

Green Chemist

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"It can be easy to be intimidated when thinking about your entire career, but you just need to start somewhere. If you're intrigued by a career in STEM, talk to people in the field to learn more about the subject and work to see if you want to try it."

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Saskia van Bergen is a Green Chemist at the Washington State Department of Ecology, where she works in product development, product safety, and environmental sustainability. Saskia became a green chemist when she realized that chemists, and not just engineers, can develop safer and more sustainable products and create solutions to some of the big environmental problems.

FUN FACT: Saskia enjoys kayaking in the Puget Sound. Earlier this year, a gray whale swam past her boat in the Hood Canal!

