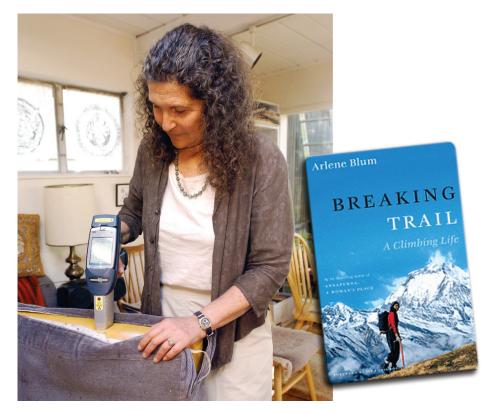
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Blum's research contributed to the regulation of two cancer-causing flame retardants used in children's sleepwear in the 1970s, and prevented unnecessary flammability standards that would have led to the use of hundreds of millions of pounds of persistent toxic chemicals each year.

Dr. Blum was selected by the National Women's History Project as one of 100 "Women Taking the Lead to Save Our Planet."

Dr. Blum has played a groundbreaking role in women's mountaineering. She led the first American—and all-women's—ascent of Annapurna I, as well as the first women's team up Mt. McKinley.



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