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## Marie Skłodowska-Curie

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## 1. Biography

1867 (Nov. 7) – birth in Warsaw (Poland)

1883 – graduated (with golden medal) from a secondary school in Warsaw

- 1890-91 work in the laboratories of physics and of chemistry of the Museum of industry and Agriculture, Warsaw
- **1891 leaves Warsaw for Paris (to study physics at Sorbonne)**
- 1893 licenciate (with the 1st location) of the physical sciences
- 1894 licenciate (with the 2nd location) of the mathematical sciences
- **1895 marriage with Pierre Curie**
- 1897 birth of the first daughter: Irene
- 1898 discovery of polonium (July) – discovery of radium (Dec.)

1903 – Ph.D. (on studies of radioactivity)

- (first) Nobel Prize (in physics)
- **1906 death of Pierre**
- **1908 nomination for a professorship in physics at the Paris University**
- 1911 (second) Nobel Prize (in chemistry)
- **1934 (July 4) death in Sancelemoz (France)**



The house in Warsaw, at the Freta 16 street, where Marie was born.



Annex to the building of Museum of Industry and Agriculture, where physical and chemical laboratories were located, in which Marie was working in 1890-91.



Marie and Pierre in1895, after their marriage.



Marie and Pierre in the laboratory.



The Nobel – Prize diploma (in physics), common for Pierre, Marie and Henri Becquerel (1903).

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Marie with Eve after the death of Pierre (1908).



The first Solvay Conference (1911). Among the participants, Marie is the only woman.



Diploma of the (second) Nobel Prize (in chemistry, 1911).



Marie in the laboratory with Irene.



Marie with Irene in the radiological service during the First World War.



Marie in a movable radiological unit at the front of the First World War.



Irene in the laboratory with her husband Frederic Joliot-Curie.



Pantheon in Paris, the last place of rest for Marie and Pierre since 1995.

## Literature

- 1. Marie Skłodowska-Curie: *Autobiographical notes & Pierre Curie*, Galant Edition, Warsaw 2011
- 2. Małgorzata Sobieszczak-Marciniak: A woman in advance of her epoch, Multico Edition, Warsaw 2011

(Mrs. Małgorzata Sobieszczak-Marciniak is the director of the Marie Skłodowska-Curie Museum in Warsaw)

Both books are available at the the Marie Skłodowska-Curie Museum in Warsaw, e-mail: muzeum.msc@neostrada.pl