ACS AMA: Hi, Reddit! I am Dr. Suzanne Bell, Chair of the Department of Forensic and Investigative Science at West Virginia University. Ask me anything about the chemistry of gunshot residue or educational opportunities in forensic chemistry.

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I've always been into forensics and chemistry, what sort of study and education do I need to enter this particular field, and what time period would it take?

Do you get to investigate murders? What does the average day involve? What's the pay like? What are some cool experiences/cases/discoveries/stories you have?

I'm 17 and a highschool dropout, what can I do today to start this particular career path?

I apologize if there are too many questions or they're too blunt (it's not often I actually get excited about an AMA), and I can understand if you don't have the time/patience to answer.

Thanks in advance.

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What would you say has been the most groundbreaking forensic advancement in the last 10 years?

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