

Pill Maker 1001

Chapter 1001: Trying To Help

Huo Yao did not continue working on the calculations since Dai Jie and Tang Jun were looking at her work. She leaned against the seat backrest gently and rubbed her forehead with her eyes slightly lowered.

Tang Jun and Dai Jie were unfamiliar with Huo Yao's section, but they could more or less understand the equations involved. Right from the start, they looked at her work in shock.

"Dai Jie, I think I get it now." Tang Jun expanded the columns used for calculation on the computer, clicked on one of the subdivisions with his mouse, and said, "If we follow Huo Yao's work and do integration after she derives X, I think it would probably work."

Dai Jie was still halfway through reading Huo Yao's work. The moment he heard what Tang Jun said, he adjusted his spectacles and pushed his chair towards Tang Jun's computer.

"If we calculate it this way, we can effortlessly avoid cell automation..." Tang Jun pointed at the computer screen, speaking excitedly.

There was a profound sense of enlightenment.

Before long, the two of them came up with a new strategy. It completely slipped their minds to answer Huo Yao's last question.

After they were done deriving all the necessary values for their new strategy, they finally exhaled deeply. They leaned against their chairs with joy on their faces.

They did not expect things to be so easy.

Everything suddenly made sense after they looked at Huo Yao's calculations...

Dai Jie raised his head to look at Huo Yao. For some reason, he felt that Huo Yao was deliberately trying to help them.

Dai Jie wanted to open his mouth and ask her. Since Huo Yao did not seem very energetic, he swallowed his words.

Meanwhile, Dai Jie's phone vibrated in his pocket. He retrieved his phone for a look before he stood up and headed to the window to answer it.

After softly speaking into the phone briefly, he hung up.

Dai Jie contemplated for a second before he went back to his computer. He saved its contents and turned it off. "I have to go. Jiang Mingyue from Biotechnology needs me to conduct comparative testing. They are expecting me there now."

The moment Tang Jun heard what he said, he stopped working and looked at Dai Jie sideways. "Not bad at all. Are you finally getting lucky with the ladies?"

Since the Science and Engineering department always had more boys, most of them were happy to help whenever a girl asked any of them.

Dai Jie laughed uncontrollably as he shook his head. "What are you saying? She just needs some help."

Tang Jun sighed softly. "It seems it is no surprise why some people end up remaining single for years."

Dai Jie's lips twitched. He could not be bothered arguing with Tang Jun. Instead, he told Huo Yao to get some rest before leaving.

Huo Yao nodded to Dai Jie. Her black coat accentuated her flawless complexion and her lips looked less pink than usual.

Since they were done working on the first phase of the experiment, her task was finished. She said goodbye to Wang Jing and Tang Jun before turning off her computer.

Before long, Huo Yao left the laboratory.

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Meanwhile, on the other end.

Shortly after Huo Tingrui came out of court, he rubbed his throbbing forehead and headed towards the bathroom. After washing his face, and wiping his glasses, he put them on before leaving the bathroom.

The corridor between the main hall and the bathroom was very wide and the corridor was empty. The lift and emergency exit were located on the side. When Huo Tingrui walked around the corner and went past them, someone suddenly darted out of the emergency exit.

He was dressed in a black T-shirt and a cap. Since he was wearing the cap very low, his entire face was obscured.

Huo Tingrui detected something amiss.. The moment he raised his head, he saw a box flying towards him.

Chapter 1002: Huo Tingrui In Danger

Huo Tingrui's pupils shrunk in response. The moment the box came flying towards him, he instinctively retreated several steps until he bumped into the wall behind him. He was unable to dodge the box, and it instantly struck his shoulder.

He did not know what lay inside the box, but it was very heavy. When it struck him on his shoulder, the pain seared through his entire body. His arm was in so much pain that it became completely numb.

Huo Tingrui's face turned ghastly pale. He had inadvertently hit his head on the wall in the process of avoiding the box. He became a little giddy.

The men wearing a cap swiftly approached Huo Tingrui. He bent over and wanted to pick up the box and hit Huo Tingrui once more. The moment he saw someone appearing at the other end of the corridor

through the corner of his eye, he could only forget about it. Instead, he darted through the emergency exit and escaped.

The man appearing at the other end of the corridor was none other than Huo Tingrui's assistant. He had been waiting outside in the lounge for some time now, but his boss was nowhere to be seen, so he came over in search of him.

He ran over anxiously the moment he saw Huo Tingrui. He helped Huo Tingrui up and asked worriedly. "Boss, what happened? Are you okay?"

Huo Tingrui still felt a little dizzy. After resting for a minute, he looked up and waved his hand and said softly, "I'm fine."

The assistant noticed the paleness of Huo Tingrui's face, so he couldn't help looking worried. He glanced at the ground before he bent over to pick up a pair of glasses and handed them to Huo Tingrui.

"Let me call someone from the procuratorate to help stop the culprit," said the assistant as he quickly took out his phone.

Huo Tingrui leaned against the wall without saying a word. He kept pressing a shoulder with one hand tightly until his veins were visible.

After the assistant was done making the calls, he finally noticed Huo Tingrui's reaction and automatically looked at the box on the ground.

Since the box was hurled onto the ground previously, its seal had already split open. The assistant squatted and went through it cautiously. The moment he caught sight of its contents, a solemn look appeared on his face.

The box contained a few ordinary bricks. However, they were drenched in blood making them piercingly red. The smell of blood was so intense that it was nauseating.

The assistant nearly could not control himself and retched before quickly closing the box.

In the legal world, it was normal to encounter people to get angry after losing their cases. In the heat of the moment, people often blamed it on the lawyer. In some instances, some of them ended up threatening the lawyers.

It was not Huo Tingrui's first time encountering such threats. However, people usually sent him threatening letters anonymously. It was the first time anyone had attacked him personally. Also, it was done right inside the courthouse.

Considering the blatant attack, the culprit what's clearly of high status. The assistant suddenly felt chills running down his back the moment he thought about the case today. He looked at Huo Tingrui worriedly. "B-Boss, they must be trying to warn us."

Huo Tingrui exhaled. He glanced at the things on the ground and said deeply, "I know."

"Then what should we do? That was just the first court session for the appeal. If this went on..." The assistant did not dare imagine the kind of threats they will continue encountering because of this case. They might even end up paying the price in blood.

Huo Tingrui closed his eyes briefly. The moment he opened them, his eyes seemed completely glacial. "Since I have chosen this profession, this is unavoidable. They might not care about the lives of the innocent, but are we going to be like them?"

His assistant glanced at Huo Tingrui. "But it's so dangerous for you."

Huo Tingrui sneered and responded. "Do I look afraid?"

His assistant lowered his head and smiled sadly.. Huo Tingrui might be unafraid, but he certainly was.

Chapter 1003: A Blatant Challenge

The security guards and the Attorney General came over hurriedly before long. They were all startled to see the bloodstained bricks inside the box.

It was not the first time the Attorney General had seen such attacks, but it was certainly the first for it to happen right in court. After asking Huo Tingrui if he was injured, he instructed someone to check the surveillance footage and sealed all the exits of the court.

They had to find the culprit.

After waiting at the lounge for 20 minutes, the captain of the security team came over.

Sadly, they were unable to locate the culprit.

It seemed as though the man had appeared out of thin air.

The police department sent a member of the special task force over to retrieve the box of bricks to check for fingerprints.

After the police left, the Attorney General looked at Huo Tingrui sternly in concern.

"Mr. Huo, don't worry. Since this has happened at the Supreme Court, we will definitely investigate carefully and give a clarification for the matter."

After all, they were at the Supreme Court. The fact that this could have happened was a joke to begin with. If anyone found out, what would people say about the sanctity of the Supreme Court? It would be no different than living in a lawless society.

Moreover, Huo Tingrui was a famous lawyer. He had come at the recommendation of the new Deputy Director Fang to become a prosecutor. Just for this alone, the Attorney General had to pay extra attention to this matter even if he was just pretending.

Huo Tingrui looked at him and nodded gently without saying anything more. Since they were all involved in the field of law, everyone was aware of the implications even without exchanging any words.

Before long, Huo Tingrui and his assistant walked out of court.

After Huo Tingrui's assistant left to get the car, he stood on the steps waiting for his assistant.

Meanwhile, a few people walked out of the court's side entrance. Huo Tingrui raised his head and looked over.

The Attorney General from the Justice Department was walking in the lead and was speaking to a man walking beside him. The moment Huo Tingrui looked at the man, the person instantly detected someone looking at him and raised his head to look over as well.

Since they were some distance apart, it was impossible for Huo Tingrui to make out his features. He could only see the man suddenly raising his hand in mid-air and making a gesture.

He wanted to shoot him.

The man was particularly arrogant.

Huo Tingrui narrowed his eyes.

The assistant had already come back with the car. After pulling up, he hurriedly got out of the car and opened the back seat door. When he noticed his boss looking somewhere, he automatically looked in the same direction.

However, all he could see was the side views of some passersby, so he did not know exactly who Huo Tingrui was staring at.

"Boss?" asked the assistant quizzically.

Huo Tingrui veered his eyes and replied mildly. "Nothing. Let's go."

The moment he finished his sentence, he bent over and got into the back seat.

The assistant scratched his head before closing the car door without asking further. He got into the driver's seat and started the car engine. Just as he was about to start the car, he raised his head, glanced into the rearview mirror, and asked. "Boss, how are you feeling? Shall we go to the hospital?"

Despite not being around to see the entire attack, the assistant reckoned that Huo Tingrui ought to be hurt.

Huo Tingrui rubbed his forehead. Moments later, he finally said, "I am fine. Let's go straight to the clubhouse."

Fang Chen had asked him out for dinner today.

Since Huo Tingrui's assistant knew his boss's personality well, he did not try to convince him otherwise. He simply turned on the GPS and searched for the clubhouse.

"Oh yes. Don't tell anyone about the incident," said Huo Tingrui suddenly with his face slightly pale as he looked out of the car window.

His assistant glanced at the mirror before he sighed and nodded. "Uh huh.. I understand."

Chapter 1004: Almost Found Out

The car arrived at the clubhouse 30 minutes later.

Huo Tingrui told his assistant to settle his own dinner and write it off later before going upstairs to the private room.

Fang Chen was already there.

“My bad. I was held up a little,” said Huo Tingrui somewhat apologetically.

Fang Chen smiled without taking it to heart. He gestured to Huo Tingrui to take a seat. “It’s fine. I just got here myself.”

Huo Tingrui sat down. Fang Chen poured him a fresh cup of tea and Huo Tingrui thanked him for it.

Although they did not usually run in the same circles, they got along well without any sense of distance.

“You are an excellent lawyer. It is such a pity.” Fang Chen sighed as he talked about the procuratorate.

Huo Tingrui sat with his back straight. However, he kept his left hand on his thigh without moving it much. He took a sip of tea before he smiled and said, “I just don’t like politics and being bound by rules.”

Fang Chen looked at Huo Tingrui. His words had just reminded him of Huo Yao.

The young woman also did not like getting restrained.

Perhaps people in their family were similar in nature.

Fang Chen contemplated before he said, “That makes sense. Feel free to reach out to me if you need help from now on.”

After Huo Tingrui thanked Fang Chen, he paused briefly and contemplated before he said, “My only little sister is studying in the capital, so sometimes, I can’t take care of her. If you could help her out every now and then, that would be great.”

Although they might not eventually need Fang Chen’s help, Huo Tingrui knew the connection might prove useful one day.

Moreover, Fang Chen was a politician and power was often far more persuasive than wealth.

Fang Chen went quiet briefly. He was unsure whether Huo Tingrui was aware of Huo Yao’s relationship with Min Yu. Since Huo Tingrui asked, he simply nodded in acknowledgment. “Miss Huo is my savior to begin with, so it is only right for me to help.”

Huo Tingrui thanked Fang Chen.

Before long, the waiter came in with the food.

Fang Chen had invited Huo Tingrui to talk about the procuratorate. Also, he wanted to take the chance and ask Huo Yao about his teacher’s condition. Since Huo Yao had turned down the invitation, he did not insist.

Fang Chen did not bring up Huo Yao's name over dinner. Although he was very worried about his teacher's condition, he was keenly aware there was no use rushing things.

The two of them ate dinner with their minds preoccupied before leaving the restaurant.

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When Huo Tingrui got home, he saw Huo Yao curling up on the couch covered in a thick blanket. The trash can beside the couch was filled with tissue paper.

"Hi, Brother Tingrui." Huo Yao sniffled as she looked at Huo Tingrui walking in. She certainly did not sound as nasal as she did in the morning.

Huo Tingrui acknowledged her greeting softly. He walked over and sat down beside Huo Yao before raising his hand to touch her forehead. "Is your cold better?"

"More or less." Huo Yao nodded. She wrapped the blanket around herself a little more tightly.

Huo Tingrui's lips twitched. If she did not bundle herself in the blanket and sniffle, he might have believed what she said.

"Where is Yulin?" asked Huo Tingrui casually and glanced up.

"He is upstairs, busy with something." Even though Huo Yao had a stuffy nose, she could still smell the faint scent of Chinese herbs. She looked at Huo Tingrui. "Are you using a medicated plaster?"

Huo Tingrui simply squeezed his throat with his right hand and said nonchalantly, "Just an occupational hazard."

"Shall I give you a massage?" Huo Yao extended her hand out to remove her blanket.

Huo Tingrui smiled and shook his head. He covered her with the blanket once more. "How could I do that to someone with a cold?"

"There is something different about you today." Huo Yao tilted her head sideways.. It seemed unlike him to suddenly behave like a gentleman.

Chapter 1005 - Something Was Amiss

Huo Tingrui's expression froze briefly.

Huo Yao had already moved her eyes since her phone was vibrating in her pocket.

After looking at the phone, Huo Yao got up from the couch. She picked up her coat from the couch and put it on as she said, "I am heading out to take something."

Huo Tingrui watched as she walked to the door and heaved a sigh of relief inside.

He pressed his left shoulder and pondered. Fortunately, she failed to detect his injury.

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The sky was already dark. Huo Yao saw a man standing outside after walking through the garden.

He was dressed in a dark coat and gave off a dignified glacial aura. He was carrying a bag in one hand with the other hand stuck inside his pants pocket. Initially, his head was lowered. The moment he detected someone's presence, he raised his head and looked over.

Huo Yao touched her nose before she walked over to open the door.

Min Yu raised his brow when he saw Huo Yao dressed in a thick coat. "Why are you dressed so warmly?"

Huo Yao grunted in a stifled tone.

The moment Min Yu caught Huo Yao's nasal tone, he handed the bag to her and held her hand. He realized that it was icy cold and asked her. "Did you catch a cold?"

"I have already recovered." Huo Yao cleared her throat. The warmth in his hand seemed to drive away the coldness in her fingertips.

Min Yu glanced at her as he smiled ambiguously without saying a word. He held her other hand and quietly stood in front of her. After the coldness in her hands dissipated, he placed her hands inside her coat pockets. "Go back and have an early night."

Huo Yao acknowledged softly. She raised her head and saw Min Yu's slightly dark eye circles. She paused briefly before she said, "You too."

Min Yu nodded. The wind was gusting outside. Huo Yao's eyes looked bright and beautiful. He smiled and suddenly reached his hand out to embrace her. He placed his cheek by her ear before he finally let her go moments later and said, "Uh huh. Go back inside."

"Okay." When Huo Yao got to the door, she turned slightly and saw Min Yu still standing where he was. She contemplated before she asked. "What kind of problem did you encounter?"

Min Yu was briefly surprised. He shook his head. "Nothing."

Huo Yao straightened the bag hanging on her arm and said without asking further, "Good night."

"Good night."

Min Yu looked at Huo Yao deeply until she was completely out of sight before he veered his eyes.

Min Yu's car was parked on the roadside. After getting into the car, he drove out of the estate instead of going back to his villa.

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After Huo Yao went back into the living room with her bag, she saw Huo Tingrui drinking a glass of warm water. He was planning to go back and rest after this.

Huo Yao placed the bag on the cabinet beside her. She contemplated before she raised her head and asked. "Oh yes. Brother Tingrui, why did Fang Chen ask to see you?"

"We just chatted over dinner," replied Huo Tingrui. He thought about Fang Chen's reaction during dinner before he paused and continued. "I have a feeling that he wanted to talk to you."

Huo Yao pondered briefly. She nodded and replied. "Okay."

Fang Chen's teacher was probably done taking the last batch of medication which she had given him.

Huo Yulin glanced at Huo Yao. His left shoulder was in great pain. He was afraid she might notice something to be amiss, so he did not continue with their conversation. Instead, he told her to rest well before heading upstairs.

Huo Yao leaned against the couch armrest and looked at Huo Tingrui from behind. For some reason, she felt that his body seemed rather stiff.

His left shoulder was particularly low and it looked as though there was something pressing down on it.

Huo Yao narrowed her eyes.

Chapter 1006 - An Annoying Smell

The next day.

Huo Yao headed over to the laboratory after class in the afternoon.

The moment she entered the room, she saw Liu Qian inside the laboratory writing on some draft paper. He waved her over when he saw her. "Huo Yao, can you come over and take a look at my cellular differentiation and see if there are any problems?"

Huo Yao walked over unhurriedly. After looking at the draft paper, she picked up a pencil and drew a few lines on it. "I think if you swap these two around, it might be better."

Liu Qian scrutinized the paper and felt the same way. He raised his head and smiled ambiguously at Huo Yao. "Well done. From the looks of it, you are an expert at cell differentiation as well."

Huo Yao went quiet.

The moment Tang Jun heard the praise, he reached his head over slightly and said, "She is also very good at genetic data. She was the one who helped Dai Jie and me when we encountered a problem yesterday."

Huo Yao's face twitched. "...I just happened to know a little."

Liu Qian raised his brow without exposing her. He glanced at his watch before asking Tang Jun. "Oh yes. Where is Dai Jie? Is he busy today?"

"He went to help a second year female student to do data analysis. I think he will probably be done by now," answered Tang Jun.

Liu Qian nodded without asking further. After straightening out the draft paper on the table, he said, "I have to leave for a while. Why don't you start on your work first? If you have any questions, send them to our group chat. Mr. Yuan will come in a minute, so you can ask him then."

The moment he finished his sentence, he left with the draft paper.

Huo Yao touched her nose. She pulled out a chair and sat down before turning on the computer.

Before long, Dai Jie finally entered the laboratory. Shortly after he took a seat, Yuan Huan came walking into the laboratory.

He was dressed in a long black coat with a dark-colored shirt inside. His well-defined features made him give off a cool aura. The last time he had appeared, he gave off an intellectual aura. He seemed a little different today.

Yuan Huan came in with a stack of documents. After placing them on the table by the side, he greeted everyone before he cut to the chase and shared knowledge about Artificial Life.

Huo Yao leaned into the seat lazily with her elbow leaning against the armrest as she spun a pencil in her hand. Although her eyes were lowered, she instantly knew why Yuan Huan was invited to help them after hearing what Yuan Huan said.

He genuinely knew his stuff.

Yuan Huan quickly checked their work before walking up beside Huo Yao.

There was a faint scent coming from him. It was neither his odor nor branded perfume. Instead, the smell resembled a medical solution.

Although it wasn't overpowering, Huo Yao frowned almost imperceptibly.

She clicked on the work she had done for the first phase of the project and put down the mouse so that Yuan Huan could check her work.

Yuan Huan failed to detect the expression on Huo Yao's face. He took the mouse and deftly clicked on the coding. He looked surprised when he saw her work.

"There seems to be something different about your calculations," said Yuan Huan sometime later.

Huo Yao sat on the chair with her hands on the armrest as she tapped her fingers gently and replied. "I tried something a little different when I derived X."

"No wonder." Yuan Huan narrowed his eyes slightly.

He continued moving the mouse and suddenly asked when he got to the last part of her calculations., "You are very good at Math. Have you been doing this on the side as an interest?"

Chapter 1007 - Perhaps Get More Inspired

Huo Yao narrowed her eyes slightly and replied in a mild tone. "Nope."

Even though she did not specialize in the subject, she was able to do it expertly. Her mind undoubtedly had a lot of potential. A thought crossed Yuan Huan's mind swiftly. He put down the mouse and stood up. He said without harping on his previous question, "Your calculations are correct. They are perfect."

Huo Yao acknowledged softly and seemed unsurprised by the outcome.

"When do you plan on working on the next phase?" asked Yuan Huan.

Huo Yao rubbed her temples before she answered. "I don't know yet. I will start once I make any headway."

Yuan Huan glanced at her. "Take your time. You can text me if you encounter any bottlenecks."

Huo Yao nodded patronizingly. Her headache was starting to feel worse, so she stood up and told him that she was going to the bathroom before she left the laboratory.

By the time she got back to the laboratory, Yuan Huan was already nowhere to be seen. Huo Yao stood at the door without entering the room as she asked Wang Jing standing nearby. "Where is Yuan Heng?"

After Wang Jing wrote some code in English on the computer, she raised her head. She overlooked Huo Yao mentioning Yuan Heng's name without any salutation. "Uh huh. He answered a call and had to go."

Huo Yao nodded and leaned against the door lazily.

Wang Jing asked her quizzically. "Why aren't you coming inside?"

Huo Yao raised her head and stared at the ceiling. "This way, I might feel more inspired."

Wang Jing's lips twitched. She was still working on the first phase and did not have time to fool around with Huo Yao, so she simply waved her hand. "Fine. Take your time."

Huo Yao hummed softly in response.

When the annoying smell in the laboratory cleared up a little, Huo Yao finally entered the room. She pulled out her chair and sat back down in front of the computer.

Dai Jie was sitting there thinking about the data analysis which he was helping out with. His spirits were a little low when he arrived. After Yuan Huan left the room, he got a little distracted thinking about the matter.

Dai Jie was leaning into his seat in deep thought when he suddenly straightened his back and pushed Tang Jun by the shoulder. "I have a question about genetics."

"Hmmm?" Tang Jun raised his head and looked at Dai Jie. "What about it?"

It was unethical for Dai Jie to divulge details about Jiang Mingyue's experiment, so he scratched his head before he lowered his voice and asked. "I wanted to ask about deciphering the genetic code. Do you know anything about it?"

Huo Yao had an exceptionally keen hearing whenever she bothered paying attention. She raised her brow and glanced in Dai Jie's direction.

Tang Jun shook his head and said, "I read about it previously, but I didn't study it in detail. I just wasn't interested."

Dai Jie sighed softly with his shoulders slumped.

"Why are you asking? Do you plan on doing research on it?" Tang Jun felt puzzled.

Dai Jie turned his attention to the computer once more and shook his head. "That's not it. I was just asking."

Tang Jun did not continue probing. He paused before he said, "You can ask Mr. Liu. He ought to know about it."

Dai Jie contemplated before he nodded. "That's true. I will ask him later."

"Uh huh." Tang Jun acknowledged.

Everyone packed up and left slightly after 5:00 pm.

Since Dai Jie wanted to see Liu Qian, he followed Liu Qian to the office where he asked about deciphering the genetic code.

Liu Qian locked up his documents before he turned and looked at Dai Jie quizzically. "Why are you suddenly asking this?"

Chapter 1008: An Expert With Three Rookies

Dai Jie contemplated. Before he had the chance to speak, Liu Qian said, "I'm not good at solving it. Perhaps you should ask Huo Yao. She is very good at these things, so I am sure she can help."

Liu Qian thought about the way Huo Yao talked about genetic code decipherment when she was helping with Jiang Mingyue's research.

The moment Dai Jie asked about this, Liu Qian made this suggestion.

Dai Jie was initially surprised to hear this. After the brief shock, he suddenly felt it made sense. After all, everyone had already witnessed Huo Yao's Math skills in the laboratory, so he simply nodded and said, "Okay. Thanks, Mr. Liu."

Liu Qian smiled. "Don't worry about it. This is all part and parcel of research. We need to keep learning from each other if we want to do well."

"Uh huh." Dai Jie could not help sighing. "I must say Huo Yao is really good. Sometimes, I have a feeling she is far more knowledgeable than all of us combined."

"In time, we might be in for even more surprises," said Liu Qian profoundly.

Dai Jie thought about the experiment. Each time they were stuck in a bottleneck, Huo Yao would suddenly randomly say something. The moment she did, they could effortlessly solve their problems.

He nodded. "That's true."

Initially, they thought the seniors were experts. However, Huo Yao ended up being the true professional leading three rookies.

He could not help feeling defeated.

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Huo Yao had just gotten to the school entrance when she suddenly sneezed.

She pulled her coat together before she quickly strode to the roadside where a car had pulled up.

Huo Yao opened the back seat door and paused for a second before she bent over and got in. After putting on her seat belt, she looked up and asked. "Where is Yu?"

Yang Yi answered as he started the engine. "He won't be in town for a period of time. Didn't he tell you?"

Huo Yao shook her head. "Nope."

No wonder he seemed a little sad when he came over last night.

Yang Yi cleared his throat and changed the subject. "Miss Huo, if you need anything, feel free to call me."

Huo Yao acknowledged him softly. She leaned into the seat and rested her eyes.

Yang Yi glanced at the rearview mirror. When he saw her sleeping, he stopped talking as well.

Before long, Huo Yao arrived home.

Huo Tingrui and Huo Yulin were not around. After the maid was done preparing dinner, she left the villa.

Huo Yao was sitting in the living room watching the television after dinner when Lei Xiao called her up.

She pressed the phone to answer and heard Lei Xiao's voice.

"The radiation report you wanted for the blood sample is ready. The results show that the patient is suffering from class four radiation. Also, a lot of metals were found in the blood sample. Was the patient involved in radiation research?"

Lei Xiao quickly concluded, speaking swiftly.

"Nope," denied Huo Yao.

Since Fang Chen was a government official, his teacher must have naturally worked for the government as well. Moreover, if he was involved in radiation research, the government would never have let him leave the radiation research facility.

"Fine." Lei Xiao scratched his head before he continued. "Class four radiation isn't life-threatening. However, the level of metal in his blood is dangerously high. This does not bode well for people with heart problems in particular."

Huo Yao rubbed her brow as she contemplated. Sure enough, Li Fang had heart problems. She went quiet briefly before she said, "Got it. Thanks."

"You are welcome. I happened to be very interested in the subject, so I really didn't mind helping." Lei Xiao laughed.

Huo Yao raised her brow. "Didn't you say you are banned from researching radiation at the research institute? Be careful.. Don't get into trouble."

Chapter 1009: Things That Go Against Nature Will Come To No Good End

Lei Xiao placed his legs on the office table lazily and leaned into the chair slightly. "I won't ever get into trouble, so don't worry."

"Okay. I'm going now," said Huo Yao.

Lei Xiao hummed in response. Just as he was about to say goodbye, he suddenly remembered something and said, "Hang on. I remember the National Academy of Medicine researching a new analysis solution that aims to analyze heavy metal content in the blood. Since it is still at the experimental level, I don't know anything else about it."

Huo Yao narrowed her eyes the moment she heard this. Moments later, she spoke in a much cooler tone. "Things that go against nature will come to no good end."

The moment she finished her sentence, she hung up the phone.

Lei Xiao went quiet.

What had gotten into her? Why the temper?

He was simply talking about an analysis solution.

Lei Xiao stared at his phone completely puzzled. However, he could not muster the courage to ask her.

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The next day.

After lunch, Huo Yao wanted to go back to the library. However, she received a text message from Dai Jie asking to see her at the self-study classroom with something to ask her.

Huo Yao was halfway to the library when she turned back to the self-study classroom. Shortly after she arrived at the entrance, Dai Jie stood up. "Hi. You're here."

Other than Dai Jie there were no other students in the classroom.

Huo Yao walked over and bowed. "Hi, Dai Jie."

Dai Jie pointed at the chair beside him. After waiting for Huo Yao to take a seat, he got straight to his point and asked. "Mr. Liu mentioned that you have done some research about the decipherment of genetic code."

Huo Yao did not expect Dai Jie to ask her this. She paused briefly before she nodded without denying it. "A little."

"You see, I am kind of stuck. I was unable to achieve 100% during the comparative testing for an experiment in this area." Dai Jie scratched his hair and looked upset.

The moment Huo Yao heard what he said, she was caught by surprise. Why were so many people interested in this subject off late?

She recalled the experiment that she was involved in recently was the same subject.

Huo Yao pondered before she said, "Do you have the initial values? I can check it for you."

"Of course. However, I don't have it with me now," replied Dai Jie.

Even though he was asked to conduct data analysis for Jiang Mingyue's experiment, they insisted that the details of the experiment be kept confidential. Any documentation related to the experiment was only accessible in the laboratory when they needed it. After the laboratory session was over, he naturally did not dare to leave with them.

Since everyone was involved in different fields and there was no conflict of interest, perhaps he could get Huo Yao to come over to the laboratory and check out those initial values.

Dai Jie contemplated before taking out his phone. He turned to say to Huo Yao as he lowered his head to send a text message. "Give me a minute. Let me ask the research team. You see, I am just helping them do some data analysis, so I don't have a say in this."

Huo Yao nodded patiently. "Take your time."

Shortly after sending out the text message, Dai Jie received a reply. After reading the message, he raised his head and looked at Huo Yao. "She happens to be in the laboratory. Do you have anything going on later?"

"I'm free."

"Then it's perfect." Dai Jie put away his phone. "In that case, let's go over now."

Before long, Huo Yao and Dai Jie headed over to the laboratory.

Dai Jie continued talking as he walked ahead. "No pressure here. If you think you can't be of any help later, don't worry about it. After all, we don't specialize in the subject."

Huo Yao quietly listened to him until they reached the laboratory entrance. It was an unforgettable laboratory and her temples throbbed the moment they arrived there.

She reached her hand out and pulled Dai Jie's arm just as he was about to press the doorbell.

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Dai Jie looked sideways when Huo Yao suddenly pulled his arm. He looked at her quizzically. "Yes?"

As he spoke, he pressed the doorbell out of momentum.

"Are you talking about Jiang Mingyue?" Huo Yao touched her forehead.

Dai Jie nodded. "Uh huh." He recalled mentioning this yesterday at their own laboratory.

Dai Jie noticed something wrong with Huo Yao's expression, so he could not help asking. "Why? Do you know her?"

Huo Yao sighed. It was too late and there was no avoiding Jiang Mingyue today since he had already pressed the doorbell.

She did not have the chance to answer him as the laboratory entrance had already opened from inside.

It was none other than Jiang Mingyue opening the door.

Jiang Mingyue was about to greet Dai Jie when she caught sight of the person standing beside him and instantly swallowed her words.

Jiang Mingyue's expression also changed instantly.

What was this girl doing here?

Was Huo Yao not a freshman?

Why would she know Dai Jie?

Now that Huo Yao was here with Dai Jie, did it mean Huo Yao had learned about her plagiarism?

The more Jiang Mingyue contemplated, the faster her face turned pale. There was a buzzing sound in her head as she held the door so tightly that she nearly broke her nails.

Dai Jie looked at Jiang Mingyue and saw her looking at Huo Yao. Also, her face was ghastly white. It seemed as though she had just seen a ghost.

Dai Jie looked at Huo Yao quizzically. The atmosphere felt a little strange. Even though he did not know about their vendetta, his breathing automatically softened.

The atmosphere was eerily quiet.

After some time, Huo Yao finally broke the silence and answered Dai Jie's earlier question.

"That's right. I do know her. I know her very well, no less." Huo Yao looked at Jiang Mingyue and smiled teasingly.

Since Dai Jie was talking about genetic code decipherment, Jiang Mingyue had probably taken her idea.

The instant Jiang Mingyue made eye contact with Huo Yao, she knew Huo Yao must have realized that she had stolen Huo Yao's idea.

Before she used Huo Yao's idea, she had thought about it carefully. If she did not ask Liu Qian to do the comparative testing, Huo Yao would never come to know.

This was the reason she had asked Dai Jie for help.

She had spoken to Dai Jie a few times previously. He was a nice guy and very good at Bioinformatics. Since he was a few years Huo Yao's senior, it was unlikely for them to have any contact.

Dai Jie was undoubtedly the best person to help them do data analysis without letting Huo Yao find out Jiang Mingyue had picked up her idea.

However, Dai Jie was shockingly acquainted with Huo Yao.

Even if they knew each other, it was unlikely for him to talk to anyone else about this experiment since it was confidential.

However, the calculation expert he had wanted to recommend was surprisingly Huo Yao! The very person she had been trying to avoid at all costs!

Jiang Mingyue felt absolutely annoyed.

She inhaled deeply and kept telling herself to calm down. She could not lose her cool. No matter what, the comparative testing for this experiment had to pass.

Jiang Mingyue let go of the door before she looked at Dai Jie once more. "Sorry, Dai Jie. I doubt you know about the conflict between Huo Yao and me. If she is the expert you were talking about, she is not welcome in the team."

Dai Jie frowned.. He did not quite know about the conflict between Jiang Mingyue and Huo Yao, but Jiang Mingyue's blunt and aggressive tone made him inexplicably annoyed.