

Born in 1925 in Zurich C P Enz spent his childhood in Paris and then in Oberuzwil in Eastern Switzerland. In 1945 he began studies at ETH in Zurich where in 1952 he received his diploma in theoretical physics. He was forced to interrupt these studies four times because of illness. In 1953 he became a scientific collaborator of Professor Georg Busch in Semiconductor Physics at ETH. Also at ETH he obtained his doctorate in theoretical physics with Wolfgang Pauli in 1956 and became the latter's last assistant.

In 1959 he joined the Institute for Advanced Study in Princeton NJ where he staid with his family until 1961 when he was nominated professor of theoretical physics at the University of Neufchatel. After a visiting professorship at Cornell University in Ithaca NY he became in 1964 a professor at Geneva University where he was nominated an honorary professor in 1995. He is a fellow of the American Physical Society and an honorary member of the Swiss Physical Society. He has published a large number of research papers and essays as well as two biographies of Wolfgang Pauli, one in English and one in German. He also wrote a book on Many-Body Theory Applied to Solid State Physics and edited several other books.