1:6 Measurement in Biology

INTERNATIONAL SYSTEM OF MEASUREMENT

(SI): universal system of measurement and symbols used by scientists worldwide

SI (metric system) is based on the number 10 and multiples of 10 and has very few basic units.



<u>SI UNIT</u>	abbreviation	MEASURES
Meter	m	length
Gram	g	mass
Liter	L	liquid volume
Cubic centimet	er cm3	solid volume
Second	Sec	time
Celsius degree	°C	temperature
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<u>SI PREFIX</u>	abbreviation	MULTIPLIES
<u>SI PREFIX</u> Kilo	<u>abbreviation</u> k	MULTIPLIES 1,000
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Kilo	k	1,000
Kilo Hecto	k h	1,000 100
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- 1 kilogram (kg) = 1000 grams
- 1 hectogram (hg)= 100 grams
- 1 decagram (dag)= 10 grams
- 1 gram (g)= 1 gram
- 1 decigram (dg)=0.1 gram
- 1 centigram (cg)=0.01 gram
- 1 milligram (mg)= 0.001 gram

