

## Background

While both practitioners and scholars argue that lone-actor terrorism remains a threat to societies, the radicalization of individuals who engage in this form of terrorism remains poorly understood.

## Aim

The aim of this project is to gain a better understanding of how individuals who engage in acts of lone-actor terrorism became radicalized.

Research question:

What are the mechanisms involved in the radicalization process of lone-actor terrorists, and how does the interaction between these favor a tendency toward violence?

## Method

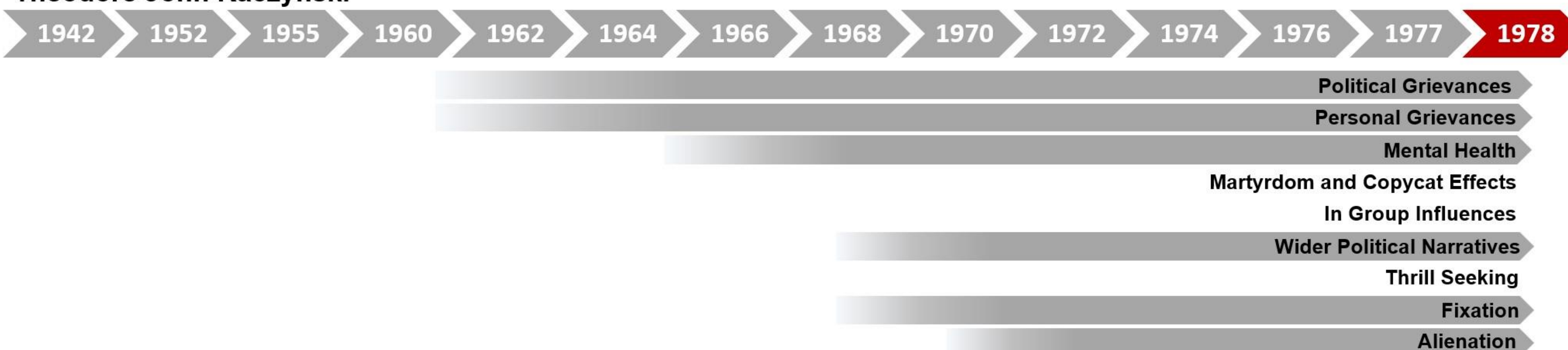
- Identify radicalization mechanisms in existing literature
- Create a database of known lone-actor terrorists
- Reconstruct the narratives of included subjects using open-source materials
- Find and trace relevant radicalization mechanisms within the reconstructed narratives

## Practical Outcomes

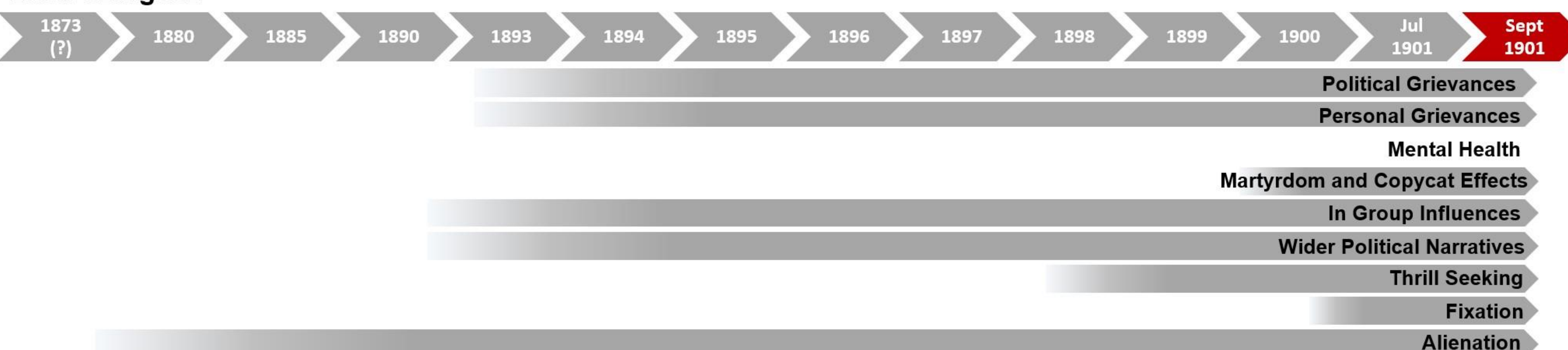
- Improvement of existing risk evaluation tools
- Creation of new risk evaluation tools
- Improvement of radicalization prevention measures

## A few examples of reconstructed narratives

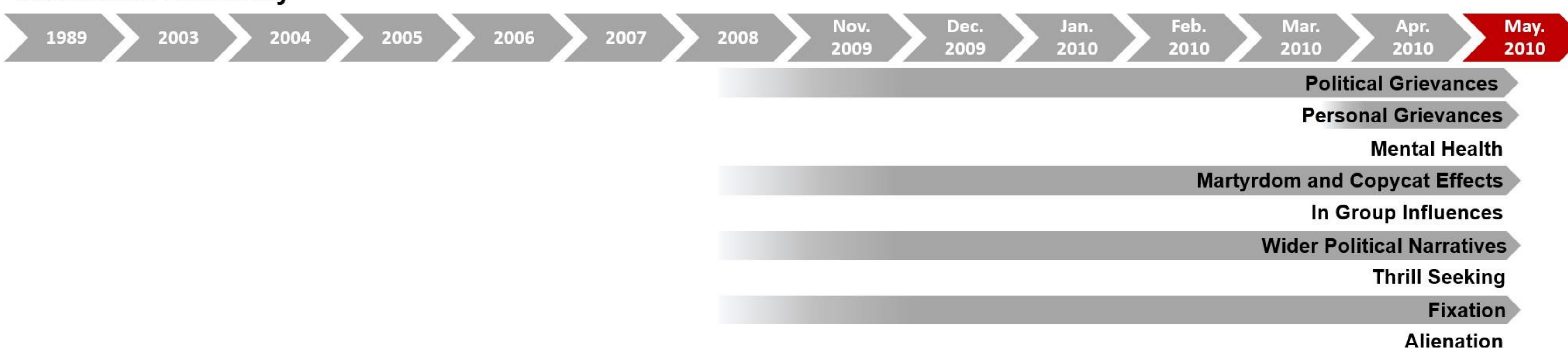
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## Preliminary Findings

A set of 9 radicalization mechanisms have been found to play key roles in the radicalization processes of the studied lone-actor terrorists.

