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THREE SCIENTISTS: W. Bruchnalski (1924), F. Kubach (1943) and L. Brożek (1949) worked and prepared documentation (e.g. bibliographies) concerning the broad range of scientific disciplines, not only astronomy, Nicolaus Copernicus was involved in. Those bibliographies are not easily available, besides they are not completed, based on mostly Polish and German literature.

Therefore, Henryk Baranowski — a librarian from Nicolaus Copernicus University Library in Toruń — started works on writing a full bibliography of Nicolaus Copernicus, including the entirety of his activities. The bibliography was published in Warsaw in 1958, encompassing the period from 1509 to 1955, with 3750 bibliographical items in it.

In 1970 the bibliography was reprinted in New York.

At the opportunity of The Copernican Year in 1973, the next part of *Bibliografia Kopernikowska*, for the period 1956–1971 with 1207 items, was published in Warsaw too.

The Nicolaus Copernicus University Press in Torun published the third volume of this bibliography in 2003. It included years from 1972 to 2001 and had 8246 bibliographical items.

Bibliografia Kopernikowska is international and includes works and documents Copernicus wrote himself as well as the literature about him. It exclusively contains printings; omitting manuscripts, prints and maps (with insignificant exceptions). The subject part (Copernicus's works) of the bibliography is in a chronological order. The object part (works about Copernicus) is in a systematical order. Bibliographical descriptions include concise annotations completing the descriptions or indicating the relations with other items.

Mr. Henryk Baranowski is the author of all three parts of *Bibliografia Kopernikowska*. Mrs. Jolanta Goławska contributed to the third part as far as technical concept of *Copernican Bibliography* is concerned.

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