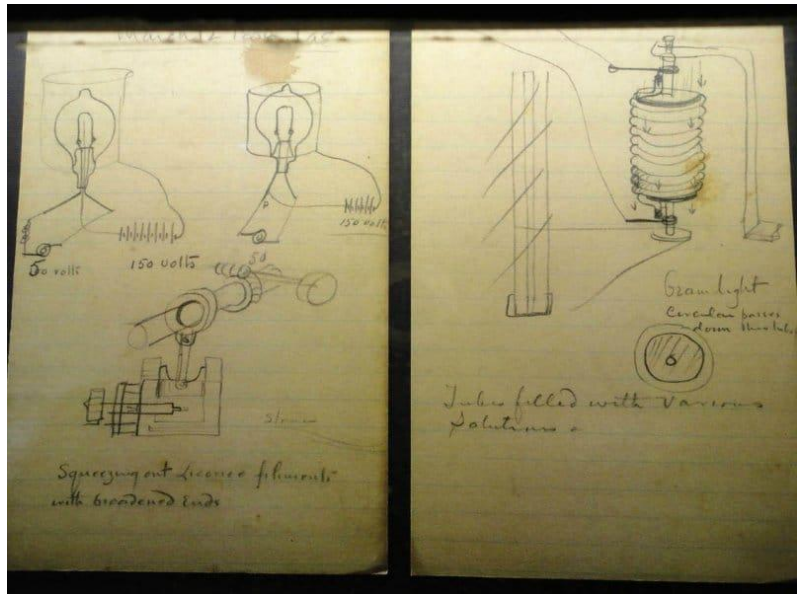


## Marie Curie

7 November 1867 – 4 July 1934, was a Polish and naturalized-French physicist and chemist who conducted pioneering research on radioactivity



Marie Curie was born in Poland in 1867, and studied science in Warsaw (Poland) and Paris (France). Marie married Pierre Curie, a physics and chemistry teacher in 1895. In 1898, Marie Curie and her husband discovered the element, radium. The Curies discovered that radium could be used to destroy diseased cells in the body. She was the first woman to win a Nobel Prize, the first person and the only woman to win the Nobel Prize twice, and the only person to win the Nobel Prize in two different scientific fields. She was part of the Curie family legacy of five Nobel Prizes. She was also the first woman to become a professor at the University of Paris, and in 1995 became the first woman to be entombed on her own merits in the Panthéon in Paris.