

# Bruno Touschek

Vienna 1921 – Innsbruck 1978

A master's legacy to elementary particle science



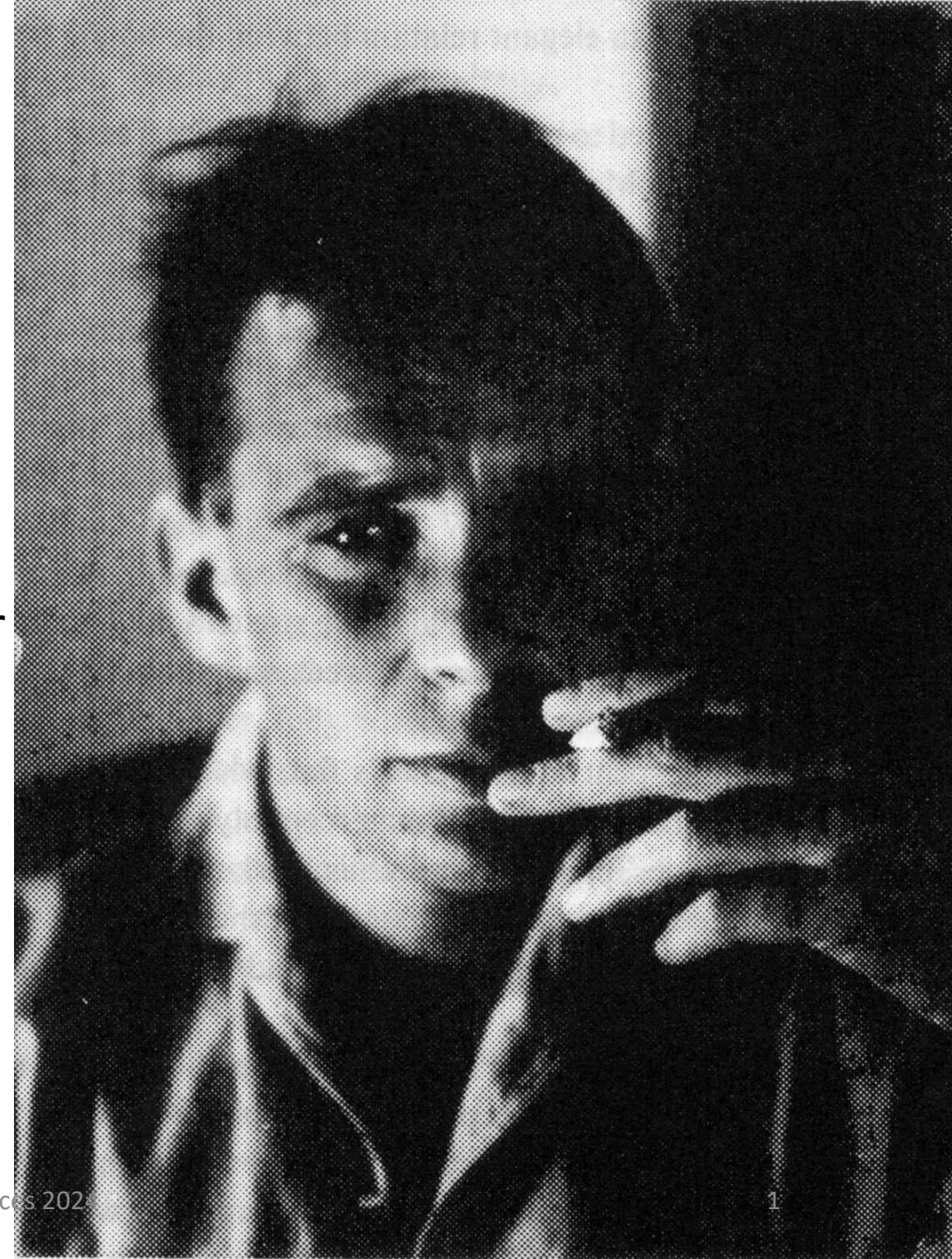
AdA: The first  $e^+e^-$  collider



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An Extraordinary Journey away from fixed target accelerators toward high energy physics

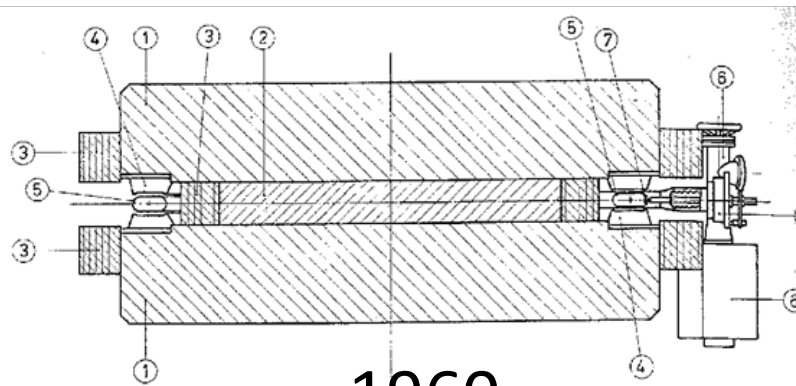


Frascati National Laboratory  
AdA 1960:  $e^+e^-$  0.5 GeV c.m.



ADONE 1969:  $e^+e^-$  3 GeV c.m.

Bruno Touschek – a master's legacy to elementary particle science



1960

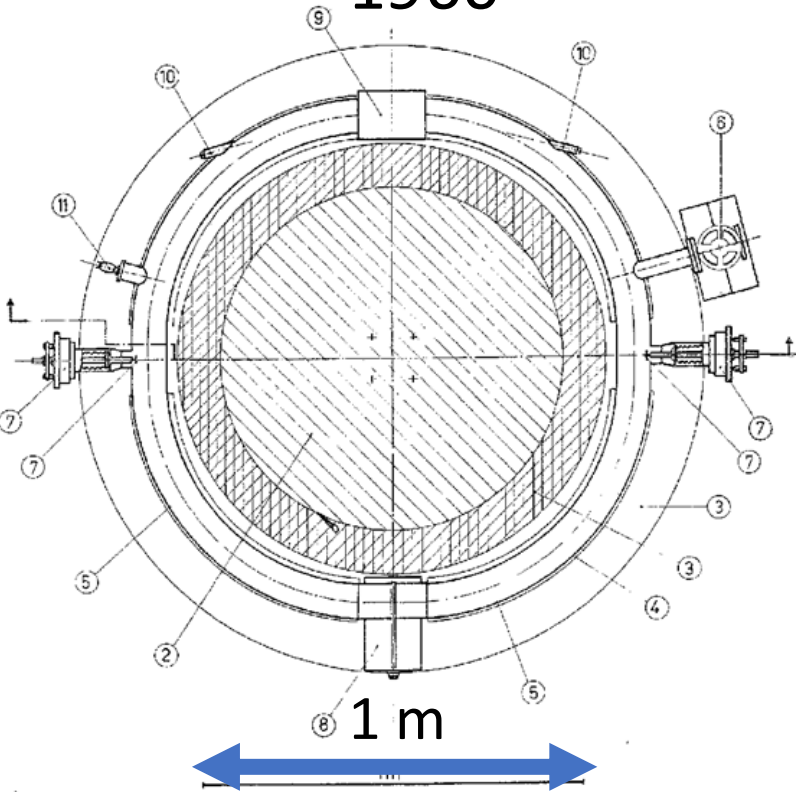
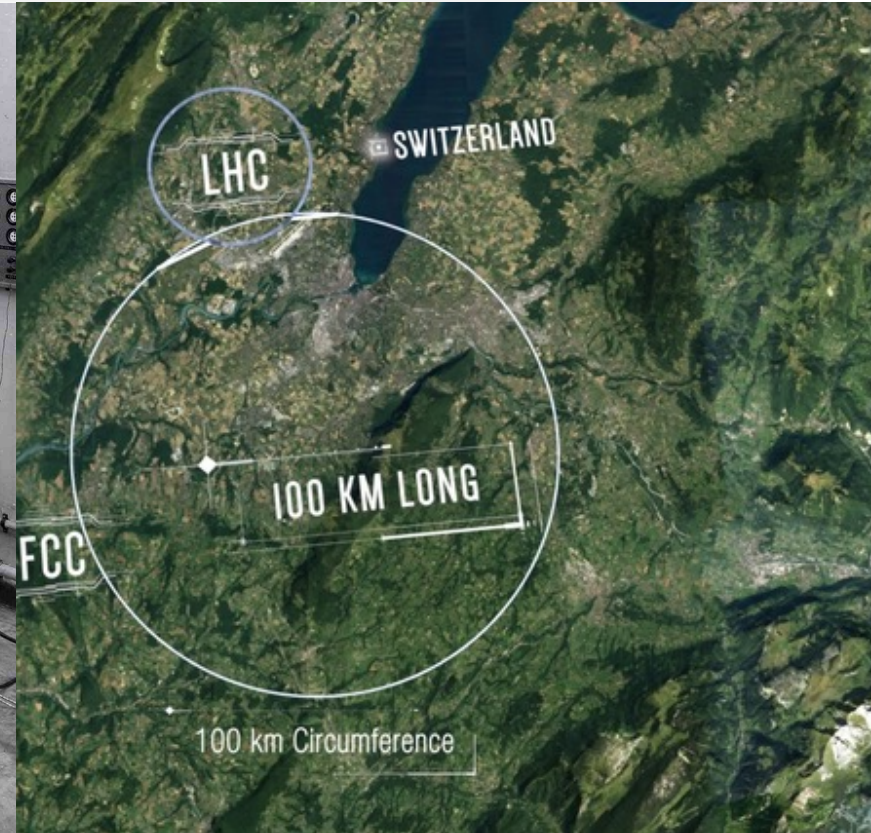
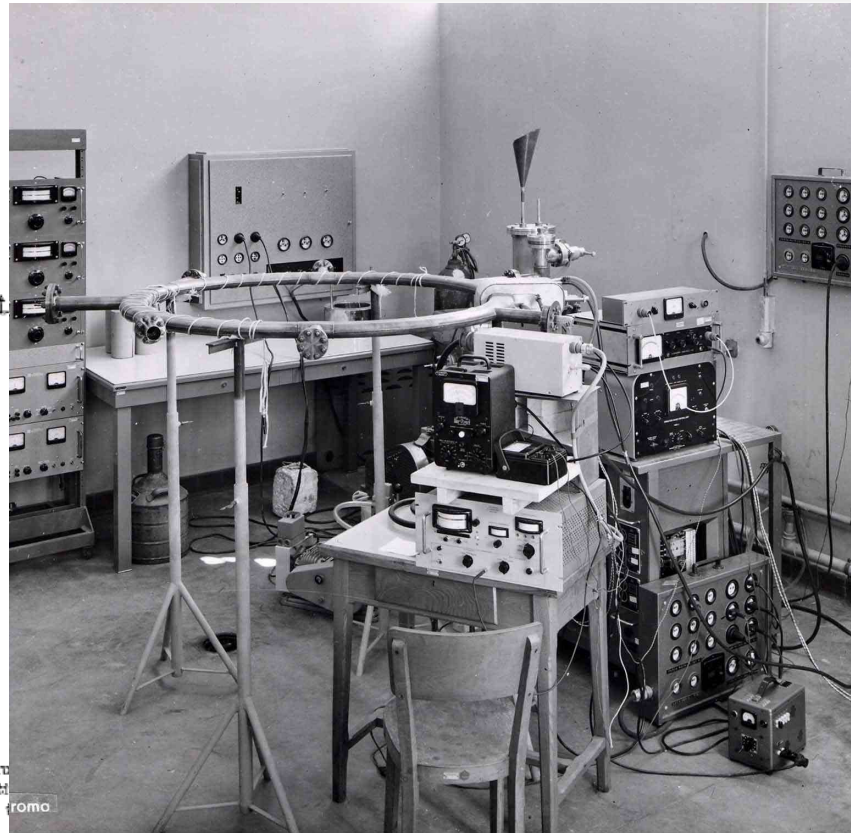


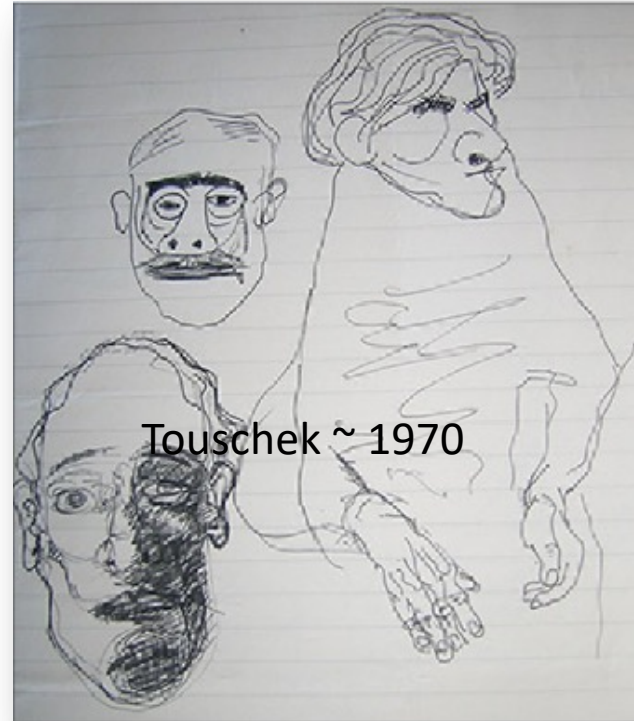
Fig. 1. - Elevation and plan section of the Frascati Storage Ring (anello di accumulazione = AdA): 1) magnet yoke; 2) magnet core; 3) coils; 4) polepieces; 5) doughnut; 6) minimum pump; 7) injection ports; 8) RF cavity; 9) experimental section; 10) windows for observation of the synchrotron radiation; 11) vacuum gauge.

Electrons against positrons:  
 from AdA's ring to future colliders



Bruno Tauschek was born in Vienna on February 3rd, 1921, his mother was Jewish, the father an officer in the Austrian Army

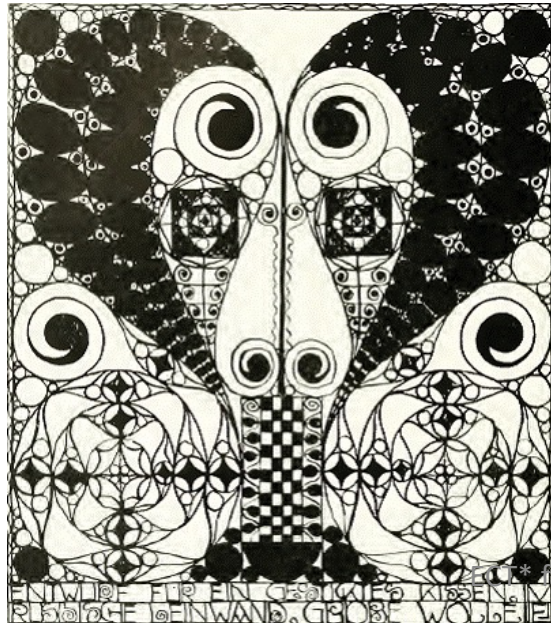
- Secession cultural Influences (mother's side)
- Egon Schiele
- Oskar Kokoschka with whom Bruno studied drawing as a child
- Karl Kraus



Kokoschka was Bruno's drawing teacher



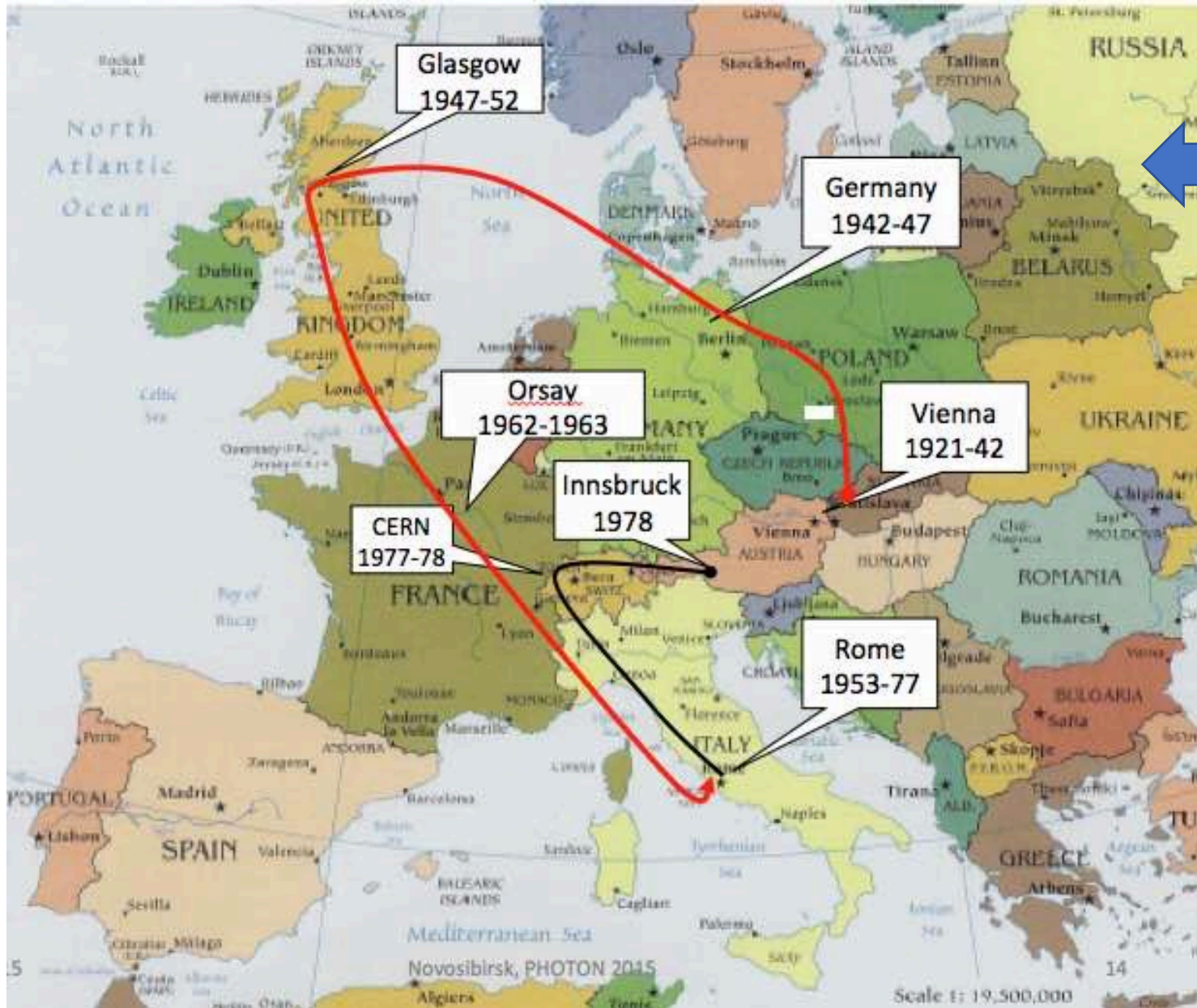
*Works by Josef Emanuel Margold*  
Artist of the Wiener Werkstätte Circle and family member from maternal side



# Rome: visits to aunt Ada and lectures in Theoretical Physics at the University of Rome (1938 or 1939)



- March 1938 : Annexation of Austria to Germany
- BT was probably in Rome early May 1938 (during Hitler's visit)
- and certainly in 1939, as from 3 letters sent to his father in March 1939
- In 1939 tried to emigrate to the UK  
but ????
- In September 1939 he enrolled to study physics at University of Vienna



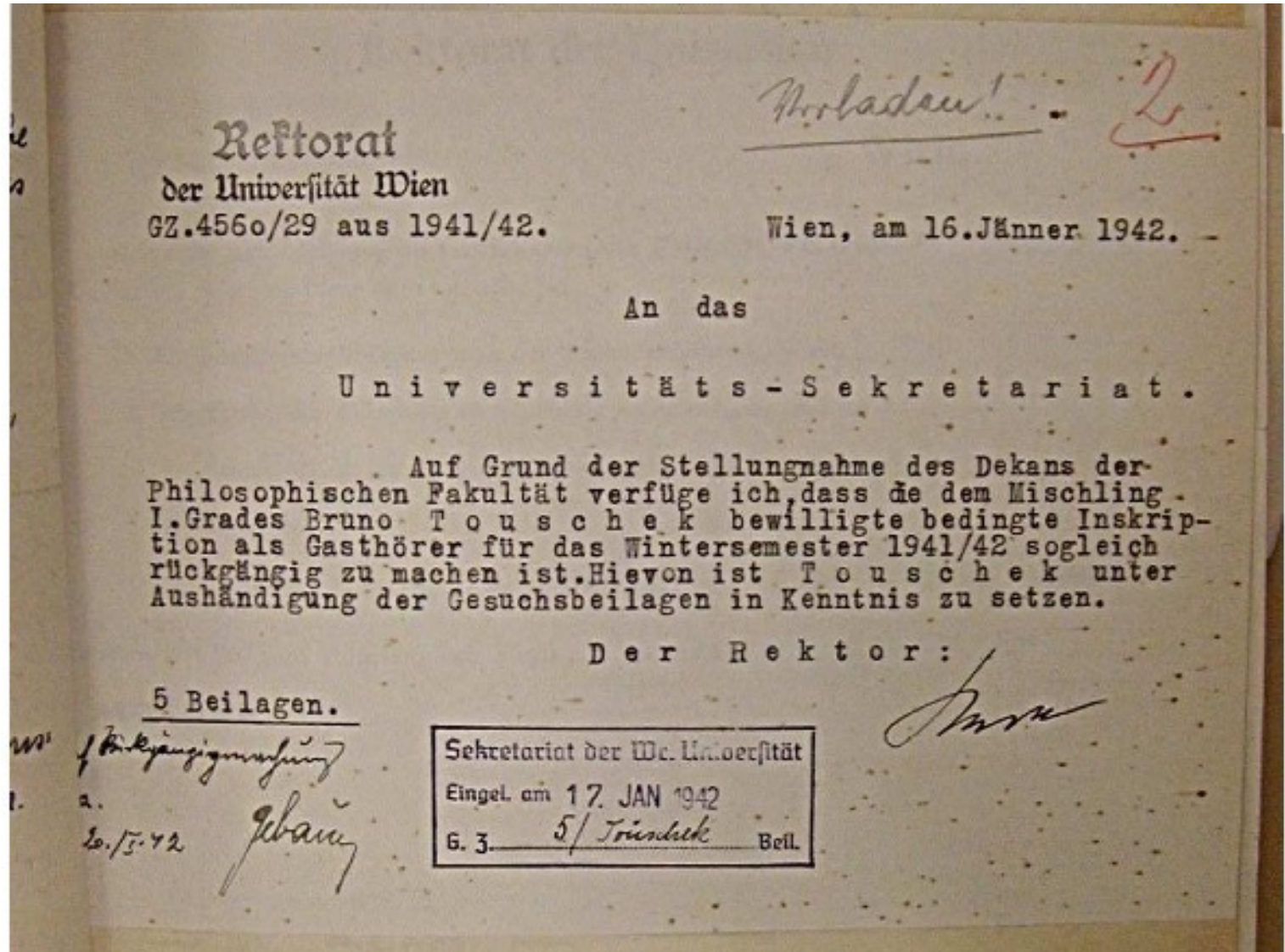
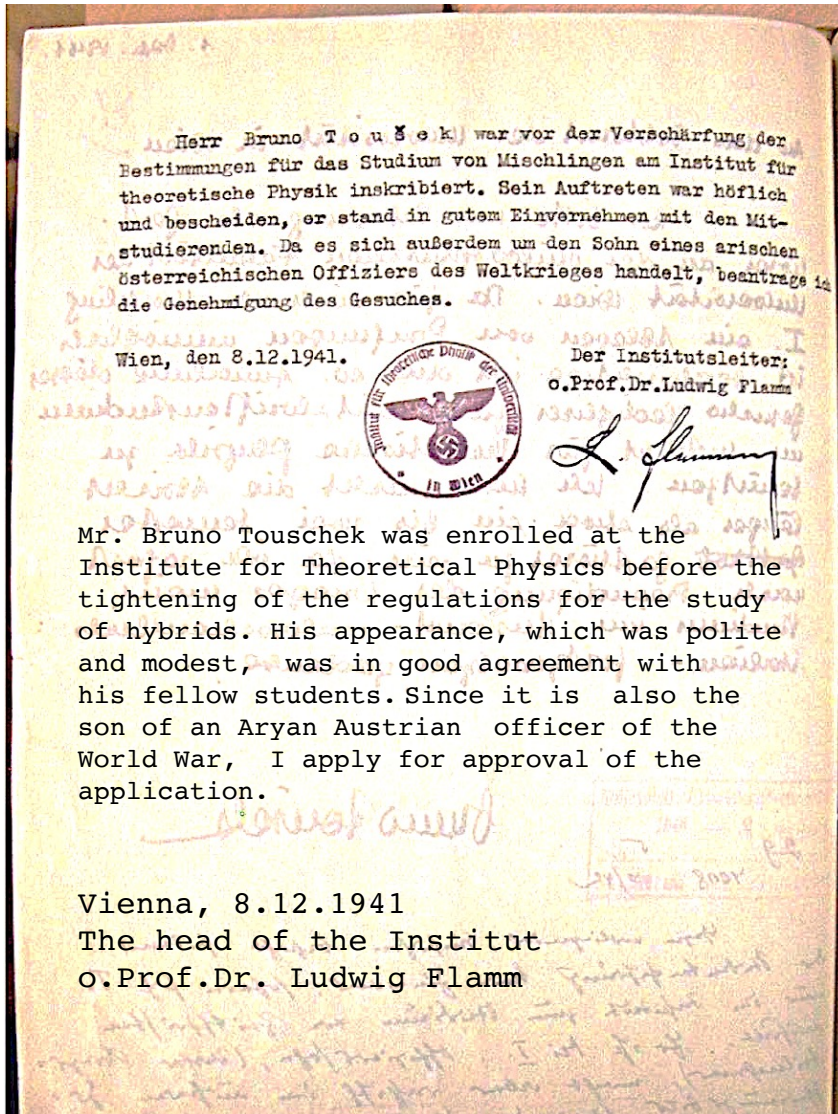
Europe in 1930s

Bruno Touschek

and his life journey

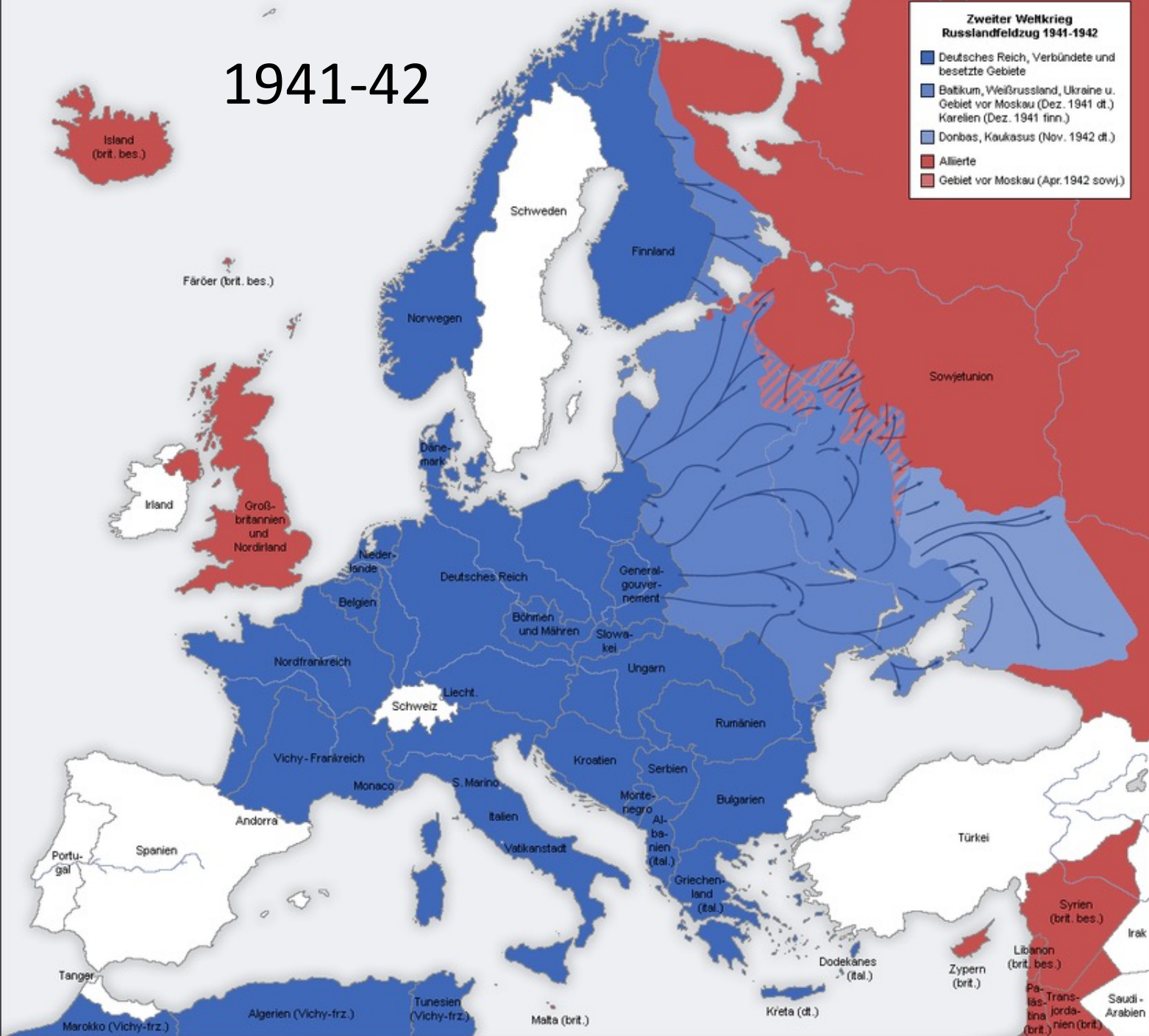
through Europe

In 1942 Bruno was expelled from the University for being of "mixed race"



Courtesy Prof. H. Posch, U Vienna

1941-42



**Pedro Waloschek**  
**Death-Rays  
as Life-Savers  
in the Third Reich**

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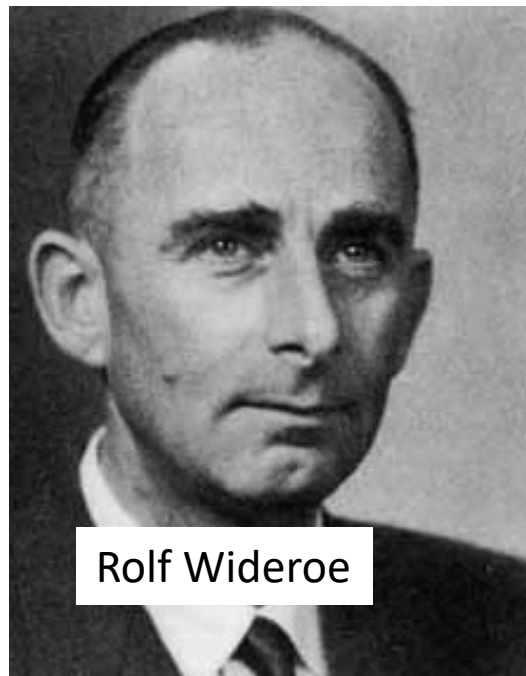
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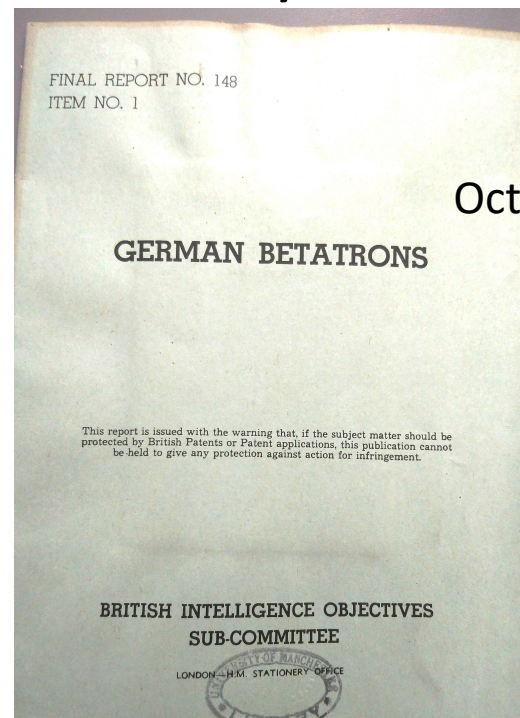


March 1942: Bruno left Vienna for Germany and in November 1943 joined a secret project led by Rolf Wideroe to build a betatron in Hamburg, financed by the Reich

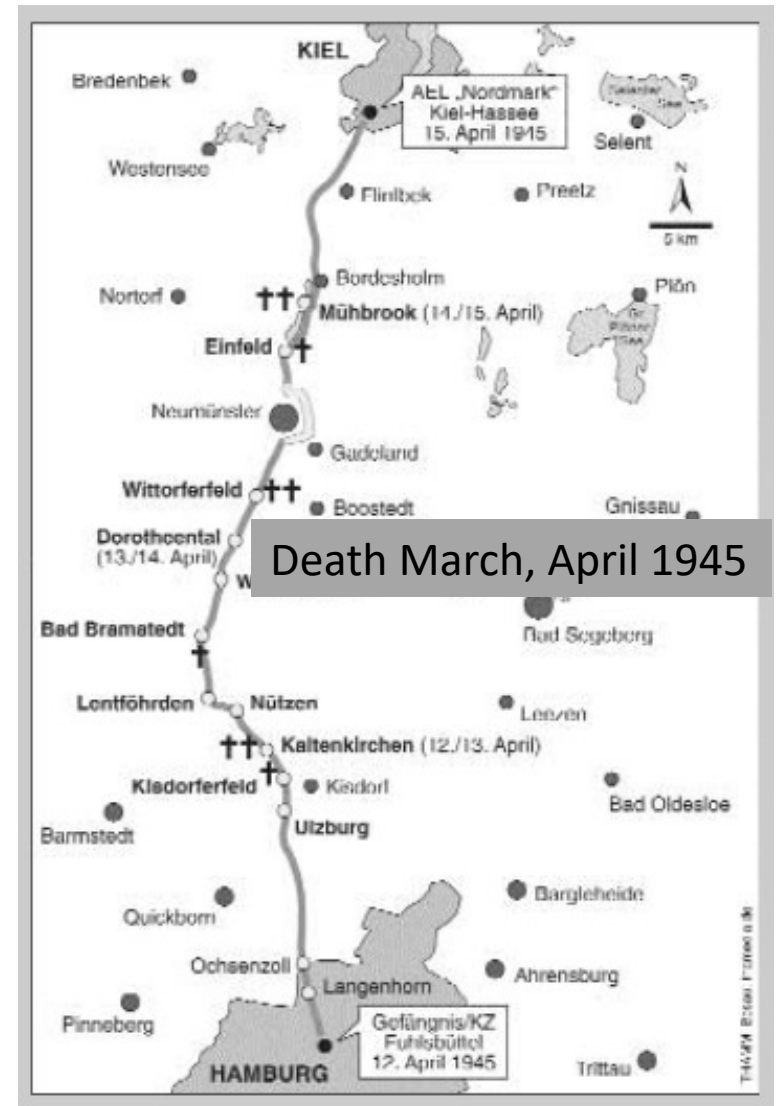
Arrested by the Gestapo in March 1945, he narrowly escaped death and deportation to the Kiel deportation camp.



Rolf Wideroe



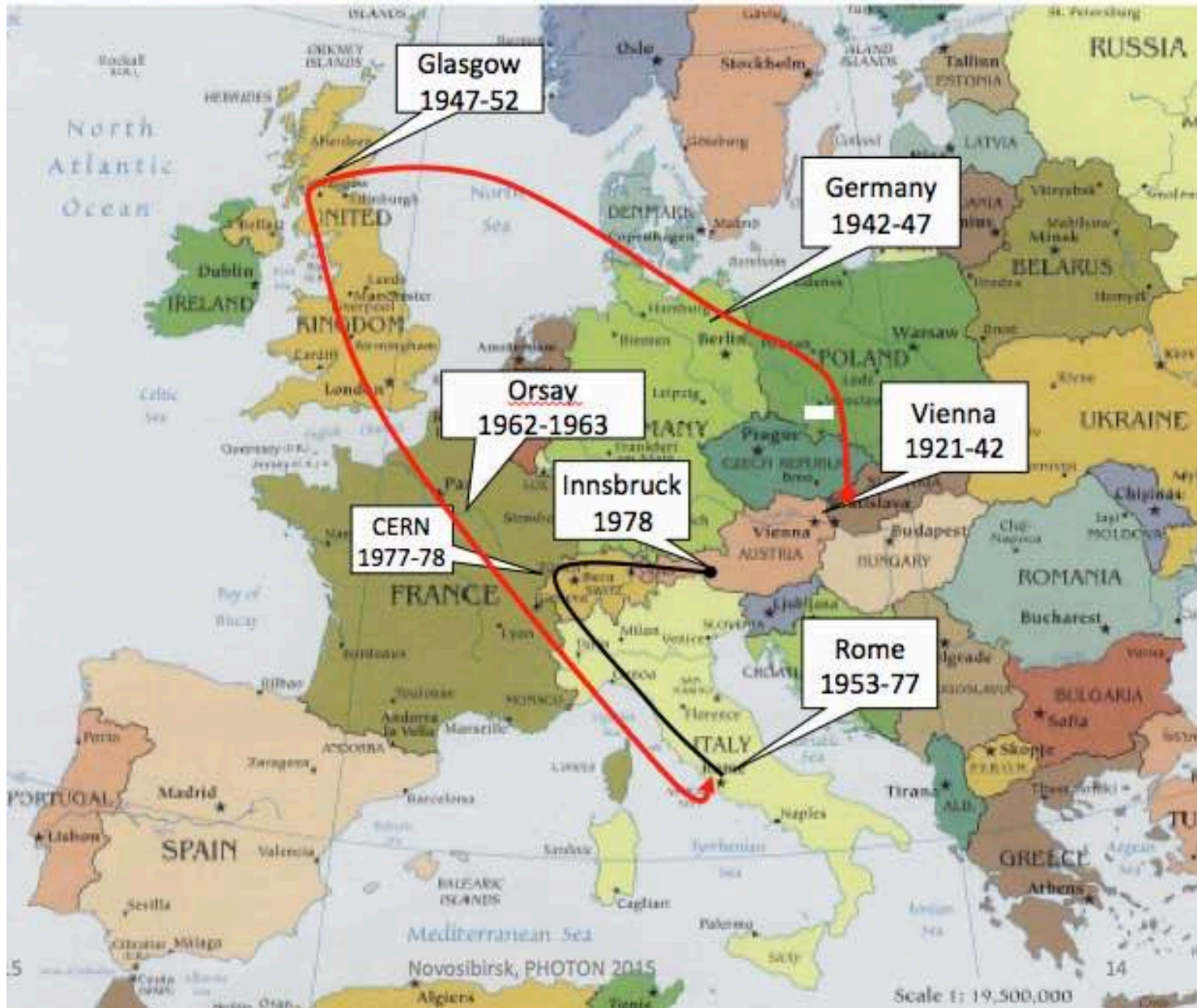
October 1945



*In 1946 Bruno got his Physics Diploma from U. Göttingen, Letter to father from 6 th May 1946*

Werner Heisenberg Max von Laue Otto Hahn

...aber ich will Physiker werden nicht Dozent.

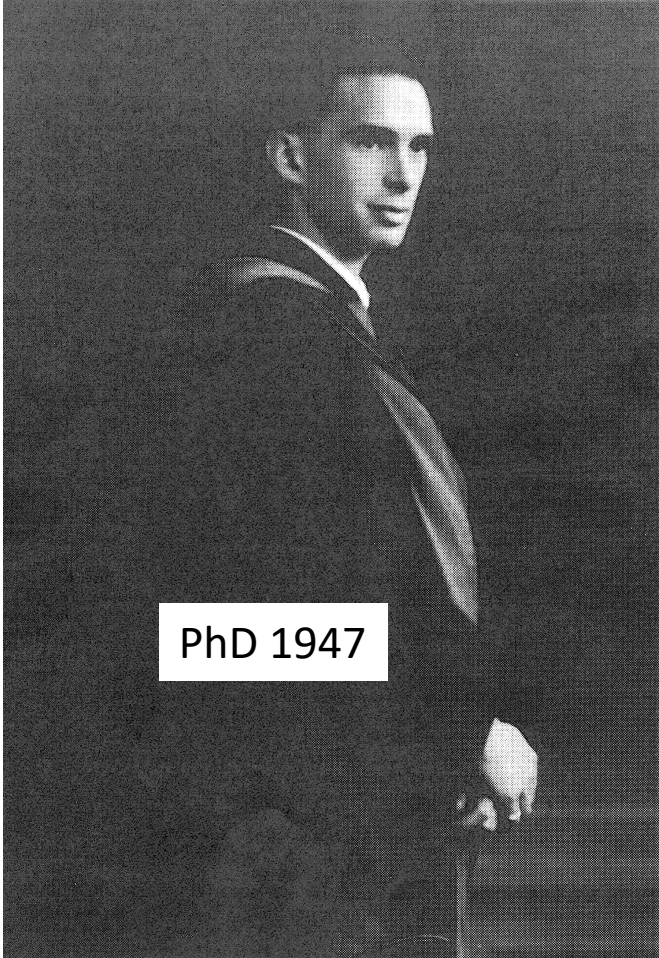
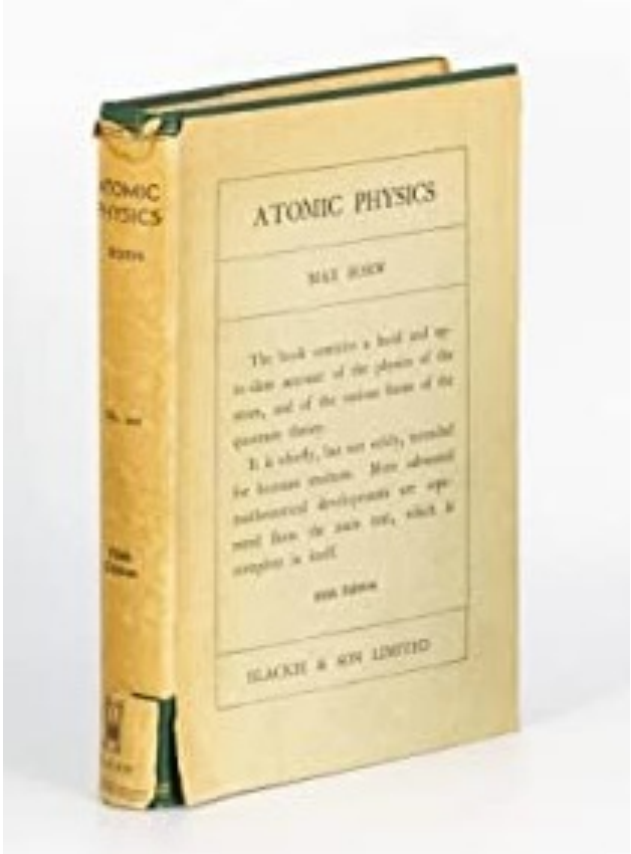


On April 1<sup>st</sup> 1947  
Bruno Touschek  
was brought to Glasgow  
by the British Task Force,  
to start his doctorate

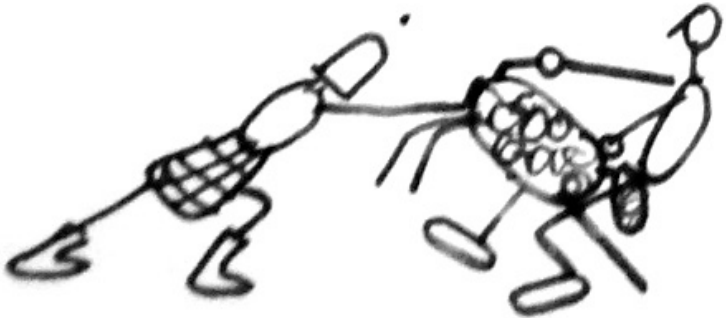
# Glasgow 1947-1952

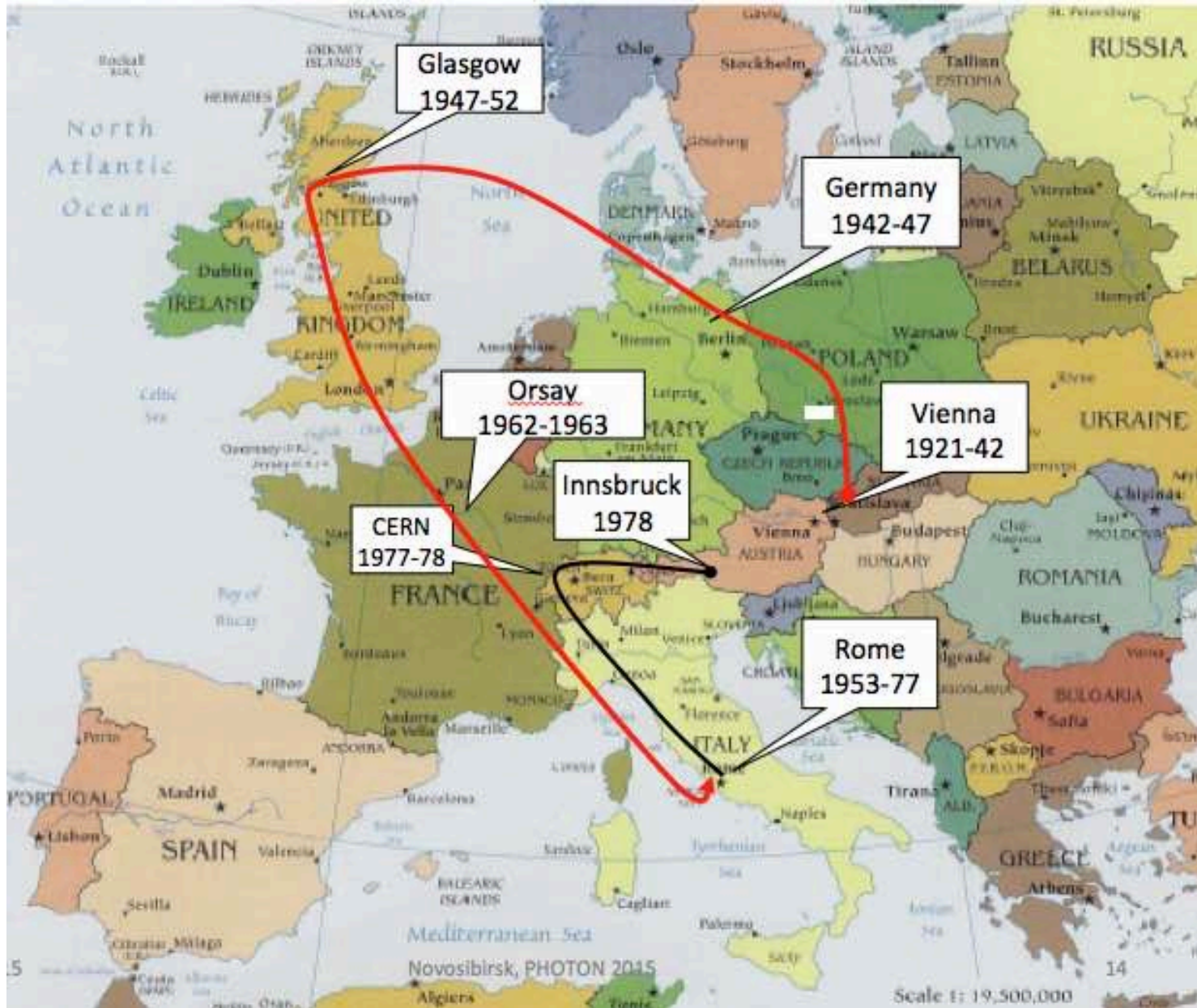
“ In January I worked with Max Born in Edinburgh and wrote a chapter and an appendix for him . “

*Bruno Touschek, letter to father from Glasgow, 13<sup>th</sup> February ,1950.*

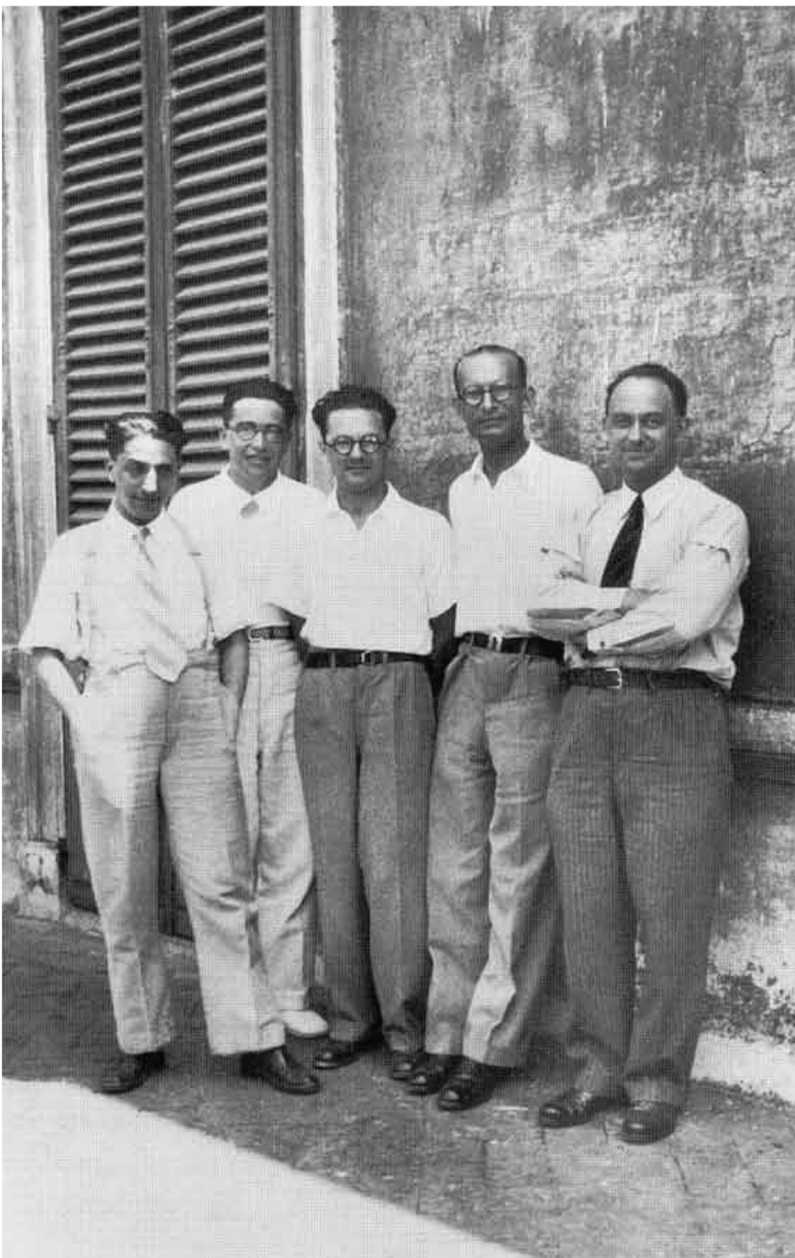


PhD 1947





1952: Bruno Touschek left Glasgow to join the Rome Physics Institute



Albano lake (Rome) ~ 1953

# Touschek, CPT and Wolfgang Pauli



1953 Touschek with T.D. Lee and Wolfgang Pauli: Venice 1957

# Kiev 1959 Conferences and seminars in Frascati and Rome by Wolfgang Panofsky

- 1959: An electron synchrotron was operating in Frascati – April
- Rochester conference in Kiev - July
- e-e- collider projects were under way in US (Stanford Princeton project) and USSR (Novosibirsk)
- Orsay : a powerful linear accelerator is operational

Discussions start in Rome after a seminar by W. Panofsky

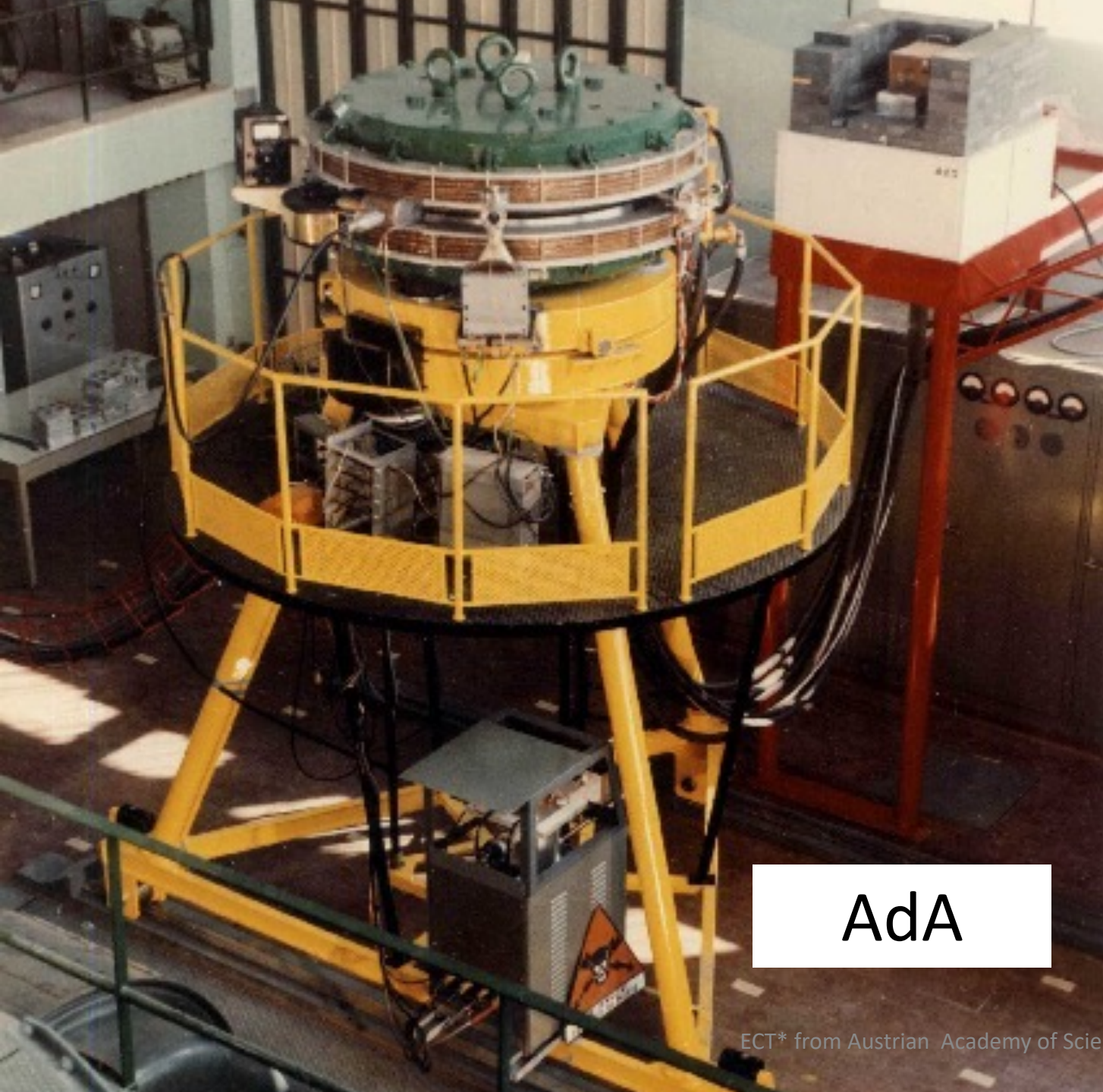
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31/7/1959	- Prof. John DE WIRE	- "LAVORI IN CORSO A CORNELL CON L' <u>E</u> LETTROSINGROTRONE".
3/9/1959	- Prof. WIEGAND	- "ALCUNI RECENTI SVILUPPI DELLA SPE RIMENTAZIONE IN BERKELEY".
16/10/1959	- Proff. QUERZOLI, SALVINI	- "POLARIZZAZIONE DEL PROTONE DI RIN CULO NELLA FOTOPRODUZIONE DEL $\gamma^{10}$ ".
22/10/1959	- Dr. DIAMBRINI	- "SULLA ESPERIENZA SPETTRO ".
26/10/1959	- Prof. W. PANOFSKY	- "SULL'ACCELERATORE LINEARE DA 2 MI GLIA".

26.10.1959 e+e- physics start...





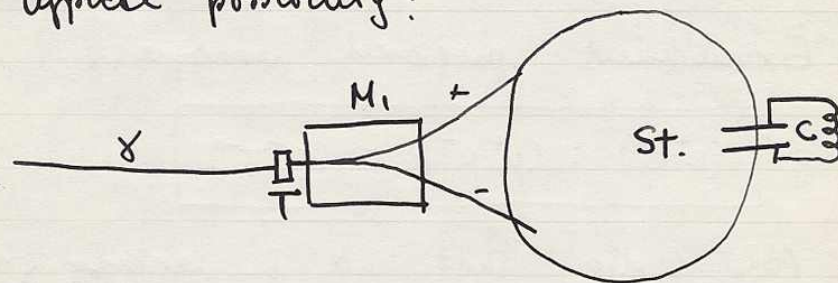


AdA

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State of affairs. Discussed plan with G. proposed use of  $\gamma$ -beam also for electrons.

Typical possibility:

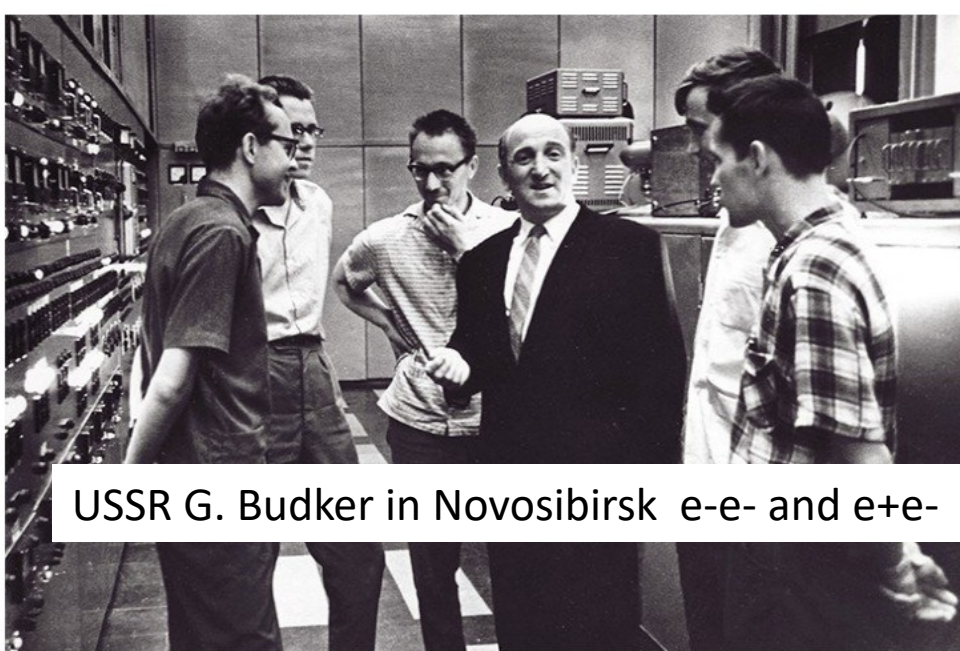


$\gamma$  =  $\gamma$ -beam, T = target,  $M_1$  = separating magnet, St. = Storage magnet, C = acc. circuit.

Basic formula

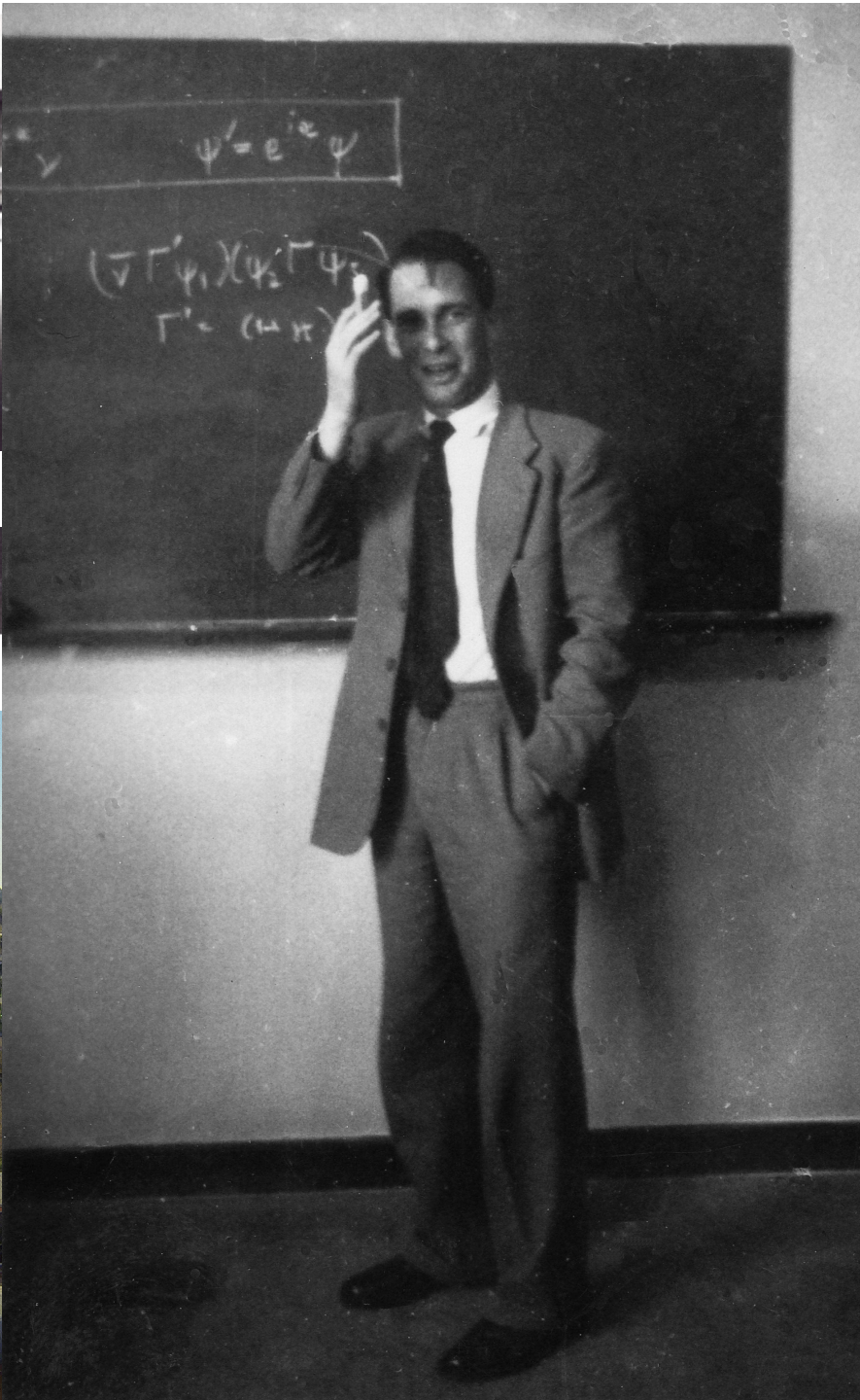
$$q = N^2 (v\tau)^2 \frac{\sigma}{q} \cdot \frac{c}{\pi R}$$

$N$  = number of particles accepted per pulse  
 $v$  = repetition rate of the Synch ( $v=20$ )

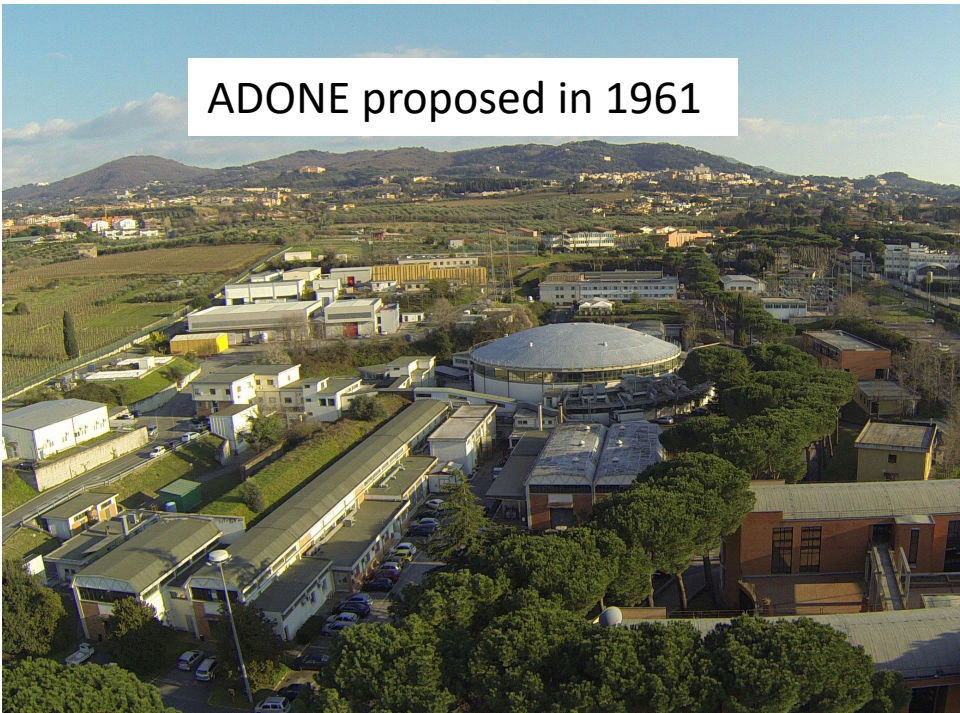


USSR G. Budker in Novosibirsk e-e- and e+e-

*In the VEPP-2 control room. From left to right: V. A. Sidorov, I. Ya. Protopopov, S. G. Popov, G. I. Budker, A. N. Skrinsky, and V. V. Petrov. 1964. Photo by R. Akhmerov*



Linear accelerator Orsay, 1963, allowed to feed AdA with enough photons to prove collisions had taken place  $e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^- \text{ photon}$



ADONE proposed in 1961

# Touschek QED Resummation procedure (1967)

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## The Infra-Red Radiative Corrections for Colliding Beam (Electrons and Positrons) Experiments.

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*Laboratori Nazionali di Frascati del CNEN - Frascati*

(ricevuto il 30 Gennaio 1967)

**Summary.** — The infra-red corrections to be applied to the results expected from an electron positron colliding beam experiment are determined with the help of the Bloch-Nordsieck theorem. Experiments are characterized by a resolution function  $g(k)$  of a four-dimensional timelike energy-momentum vector, which represents the probability that a four-momentum loss  $k$  escapes detection. The results are applicable to a class of experiments in which the statistical error is matched to the error of the energy-momentum resolution. Various approximations which allow a rapid and accurate estimate of radiative corrections are discussed.



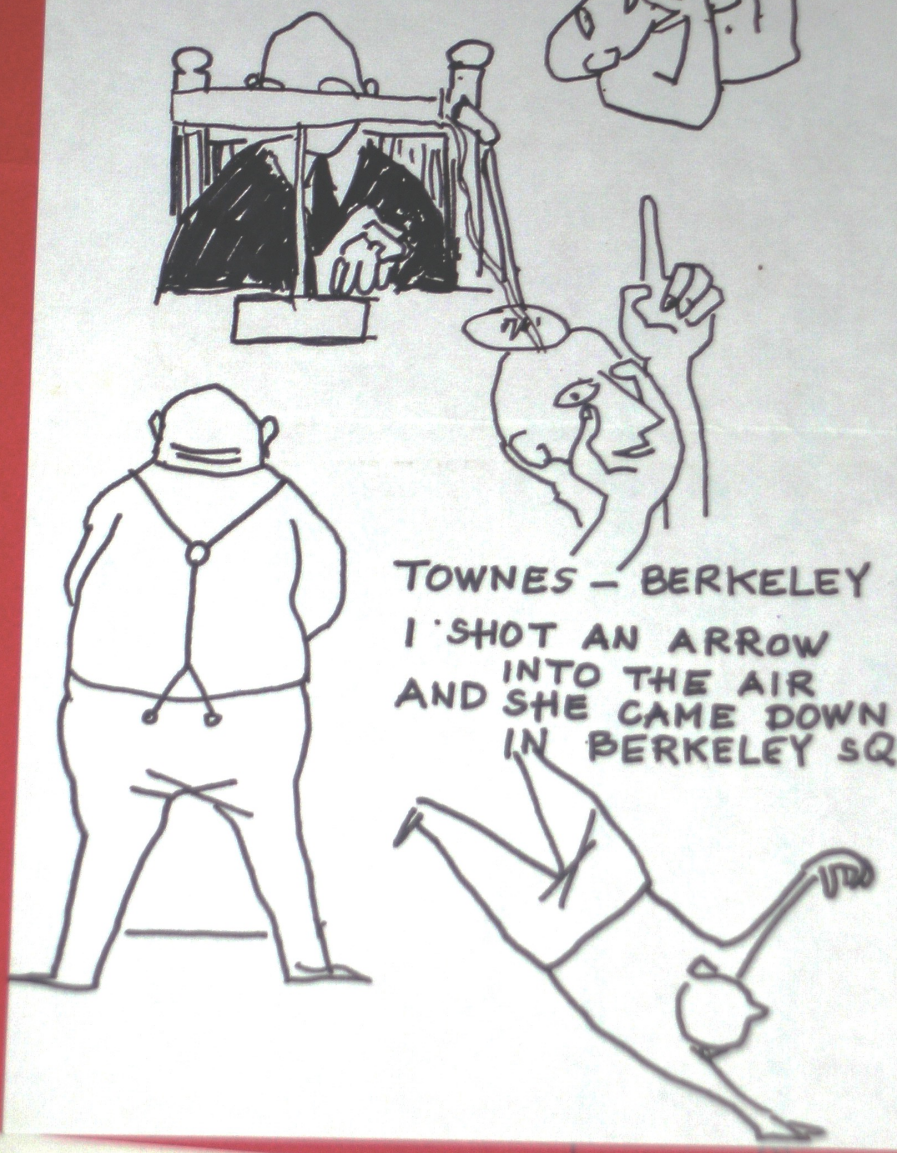
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Extensions by  
Frascati Labs and  
Rome theory groups  
(Parisi Petronzio  
1979 Drell-Yan,  
Wpt M. Greco, etc.)



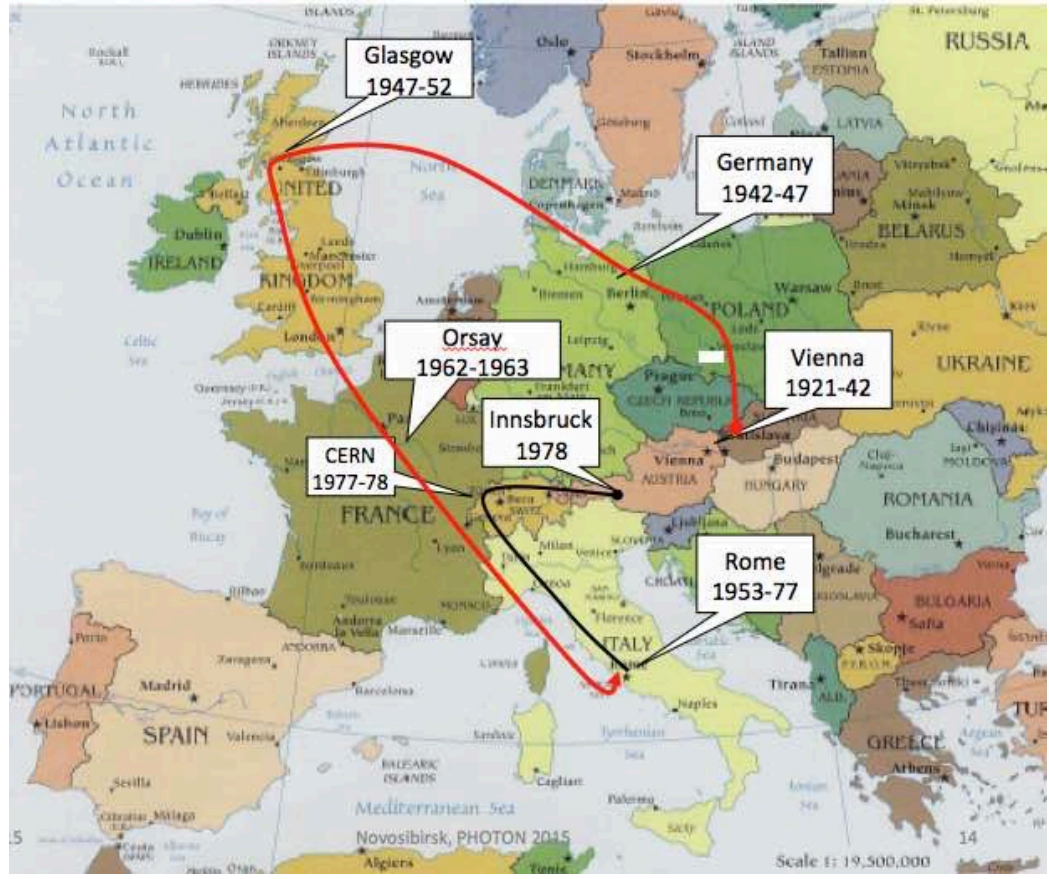
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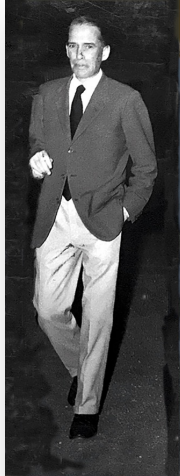
CERN - 7 mai 1977

Traite en Italien



Touschek passed away on May 5<sup>th</sup>, 1978





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From Death Rays to Antimatter

This book tells the story of a unique scientific and human adventure, following the life and science of Bruno Touschek, an Austrian born physicist, who conceived and built AdA, the first matter-antimatter colliding-beam storage ring, the ancestor of the Large Hadron Collider at CERN where the Higgs Boson was discovered in 2012.

Making extensive use of archival sources and personal correspondence, the author offers for the first time a unified history of European efforts to build modern-day particle accelerators, from the dark times of war-ravaged Europe up to the rebuilding of science in Germany, UK, Italy and France through the 1950s and early 1960s.

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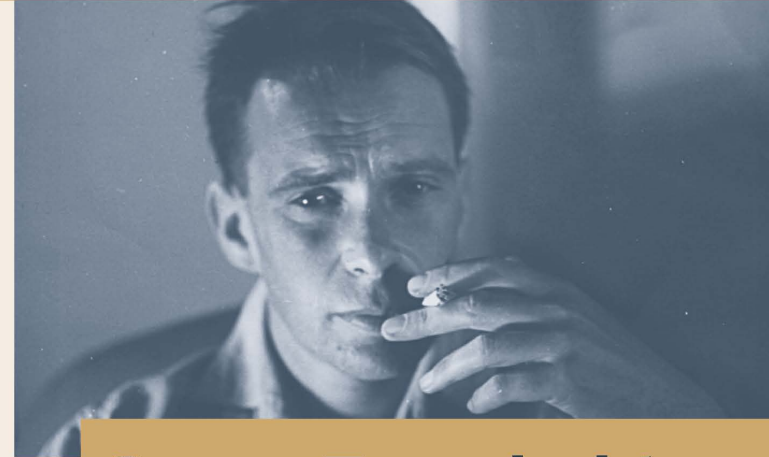
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