

precursor

[pri'kʊ:sə] *n*

1. *книжн.*
1) предшественник, предтеча; предвестник
a severe cold may be the precursor of pneumonia - воспалению лёгких может предшествовать сильная простуда
- 2) (Precursor) Иоанн Предтеча, Иоанн Креститель
2. *физ.* предвестник

precursor Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

pre-cu-sor [precursor precursors] *BrE* [priːkʊsə(r)] *NAmE* [priːkʊsər]

noun ~ (of/to sth) (formal)

a person or thing that comes before sb/sth similar and that leads to or influences its development

Syn: †forerunner

- a stringed instrument that was the precursor of the guitar
- events that were precursors to revolution

Word Origin:
late Middle English: from Latin *praecursor*, from *praecurs-* 'preceded', from *praecurrere*, from *prae* 'beforehand' + *currere* 'to run'.

precursor Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

pre-cu-sor /pri'kʊsə -'kʊrsər *BrE* *AmE* *noun* [countable]

[Date: 1500-1600; Language: Latin; Origin: *praecursor*, from *praecurrere* 'to run in front']

formal something that happened or existed before something else and influenced its development

precursor of/to

- a precursor of modern jazz

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