

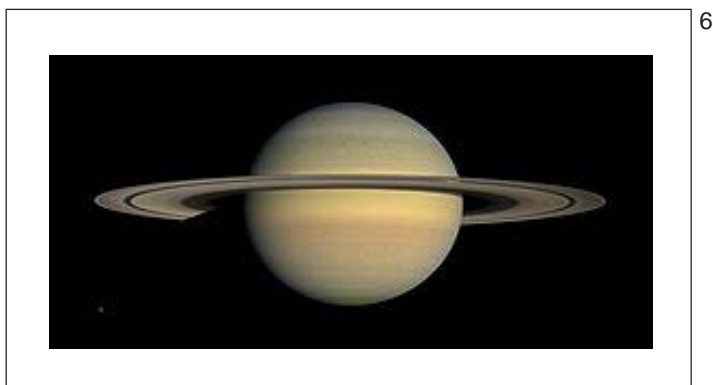


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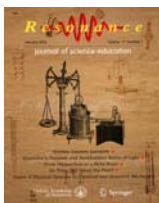
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Gasometer used by Lavoisier to precisely measure the masses of gases to show the conservation of mass in the synthesis of water from hydrogen and oxygen.

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Antoine-Laurent Lavoisier
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