Giessen’s Most Famous Chemist: Professor Justus von Liebig

After studies at Bonn and Erlangen led to his eventual doctorate, Justus Liebig (1803–1873) apprenticed with Parisian chemist Gay-Lussac. In 1824 on Alexander von Humboldt’s recommendation, 21-year-old Liebig assumed a professorship for the next 28 years at the University of Giessen. There he founded the world’s premiere school of chemistry, codiscovered chloroform (1831), founded the journal *Annalen der Chemie* (1832), and assumed his baronetcy as Justus von Liebig (1845). In 1946 in his honor, the University was renamed Justus-Liebig-Universität Gießen. (Copyright © the American Society of Anesthesiologists, Inc.)

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