



# 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.*

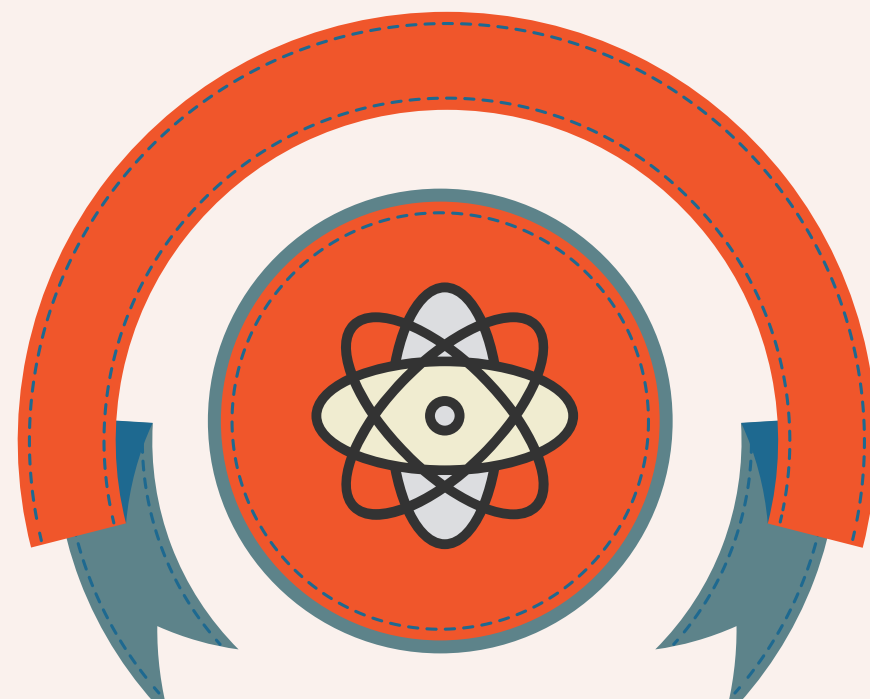
In  
**1900**

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.

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