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The American Reception of the Quantum as Seen by the *Physical Review*, 1900-1927

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This talk tells the story of the “American awakening” to quantum theory seen through the pages of the *Physical Review*. It begins with the journal’s first mentions of Planck and the quantum, follows the story through publication of the first papers on experiment and theory, and concludes just after Schrödinger’s 1926 *Physical Review* article on wave mechanics – which reflected the Austrian physicist’s realization that at last there existed a large enough American audience interested in theoretical developments of quantum mechanics to make such an article worth writing and publishing.