

Nitrous oxide

- produced by heating ammonium nitrate in the presence of iron filings.
- 1773 by Joseph Priestley, an English clergyman and scientist.
- Humphry Davy- first noted analgesic property in 1800.
- A 580-page book published in 1800, "Nitrous Oxide".
- he did coin the persisting sobriquet for nitrous oxide, "laughing gas."



Joseph Priestley



Humphry Davy