

## Synopsis of Martin Dockery: The Bike Trip

Told in four parts, this is the story of recreating the first ever LSD experience. Weaving my own personal narrative with that of LSD's inventor Albert Hofmann, I tell the tale of traveling to Basel, Switzerland, renting a bicycle, ingesting LSD, and then riding from where he worked to where he lived in 1943. It was there at the height of WWII, in the very heart of Europe, when Hofmann, a Swiss pharmacologist, found himself struggling through his own, bizarre bicycle ride – one that would unexpectedly introduce the world to LSD and alter the way millions of people perceive the nature of consciousness. Alternately hilarious and harrowing, from Hofmann's first experience to my own desperate encounter in a dark field in Switzerland, with detours to San Francisco and India in-between, The Bike Trip is, ultimately, a story of connection between disparate people and places. It's also a treasure hunt, of sorts, to uncover the mystery at the heart of the psychedelic experience.