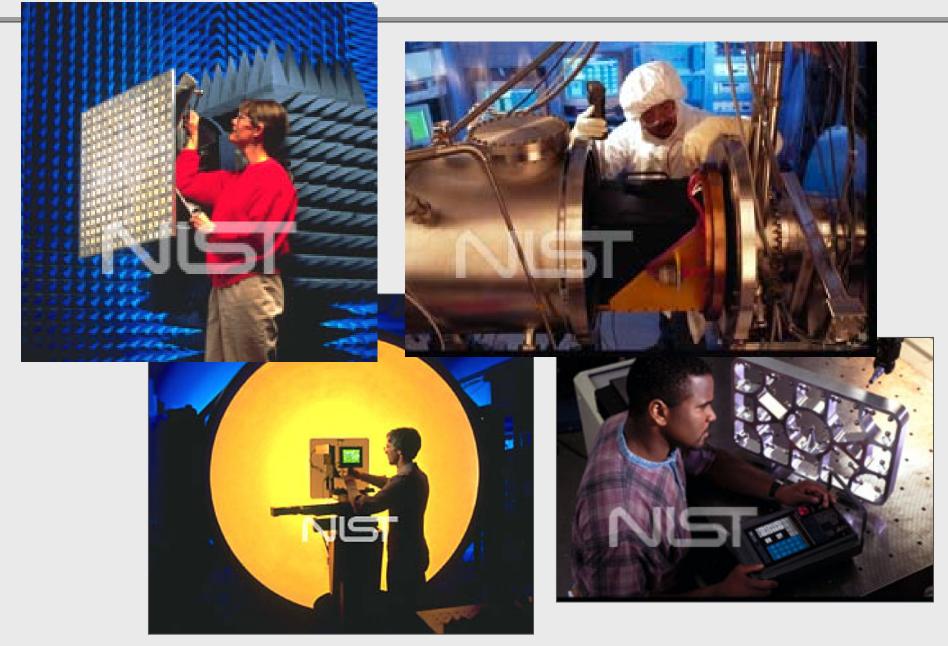
Laboratory Accreditation 819 accreditations

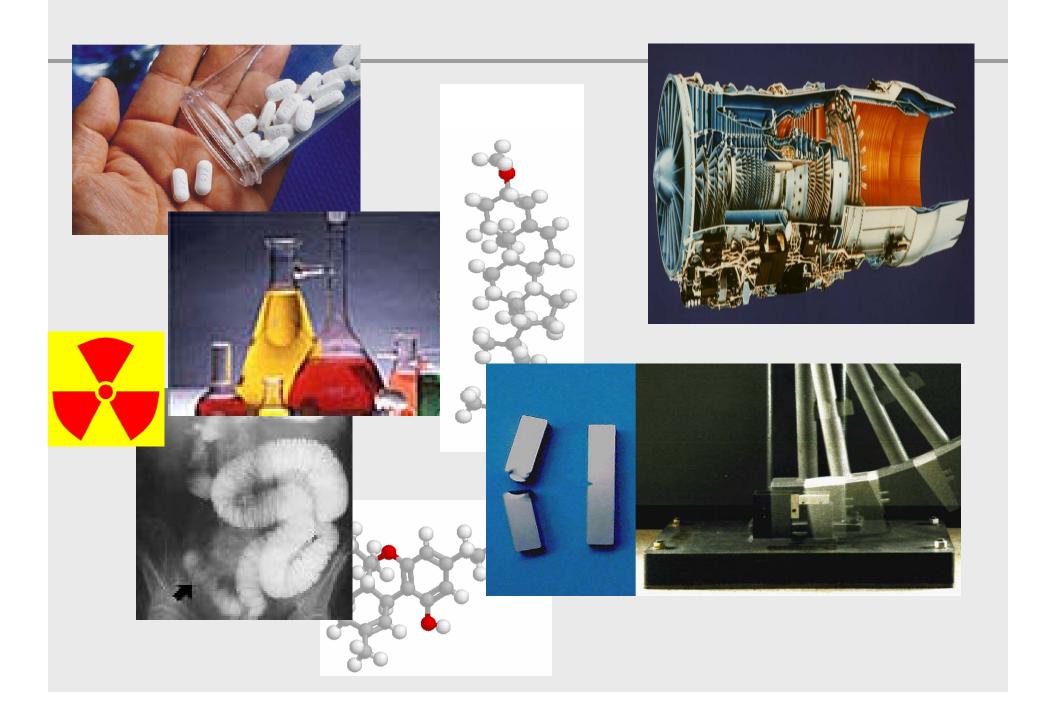


Standards Committees
 440 NIST staff
 970 committees

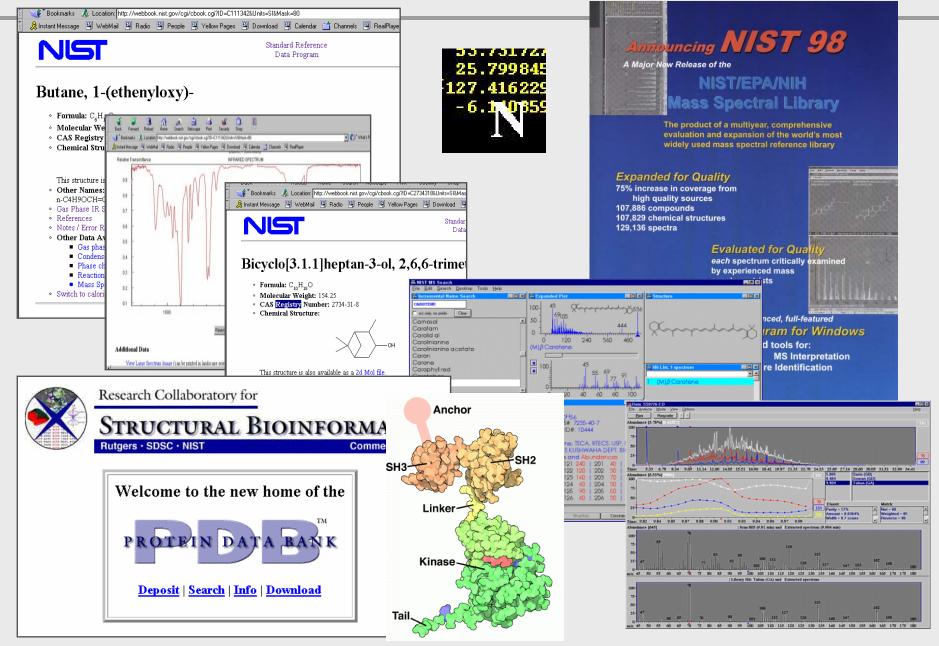
Measurement Research 2,200 publications/year

NIST Calibration Program

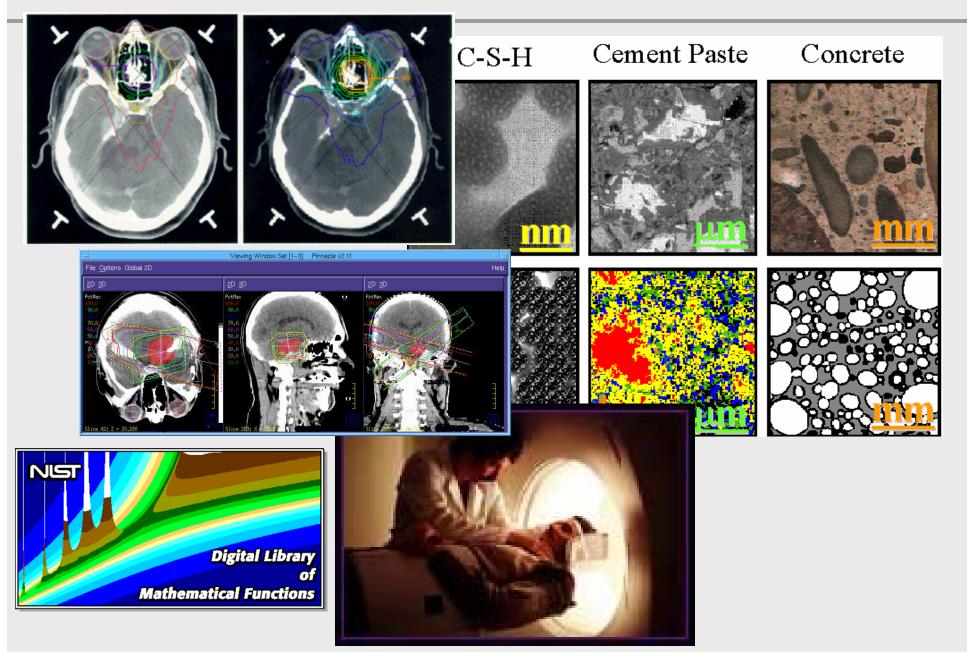




SRD Program



Data: From Brains to Concrete



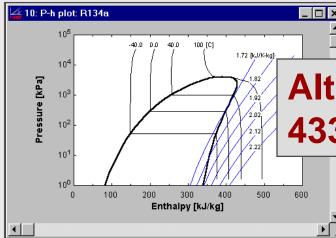
Laboratory Accreditation





Leverage & Economic Impact

Radiopharmaceutical standards 97:1 benefit-to-cost ratio



Alternative refrigerants 433 percent internal rate of return

Sulfur in fossil fuels \$ 409M net present value, \$ 3.6M NIST investment



RADIOA

The National Measurement System



The National Measurement System

Measurement Services Supporting National Interests



The Role of Measurement Services

Quantify measurement uncertainty & traceability

Provide a basis for decision making

Enable interoperability / interchangeability

Verify scientific theory



NMS: A Public-Private Partnership





The US National Metrology Institute

- Meeting industry needs
 ✓ Definitive metrology
 - Traceability



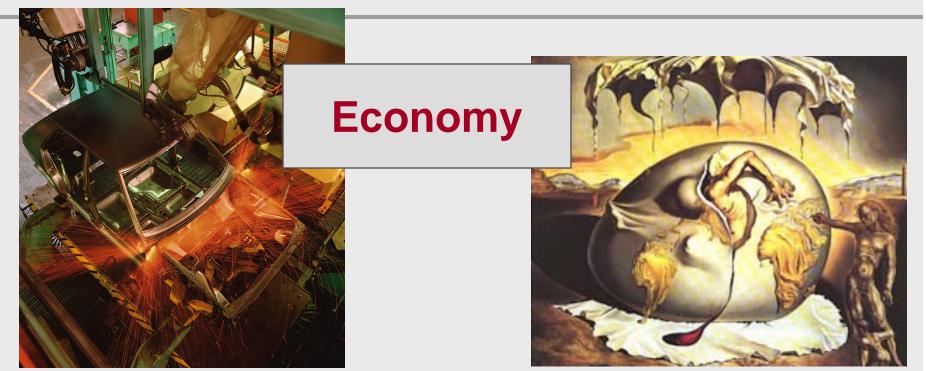
Infrastructure for technology transfer

✓increased return on

taxpayer dollars



Drivers of New Measurement Services



- Needs of emerging industries
- Better customer service
- Impact of information technology
- Interoperability

Drivers of New Measurement Services







- Smaller and larger dimensions
- **Finer scales**,

tighter tolerances

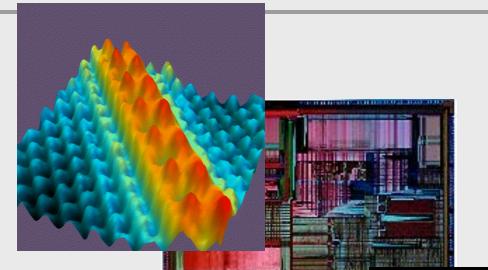
- Shorter time intervals
- Self-realized standards
- New measurement requirements



Strategic Focus Areas

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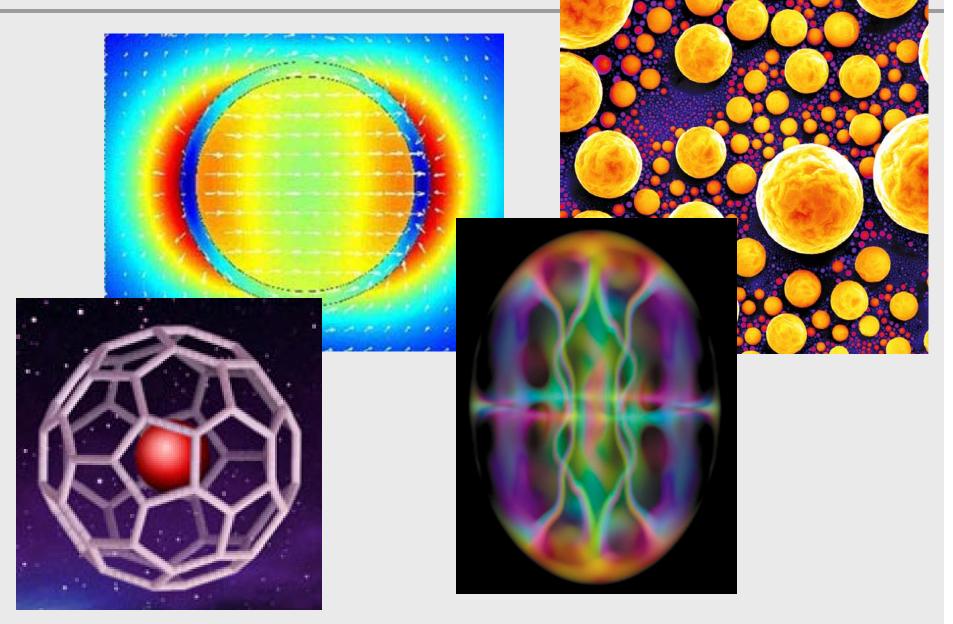
- Health Care
- Nanotechnology
- Homeland Security
- Information / Knowledge Management



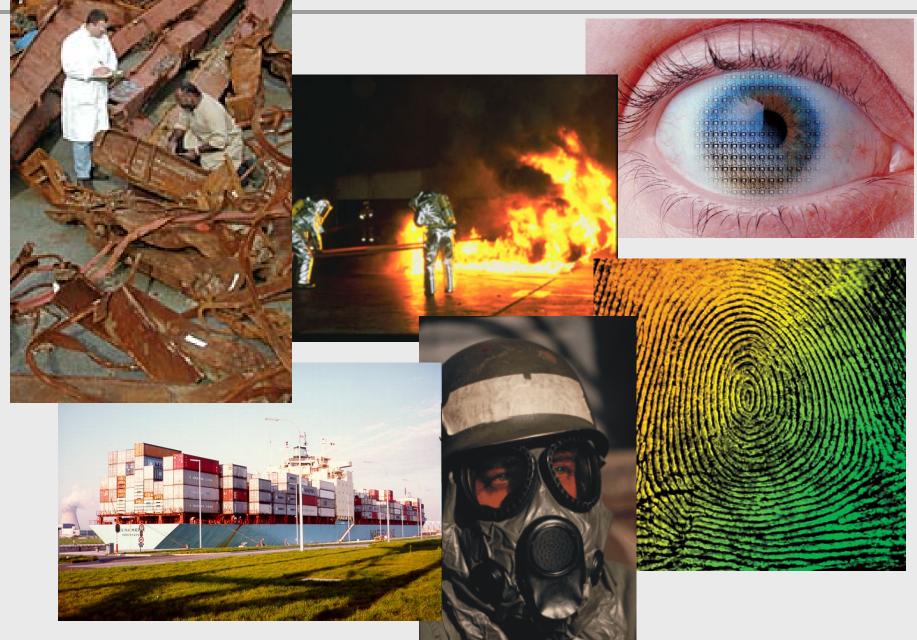




Nanotechnology



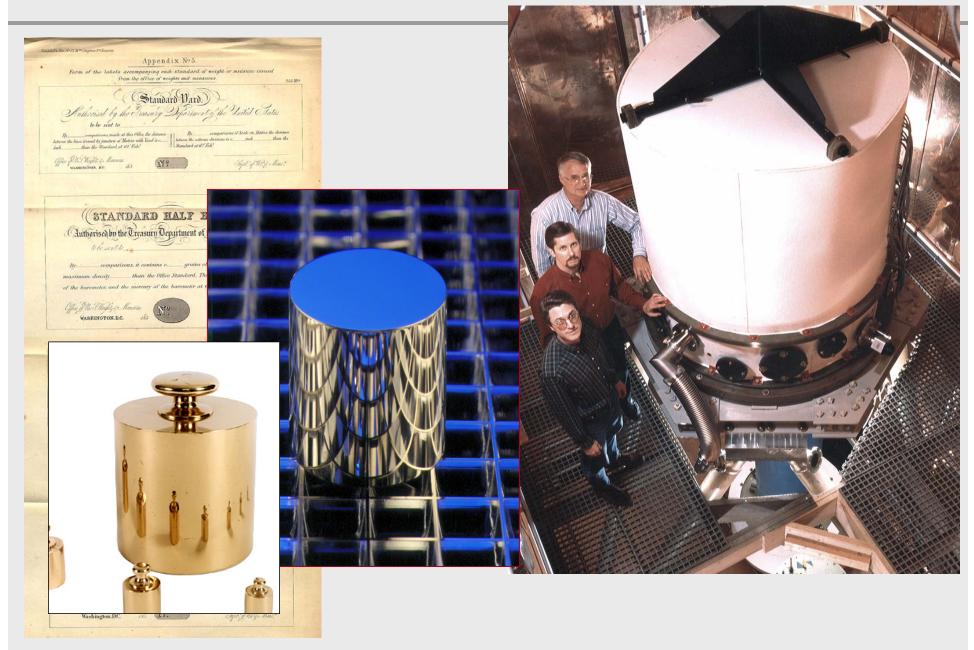
Homeland Security



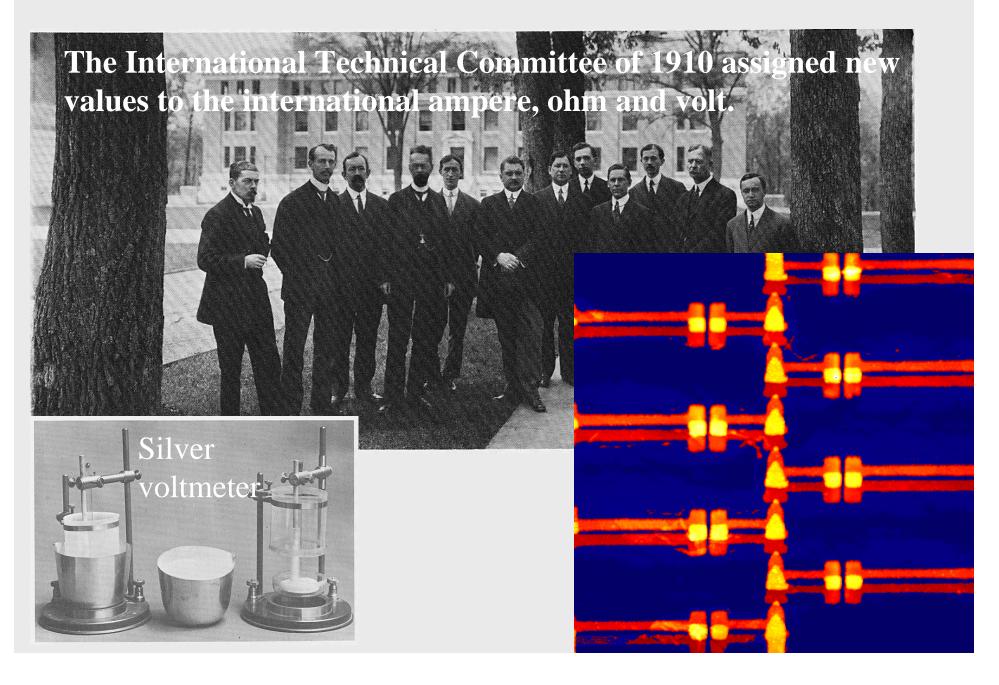
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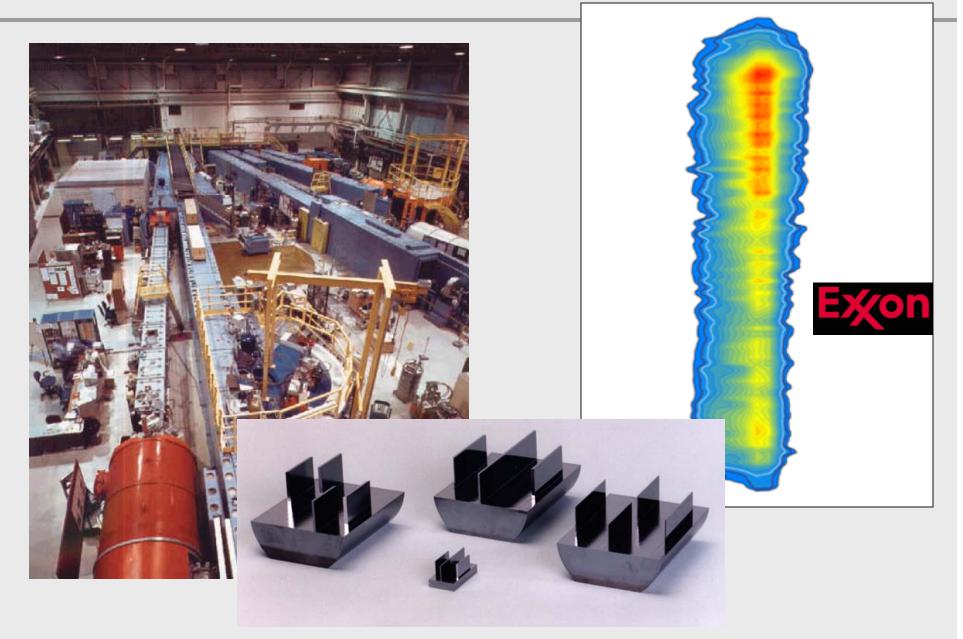
Advanced Standards: The Electronic Kilogram



High Precision Electrical Standards



Supporting the Hydrogen Economy

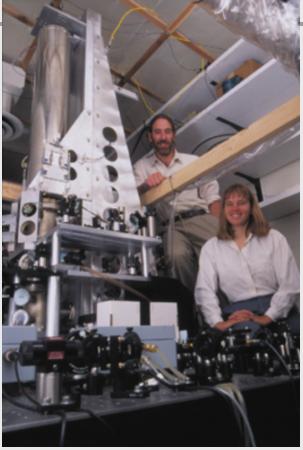


GENESIS OF ATOMIC CLOCKS

Ammonia resonator 1 s in 300 years (1949)







NIST F1

NIST 71 s in 30 million years (1999)1 s in 6 million years (1993)

Advanced Measurement Laboratory



- Air Quality:
- 2 4 x 10⁶
- Vibration:
- **3 20 μm/sec**
- Temperature: ± 2 °C
- Humidity <u>+ 20%</u>
- Electrical Power: Instruments

- ~1,000 particles/ft³ General Laboratory Space Class 100 in Cleanrooms
- ec to 0.2 to 3μ m/sec

to

- to 0.010, 0.100 & 0.25 °C
- to ± 1% -- 5%

Improved Quality/Reduced Outage Effects for Critical (Building UPS)

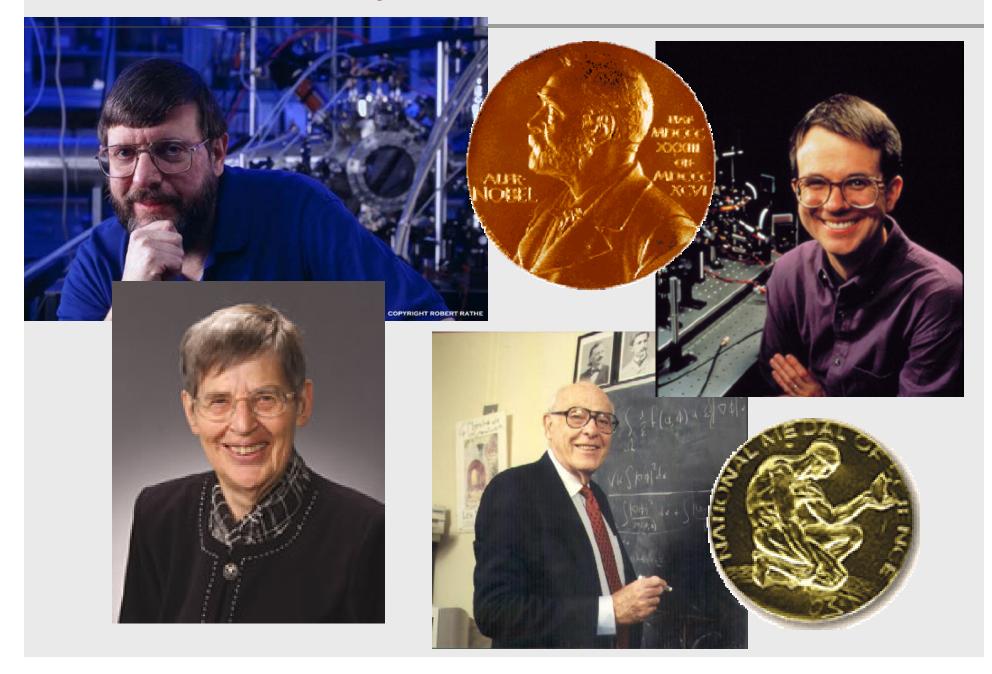
NMS: Supporting A Global Economy

Global forces changing the

landscape of measurement services



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Convergence Through Measurement

