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Highlighting LGBTQ Chemists

Nina Vedeneyeva, Martin Gouterman, & Gregory Hillhouse

- Nina Vedeneyeva, 1882-1955
 - In 1945, she founded the Laboratory of Crystal Optics at the Institute of Crystallography and was head until her death in 1955.
 - Her research on defects in quartz lead to colored crystals.
- Martin Gouterman, 1931-2020
 - He studied the photophysics of porphyrins, which explained the color of red hemoglobin and green chlorophyll.
 - He helped found the Dorian Society, a queer civil rights group.
- Gregory Hillhouse, 1955-2014
 - He demonstrated that nitrenes could be made with late transition metals.
 - He was a great mentor to the University of Chicago's undergraduate chemistry society, who named their annual lecture after him.

