

Kamerlingh Onnes's Notebooks and the Discovery of Superconductivity

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A century ago Heike Kamerlingh Onnes and his collaborators were the first to observe superconductivity. Although accidental, his retraced notebooks tell us today that this was the result of a well planned research program which was started after liquid helium temperatures were reached¹.

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