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Chapter 661: The Weak Aeronautics and Astronautics Institute

Europe, Switzerland.

Inside a laboratory in the scientific research building at the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology in Zurich.

Professor Yang Kaining is leading his doctoral students in a biological experiment. These doctoral students are among the best ones under his supervision.

"Hey, Professor Yang."

A foreigner at the laboratory's door called out to Professor Yang Kaining.

"William?"

"Professor Yang, do you have a visitor today?" asked William.

"A visitor?" Professor Yang Kaining thought for a moment, then recalled the matter and nodded, "Ah yes, there is! Is it a visitor from Xia Country?"

"Yes."

"Understood, thank you, William." Having said that, Professor Yang Kaining turned to his students and said, "Carry on as before, go over the contents of this study again."

"Okay, Professor Yang." The students nodded in agreement.

These doctoral students under Professor Yang Kaining are from the biological science major at the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology in Zurich, with most of them having a promising future ahead.

Just yesterday, Professor Yang Kaining received a Whatsapp message from a friend in Xia Country. It was sent by Principal Ding of the Mist City Arts and Science University, who said that he would come to Zurich, Switzerland to visit him personally.

Professor Yang Kaining had a clear impression of the Mist City Arts and Science University in Xia Country.

Not long ago, he took a tour of the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology in Zurich with members of the university and introduced the prestigious higher education institution that was in the top few worldwide ranks.

In addition, this private university in Xia Country also won this year's ACM International College Student Programming Competition held in Zurich, Switzerland.

Originally, Professor Yang Kaining remembered this event.

However, due to his busy schedule with the biological experiment's research with his doctoral students today, he nearly forgot about it.

After instructing his students, Professor Yang Kaining left the laboratory and prepared to return to his office to meet Principal Ding from Mist City Arts and Science University in Xia Country.

At this moment, in Professor Yang Kaining's office, Ding Yue, Xu Dongcheng, and the secretary Wen Ruohan were waiting for Professor Yang Kaining. Someone had already gone to notify him.

"Top world-class universities are impressive indeed, just look at the scale of this professor's office."

Standing in front of the floor-to-ceiling windows of Professor Yang Kaining's office, Xu Dongcheng couldn't help but express his admiration.

This office was a little larger than his own, but what stood out most was its location. Standing in front of the windows in this building, the entire science city of the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology in Zurich was in full view.

It was as if they were standing at the pinnacle of wisdom.

"Switzerland is a wealthy country." Ding Yue said with a faint smile to Xu Dongcheng, "The welfare benefits, among other things, are very good, especially at the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology in Zurich."

"Principal Ding, are you confident about inviting Professor Yang back?" Turning around, Xu Dongcheng looked at Principal Ding, who was sitting on the sofa, and asked curiously.

"Professor Yang Kaining has a very good job at the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology in Zurich, and the research environment here is terrific. It will be really hard to convince Professor Yang to give up everything here and return to his home country,"

Ding Yue now understood a bit of what Huang and Bin had said before.

However, even though it is difficult to invite Professor Yang Kaining to return to his home country for development, it does not mean that it is also difficult to invite Professor Yang Kaining to join the biomedical engineering of Mist City Arts and Science University.

After all, the former requires Professor Yang Kaining to give up everything he currently has, whereas the latter does not; the latter merely requires Professor Yang Kaining to lend a helping hand.

"Our purpose for this visit is merely to have Professor Yang Kaining join our Biomedical Engineering program."

Ding Yue shrugged, remaining unperturbed as he spoke to Xu Dongcheng.

"I hope Professor Yang will agree." Xu Dongcheng took a deep breath and spoke with anticipation.

Because Xu Dongcheng knew that only if Professor Yang Kaining agreed to join the Biomedical Engineering of Mist City Arts and Science University, would it be possible to shorten the application time of the 3D bioprinting technology.

Otherwise, his daughter Xu Meijia only had a year or two left. If they missed this window, they would be parting forever.

Seeing that Xu Dongcheng's words were somewhat gloomy, Ding Yue chose not to continue the conversation.

After all, if the topic continued, it would become even more bleak.

"Wen Ruohan."

Seeing that Professor Yang Kaining hadn't arrived yet, Ding Yue decided to take advantage of the time to enquire about something.

On the plane, didn't Ding Yue and Principal Xu Dongcheng just chat about aviation, Ding Yue thought that if his Mist City Arts and Science University wanted to become a world-class top university, achieving something in the field of aeronautics would surely be a symbol of solid strength.

What's more, Ding Yue also fantasized that once the rank of his Mist City Arts and Science University increased, they might really unlock some black technology in aerospace.

Thinking a bit further, what if they could see humans break out of the solar system in their lifetime?

Uh.

That seemed a bit far off.

"Eh, Principal Ding, what do you need?" Wen Ruohan, upon hearing Principal Ding calling her, immediately responded.

"Show me the basic information of our university's aerospace institute." Ding instructed.

"Alright, please wait a moment, Principal Ding."

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After confirming, Wen Ruohan immediately reached out to the department chair of the Aerospace College at Mist City Arts and Science University.

In fact, Ding Yue could probably guess that the Aerospace College at his university is just average.

After all, aside from the necessary investment in teaching, Ding Yue did not put much more money into this department.

Without a doubt, the Aerospace College is a very expensive department, it would cost a fortune to achieve something significant.

"Principal Ding, why are you suddenly interested in your school's Aerospace College? To be honest, we at Westlight University also have this program, but the best we can produce are ordinary aviation maintenance personnel," said Xu Dongcheng, shrugging and laughing.

Ordinary Aerospace institutions, or related departments within comprehensive universities, indeed have difficulty in developing research-oriented talent in Aerospace.

As Principal Xu Dongcheng said, at most, they can produce some maintenance talents.

Westlight University, a well-established private comprehensive university, has an Aerospace program, but the majority of graduates end up working maintenance jobs at airlines.

Although this is what Principal Xu Dongcheng says,

Ding Yue still had some imagination. After all, he has the system in his hand, and when he will have spare money in the future, he could invest some into the Aerospace College, supplemented with some advanced technology, maybe he could make a name for himself and achieve something.

Wen Ruohan quickly received some basic information about Mist City University's Aerospace College from its department chair, Zhang Chuan.

Then, Wen Ruohan promptly handed it over to Principal Ding, "Principal Ding, Director Zhang has sent over the information you requested about the Aerospace College."

"Oh, Director Zhang is still up at this hour." Ding Yue checked the time; it was almost five in the afternoon.

Considering the time difference, it should be around eleven or twelve o'clock at night in Xia Country.

"Yes."

Wen Ruohan handed her phone to Principal Ding.

After Ding Yue took Wen Ruohan's phone, he opened the information spreadsheet to take a look.

The spreadsheet contained very comprehensive basic information about the Aerospace College at Mist City Arts and Science University. It even tracked how much was spent on teaching work every semester.

You have to give it to him, Director Zhang did a thorough job. This must be a report he compiles every semester.

Otherwise, when Ding Yue asked Wen Ruohan to get the materials from the Aerospace College on a whim, they wouldn't have been able to provide them so quickly. It would have been nearly impossible to make one on the spot.

The report showed that there are currently 452 students in the first and second grades at the Aerospace College of Mist City Arts and Science University.

This number is low.

With less than five hundred students across two grades, it is considered one of the smaller departments at Mist City Arts and Science University.

Departments like Law have seen a surge in admissions this year, or rather, last year.

Computer Science has several thousand students, and Mechanical Engineering also has many students.

Departments such as Arts, Animation, Film and Television Academy, and Medical College, which have achieved some results at Mist City Arts and Science University, had many students admitted last year.

Those new high school graduates saw potential in these majors at Mist City Arts and Science University and naturally chose the best.

The least number of students at Mist City Arts and Science University are in the Aerospace College and Business School.

Additionally, departments like Agriculture and Forestry and History, students choose purely out of interest.

Take the Aerospace College for example, these 452 students chose it knowing full well it's merely a 'prop' at Mist City Arts and Science University.

A large part of the reason is their genuine love for Aerospace and their interest in it. Another reason is likely that their scores are simply not high enough to attend the proper Aerospace universities in Xia Country.

"452 students."

Ding Yue muttered softly, seeing the number.

These 452 students all love the Aerospace major. After adding the learning enhancement, theoretically, these students may not be inferior to a proper Aerospace university.

The only thing they may lack is the learning environment.

A proper Aerospace college has the country's best Aerospace professors and experts, and it has a wealth of teaching resources.

On the other hand, Mist City University's Aerospace college, frankly speaking, probably doesn't have any professional professors.

Looking down the spreadsheet, Ding Yue saw that indeed, there were none. The lecturers were all ordinary Aerospace graduates or the like.

"Principal Ding, what did you say?" Wen Ruohan, who was standing by, heard Principal Ding mumbling something and asked curiously.

"Nothing much, I just didn't expect the Aerospace College would still have over four hundred students." Ding Yue shook his head.

"Hmm, although this number is considered small among our university's departments, compared to those with even fewer, it is quite a lot," Wen Ruohan said, nodding happily.

Ding Yue felt that the students loved this major and were interested in it, so perhaps Mist City Arts and Science University shouldn't let them down.

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Mist City Arts and Science University has dozens of departments and hundreds of majors. Not all of them can develop completely, but each should at least get a fair share of resources. Otherwise, there would surely be grievances among the students and teachers of the underserved departments.

Imagine a situation where one department receives tens of millions or even up to a billion in funds for teaching and research, while another department gets only the bare minimum. The latter will inevitably struggle to make any achievements and will gradually decline.

Eventually, when enrollment season comes, the department will not attract enough applications. Fewer students mean fewer chances of producing excellent graduates. Year after year, this department would fade into oblivion. Before Principal Ding even notices, the department could be on its deathbed.

Ding Yue doesn't want to see such a situation happening.

After all, Mist City Arts and Science University aspires to be a leading comprehensive university in the world. It would be entirely unbalanced if only departments like mechanical engineering and computer science are able to develop rapidly.



"Wen Ruohan, I need you to do something else. Make a list of our university's weaker departments such as the Aerospace Academy and present it in a report for me."

Ding Yue gave Wen Ruohan another task.

"Alright Principal Ding!" With that, Wen Ruohan stretched out her hand to take her phone back from Principal Ding.

Ding Yue was somewhat taken aback by Wen Ruohan's abrupt move. However, he had pretty much finished going through the Aerospace Academy's data earlier.

In summary, although the department had a reasonable number of students, it had weak faculty and low teaching funds.

These are the current shortcomings of the Aerospace Academy.

But they do have one advantage—that is, the students from this major are genuinely passionate. If they weren't, why would they choose the aerospace major at Mist City Arts and Science University?

Having passionate students is a good thing, because when given the right push by Ding Yue, these students might turn out to be highly capable and talented learners.

Immediately after Ding Yue finished speaking to Wen Ruohan, the office door swung open.

"Principal Ding, I apologize for making you wait. I had a biological research to attend this afternoon."

The one who entered was none other than the owner of the office, Professor Yang Kaining.

"Professor Yang, hello. I'm sorry to disturb you again," Ding Yue warmly greeted Professor Yang Kaining with a smile, shaking his hand.

"Let me introduce you. This is Principal Xu Dongcheng from Westlight University, a well-known private university in Xia Country."

Ding Yue then introduced Xu Dongcheng to Professor Yang Kaining.

"Oh? Westlight University, I've heard of it." Upon Ding Yue's introduction, Professor Yang Kaining turned his attention to Xu Dongcheng. "Hello, Principal Xu."

"Hello Professor Yang."

After the introductions and pleasantries, Professor Yang Kaining quickly got to the point, "Principal Ding, you mentioned on Whatsapp that you needed to see me about something important, which prompted you to fly here from Xia Country—an over ten-hour flight. What is it about?"

"Ah, those ten hours on the plane were really..."

Ding Yue was about to say grueling.

But then again, he had been in first class, which was quite comfortable. The only downside was the flight duration—it was challenging to endure.

Deciding not to speak further about his flight, Ding Yue quickly got to the point, "Coming all the way to Zurich on this special trip, I wanted to invite you, Professor Yang, to..."

#### Chapter 664: The Dilemma of the Researcher

After hearing Ding Yue's introduction to the Biomedical Engineering at Mist City Arts and Science University, Professor Yang Kaining couldn't help but be amazed.

"I never thought that your University could research 3D Biological Printers and their related technologies, this is truly unbelievable.", he exclaimed.

In Yang Kaining's view, Biomedical Engineering, which involves 3D Biological Printers and its core technologies, is a state-of-the-art field worldwide.

The fact that Mist City Arts and Science University has already owned 3D Biological Printers and relevant core technologies is remarkable.

If it was any time in the past, Professor Yang Kaining would never have believed what Ding Yue was saying.

It would seem like he was trying to hoodwink him.

However, Professor Yang's view of this university changed after witnessing the victory of Mist City Arts and Science University at the ACM International College Student Programming Competition held in Zurich.

"Professor Yang, our 3D Biological Printer and its core technology at Mist City Arts and Sciences University are close to maturity now. The only issue that we face currently is procuring the 'biomaterials' for the 3D Biological Printer.", said Ding Yue.

Ding Yue honestly informed Professor Yang about the challenge that the Mist City Arts and Science University faces in the field of Biomedical Engineering, "It's indeed a coincidence. President Jiang Zhongbo of our Mist City Central Hospital had read your articles. He told me that you have researched biological materials, hence I personally came to see you."

Ding Yue quickly mentioned the main point, not beating around the bush.

Upon hearing Ding Yue, Professor Yang Kaining nodded slightly and jovially replied, "Well, I study BioScience which is closely related to Biomedical Science. In fact, three years ago, I started researching biological tissue materials."

Upon hearing Professor Yang Kaining's remark, Principal Xu Dongcheng suddenly became excited, "Professor Yang, have you made any progress or achieved any results in your research?"

Maybe Xu Dongcheng's words were a bit abrupt, which prompted Professor Yang Kaining's puzzled glance towards him, wondering why he was making such an inquiry.

Could it be that he was eyeing his research results or technologies concerning biological tissue materials?

"Professor Yang, the thing is, Principal Xu is a good friend of mine. Our Mist City Arts and Science University and Westlight University are private alliance universities in our country. Westlight University has also participated in our University's Biomedical Engineering project."

Ding Yue quickly explained the situation.

Hearing this, Professor Yang Kaining understood what was happening.

Actually, Ding Yue didn't mention the important reason behind Xu Dongcheng's sudden abruptness. His explanation of how Westlight University, headed by Principal Xu Dongcheng, collaborated with his Mist City Arts and Science University on the Biomedical Engineering project was true.

After all, Principal Xu Dongcheng had invested a considerable sum into the Biomedical Engineering project at Mist City Arts and Science University.

Moreover, this investment was made without expecting any financial gain, patent rights, etc.

"So, Principal Ding, you came all the way to Zurich to invite me to participate in your university's Biomedical Engineering project?" asked Professor Yang Kaining directly.

This surprised Ding Yue a bit, but seeing Professor Yang being straightforward, he nodded and said, "Yes, exactly, that's the idea."

Professor Yang Kaining heaved a sigh and said, "To be honest, I do trust your Mist City Arts and Science University, Principal Ding. Afterall, it's not our first meeting. Also, I am very interested in your university's Biomedical Engineering project, however..."

When Professor Yang said "however", Ding Yue's heart skipped a beat.

Maybe he was hesitant about accepting the invitation to participate in Mist City Arts and Science University's Biomedical Engineering project?

If the professor chose not to participate, the project would indefinitely be delayed.

"Professor Yang... May I know the reason?", Ding Yue promptly asked.

"Currently, I work on teaching and scientific research at the Swiss Zurich Federal Institute of Technology and I have a contract with them. That's one thing. Secondly, I am presently leading a

group of doctoral students in a crucial biological research project which cannot be deferred.", said Professor Yang Kaining, explaining why he might reject the invitation.

"Ah, well..." Ding Yue was at a loss for words.

After all, Professor Yang Kaining stated his reasons very clearly. It was not that he was unwilling to accept the invitation to the Mist City Arts and Science University for the Biomedical Engineering project.

He was simply too occupied. Besides his contract with the Swiss Zurich Federal Institute of Technology, Professor Yang Kaining was currently guiding a highly crucial group of doctoral students in biological research.

Guiding doctoral students is a very important task, anyhow. Delaying the bio-research progress would then delay the same group of outstanding doctoral students at Swiss Zurich Federal Institute of Technology from graduating, which Professor Yang Kaining cannot afford. He would be criticized accordingly.

Principal Xu Dongcheng also understood what Professor Yang Kaining meant, and a sense of disappointment naturally showed on his face.

However, he couldn't say anything about it.

He couldn't force Professor Yang Kaining to disregard his contract with the Swiss Zurich Federal Institute of Technology, abandon guiding doctoral students in their biological research, and join Mist City Arts and Science University's Biomedical Engineering project, could he?

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This seemed like an impossible feat.

But Xu Dongcheng didn't want to give up just like that. He reached out and gently tugged on Ding Yue's clothes.

Ding Yue felt Principal Xu Dongcheng tugging softly on his clothes and instantly understood the underlying intent.

He must be urging him to continue the negotiation.

"But Professor Yang, our 3D biological printer and technology are really just missing your biological tissue materials. If it really comes down to it, we can buy..."

Ding Yue knew that discussing money was usually the last resort.

For those conducting experimental research, money is indeed important. However, for Professor Yang Kaining, it might not hold the same weight.

Because by now, Professor Yang Kaining must be well-off, and at Swiss Zurich Federal Institute of Technology, he can always apply for funding from the institution for any research project.

Upon hearing Ding talk about money, Professor Yang Kaining immediately fell silent.

Seeing this, Ding Yue felt hopeful.

Ding Yue considered that although Professor Yang Kaining has no lack of funding for teaching and research at the Swiss Zurich Federal Institute of Technology, some of the research outcomes would belong to the institution.

Unless Professor Yang Kaining funds all the experimental researches out of his own pocket.

This is the ruthless influence of capitalism!

"Professor Yang, how much is your asking price?" Xu Dongcheng noticed that it seemed possible to buy Professor Yang Kaining's biological tissue material technology, so he immediately stood up and inquired.

"Principal Xu, don't rush. I think Professor Yang must have other considerations, right?" Ding Yue felt that it might not just be about money.

If it was solely about money, Professor Yang should have clarified at the beginning.

Professor Yang sighed once again and nodded, "Indeed, Principal Ding. You might think conducting research abroad is very secure. In reality, foreign investors have tight control over research funding. Although I have never lacked funds during my years of biological research at Swiss Zurich Federal Institute of Technology, I have little say in the results of my research."

"Because the money comes from others, right?" Ding Yue could feel the helplessness revealed by Professor Yang's words.

"Yes."

Professor Yang Kaining took a deep breath and continued, "Actually, I have considered returning to our homeland, but it's really hard to secure substantial research funding back home. And it's not too easy abroad either. There is capital, but the producible outcomes, they all belong to the capitalists. The capitalists can do whatever they want with it. For us biological researchers, if some of our technology is not applied properly, it can create a lot of problems."

"Professor Yang, I understand how you feel"

Upon hearing this, Ding Yue instantly realized this was an opportunity.

"Professor Yang..." Just when Xu Dongcheng was about to say something, he was immediately stopped by Ding Yue.

At this point, there's no need for Principal Xu Dongcheng to say more and risk saying something wrong.

Because Ding Yue could feel that as a leading figure in the field of biological science, Professor Yang Kaining had a mental scale.

If one was not careful when weighing on this scale, it could easily tip into a collapse.

At that moment, Ding Yue was contemplating the scale in Professor Yang Kaining's heart.

"Professor Yang, if you could come to the Mist City Arts and Science University, we can provide you with a research environment and capital that do not belong to the Swiss Zurich Federal Institute of Technology. And we will respect your ideas for your research outcomes. Would you consider it?"

Ding Yue directly extended an olive branch to Professor Yang Kaining.

If not now, when to extend an olive branch?

Ding Yue felt this was a golden opportunity, as Professor Yang Kaining revealed his "helplessness" at the Swiss Zurich Federal Institute of Technology.

"Oh?"

Professor Yang Kaining didn't directly refuse at once, instead, he seemed somewhat surprised.

This gave Ding Yue a feeling there might be a chance.

If he could directly recruit Professor Yang Kaining to his Mist City Arts and Science University, it would be absolutely thrilling.

This would be like getting it right in one go. If he could successfully recruit Professor Yang Kaining, then applying his biomaterials technology in 3D bioprinting machines would be incredibly straightforward, wouldn't it?

"Principal Ding, this matter is extraordinary, I can't just because of a few words from you..."

Professor Yang Kaining also didn't respond immediately to Ding Yue's invitation.

"I understand, I naturally do." Ding Yue nodded and said with a smile.

By this point, some time had already passed. Before Professor Yang Kaining's arrival, Ding Yue had already had quite a bit of water, and now he wanted to take a trip to the restroom, so he stood up and asked, "Um, Professor Yang, where is the restroom?"

"Well... I actually need to go too." Seeing this, Professor Yang Kaining smiled, got up from his office chair, and took Ding Yue to the restroom.



Principal Xu Dongcheng was quite anxious here.

Could the deal be closed or not? But it wasn't appropriate for him to ask straight out, so he could only observe Principal Ding's actions.

As Ding Yue and Professor Yang Kaining went to the restroom together, as they finished washing their hands, Professor Yang Kaining asked about Principal Xu Dongcheng, "Principal Ding, I noticed that Principal Xu Dongcheng seems very eager for my potential participation in your biomedical engineering program at the university. Do you know why?"

"Ah, well, it's a long story."

Ding Yue saw Professor Yang Kaining asking about this and secretly rejoiced. Then he sighed and prepared to present the 'card' about Principal Xu Dongcheng's situation.

Indeed.

Principal Xu Dongcheng's situation was a 'card' that Ding Yue had prepared at the last minute, something akin to playing an emotional card.

But when he was talking to Professor Yang Kaining earlier, he didn't get a chance to mention it.

Now that Professor Yang Kaining had asked about it, Ding Yue prepared to play this card, to see if it could increase the possibility of Professor Yang Kaining's participation in the biomedical engineering program of his Mist City Arts and Science University, or even his willingness to join his university.

"Oh?"

After washing his hands, Professor Yang Kaining didn't rush back to his office.

From the look of it, he was planning to listen to what Ding Yue had to say about Principal Xu Dongcheng.

"Principal Xu Dongcheng has a daughter who just came of age. She's in the prime of her life, but she's been struck by liver disease. Given Principal Xu's economic resources, affording the medical treatment shouldn't be a problem. However, the liver source needed for his daughter's operation is very difficult to find."

Ding Yue briefly explained Principal Xu Dongcheng's situation to Professor Yang.

"So... Principal Xu is pinning his hopes on 3D Bio-printing technology?" Professor Yang Kaining slightly furrowed his brows as he asked.

"Exactly."

Ding Yue nodded.

As expected of Professor Yang Kaining. After hearing the situation of Principal Xu Dongcheng, he immediately connected the dots.

"No wonder Principal Xu just... Life is priceless, especially for a lively young girl."

Professor Yang Kaining let out a sigh and continued, "But... it will probably take some time before 3D Bioprinting technology can be put into widespread use, right?"

"Yes, but if you can provide us with your biomaterials technology, I think it can happen very soon, definitely within this year!" Upon hearing Professor Yang Kaining ask this, Ding Yue felt there might be a chance.

"Principal Ding, you're so confident?" Professor Yang Kaining looked at Ding Yue with a very serious gaze and asked.

"Yes!" Ding Yue nodded affirmatively. "Our 3D bioprinting machines and related technology at Mist City Arts and Science University will definitely be the most advanced across the globe. As long as we have your biomaterials technology, Professor Yang, applying 3D bioprinting in the field of biomedical engineering and saving one life after another is within reach."

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In the end, Professor Yang Kaining trusts Ding Yue, but he doesn't trust him one hundred percent.

After all, there's a well-known saying.

Seeing is believing, hearing may be deceiving.

Yang Kaining would not easily make a decision before he sees the 3D biological printer at Mist City Arts and Science University as mentioned by Ding Yue.

"Principal Ding, I'm also saddened about Principal Xu Dongcheng's daughter's situation, of course I hope that advanced medical equipment and technology capable of saving her life could be developed, but..."

Professor Yang Kaining's voice became increasingly somber, filled with grief.

"Professor Yang, I understand what you mean." Ding Yue also sighed, then lifted his head up, looked again towards Professor Yang Kaining, "Professor Yang, about what we just discussed, concerning the purchase of your patent on biological tissue material technology, would you reconsider it more carefully?"

"Okay, I'll consider it, and try to give you an answer as soon as possible, Principal Ding."

Professor Yang Kaining nodded in response.

The two of them left the restroom together and returned to the office.

After seeing that Ding Yue and Professor Yang Kaining had been gone for so long before returning together, Xu Dongcheng immediately cast a questioning glance towards Ding Yue.

Ding Yue perceived Principal Xu Dongcheng's gaze and sighed helplessly as he lightly shook his head.

The implication was pretty clear.

If they had settled the matter during their visit to the restroom just now, Ding Yue should have shown a happy expression at this point.

Xu Dongcheng also understood what this shake of the head by Ding Yue meant – it was quite possible that it was a no-go.

At this moment.

Xu Dongcheng felt somewhat desperate.

However, he could understand in a calm and rational state that, like Professor Yang Kaining, such a high-ranked individual, really wouldn't easily leave his current environment, or even sell his research results.

"Then Principal Ding, I'll be busy with something later. About the things we discussed just now, I will tell you as soon as I've made a decision."

Seeing that the discussion was almost over, Professor Yang Kaining stood up and said to Ding Yue.

"Alright."

Ding Yue nodded, then exchanged a few pleasantries with Professor Yang Kaining before the Professor went back to his lab to continue his work.

Meanwhile, Ding Yue left Professor Yang's office with Principal Xu Dongcheng and Secretary Wen Ruohan.

"Xiao Wen, please book a nearby hotel first." After some thought, Ding Yue decided to stay in Zurich for a few days to wait for news from Professor Yang Kaining.

Because upon arrival in Zurich today, Ding Yue had come directly to the Swiss Zurich Federal Institute of Technology, so, in his haste, had not yet had Wen Ruohan book a hotel.

"Yes, Principal Ding."

Wen Ruohan quickly took out her phone, began choosing hotels online and making a reservation.  
"Principal Ding, shall I book three rooms?"

"Or what? Two rooms? You and me in the same room?" Ding Yue threw a glance at Wen Ruohan, who sometimes would suddenly seem clueless.

"Ummmmm...." Wen Ruohan hurriedly booked three rooms at a hotel near the Science City campus of the Swiss Zurich Federal Institute of Technology.

"Principal Ding, the five-star hotel is rather far away, so I just booked a four-star hotel," Wen Ruohan explained.

"That's fine, no major problem."

Ding Yue didn't always need to stay in a five-star hotel when he went out.

"Principal Ding, shall we settle down first? What did Professor Yang Kaining mean?" Xu Dongcheng hurriedly came over, standing next to Ding Yue, asked with curiosity.

Seeing how eager Principal Xu Dongcheng was, Ding Yue truthfully responded: "Principal Xu, the situation might not be very optimistic, worse than what I had initially anticipated, but there's still hope. Professor Yang said he would think it over, and whether it's a yes or no, he would notify us immediately."

Xu Dongcheng, who originally thought there's almost no hope, upon hearing Principal Ding's words that Professor Yang Kaining still needed to think it over, realized there was still hope.

Instantly, Xu Dongcheng's mood improved somewhat.

"Let's go, Principal Xu. Let's go to the hotel to rest."

"Uh-huh, okay."

Once they arrived at the hotel, and without realizing it, a day had passed with Ding Yue anxiously waiting for the result from Professor Yang Kaining.

But the first day yielded no news.

The second day.

Ding Yue distinctly felt Principal Xu Dongcheng's unease. He came to see Ding Yue three times in one day, making small talk each time. From his words, Ding Yue could tell that Principal Xu Dongcheng was genuinely afraid that he wouldn't get Professor Yang Kaining's biological tissue material technology.

On the third day.

Even Huang and Bin from Mist City Arts and Science University back in their home country, called Ding Yue to ask about the progress of inviting Professor Yang Kaining.

"We are still waiting for Professor Yang's response. How are things on your side?"

"Everything is fine."

"That's good."

By the fourth day, a sense of despair began to permeate the hotel.

Even Wen Ruohan felt there was no chance and went to find Ding Yue to ask when to book the return flight.

Ding Yue lay on the couch in the hotel room, becoming increasingly anxious.

If it really fell through with Professor Yang Kaining, he would have to go back and get his Mist City Arts and Science University to research biological tissue material technology.

But this stuff is really difficult, and Ding Yue currently didn't have access to any relevant high-tech methods from the system.

Therefore, Ding Yue wasn't sure how long it would take to develop the biological tissue material technology.

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By then, perhaps Xu Dongcheng's daughter, Xu Meijia, may be at her breaking point.

The fifth day.

Principal Xu Dongcheng visited Ding Yue's room early in the morning.

"Principal Ding, let's go back to our country. We can still look for other international agencies that are doing research in biomaterials," he suggested.

Principal Xu Dongcheng's complexion seemed more and more haggard.

Ding Yue sighed, remarking, "After five days, we still haven't heard from Professor Yang. It seems our hopes are dwindling. If this continues, we might have to work on biomaterials on our own after we return."

At this very moment, Wen Ruohan also arrived. After hearing their conversation, he asked, "Principal Ding, shall I book our flights now?"

"Hmm."

Ding Yue nodded.

However!

Just as Ding Yue nodded, his cell phone rang.

It was Professor Yang Kaining calling.

"Wait, don't rush to book the flights yet. I have a call from Professor Yang." Ding Yue immediately halted Wen Ruohan from booking their flight.

Upon hearing that it was a call from Professor Yang Kaining, Principal Xu Dongcheng instantly perked up.

Now that Professor Yang Kaining made a call, it could mean that the idea is either plausible or not plausible.

Like Schrödinger's cat, until it's confirmed, both possibilities hold a fifty percent chance.

"Hello, Professor Yang," Ding Yue answered the call cautiously.

"Good morning, Principal Ding. Have you left? Or are you still in Zurich?" Professor Yang Kaining cheerfully inquired.

"Hmm, we are still in Zurich, staying in a hotel not far from the Federal Technology University," Ding Yue replied.

"Oh? Which hotel and which room? I'll bring over my students to visit you," Professor Yang Kaining further inquired.

Ding Yue quickly provided the hotel name and room number to Professor Yang Kaining.

After providing the details, Ding Yue realized that, given Professor Yang's enthusiasm on the call... could it be...

If Professor Yang Kaining's call was meant to deliver a negative response, his tone should have been one of regret.

But now, there was no discernible regret in Professor Yang Kaining's tone; instead, it was brimming with enthusiasm.

"Professor Yang, about our previous conversation, have you decided?" Unable to hold back, Ding Yue directly inquired.

"Hahaha, let's discuss it when I come over. See you soon."



Beep Beep Beep.

The call was disconnected.

This put Ding Yue in a dilemma of whether to feel disappointed or excited.

After all, Professor Yang Kaining neither explicitly agreed nor rejected, what could that possibly mean?

"Principal Ding, what happened? What did Professor Yang say?" Upon hanging up, Xu Dongcheng asked inquisitively.

Ding Yue shook his head, expressing puzzlement, "Professor Yang did not disclose his decision on the phone. He just mentioned that he would come over to meet us...wait, did he say he was bringing his students along?"

"Huh? What does that mean?" Wen Ruohan voiced his confusion from the sidelines.

Being a direct participant in the invitation extended to Professor Yang Kaining, Wen Ruohan truly had no idea what Professor Yang Kaining meant by bringing his students to visit Principal Ding.

"We will know when Professor Yang arrives," Ding Yue declared, not willing to speculate further.

All results would be revealed naturally once Professor Yang arrives.

Thus.

Ding Yue, Xu Dongcheng, and Wen Ruohan waited nervously in the hotel for the arrival of Professor Yang Kaining.

Approximately twenty minutes later.

Professor Yang Kaining arrived at the hotel where Ding Yue was staying, accompanied by five doctoral students from the Swiss Zurich Federal Institute of Technology, all of whom were foreigners.

"Professor Yang, you've arrived."

Upon seeing Professor Yang Kaining, Ding Yue's face immediately brightened, and he reached out to shake hands with him.

"Principal Ding, I didn't expect you to still be here after five days. I was thinking that if you had already left, we would directly fly to your country," Professor Yang Kaining enthusiastically remarked while shaking Ding Yue's hand.

"Huh?"

Ding Yue was taken aback, finding Professor Yang Kaining's words somewhat surprising.

Directly fly to their country?

Could it be that Professor Yang Kaining was willing to go to Xia Country and participate in the biomedical engineering of Mist City Arts and Science University?

"Professor Yang, you just said... what do you mean?" with wide eyes and disbelief, Ding Yue asked.

Xu Dongcheng was a bit stunned.

Wen Ruohan was even more stunned.

With a pleasant smile, Professor Yang Kaining clarified, "Principal Ding, didn't you mention that your Mist City Arts and Science University has a nearly mature 3D bioprinting machine and technology? After some thought, I realized that this is a rare opportunity in the field of biomedical research. And so, I applied to change my research direction. Currently under my supervision are the most outstanding doctoral students from the Swiss Zurich Federal Institute of Technology. It's my responsibility to guide their research until they graduate. Hence, we've abandoned our previous research subject and have decided to participate in the biomedical engineering project at your Mist City Arts and Science University."

Professor Yang Kaining's statement seemed a bit roundabout.

However, after pondering over his words, Ding Yue understood what he was implying.

In other words, Professor Yang Kaining agreed to go to Xia Country and participate in the biomedical engineering project at Mist City Arts and Science University.

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The most important thing is, he also applied with the Swiss Zurich Federal Institute of Technology, switching the research topics of his doctoral students.

That is to say, with these actions, Professor Yang Kaining not only solved his issue of supervising graduate students, but he also addressed the problem with the Swiss Zurich Federal Institute of Technology.

"Professor Yang, you really care about your students," Ding Yue could not help but exclaim.

"After all, as their mentor, it's my duty to guide them in their research and ensure they successfully earn their PhDs," answered Professor Yang Kaining seriously: "but, I wonder if Principal Ding would approve of me bringing these five students to participate in your university's biomedical engineering research."

"Of course."

Ding Yue agreed without any hesitation.

For Ding Yue, this was nothing. The addition of five doctoral students specializing in biological sciences to their biomedical engineering team at the Mist City Arts and Science University, under Professor Yang Kaining, could even accelerate the perfect integration of bio-tissue material technology and 3D bio-printing technology.

That means Mist City Arts and Science University would supply the 3D bio-printers and technology, while Professor Yang Kaining's side would supply the bio-tissue material technology.

"Principal Ding, Professor Yang, do you mean...?"

After hearing the conversation between Principal Ding and Professor Yang, Xu Dongcheng seemed to comprehend something, but he was not certain.

Then, Ding Yue, with a joyous smile, said to Principal Xu Dongcheng, "Principal Xu, Professor Yang agreed to participate in our biomedical engineering program at Mist City Arts and Science University."

Ding Yue's words were simple and clear. Xu Dongcheng understood as soon as he heard.

"Really? Is it really true?" Upon hearing that, Xu Dongcheng was overwhelmed with joy and excitement and looked at Principal Ding and Professor Yang in surprise.

"Of course it's true," laughed Professor Yang Kaining, addressing Xu Dongcheng, "Principal Xu, Principal Ding has mentioned the situation about your daughter to me. Life is priceless, and I hope to see human tissues and organs needed for medical surgeries printed by 3D bio-printers. This research is remarkable for the entire biomedical field."

Hearing Professor Yang Kaining's affirmation, Xu Dongcheng, filled with emotion, strode forward and took hold of Professor Yang's hand.

"Thank you, Professor Yang, I really can't thank you enough."

Ding Yue ultimately felt relieved. He turned to his secretary, Wen Ruohan, and instructed, "Xiao Wen, quickly book the flights, including for Professor Yang's team. All first-class seats!"

"Yes, Principal Ding."

Seeing the success of Ding Yue's trip, Wen Ruohan was overjoyed and happily booked the flights for them.

Ding Yue then took out his phone and made a call to Huang.

"Hello, Yue, what happened? Did Professor Yang refuse? Are you planning to come back?" On the phone, Huang Youjie asked curiously.

"Nonsense, Huang, hurry up and have your logistics department ready to welcome Professor Yang back to our country to participate in our university's biomedical engineering research!" Ding Yue told Huang without a trace of doubt.

It was quiet on the other side of the phone for a moment.

"Holy cow! Did it really work? Did Professor Yang agree? You're really something, Yue!" Huang's voice was as loud as a thunder roar, startling Ding Yue.

"Can you not shout!"

"Hehe, Yue, don't worry, I'll go prepare right away, ah no, it's late night now. I'll prepare first thing tomorrow morning, waiting to welcome Yue and Professor Yang back to our country!"

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Mist City Arts and Science University.

At the school gate, quite a few students are gathered, under the organization of the head of the logistics department, Huang Youjie, and the head of the administrative department, Xu Bin.

Today, Principal Ding is bringing back a biological sciences professor from the Swiss Zurich Federal Institute of Technology.

This is quite a significant event for Mist City Arts and Science University.

Moreover, Ding Yue had specially instructed over the phone for Huang Youjie to prepare for a grand welcome for Professor Yang Kaining's return to the country.

"Come, come, medical students, let's put up this banner and rehearse once more."

Huang Youjie was commanding the scene methodically.

The medical students held a huge banner which read—Welcome Professor Yang Kaining's return to participate in biomedical engineering!

Under Huang Youjie's direction, the medical students raised the banner, chanting in unison, "Welcome Professor Yang Kaining's return to participate in biomedical engineering!" The atmosphere was quite grand, lacking only the sound of gongs and drums.

Huang Youjie had initially prepared to have gongs and drums at hand, but upon reflection, Xu Bin felt it was a bit too exaggerated, so in the end, he decided to bring the medical students and those related to this biomedical engineering event to the school gate for a warm welcome to Professor Yang Kaining.

"Did you hear? Our Principal Ding invited a badass Chinese professor back this time."

"Is Yang Kaining very impressive?"

"Damn, what do you think? He's a doctoral supervisor at the Swiss Zurich Federal Institute of Technology, a heavy hitter in the field of biological sciences."

"I heard he was invited back to conduct biomedical research. Does this mean we, the biomedical students, are going to take off soon?"

"This biomedical engineering project seems very important for our school."

"I feel that our school is really getting stronger and stronger, now we can even invite such badass professors."

"Principal Ding has the money."

"Well, it's not just about money. I heard the school is conducting a badass biomedical engineering project."

"What exactly is this biomedical engineering project?"

"How would I know?"

The students of Mist City Arts and Science University currently know that the school is undergoing a biomedical related project, but as for the specific details of this biomedical project, other than the teachers and students involved, the rest are not too clear.

This goes to show that the students of Mist City Arts and Science University involved in the 3D bioprinter biomedical engineering project have done quite a decent job in keeping the project confidential.

About fifteen minutes later, an exclusive bus from Mist City Arts and Science University slowly drove from the end of the road.

"Professor Yang, this is our Mist City Arts and Science University. It's a bit remote, but it has all that is necessary."

On the school bus, Ding Yue gave Professor Yang Kaining a brief introduction to his University.

"Ah? Principal Ding, they're still constructing over there. Is your school expanding?"

Professor Yang Kaining saw the construction cranes and various unfinished buildings on the west side of the Arts and Science University of Mist City and asked curiously.

"Yes, at present, our Mist City Arts and Science University owned 7500 acres of land, of which 2500 acres are the existing campus. Among the other 5000 acres, a few hundred acres are being used to construct libraries and dormitories. The remaining four thousand plus acres of land is also under construction."

Ding Yue explained with a smile.

"7500 acres? That's huge, much larger than our Swiss Zurich Federal Institute of Technology." Professor Yang Kaining couldn't help but comment.

A campus of 7500 acres is considered to have a very large area, even on a global scale.

However, Ding Yue figured that while the current 7500 acres of his Arts and Science University of Mist City might be enough for now, as more students enroll and the construction needs of the school increases, Ding Yue was still inclined to apply for more educational land from education officials.

After all, most of this area is unused and wasted, and both the education officials and the City Construction Department are very open to allowing Ding Yue to use it to build a large comprehensive university.

Even more crucial is that the reputation and the societal influence of the university is steadily rising. This makes education officials hope even more for the success of this university.

Even Xaoi Wenxing, the director of Mist City's Education Bureau, thinks highly of the strong learning atmosphere at Mist City Arts and Science University, where students are immersed in intensive studying. He believes that this privately-run university will eventually make advancements.

The school bus stopped at the gate of Mist City Arts and Science University.

Professor Yang Kaining saw many students gathered at the gate, as well as the banners in their hands.

"Principal Ding, this... too kind." Professor Yang Kaining said, feeling a bit embarrassed.

He hadn't expected Mist City Arts and Science University to prepare such a grand welcoming ceremony, to have so many teachers and students gathered just to welcome his arrival.

"Our students have heard a lot about you, Professor Yang, and are very happy. They all sincerely welcome your arrival."

Ding Yue said with a smile, then pointed to Gu Yong, Lu Qingyan, as well as students from the biological medical specialty of the Medical College, saying: "They all adore you."

While Yang Kaining's major research area is biological sciences, it is closely connected to biomedical studies. Therefore, Professor Yang Kaining's reputation is pretty well-known among medical students.



"Hey, Green, look, that building over there seems really cool." One of the five doctoral students coming to Xia Country with Professor Yang Kaining, pointed to the distant building that looked like a ship, and said excitedly from the vehicle.

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Green turned towards the direction Smith pointed out.

Then his eyes were immediately captured by a building that resembled a starship: "Very creative."

Although Professor Yang Kaining's Ph.D. students were speaking in English, Ding Yue could still understand them.

Before acquiring the system, Ding Yue's English was just mediocre. After establishing the Mist City Arts and Science University, he had to graduate early because he had studied physics, and early graduation required him to pass at least the English level four examination.

After Ding Yue gave himself a super learning buff, his English naturally improved day by day, and he had no difficulty in communicating with foreigners.

"Apart from that building, I don't see anything impressive about this university."

A doctoral student named Tom shrugged and said.

"Indeed." Leminisky, a Russian Ph.D. student, agreed with Tom.

They both were actually a bit puzzled about why Professor Yang would choose to abandon his ongoing research at the Swiss Zurich Federal Institute of Technology and participate in another research project in Xia Country. Was it because Professor Yang was originally from Xia Country?

But now, Professor Yang is an ethnic Chinese with Swiss citizenship.

Actually, many years ago, Professor Yang Kaining became a Swiss citizen because the biological science research he wanted to do did not have the conditions in his home country.

In desperation, Yang Kaining chose Switzerland in order to continue his research and joined the Swiss Zurich Federal Institute of Technology.

Ding Yue, in the car, also heard the conversations from the two doctoral students under Professor Yang Kaining. One was from America and the other was from Russia.

What surprised Ding Yue was that these two seemed to have a pretty good relationship.

Although Ding Yue heard Tom and Leminisky, he pretended not to hear them. After all, at this time, the overall situation was what mattered most. The goal was to let Professor Yang Kaining and his Ph.D. students successfully complete their Biomedical Engineering project research at his Mist City Arts and Science University.

"Professor Yang, let's get off the car."

"Okay."

Ding Yue and Professor Yang Kaining got out of the car together, and immediately a warm welcome came from the teachers and students in front of them.

"We warmly welcome Professor Yang!" The sounds of welcome in both Chinese and English rang out at the same time.

Upon seeing this, Huang Youjie and Xu Bin, immediately greeted: "Principal Ding, you guys are finally here."

"Hello, Professor Yang, we've met before." Xu Bin greeted Professor Yang Kaining with a warm smile.

"Hello, Xu Bin, right? You led the team to win the ACM International College Student Programming Competition, you guys are really amazing."

Of course, Professor Yang Kaining remembered Xu Bin and Huang Youjie.

After all, when they went to the Zurich Federal Institute of Technology last time, it was Professor Yang Kaining who personally received them.

Later, Professor Yang Kaining even attended the ACM International College Student Programming Competition in which Xu Bin and his team participated. He personally witnessed the Mist City Arts and Science University's team led by Xu Bin winning the championship.

"Professor Yang still remembers me, it's really an honor."

Xu Bin was quite a smooth talker.

Once all five of Professor Yang Kaining's doctoral students had got out of the vehicle, Ding Yue cordially invited, "Professor Yang please, we have arranged everything for you."

After saying this, Ding Yue glanced at Huang Youjie.

Huang Youjie nodded slightly, indicating that everything Ding Yue just mentioned, including lodging arrangements, had indeed been prepared.

Seeing Huang's nod, Ding Yue was reassured, or else wouldn't his words just now have been empty talk?

"Principal Ding, can you introduce me to your Biomedical Engineering team?" Professor Yang Kaining was still very professional.

Since he had come to the Mist City Arts and Science University, he would familiarize himself with the Biomedical Engineering team of the university as quickly as possible. Professor Yang Kaining was also determined to visit the laboratories of Mist City Arts and Science University soon.

"Okay."

Ding Yue nodded, then gathered the members of the Biomedical Engineering team who had been transferred from the Medical School.

This included the teachers from the Medical School who were involved in Biomedical Engineering, as well as the two students in Biomedical Engineering, Gu Yong and Lu Qingyuan, along with domestic expert professors in Biomedical Engineering from the Mist City Central Hospital.

"This is Professor Liu, a biomedical professional from Mist City Medical University, who is also the doctor in charge of biomedical studies at Mist City Central Hospital,"

Ding Yue introduced individually to Professor Yang Kaining.

Yang Kaining also enthusiastically greeted and shook hands with each of the biomedical expert professors.

Soon, Ding Yue introduced all the expert professors at Mist City Central Hospital, and then shifted his attention to Gu Yong and Lu Qingyan, "These are our two most outstanding biomedical students from Mist City Arts and Science University - Gu Yong and Lu Qingyan."

"Hello, Professor Yang."

Gu Yong and Lu Qingyan subsequently came up to shake hands with Professor Yang.

"They are involved in biomedical research as well?" Professor Yang Kaining asked in disbelief.

Because the two students before him appeared very young and naive, certainly much younger than the five doctoral students he advised.

Moreover, as Principal Ding mentioned, the pair should still be undergraduate students at Mist City Arts and Science University right?

"Can you participate in such significant research without even having completed your bachelor's degree?" At this point, a skeptical voice came from Tom, standing behind Professor Yang Kaining.

Upon hearing this, Gu Yong and Lu Qingyan felt uncomfortable.

It was as if undergraduates were being looked down upon by doctoral students.

However, in normal circumstances, doctoral students do have a kind of "superiority" over undergraduates.

But at Mist City Arts and Science University, this is not necessarily the case.

"I would have at least thought they were graduate students," the other doctorate student named Smith also said.

"Cough, cough."

Upon hearing this, Professor Yang Kaining let out a light cough.

Then Tom and Smith, the two doctoral students, were immediately quiet.

Gu Yong and Lu Qingyan smiled all the while, even though they were uncomfortable, they could not show it.

They both understood the importance of Professor Yang.

Seeing this, Ding Yue leaned towards Professor Yang Kaining's ear and whispered, "Professor Yang, rest assured, the academic abilities of these two students are unquestionable."

"Okay."

Now that even Principal Ding had spoken, Professor Yang Kaining did not say anything more. He had seen many talented students before, perhaps Gu Yong and Lu Qingyan were two of them.

If that was indeed the case, Professor Yang Kaining was quite pleased. After all, the emergence of a few more geniuses in any field is always a good thing for the whole industry.

After entering the campus of Mist City Arts and Science University.

Professor Yang Kaining looked at a very magnificent building resembling a ship and said to Principal Ding, "Principal Ding, that building should be your university's Book Ship Library, right?"

"Eh?"

Upon hearing this, Ding Yue was slightly surprised and delighted, then he nodded with a smile, "Yes, Professor Yang, how did you know this is your first time visiting?"

"Hahaha, before coming, I studied some information about your Mist City Arts and Science University. This Book Ship Library is a great creative building, especially when combined with the function of a library. I heard that it's very popular on the domestic internet."

"Yes, yes, yes, now this Book Ship Library is one of our landmark buildings at Mist City Arts and Science University. Many netizens will take a moment to check in here," Ding Yue also said with a laugh.

After chatting for a while about the Book Ship Library with Ding Yue, Professor Yang Kaining expressed his interest in the laboratory and promised to give the library a thorough visit when he had more time.

"Principal Ding, shall we go to the laboratory now?"

Professor Yang Kaining suggested going to the lab directly.

"Do you not need to rest first?"

Professor Yang shook his head, "I am looking forward more to seeing your school's lab!"

"Then, right this way, please!"