McPherson, William 1864 - 1951

DEGREE: DSc  DATE: 1895  PLACE: Ohio State
TEACHER/RESEARCH ADVISOR: Weber

synthesis of hydroxyazo compounds; reaction of sucrose with acids; advisor to US Army on chemical warfare during WW I; wrote influential series of textbooks on general chemistry.

FOOTNOTE: Sometime before 1895, McPherson did PhD research under the direction of Weber at Ohio State and under the direction of Nef at Chicago. McPherson's PhD degree from Chicago was awarded in 1899, after he had been named full professor and head of department at Ohio State. (Although McPherson served as an assistant to Sidney Norton at Ohio State from 1892-1894, this appointment involved only teaching and no research duties.)