

# Kavita Shukla

(b. 1984-87)

**Inventor**

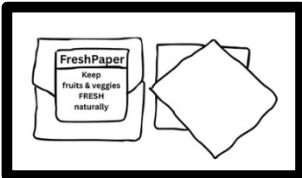
**Indian American**

**Place of Birth:**

Germany

**Inventions:**

Smart Lid; FreshPaper



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Kavita was born in Germany and moved to the United States when she was five years old. At twelve, she drank water thought to be contaminated, and her grandmother’s remedy kept her healthy. This inspired Kavita to copy that cure to fight food waste and hunger. At thirteen, she patented the Smart Lid, a lab safety device. In 2010, she founded Fenugreen to market FreshPaper, a sheet that keeps food fresh longer. She was inducted into the National Gallery for America’s Young Inventors, won the Index Design Award, and was named a Forbes 30 Under 30. Her company holds four patents today, keeping food fresh around the world.