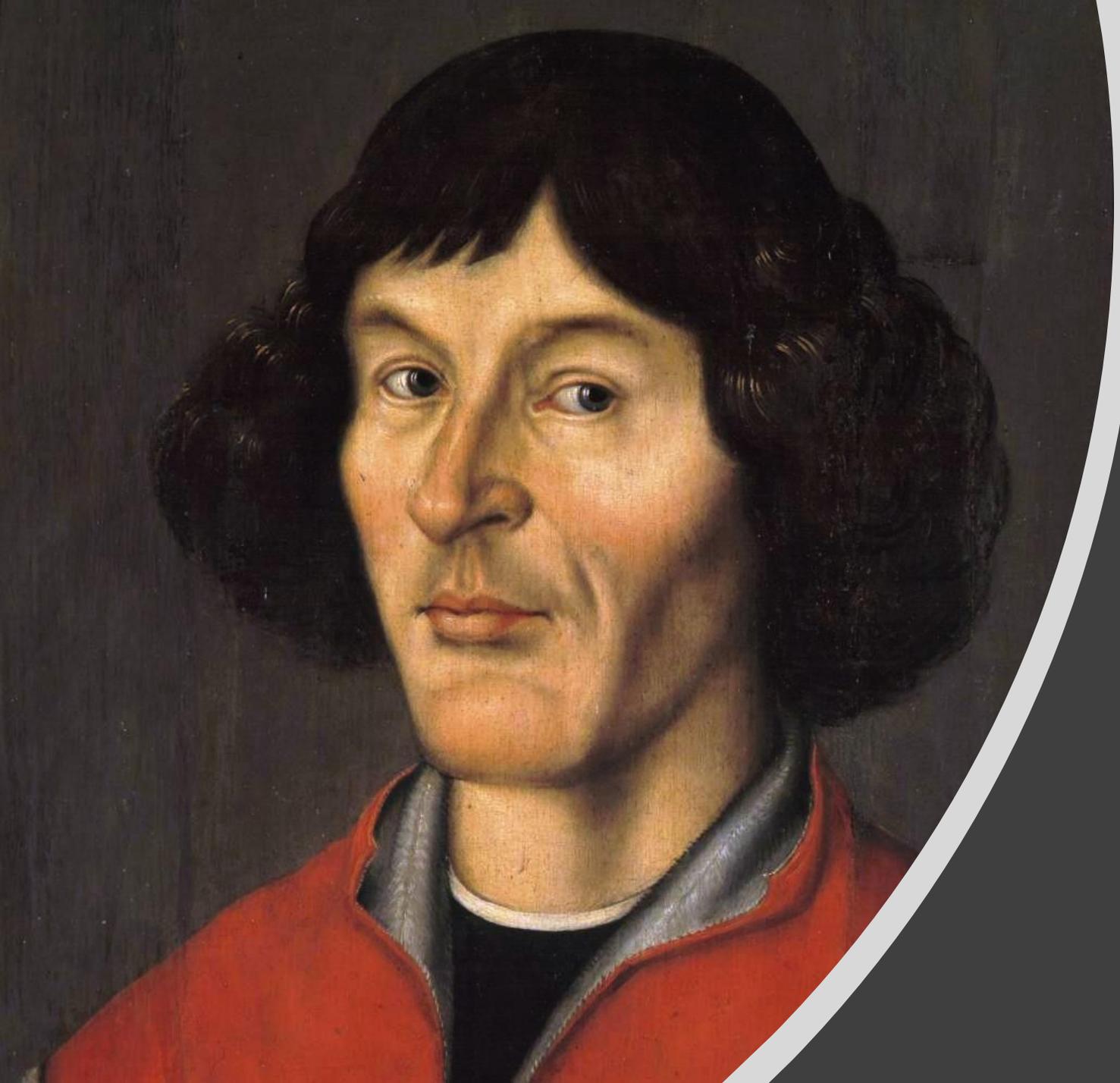


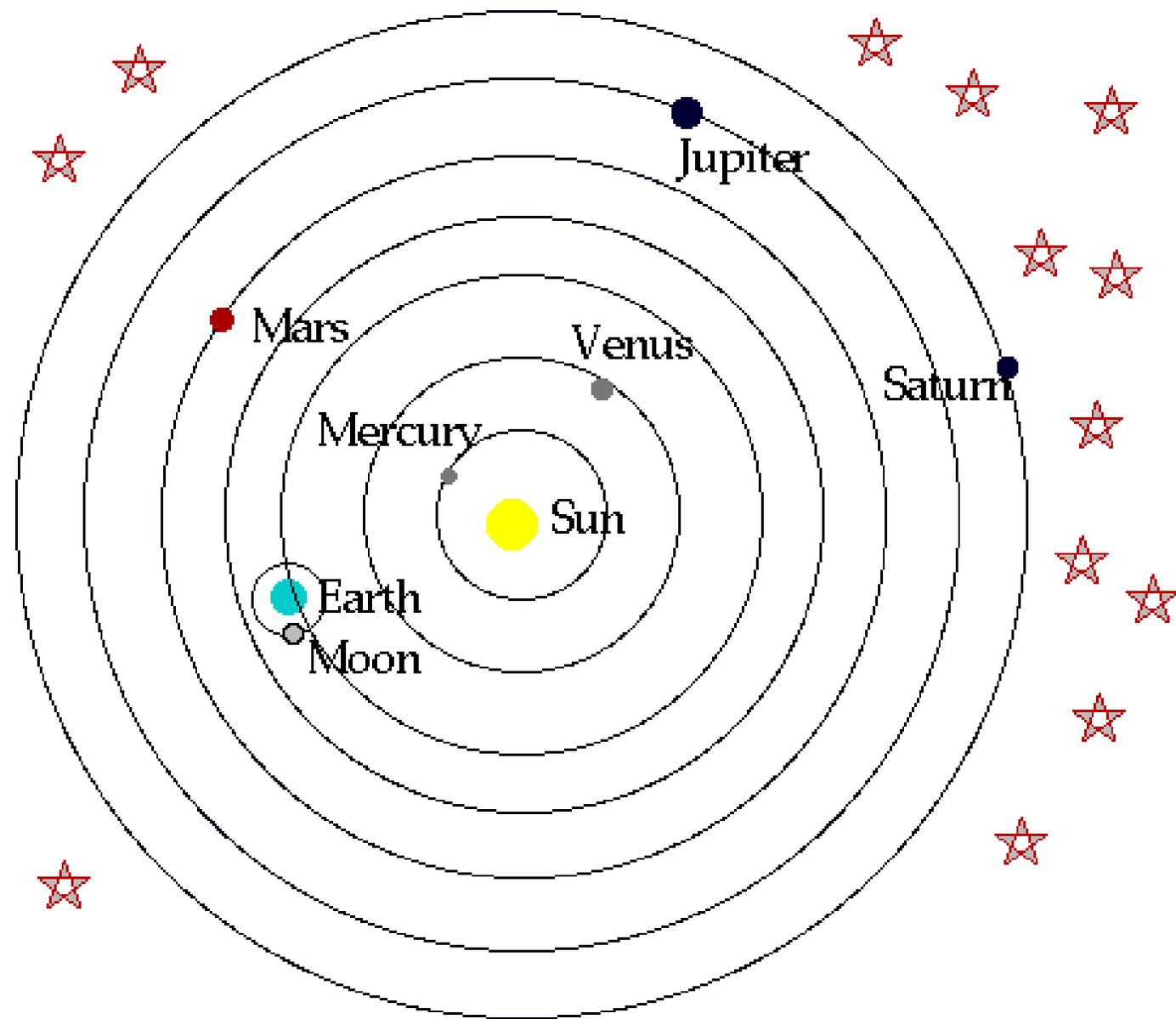
# Nicolaus Copernicus



Nicolaus Copernicus  
( pol. Mikołaj Kopernik)  
was polish Renaissance  
astonomer, lawyer,  
doctor and  
mathematician.

Copernicus was making astronomical observations and calculations. He discovered that Sun is in the center of Universe and other planets revolve around Sun. (In the Middle-Ages people believed that the Earth is the center of the galaxy).

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Heliocentric theory – Copernicus was one of its creators and publisher

Copernicus wrote the work *De revolutionibus orbium coelestium* (eng. *On the Revolutions of the Celestial Spheres*) where he described his discoveries about Solar System. The Church recognized Copernicus's theory as heresy and forbade reading it but later researches confirmed the truth of Copernicus's discovers.

Copernicus was making researches in tower in Frombork where he lived



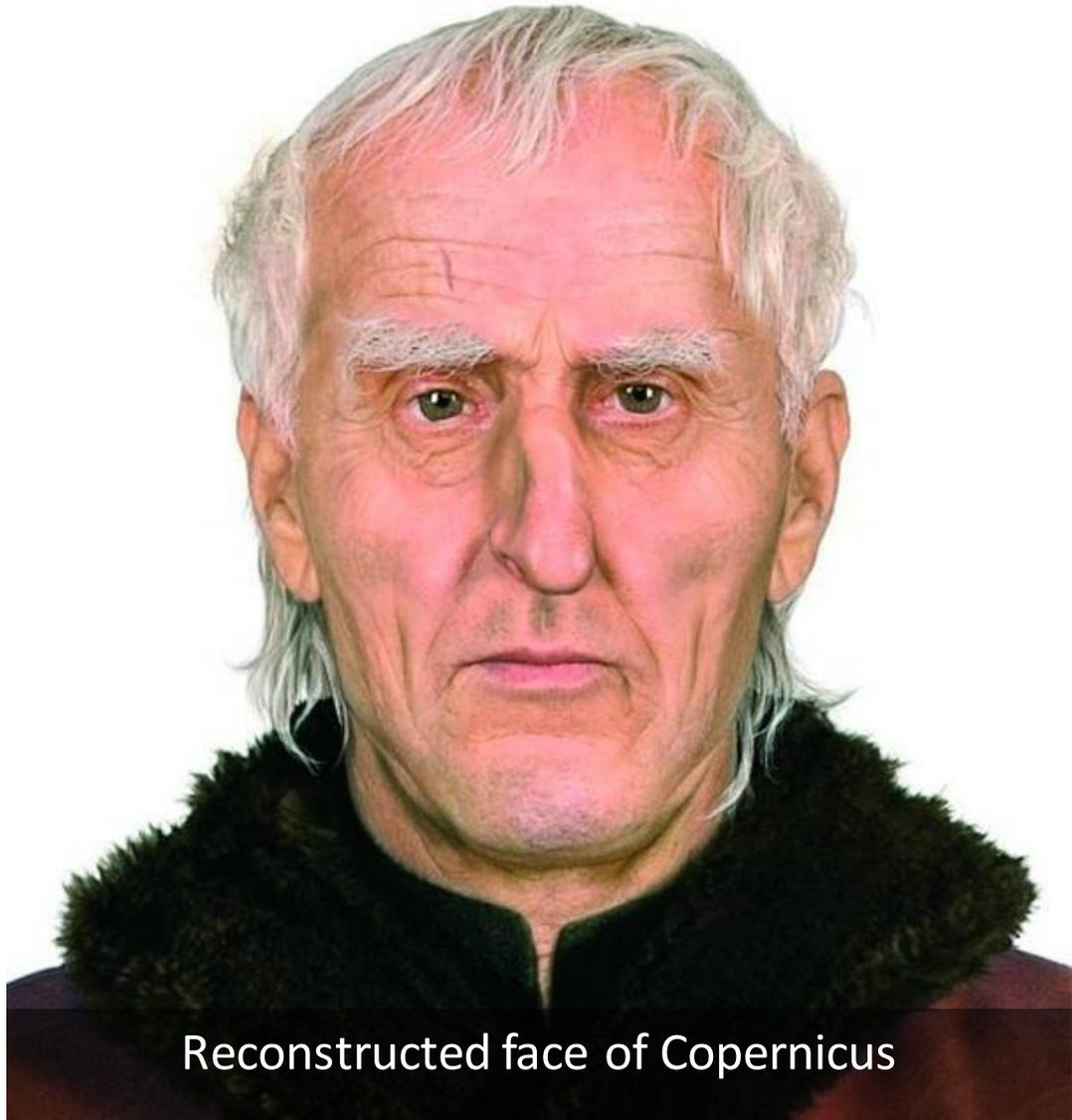
*Astronomer Copernicus, or Conversations with God – painting by Jan Matejko*

## Short CV of Copernicus:

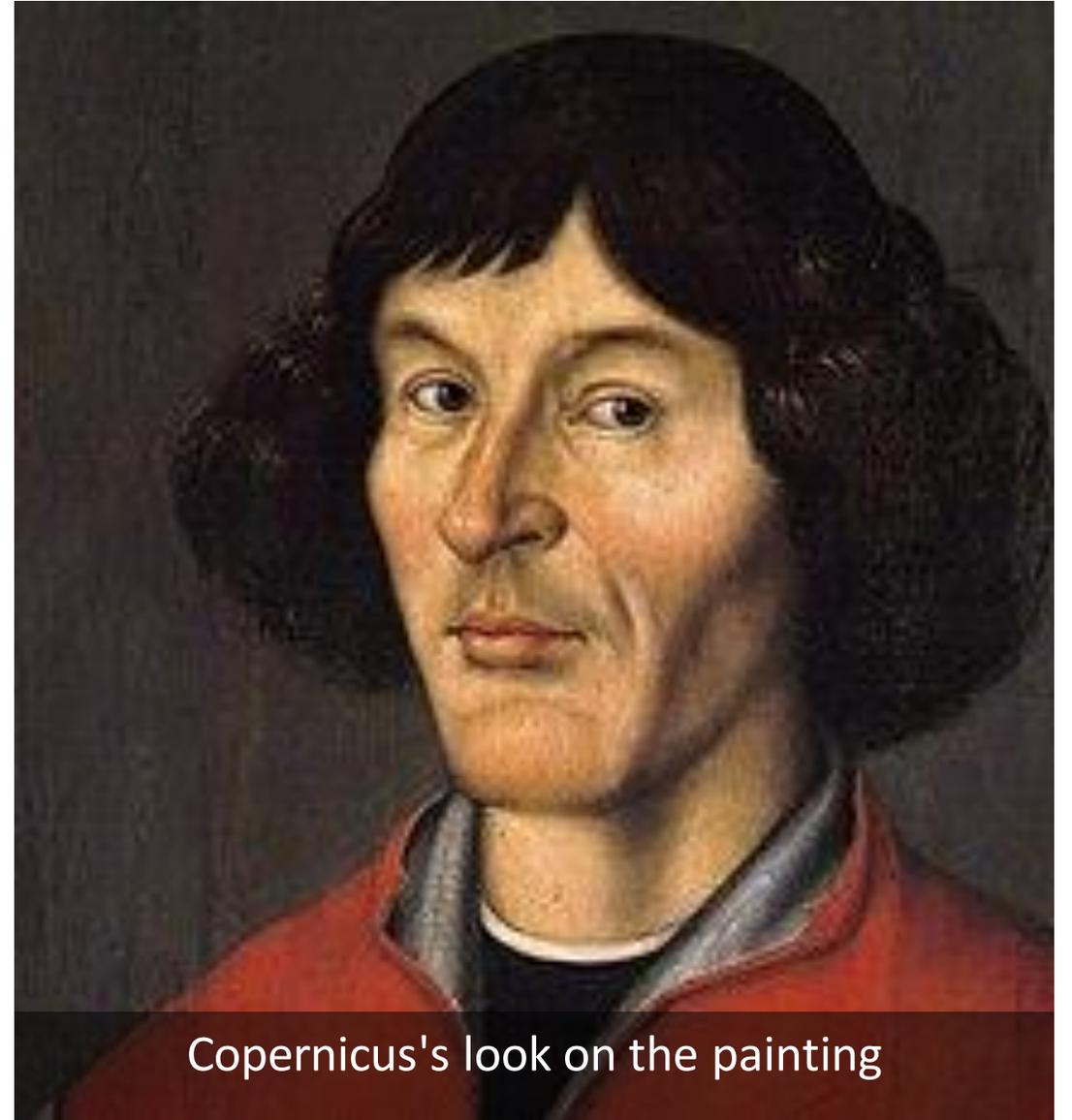
Nicolaus Copernicus was born on 19. February 1473 in Toruń. He studied in Kraków, where he became canon. Then Copernicus moved to Italy and studied in Bologna and Padua. After studies Copernicus lived in monasteries, where he was working. Then he moved to Frombork where he made his greatest researches. Nicolaus was known better as good doctor and economist than astronomer. Before his death Copernicus published some astronomical works. Astronomer died on 21. May 1543 in Frombork.

Scientists in 21. Century were seeking Copernicus's grave. They found it and were doing genetic and anthropological researches and reconstructed his face. Then he was buried a second time.





Reconstructed face of Copernicus



Copernicus's look on the painting

## Commemoration of Nicolaus Copernicus:

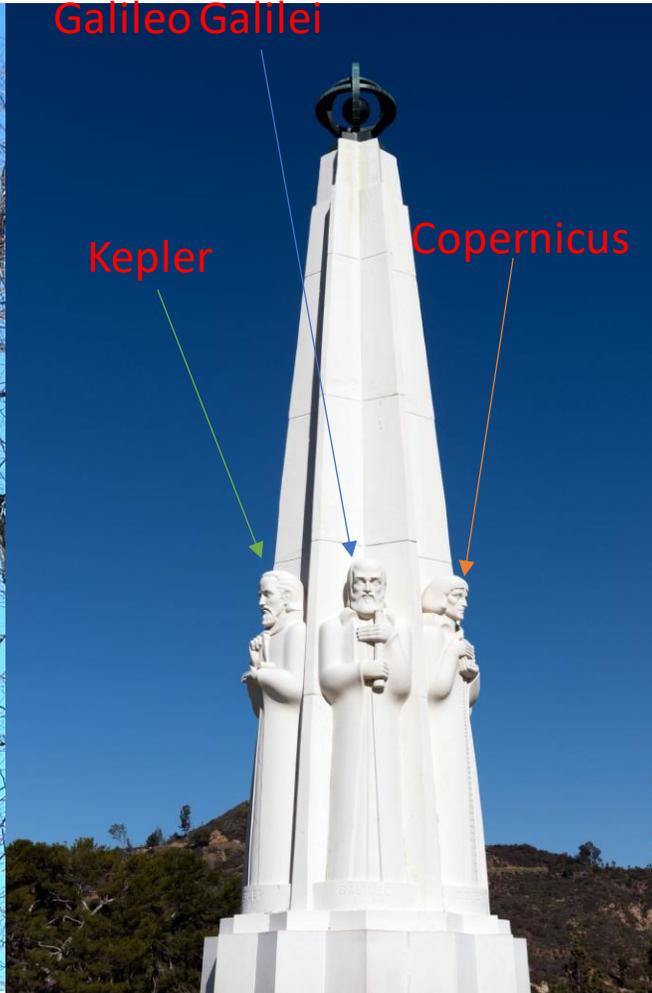
- Copernicus Science Center in Palace of Culture and Science in Warsaw
- Bakery „Kopernik" in Toruń that produce the most popular biscuits in Poland.
- Craters on Moon and Mars called *Copernicus*
- Chemical element copernicium (Cn)
- name of plant Copernicia



Few monuments of Copernicus:



Toruń, Poland



Los Angeles, USA



Warsaw, Poland

*Copernicus stopped the Sun, moved the Earth (pol. Wstrzymał Słońce, ruszył Ziemię)*