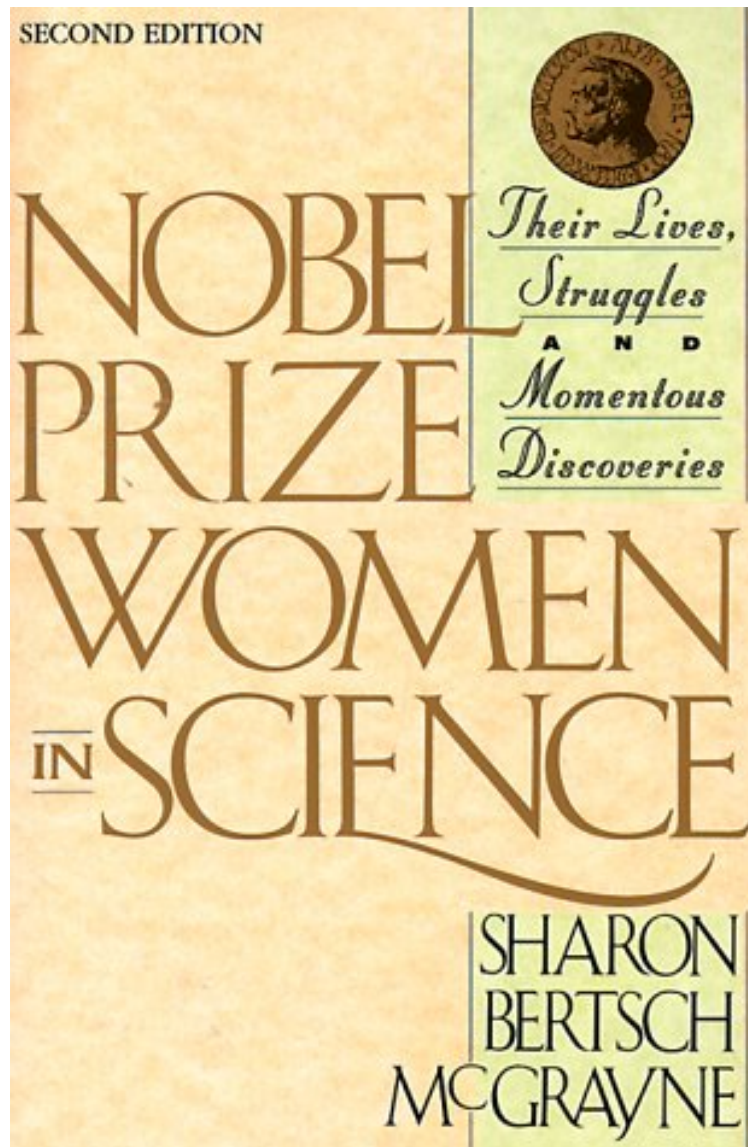


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From Scientific American "Recommended reading." "Gratifying reader for women of all ages--and would that men would read it as well." -- Kirkus s A book to brandish when some wag asks, "So where are your great women scientists?" -- Ms. Magazine About the Author Sharon Bertsch McGrayne is a former newspaper reporter and writer-editor on science for Encyclopaedia Britannica. The author interviewed every living woman scientist who is a subject in this book and 250 of their colleagues, associates, and family members. She has lectured about women in science at many places here and abroad. She lives in Seattle, Washington.