

Of Plates, and Pots, and Pans - The Early History of Penicillin

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A virtual tour of some of the objects in the National Museum of Scotland in Chambers Street that illustrate the early history of penicillin from its discovery in 1928 to its use in the Royal Infirmary of Edinburgh in the early 1950s.