

# EINSTEIN'S MASS - ENERGY EQUIVALENCE

$$E = mc^2$$

**“DOES THE INERTIA OF A BODY DEPENDS UPON  
ITS ENERGY CONTENT?”**

**EINSTEIN  
FIRST DERIVED  
MASS-ENERGY  
EQUIVALENCE  
IN HIS 1905  
ANNUS  
MIRABILIS  
PAPER ,  
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**RAISING THE  
TEMPERATURE OF  
AN OBJECT  
INCREASES ITS  
MASS. THE WORLD'S  
PRIMARY MASS  
STANDARD FOR THE  
KILOGRAM, MADE OF  
PLATINUM AND  
IRIDIUM. IF ITS  
TEMPERATURE IS  
ALLOWED TO  
CHANGE BY 1 °C, ITS  
MASS CHANGES BY  
1.5 PICOGRAMS.**

**THE MASS OF THE NUCLEUS IS  
SLIGHTLY LESS THAN THE SUM OF  
THE INDIVIDUAL MASSES OF ITS  
CONSTITUENT PARTICLES. THIS  
MASS DEFICIT IS CONVERTED INTO  
THE BINDING ENERGY THAT HOLDS  
THE NUCLEUS TOGETHER,  
FOLLOWING  $E=MC^2$**

