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*Freelance writer, journalist,  
and author of Nobel Prize  
Women in Science: Their  
Lives, Struggles, and  
Momentous Discoveries*

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## A Passion for Discovery

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# Nobel Prize Women in Science

*"I am not one of  
those...who think  
that a woman  
(scientist)...can  
disinterest herself  
from her role as a  
woman, either in  
private or public  
life."*

*Irène Joliet-Curie*

Irène Joliet-Curie, Nobel Laureate in Chemistry, 1935, is shown above with her younger sister, Éve, and mother, Marie Skłodowska Curie, Nobel Laureate in Physics, 1903 and Chemistry, 1911. While only eight other Nobel Prizes in science have ever been awarded to women, more than 300 have been presented to men. Sharon Bertsch McGrayne looks at the lives, struggles, and discoveries of these remarkable women, giving inspiration to all who would follow in their footsteps in overcoming barriers to practicing and excelling in science and engineering.

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