



Leo Szilard

Scientist,
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create"



Szilard showing Albert Einstein his letter to Franklin D. Roosevelt



Leo Szilard in his lab.

Leo Szilard has a huge role in the creation of the Manhattan Project. Writing the letter that would later get signed by Albert Einstein that informed the United States about their work on the atomic bomb. Szilard would later say that he never wanted this technology to be used in war.

He was the scientist who widely shared the idea of a nuclear chain reaction. Creating the first chain reaction on September 12, 1933. He would later be quoted saying "do not destroy what you cannot create" which is funny when you think about what his science created.