

GENEALOGY DATABASE ENTRY

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Haber, Fritz

1868 - 1934

DEGREE: PhD

DATE: 1891

PLACE: Techn. Hoch. Berlin

TEACHER/RESEARCH ADVISOR: Liebermann

Nobel Prize in 1918 for the discovery of the Haber process - the synthesis of ammonia from nitrogen and hydrogen; investigated the combustion of hydrocarbons and the water-gas equilibrium in the Bunsen flame; studied many aspects of electrochemistry, including electrolytic oxidation and reduction and the electrolysis of solid salts; worked on the glass electrode, on the velocities of electrode processes, and on gas and carbon cells; wrote the classical textbook *Thermodynamics of Technical Gas Reactions*; studied the emission of electrons during chemical reactions, the physical meaning of chemi-luminescence, and the applications of spectroscopic methods to the analysis of the processes of combustion; during WWI, as the head of the German Chemical Warfare Department, was responsible for the use of poison gas as a weapon.

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