



I think: *"Oh my God, it should be inside the body, not outside!"*

It depends. When I am working, I am not afraid because it's my work. There are a lot of ugly things, but it is my work so I am OK with this... almost. If I see someone bleeding on the street, I might feel afraid. It's a normal reaction. Then I understand that a person needs to help. You concentrate on your responsibility and do what you are supposed to do.

Is it different if the blood is your own or if it's somebody else's?

If I hurt myself or cut myself by chance, I'm not afraid. I think that every surgeon is afraid of blood because in case of profuse bleeding, we have seconds or minutes to save a life. We are also afraid of blood, but in other ways, because we understand how it can end.

Did anyone ever make remarks about you being a girl and wanting to be a surgeon?

My parents seriously asked me if I was sure that I wanted to become a doctor because it's very serious, and I need to dedicate all of my life to it. I need to study constantly without breaks. When they saw me, I was sure about it so they said: *"You are welcome to do it, and we hope that everything works out."* Also, medicine is a very wide sphere. So is surgery. You can choose any speciality you want. Maybe some of them are considered *"more girly"* than others. My parents asked me again if I was sure about surgery. I told them that I wanted to try. It was very interesting for me because you apply all of your knowledge, but also your hands. You can see the immediate result of your work so it's amazing.

When it is well done, it brings you so much happiness. Of course, life is long. Maybe after years or sooner, I will think about doing a more specific field.



Are you your parent's only daughter?

There are two girls, but the other one is very young. She is only 6 years old.

You said that the drive to help people is very important. Would I be accurate in saying that you inherited this drive from your parents?

Maybe because all of my life I see good examples of doctors. My relatives really like this speciality. Also, it's not only about helping people. Of course, you help. Everyone helps if they work hard. You can be a scientist, and you can also help people. Moreover, you can