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Unit Correct symbol

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 μ m Hertz μ m

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ångström $Å(=10^{-10}m=0\cdot1 \text{ nm})$ gramme g

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hour h
molarity (mol/litre) M

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