I am a renal physiologist who studies why blood pressure is different in men and women.

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One of my research questions:
Why is blood pressure higher in males than in females?

Technology I use:
I use animals (rats) in which I measure blood pressure. I use a combination of drugs and cellular and molecular techniques to determine what controls the blood pressure in the animals.

My most exciting discovery:
That blood pressure is controlled by different systems in men and women despite the fact that they are both treated with the same medicines.

To be a scientist, you need to:
1. be excited about doing research.
2. have a logical mind.
3. like to write grants and papers.
4. have fun doing experiments and seeing the outcomes.

I knew I wanted to be a scientist when...
I was a nurse before I became a scientist and I was fascinated with why people became sick. I became a scientist to find out why!

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