



THE LEGACY OF ALFRED NOBEL

Did you know?

The Nobel Prizes are a result of the conditions laid down in one man's will?



ALFRED NOBEL
(1833 - 1896)

The inventor of dynamite left about

USD 250 million

in his will, for the establishment of a foundation to award prizes to scientists who...

“...shall have conferred the greatest benefit on mankind.”

What's more...

Nobel had already decided who should award these prizes!

The prizes for physics and chemistry shall be awarded by the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences; that for physiology or medical works by the Karolinska Institute in Stockholm; that for literature by the Swedish Academy in Stockholm, and that for champions of peace by a committee of five persons to be elected by the Norwegian Parliament.

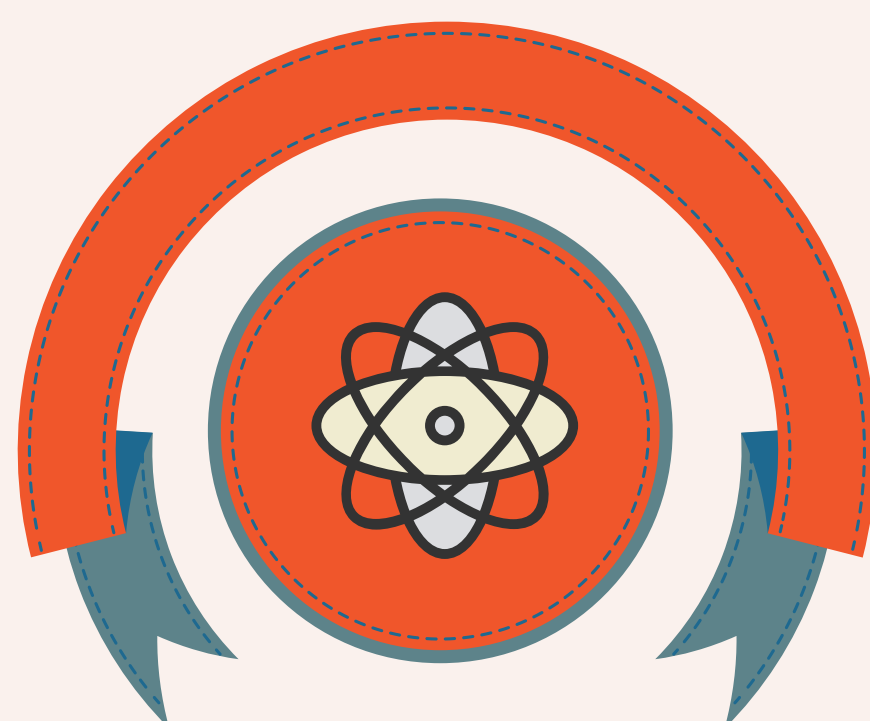
In
1900

The Nobel foundation was set up to honor the will

1901

The **first Nobel Prizes** were awarded on Dec 10, Alfred Nobel's 5th death anniversary

PHYSICS



CHEMISTRY



PHYSIOLOGY OR MEDICINE



LITERATURE



PEACE

But what about the Nobel Prize in Economics?



In 1968, Sweden's central bank, Sveriges Riksbank established the prize in Economics in memory of Alfred Nobel. It is called the **Sveriges Riksbank Prize in Economics**—not technically a Nobel Prize but now awarded with other Nobel Prizes.

Sources

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