Answer on Question #38603-Chemistry-Other

Question

The Universe is surely a vast, infinite place with an infinite number of forms of matter. The Universe is the house for all that is large and unseen (except with the aid of a telescope) as well as small and unseen (except with the aid of a microscope). With that said, please collect data on three objects found in the universe. For example, you can describe a certain planet, certain building, or certain animal; however, the object should be considered "extreme" in a large or small sense. (An example that you cannot use specifically would be Mount Everest - which is known for its extreme height.) In a blog post, please post the name of each object as well as the reported measurements of the objects. Also, include the link or source of the reported measurements.

Answer

- 1. The smallest mammal: **Etruscan shrew** (*Suncus etruscus*). Mass **1.8 g**. (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Etruscan shrew)
- 2. The world tallest building: **Burj Khalifa** (Dubai, United Arab Emirates). Height **828 m**. (http://skyscraperpage.com/diagrams/?searchID=203)
- 3. The largest known star: **UY Scuti** (red supergiant star in the constellation Scutum). Radius 1,708 solar radii = **1.188·10**⁹ km.

(http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List of largest known stars)