



Discovered in 1861



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Thallium sulfate was  
used as a rodent killer,  
now its household  
use is prohibited.



Thallium is derived  
from the Greek  
'thallos', meaning a  
green twig

Thallium

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It is very toxic and it can displace  
potassium around the body affecting  
the central nervous system