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Tatiana Kačan

Author and Entrepreneur

Telling science the way you tell
living things.

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Biography

Author and entrepreneur, molecular biologist by training, Tatiana Kačan is CEO of Cortex, a company dedicated to the valorisation of scientific capital. She writes graphic novels, scientific poetry and essays to make science vivid, sensitive and accessible to everyone.

Holding two master's degrees in molecular biology and entomology, Tatiana Kačan has led **Cortex**, a company dedicated to the valorisation of scientific capital, since 2022. Founder of the nonprofit science media **Cortex_sciences**, she puts her multidisciplinary knowledge at the service of research, in all its forms.

As an author, she brings the rigour of the laboratory into dialogue with graphic novels, the press and poetry. She has published *L'Écho des Savantes* (graphic novel, Delachaux et Niestlé, 2025), *Vulgariser, c'est transformer* (EDP Sciences) and the poetry collection *Les Nocces cellulaires* (Éditions Il Est Midi). Three more books are forthcoming, at Dunod and Éditions des Éléphants.

She writes for the magazines *L'Éléphant*, *La Recherche*, *La Salamandre* and *Puzzle*.

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master's degrees in
molecular biology and
entomology

2022

leads Cortex

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books published and
forthcoming

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magazines she writes for

TALKS AND APPEARANCES

Tatiana Kačan speaks to varied audiences (young people, students, the general public, professionals) through talks, round tables, workshops, readings and author meetings with book signings.

Science communication

Making science accessible without betraying it: methods, pitfalls and concrete examples.

Fake news in research

Understanding scientific misinformation, cognitive biases and conspiracy theories, and learning to counter them.

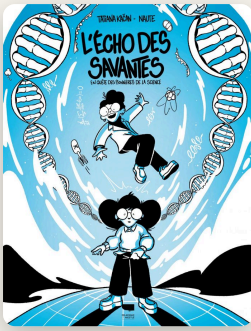
Women in research

The forgotten pioneers of the history of science and the place of women in research and innovation today.

Biology and entomology

From molecular biology to forensic entomology: when insects and DNA become clues.

Books



L'Écho des Savantes

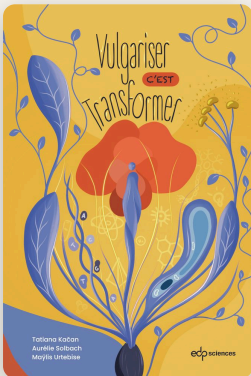
In search of pioneering women of science

Graphic novel · script Tatiana Kačan, illustrations Naute

Delachaux et Niestlé · 5 September 2025

72 pages · 22 × 28.5 cm · €19.95 · ISBN 9782603031384

Emmanuelle, a biology student, doubts her scientific future. Asleep at her lab bench, she meets Echo, an older version of herself. Together they travel through time to meet Margarita Salas (pioneer of PCR), Emmy Noether (mathematician) and Barbara McClintock (Nobel laureate, queen of genetics). Three scientists long overshadowed by sexism and official history.



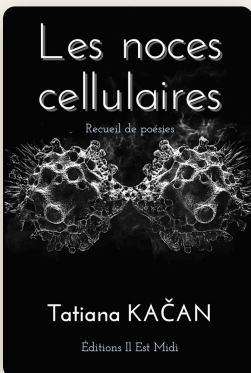
Vulgariser, c'est transformer

Popularising is transforming

Essay · with Aurélie Solbach · illustrations Maïlis Urtebise

EDP Sciences · ISBN 9782759838684

Popularising science is not about simplifying it, but transforming it without betraying it: making knowledge accessible without ever impoverishing it. The book also covers science communication in the digital age, algorithms and cognitive biases, misinformation and conspiracy theories.



Les Noces cellulaires

Collection of poems

Scientific poetry

Éditions Il Est Midi · €16

The intimacy of living matter: mitochondria, genes and cellular signals become the metaphors of a poetry where science marries mystery.

FORTHCOMING

Le Vrombissement des mouches

Dunod · September 2027

Graphic novel illustrated by Alexis Saint-Georges, built like a detective investigation to introduce forensic entomology and genetic identification applied to criminal investigations.

Ça chauffe à bord ! Voyage d'un climatophobe

Dunod · January 2028

Graphic novel co-written with climatologist Philippe Drobinski and illustrated by Pierre Jeanneau. A sailing adventure around the Mediterranean, meeting the existing solutions to climate change.

À la recherche de Mélanine

Éditions des Éléphants · date to be announced

Children's picture book for ages 6 and up, illustrated by Danslecieloutvabien, exploring with simplicity and curiosity the origin of the colour of our skin.

What they say

"In a playful and (almost) simple way, Tatiana Kačan and Naute shed light on incredible scientific feats, and on the tenacity of exceptional women whom men have constantly kept away from the top step of the podium."

Femme Actuelle, no. 2142, October 2025

"Beyond popularisation, L'Écho des Savantes is a vibrant plea for the recognition of women in science."

Histoire Géo BD, 2025

"Who are Margarita Salas, Emmy Noether and Barbara McClintock? Three scientists essential to their field... and yet unknown to the general public. The author gives them back the place they deserve."

Télé-Loisirs, no. 2065, September 2025

"The three women at the heart of this gripping graphic novel may mean nothing to you... yet their role was fundamental in the history of science."

Version Femina, September 2025

"A read that makes you want to revisit the history of science through the role of women."

La revue L'Éléphant, March 2026

"An original album that dives into the imaginary to tell the story of forgotten women scholars, with a blue and black graphic style."

Sceneario.com, 2025

"Two heroines set off on a great scientific journey in the footsteps of forgotten pioneers. Accessible, original and cleverly illustrated."

Diverto, no. 143, September 2025

TATIANA KAČAN

In magazines

L'Éléphant

The general culture magazine

elephant-larevue.fr/les-auteurs/tatiana-kacan

La Salamandre

"Quand les insectes dévoilent les circonstances d'un décès",
no. 295, August 2026

salamandre.org/article/quand-les-insectes-devoilent-les-circonstances-dun-deces

La Recherche

Science news

larecherche.fr/auteur/tatiana-grouin

Puzzle

The news magazine

puzzle-larevue.fr

Previously hosted by

Fête de la science (Saintes) · Pariscience (pitch to producers) · Senlis Book Fair · La Science se livre festival · Forum LABO Lyon · Printemps des Poètes (Cergy) · Champagne-sur-Oise Book Fair · Paris-Saclay, “Women, Research & Innovation” · Exhibition “Un point de vue” (Villa Daumier) · RGB Radio · Media libraries and cultural venues

2026

Upcoming dates

28 and 29 November 2026 · Sceaux book festival

13 and 14 March 2027 · Mérybulles festival, Méry-sur-Oise

INTERVIEW

Interview ideas

- ? Why choose the graphic novel to tell the story of forgotten scientists?
- ? How do you go from the laboratory bench to writing?
- ? How can you spot a piece of scientific misinformation?
- ? What can poetry say that science cannot?

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