

GENEALOGY DATABASE ENTRY

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Thorpe, Thomas Edward

1845 - 1925

DEGREE: PhD

DATE: 1868

PLACE: Heidelberg

TEACHER/RESEARCH ADVISOR: Bunsen

accurately determined many atomic weights, esp. Si and Au; established existence of P_4O_6 and P_4O_8 ; prepared $PSCl_3$, PF_5 , POF_3 ; studied critical phenomena.

FOOTNOTE: Thorpe was an undergraduate at Oxford where Roscoe was Professor of Chemistry. Thorpe took Roscoe's advice and travelled to Bunsen's laboratories to further his education, but Thorpe's later research clearly owes more to Roscoe.

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