None of the Above

What if everything you knew about yourself changed in an instant?

When Kristin Lattimer is voted homecoming queen, it seems like another piece of her ideal life has fallen into place. She’s a champion hurdler with a full scholarship to college and she’s madly in love with her boyfriend. In fact, she’s decided that she’s ready to take things to the next level with him.

But Kristin’s first time isn’t the perfect moment she’s planned—something is very wrong. A visit to the doctor reveals the truth: Kristin is intersex, which means that though she outwardly looks like a girl, she has male chromosomes, not to mention boy “parts.”

Dealing with her body is difficult enough, but when her diagnosis is leaked to the whole school, Kristin’s world completely unravels. With everything she thought she knew thrown into question, can she come to terms with her new self?

Incredibly compelling and sensitively told, None of the Above is a thought-provoking novel that explores what it means to be a boy, a girl, or something in between.

A Spring 2015 Publisher’s Weekly Flying Start
Finalist for the 2016 Lambda Literary Award
A 2015 ABC Children’s Group Best Book for Young Readers
A Booklist Top 10 Sports Books for Youth
A 2016 American Library Association Rainbow List Selection

THIS IS ME

Mother. Surgeon. YA Author.
No, I don’t get much sleep.
My debut novel, NONE OF THE ABOVE
(Balzer + Bray / HarperCollins), is MIDDLESEX meets MEAN GIRLS.
Represented by Jessica Regel, Foundry Literary + Media. Tweet me at @IWGregorio!

THIS IS MY BOOK

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What trade reviewers are saying:

“In this provocative and enlightening first novel, physician Gregorio creates a heart-wrenching story of self-discovery…[that] will strike a familiar chord with any reader who has felt estranged.” — Publishers Weekly (starred review)

“This coming-of-age novel develops Kristin beyond her chromosomes, offering a sophisticated exploration of gender and identity alongside nuanced plot threads involving family, friends, work, and romance. Affirming for intersex readers, enlightening for the rest, and affecting for all.” — Horn Book Review

“[R]emarkable…Eye-opening and important.” — Booklist

“…a compelling and touching narrative…NONE OF THE ABOVE rises above most young adult fiction because it has potential to evoke significant change.” — VOYA (5Q rating)

“Engaging and well-paced, with smart characters.” — School Library Journal

“Sensitive, informative and a valuable resource” — Kirkus Reviews

What other authors are saying:

“Noble, daring and necessary—I.W. Gregorio’s groundbreaking debut is a bittersweet, painful and ultimately life-affirming voyage of identity.” — Elizabeth Wein, Printz Honor winning & NYT bestselling author of Code Name Verity

“I couldn’t put this book down—it opened my mind in ways that few books have done before.” — Jacqueline Woodson, National Book Award winning & NYT bestselling author of Brown Girl Dreaming

“Like the beloved physician that she is, I.W. Gregorio brings rare knowledge and acute empathy to the illumination of an anatomical difference—and to the teens who discover, in the nick of time, the saving grace of knowing and being one’s truest self. A book unlike any other.” — Beth Kephart, National Book Award Finalist and author of Small Damages and Going Over

“What a lovely and terrific book. I.W. Gregorio tackles so many thorny issues with so much grace and aplomb. My hat is off.” — Daniel Handler, NYT bestselling author of the Printz Honor winning Why We Broke Up

“None of the Above is a sensitive, beautifully written story, told with heart (break) and humor. Gregorio deftly explores the isolation of being ‘other’ in a highly relatable way. Bravo!!” — Kristin Elizabeth Clark, acclaimed author of Freakboy

What booksellers & readers are saying:

“This beautifully written and moving novel chronicles Kristin Lattimer’s discovery of her AIS diagnosis, and the fallout that occurs when her “secret” is revealed…The universal theme of rising above a difficult situation is one everyone can relate to, and Kristin’s courage will be a source of inspiration to all those who read this exceptional book.” — Heather Hebert, Haverford Children’s Book World

“Both deeply moving and triumphant, I.W. Gregorio’s None of the Above explores the adolescent pains of discovering one’s self and embracing both the good and bad. Full of heartbreakingbelievability that resonates with readers, she explores the important topics of learning to love yourself in ways that too few YA novels explore.” — Bonnie Lynn Wagner, Barnes & Noble Neshaminy Mall, PA

“Smartly and compassionately written for a young adult audience, None of the Above puts a new twist on the theme of adolescent difference and acceptance.” — Arlene Baratz MD (Moderator, Androgen Insensitivity Syndrome- Differences of Sex Development Parents Group www.aisdsd.org)
18 RESPONSES TO NONE OF THE ABOVE

Suzanne Gaadt says:
November 5, 2013 at 4:30 pm

This is so exciting! I’ve very happy for you and wish you all the best.

Reply

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Cris says:
June 17, 2015 at 5:56 pm

I am a teacher in Chile and always try to recommend good and diverse YA books to my students. I hope someday this book is translated in Spanish so I can tell them to check it out. In the meantime I will read it when it comes out (a day after my birthday now I notice hahaha) Thank you for writing!

Reply

Pingback: Surgeon-author: “My intent is to let people know that the person next door could be intersex” / Scope Blog

mariah papik says:
July 16, 2015 at 5:08 pm

I just got done reading the book and I could not put the thing down it was so good. I wish I can read it over and over again.

Reply

Pingback: “None of the Above”

Katy says:
July 29, 2015 at 10:26 pm

Hi! I met you, at the Little Flower writer’s festival in April (not sure if you remember, but I was the one that mentioned that I want to go into pediatric oncology). I finished None of the Above that night (okay, it may or may not have been three A.M.). I love it so much. I’ve told basically everyone I know about it. Although I did always find it odd that the hardback was black and white. NOTA really did teach me to look at things in shades of grey, rather than black and white. Either way, it’s amazing.

Thanks again for the pep talks during Camp! 😊

Reply

Katy says:
Although actually, that's kind of wrong. I myself live in a shade of grey (though not the same kind as Kristin). NOTA just helped me realize it and get used to it.

Reply

I.W. Gregorio says:
January 5, 2016 at 2:29 pm

Katy, thank you so much for the note, and for sharing NOTA with your friends!
Hope to see you again at Little Flower!

Reply

amy says:
August 4, 2015 at 5:42 pm

This book was so amazing! I really didn’t want the book to end and I was wondering if there is going to be a sequel??

Reply

I.W. Gregorio says:
January 5, 2016 at 2:31 pm

Alas, Amy – I always thought of NOTA as a stand alone. But stay tuned for some exciting news about how Kristin’s story might continue!

Reply

kendal buchannon says:
September 12, 2015 at 1:39 am

It was an amazing book I just finished it today but I was wondering will you ever write a second one to finish the unknown story between Kirsten and Darren?

Reply

I.W. Gregorio says:
January 5, 2016 at 2:31 pm

Dear Kendall,
Thank you so much! Interestingly enough, I always thought of NOTA as a stand alone. But stay tuned for some exciting news about how Kristin’s story might continue!

Reply

Pingback: Here’s What Everyone Should Know About the Intersex Community - How to do everything!

Dory (FishThatReads) says:
December 28, 2015 at 9:33 pm

Hi, I read your book a while ago and absolutely loved it. My friend just finished it and also loved it, she brought it up and now I’m wondering it too, is there going to be another book by you soon?

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