

## Pill Maker 991

### Chapter 991: A Counter-Attack

Team Leader Liao was surprisingly unable to pull the whip out of Huo Yao's hand. Also, she remained seated in her chair without moving the slightest. Despite how slim her arms were, her hand seemed unusually powerful.

Team Leader Liao was instantly startled. "You..."

Before he was able to finish his sentence, he made eye contact with Huo Yao's cold eyes and instantly lost his words. He was incapable of making a single sound at this moment.

In an instant, he sensed his hand going numb as someone came towards him. His waist bumped into the table as he instinctively retreated a step and automatically lay prone on the table's surface.

Huo Yao smiled. The moment she moved her hands gently, it seemed as though the whip had a life of its own and went into her hands. She pressed the whip handle against Team Leader Liao's face so hard that it became contorted.

Everything became a blur for Team Leader Liao and there was a hopeless look in his eyes. The moment he got restricted by her, the only thought he had running through his head was powerlessness.

Huo Yao raised her foot and stepped on the chair gently with her head slightly lowered. She stared at Team Leader Liao intently with her beautiful eyes. She pulled her stray hair aside and laughed softly. "What's wrong with women? 50% of the population are women, right? Didn't a woman just beat you up all the same?"

The moment she finished her sentence airily, Team Leader Liao screamed.

There was no surveillance in the lockup. Also, it had excellent soundproofing. Regardless of all the commotion and screaming, no one could hear anything outside.

Team Leader Liao's subordinate stood outside the entrance without noticing anything which was happening inside.

When the subordinate saw people coming over from the other end of the corridor five minutes later, he instantly looked worried.

He stood where he was without moving and patted the door behind him with his hand. However, none of the people inside heard him.

The captain of the Ministry of National Security's law enforcement team came over hurriedly with his forehead covered with sweat. He asked anxiously. "Where is Liao Jianzong? What about Young Master Min's friend?"

Team Leader Liao's subordinate was startled by the captain's reaction. He cautiously glanced at the man standing behind the captain. There wasn't the slightest warmth coming from the man's eyes.

The subordinate trembled and hurriedly lowered his head. "Yes, he is inside..."

The captain thought about Liao Jianzong's personality and his blood pressure promptly skyrocketed until he nearly passed out. He kicked the subordinate hard. "You idiot! Open the door this instant!"

The subordinate bent over and hurriedly swiped the access card and opened the door, but it was impossible to open it. He became worried and trembled. "It's locked. It's locked from inside..."

The captain held his breath and looked at Min Yu. Sure enough, Min Yu looked furious. The captain instantly felt as though he was trapped in an ice cellar.

Liao Jianzong was such an idiot. How could he have done this?

Yang Yi thought about Team Leader Liao's personality. He had taken Miss Huo into the lockup more than ten minutes ago. Yang Yi did not dare imagine the kind of torture he must have inflicted on Miss Huo by now.

He inhaled deeply before he pulled Team Leader Liao's subordinate aside and kicked the metal door hard several times until the door finally opened.

The metal door opened with a loud clang. It seemed to leave the building in tremors.

Yang Yi tightened his fists. He did not dare to raise his head and look inside the room..

## **Chapter 992: How Dare You Touch Her?**

The lockup had reverted to peace and quiet when the door opened.

Huo Yao sat in the chair lazily, completely unscathed.

Team Leader Liao had started out being aggressive and ruthless to Huo Yao, but ended up shrinking into the corner frightenedly with his limbs bound by the whip. Only his face was ghastly pale while the rest of his body seemed unharmed.

Everyone expected to witness a bloody fight when the door opened, so they could not help feeling astonished looking at the tableau in front of them.

After the brief surprise, Min Yu came over. His coat was open and it left a cool gust of wind in its wake as he entered the lockup. He pulled Huo Yao up from the chair and checked her thoroughly. He finally closed his eyes briefly when he confirmed she was unharmed. However, it was not enough to make the murderous look in his eyes disappear.

The lock-up was no ordinary interrogation room. Only members of extreme organizations, foreign spies, and traitors would have the chance to get thrown in here. After getting thrown in this lockup, all of them ended up suffering the same fate of getting skinned alive and experiencing a life worse than death.

"I'm sorry for letting this happen to you." Min Yu looked at Huo Yao and spoke in an incredibly husky voice. There was something different about his tone.

Huo Yao smiled as she shook her head. "It's okay. He simply invited me in for a chat."

Min Yu's eyes turned dark. He raised his hand to touch her head.

He turned and walked towards Team Leader Liao who was standing in the corner. In an instant, he tightened his hand over Team Leader Liao's neck and lifted him altogether. He pinned him against the wall hard and looked at him with utter coldness in his eyes. "How dare you touch her?"

Since Team Leader Liao's limbs were tied, it was impossible for him to retaliate. Also, Min Yu was squeezing his throat hard making it impossible for him to say a word. His eyes were filled with terror as Min Yu tightened his grip on his throat. It felt as though his neck was about to snap any moment.

Thoughts of death promptly filled his mind.

After the captain finally snapped out of his surprise, he walked over hurriedly. "Young... Young Master Min, there must be some mistake. Since your friend is perfectly fine, can you just let Team Leader Liao off this time?"

Min Yu smiled. He looked sideways at the law enforcement captain. "A misunderstanding? Did you throw her into lockup because of a misunderstanding?"

Cold sweat broke out on the captain's back. It was his superior's idea, but she was unexpectedly so important to Min Yu that he was ready to kill Liao Jianzong if that was what it took to save her.

"Well... Team Leader Liao was just following orders. Moreover, wouldn't you have trouble answering for it if something happened to him?"

Yang Yi hurriedly walked over. "Yu, don't be angry. Just focus on getting Miss Huo out of here."

Although the captain was reluctant about releasing her, it was impossible for him to keep her. If Min Yu decided to come after him, it would not be worth it.

Moreover, it might not be a bad idea if Min Yu took Huo Yao from them by force. After all, they were simply doing their jobs and it was completely unjustifiable for Min Yu to barge in and do this.

Min Yu looked at Team Leader Liao coldly and finally let go of him. In an instant, he tightened his grip on Team Leader Liao once more and broke Team Leader Liao's arms.

An excruciating scream could instantly be heard in the room.

Huo Yao rubbed her forehead.

She felt bad for him.

The captain squeezed his fists without daring to make a peep.

After getting attacked twice, Team Leader Liao's arms hung from the sides of his body in a contorted manner. He slumped onto the ground like a deflated ball. He disregarded the agony he was in and stumbled behind the captain out of the place, fearing that he might get attacked once again.

This man and the woman were simply terrifying.

Team Leader Liao's subordinate did not dare to help him undo the whip after seeing this and simply walked up beside him quietly.

He glanced in Huo Yao's direction and lowered his head.

### **Chapter 993: Compensate**

Hardly anyone in the law enforcement team was able to surpass Team Leader Liao. It was no surprise that Min Yu could outdo him, but how did a girl end up counter-attacking Team Leader Liao?

She looked like a completely harmless young girl.

Min Yu disregarded everyone's stares and turned to walk up beside Huo Yao. He held her hand, and walked out. He recalled a matter as he walked past the law enforcement captain.

So, he halted in his steps and said mildly without even looking at the captain, "Yang Yi, you stay. Settle the score with them."

The moment he finished his sentence, he led Huo Yao out of the lockup.

Yang Yi almost instantly caught Min Yu's drift and nodded in response.

The captain did not catch Min Yu's meaning. Instead, he was caught by surprise. He thought that Min Yu wanted to continue making trouble for them. He raised his head, looked at the door, and wanted to give chase, but Yang Yi stopped him.

The captain frowned. Although he could not fight Yang Yi, he was not as respectful to Yang Yi as he was towards Min Yu. "Mr. Yang, you..."

Yang Yi raised his hand to interrupt him. He quietly retrieved his phone from his pocket and called the lawyer in hands-free mode. He explained the situation before hanging up the phone in front of everyone.

Yang Yi raised his head and looked at everyone in the room. He smiled and said, "Did you hear that? \$10 000 00. Not a penny less."

Before the captain could say a word, Team Leader Liao finally calmed down and gnashed his teeth. He said, "Don't you think Young Master Min is a little too much? That woman was completely unscathed!"

Even if anyone should be compensated, it ought to be him.

How could they have the cheek to ask for psychological damages?

They were absolutely shameless for demanding compensation.

Yang Yi looked down at Team Leader Liao and suddenly scoffed. "You should count your lucky stars that you can still settle the problem with money."

Otherwise this time next year would be his death anniversary.

"You!" Team Leader Liao was so furious that he trembled and completely forgot the pain he was in.

Yang Yi couldn't be bothered to waste his time talking. He took out his phone, found a bank account number, and sent it to the captain by phone. "I have sent you the bank account number. I'm leaving."

The moment he finished his sentence, he strode out without giving anyone the chance to speak.

From the looks of it, they had no choice but to compensate them. Team Leader Liao stared at him lividly while struggling to stand.

“Enough, Team Leader Liao.” The captain raised his hand. He looked terribly annoyed. “There’s no use reasoning with him since you were in the wrong.”

Their superior only gave the order to detain Huo Yao, but they were not permitted to torture her. Just for this error alone, they had placed themselves in a corner.

“But nothing happened to that woman at all!” Now that Min Yu had left, Team Leader Liao made no attempt to restrain his fury.

That woman had pinned him down and attacked him, but he was told to swallow it and moreover, compensate her for it.

How could he take this lying down?

The captain suddenly looked at Team Leader Liao. “You are the Team Leader of the law enforcement team, but you were unable to outdo a woman. How could you have the cheek to raise a fuss now?”

If he had managed to take care of the woman today, it would make more sense for him to compensate. But look at what happened?

The captain sneered. “Do you really want to throw your job away?”

The moment he finished his sentence, he turned to leave.

Team Leader Liao stumbled onto the ground and looked furious.

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Meanwhile, on this end.

Min Yu held Huo Yao’s hand and went past layers and layers of security, but none of the guards dared to stop them.

When they finally got to the courtyard, Huo Yao halted briefly and raised her head to look at Min Yu.. She sighed and said, “Are you going to get into trouble by walking off like this?”

## **Chapter 994: People Are Waiting For You To Make A Mistake**

Min Yu was caught by surprise to hear these words of concern. He turned his head sideways slightly and looked at Huo Yao’s face. Her eyes were bright and beautiful, but they looked unusually worried.

He tightened his grip on her hands lightly and answered huskily. “Nope.”

Huo Yao nodded. She smiled and said, “That’s good.”

“Uh huh.” Min Yu used his other hand to pull some stray hair behind Huo Yao’s ear. “Don’t worry. I will take care of it.”

Huo Yao raised her brow. Just as she was about to speak, she looked up and saw the lift open and a man with an imposing aura walked out of the lift.

The man hurried over towards them.

“Yu, what happened?” The man was Min Jian. He said somewhat anxiously, “People told me about you barging into the law enforcement department.”

The moment he finished his sentence, he finally noticed that his nephew was holding the hand of a young woman. He was taken aback.

“Uh huh. I did,” acknowledged Min Yu nonchalantly. It seemed as though it meant nothing for him to visit the law enforcement department.

Min Jian veered his eyes from Huo Yao and got straight to the point. He said solemnly, “You shouldn’t have done that. That is no place for you to make trouble. Don’t you know people are just waiting for you to make a mistake?”

“I will leave the rest to you.” Min Yu interrupted his youngest uncle as he looked nearby while he spoke.

“What do you mean?” Min Jian glanced at his nephew quizzically and was at a complete loss.

Min Yu veered his eyes. “Uncle Jian, I am going. I’ll buy you dinner sometime.”

A group of people dressed in black suits with serious looks on their faces came towards them swiftly from the other end of the corridor.

After Min Jian finally snapped out of his shock, he instantly looked annoyed.

Min Yu had run off after making trouble again. He really wanted to swear now!

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After the lift reached downstairs, Min Yu walked out of the building with Huo Yao. Before long, Yang Yi came downstairs as well and drove his car over.

Since Yang Yi had brought his own car today, he parked the car in front of Min Yu, got off, and handed him the keys.

Min Yu nodded. He opened the front passenger seat door and waited for Huo Yao to get in before closing the door. He turned to say to Yang Yi mildly, “Go look for Director Min and tell him that he has to pay 20% more for his preorder.”

Yang Yi was briefly stunned to hear this. He glanced at the front passenger seat before nodding. “I’ll get to it now.”

“Uh huh.” Min Yu waved his hand. He walked around the car and quickly got into the driver’s seat.

The car started and gradually drove off.

Yang Yi stood where he was with his eyes narrowed. Before long, he went back into the building.

These people wanted to control his boss. It was simply absurd!

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Min Yu did not speak much on the way home, and he was clearly driving faster than usual.

Huo Yao said nothing and simply sat in the car quietly. Huo Yulin called her while they were on their way home to ask what time she was getting back.

She estimated how much more time she needed before hanging up the phone.

Before long, the car got back to the estate.

However, the car was not driving in the direction of Huo Yao's place. She said, "... Brother Yulin is expecting me."

Even though Min Yu acknowledged her, he did not turn the car and continued driving straight towards his place.

Huo Yao touched her nose.

Was he in a bad mood or something again?

## **Chapter 995: A Sweet Kiss!**

Min Yu undid his seat belt after parking the car. He strode over to the front passenger seat door and opened it.

Huo Yao glanced at Min Yu. Just as she was about to put her feet on the ground, she sensed a grip tightening at her waist before she bumped into the man's chest altogether.

The car door behind her closed. In an instant, she could sense some more pressure against her. She had no choice but to retreat until her back was plastered against the car door.

She opened her eyes wide in surprise as Min Yu's gorgeous face moved right in front of hers. "You..."

Before she was able to say a word, the man lowered his head and came towards her. He sealed her lips with a kiss and their warm scent intermingled.

Huo Yao's mind instantly exploded when she sensed something warm on her lips. She placed her hands on the car behind, but the coldness coming from the car was incapable of cooling her down.

The hand on her waist tightened its grip on her making it impossible for her to escape. She raised her head in an attempt to avoid this possessive kiss.

Before she was able to move, Min Yu held her by the back of her head securely with his other hand, so there was no escape for her.

The lights in the garage were automatic. After some time, Min Yu loosened his grip on Huo Yao, but he had no intention of letting her go. He pressed his forehead against hers. In the darkness, his eyes looked deeply profound.

Since the lights were off, Huo Yao was unable to see the expression in his eyes.

After some time, Min Yu held Huo Yao's face and said deeply, "If you are able to save yourself without picking a fight, you should do it."

It was not a question of fear. However, she was just one lone woman out in a world filled with devious people.

If no one was around to protect her today, she would have... The outcome was completely unimaginable.

Huo Yao's lips parted. She wanted to speak, but Min Yu kissed her again. This time, he was particularly gentle, kissing her on her lips, then on her nose, and finally on her forehead. He had completely pulled her into his embrace.

He placed his lips by her ear and spoke huskily in a suppressed tone. "Never mind. Whatever."

Huo Yao was quiet.

Huo Yao's phone rang in her pocket with a personalized text message notification. She moved her hands slightly, pulled him by the corner of his shirt, and said in a stifled tone, "...Brother Yulin is expecting me."

The moment Min Yu heard what she said, he pulled his hands back. He sighed slightly before he finally let go of her hands. He snapped his fingers and the lights lit up, driving away the darkness in the garage.

After Huo Yao regained her freedom, she hurriedly stood aside. Her flawless skin was blushing and even her ears were pink as she lowered her head and looked at her phone.

Min Yu could only lean against the car door. He was tall and his actions seemed languid. A gentle night breeze gusted in the air helping to calm the heat in his body.

His phone also rang. He paused for a second before taking it out and clicking on it.

Yang Yi's voice came from over the phone. "Yu, they transferred money to Miss Huo's bank account. Please tell her about it."

Min Yu raised his head and looked at Huo Yao's radiant face and smiled. He acknowledged Yang Yi gently. "Okay,"

Yang Yi said a few things about the things tonight before hanging up the phone.

Huo Yao cleared her throat, raised her head to look at Min Yu, and said, "I have to go. Brother Yulin wants me to go home now."

She raised her phone in mid-air and waved it as she spoke.

Min Yu glanced at Huo Yao and smiled ambiguously..



## Chapter 996: Their Second Older Brother

Huo Yao touched her nose. Why did it feel as though he could read her mind?

Before long, she straightened her back and rooted for herself!

Min Yu's lips twitched and did not expose her. He placed his phone in his pocket before he stood up and said, "Uh huh. Let me walk you back"

Huo Yao disregarded the awkwardness and nodded forcibly before following behind him slowly.

The two of them walked one after another. As they walked through the well-manicured garden, there was a cooling night breeze in the air. Since it was already October, in the capital, the temperature difference between day and night was a little wider.

Min Yu opened the front door and showed Huo Yao out. Just as she was about to walk past him, he suddenly pulled her back and asked. "Are you cold?"

Huo Yao was walking with her head lowered. The moment she heard his question, she was briefly stunned and did not quite understand what he was saying. "Huh?"

Min Yu smiled. He slid his hands down, held her hand, and interlocked their fingers tightly. "I am sure you are."

Huo Yao went speechless.

Min Yu smiled happily as he walked her out of his villa.

A few minutes later, he finally let go of Huo Yao's hand after they reached the villa. He raised his head and glanced at the villa before he looked at her deeply for some time until he finally said, "Go on in. Good night."

Huo Yao's eyes drifted past him and she said softly, "Good night."

She turned to walk over to the main entrance and entered the security code. After the door opened, she could hear Min Yu's deep voice coming from behind. "Oh yes. Yang Yi just called to say they have transferred the compensation to your bank account."

Huo Yao promptly stumbled. She paused without looking back and simply gestured okay from behind before heading into the villa.

How could she have lost her cool?

Min Yu laughed gently and shook his head

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The moment Huo Yao entered the villa, she could smell food in the air. She rubbed her belly as she walked over to the dining room and saw her third older brother setting the table, so she walked over, pulled out a chair, and sat down.

Huo Yulin looked at her sideways and said, "Wash your hands."

"Okay." Huo Yao stood up obediently.

After washing her hands, she quickly came back. Just as she was about to pick up her chopsticks and start eating, her fingers froze as she looked at Huo Yulin sideways. "Brother Yulin, are we expecting guests today?"

There were surprisingly three sets of cutlery on the table.

"Uh huh." Huo Yulin paused briefly before he nodded.

No wonder he had ordered more food than usual.

Huo Yao chewed her chopsticks in contemplation.

Meanwhile, Huo Tingrui came out of the bathroom. The moment he heard their conversation, his face instantly looked annoyed. "I am your second older brother!"

He strode over and glared at Huo Yulin. They had only left home for a few months, but Huo Yulin was already stirring trouble.

"Brother Tingrui, when did you arrive?" Huo Yao's eyes lit up when she saw Huo Tingrui.

"Today." Huo Tingrui sat down beside Huo Yao and scrutinized her before he said, "You have lost weight. Did your third older brother abuse you?"

Huo Yulin felt flabbergasted.

"You are such a bad older brother." Huo Tingrui pursed his lips in disdain.

Huo Yao glanced at Huo Yulin who was at a loss. She pushed the bowl and chopsticks in front of Huo Tingrui and said, "Enough. Stop bullying him."

Huo Tingrui sneered. Now, he was determined to expand his law practice and conduct business in the capital!

"Are you here for work?" Huo Yao ate a piece of pork ribs and spoke in a stifled tone.

The moment Huo Tingrui heard what she said, he sighed deeply. "What work? Can't I just come to visit my little sister?"

## **Chapter 997: Be Careful**

Huo Yao hurriedly took a piece of pork ribs and placed it in Huo Tingrui's bowl. "Of course, you can!"

Huo Tingrui picked up his chopsticks and glared at her before he said shamelessly, "I am deeply hurt, so you have to make me happy."

Huo Yao's face twitched.

After they were more or less done with dinner, Huo Tingrui took out his phone and replied to a text message. He put down the phone after he was done and looked at his little sister. "Oh yes. Fang Chen wants to have dinner tomorrow. He asked if you could make it."

Huo Yao shook her head. "I'm not going. I don't have time."

Even though her school schedule was not tight, she had just joined Liu Qian's research team. Since they were in the early stages of research, she would probably be quite busy for the time being.

Huo Yao paused and suddenly glanced at her second older brother. "Why are you so chummy with Fang Chen these days?"

"Not really. We only chat occasionally. He recently asked me to become a prosecutor," answered Huo Tingrui.

Huo Yao raised her brow. "Is my brother going to become a government official?"

"I turned him down." Huo Tingrui shrugged and said, "I don't like dealing with officials. It's exhausting."

Huo Yao thought about the events that had transpired earlier this evening and nodded. "You have my support. Even though it is an iron rice bowl, you can earn more working as a lawyer."

Huo Tingrui glanced at his little sister. How could she be thinking about money?

"Fine. I will tell Fang Chen that you won't be going," added Huo Tingrui.

"Uh huh." Huo Yao nodded.

After dinner, Huo Tingrui sat in the living room with them and chatted briefly before going upstairs. He still had some work to settle with his employees.

Huo Yao curled up on the couch watching the news.

Huo Yulin sat beside her. When Huo Yao was chatting with Huo Tingrui earlier, he listened to the conversation as he worked on his laptop.

Huo Yulin raised his head for a look when he heard the news about some terrorist attack happening abroad after he was done entering some code. He turned to look at his little sister. "I didn't know you liked watching the news."

Huo Yao hugged her pillow and yawned. She said lazily with a drowsy look in her eyes, "I just watch it when I am bored."

Huo Yulin smiled and responded. "If you are tired, then go back to your room and rest."

Huo Yao nodded. She waited for the reporter on the television to finish before taking the remote and turning off the television.

She thought about the attack on the Ministry of National Security's internet network and added. "Oh yes. Brother Yulin, since you are a government worker and there are terrorist attacks out there, you should be careful."

After Huo Yulin came back from abroad, his junior invited him to join the National Academy of Medicine. Even though he currently only had a temporary pass, it was just a matter of time for him to receive a permanent pass considering all his experience abroad.

Huo Yulin felt surprised when his little sister suddenly brought this up. He paused and said, "Okay. Thanks."

"Uh huh." Huo Yao did not go on with the subject. She put the pillow aside and stretched before standing up from the couch. "Have an early night. Don't work too late."

"Okay." Huo Yulin pointed at the computer and smiled. "I will go back to my room once I am done with this."

Huo Yao acknowledged softly. She inadvertently glanced at the computer screen and paused briefly when she saw the code on the computer.

Was Huo Yulin interested in data cores?

Huo Yulin failed to notice Huo Yao looking at him since all his attention was on the computer.

He had taken computing when he was in university. In his free time, he had participated in coding competitions and was ranked second twice.

Even though he was not a hacker, he was very good at application creation.

## **Chapter 998: Finally Online!**

Huo Yao stood beside Huo Yulin for an entire minute and looked at his computer screen without saying a word.

Huo Yulin noticed that Huo Yao was still around, so he automatically raised his head and looked at her. He paused briefly when he saw her staring at his computer screen before he said, "Are you interested in coding too?"

He had seen coding applications on her computer previously, so he guessed she was interested in the subject.

"I dabble occasionally," answered Huo Yao.

She contemplated before she added. "I am studying Bioinformatics. Although it is slightly different from normal computing, they are quite similar."

Huo Yulin nodded in agreement. "Their basics are the same, but have different applications."

"Uh huh." Huo Yao lowered her eyes and asked casually. "Brother Yulin, why are you writing this program?"

"I saw people talking about it on a forum, so I decided to give it a go since it sounded interesting," explained Huo Yulin.

"But the preliminary code for this application is really tricky," added Huo Yulin as he rubbed his chin.

Huo Yao contemplated briefly and said without delving deeply into the subject, “Virtual functions are used in Bioinformatics too. There is just one problem. Its fault tolerance is too high. It would be better to use some other method for integration, such as module decomposition.”

“Module decomposition?”

Huo Yulin narrowed his eyes and contemplated as numbers jumped in front of his eyes.

After thinking briefly, he suddenly got it. He hurriedly deleted a large chunk of code on the computer and rewrote it.

Huo Yao raised her brow and quietly left without disturbing him.

After Huo Yulin was done working on the program, he tested it and found that it was running well and smiled. He raised his head, but his little sister had already left.

Huo Yulin went quiet for a long time before smiling again . He clicked on a computer application, clicked on the forum, and sent his program to a friend.

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After Huo Yao was done bathing, she felt a lot more energetic.

She walked up in front of her desk to pull out the chair and took a seat before turning on the computer.

She clicked on the instant messenger interface and signed in on invisible mode.

Since she was rarely online and was not the sort to chat, no one tried talking to her online. After taking a quick look on her social media, she pursed her lips and wanted to turn it off when she noticed nothing new.

Huo Yao thought about the AL project and its genetic programming and wanted to read up on it. Just as she reached out for her bag, she realized that she had left it in Min Yu’s car.

Huo Yao leaned into the seat and rubbed her brow. Her beautiful collar bone was faintly visible under her pajama collar while her skin was translucent and fair. She sat quietly for a few minutes before reaching out for her phone on the table.

Just as she was about to click on WeChat, a dialog box suddenly appeared on her screen. Her hands froze briefly as she glanced at the screen.

J’s nickname had appeared on the dialog box.

J: [Papa, you are finally online.]

Huo Yao: [...]

He used to call her kid all the time, so it came as a surprise to see him calling her papa. She felt unaccustomed to seeing it.

Huo Yao glanced at the icon on the bottom right corner of the computer screen before she raised her brow and replied: [It seems you have improved a lot recently. I’m surprised you found out when I went online invisibly.]

The man was sitting in front of a computer when his face twitched. This was no praise. It was clearly an insult.

Since he was a hacker, it was a shame for him to be incapable of tracking someone's online activities.

J cleared his throat awkwardly. He automatically disregarded her insults and conversed with her enthusiastically: [Papa, what have you been up to?]

## **Chapter 999: Recovered Memories**

Huo Yao crossed her legs and replied: [Get to the point.]

J: [...]

The man was picking up his feet when he saw Huo Yao's reply. He had a feeling he had contacted her at a bad time.

J felt puzzled by her reaction. He sat in front of the computer and contemplated for a couple of seconds before he answered: [I made some changes based on your suggestions. Can you tell me if I am on the right track? Is this what you meant?]

Huo Yao typed a new message: [Send it over.]

J sighed in relief when he saw the text message. He quickly sent her the zipped file he had already prepared.

Although the files were zipped, the size was rather large, so it took one minute for the file transmission to be completed even though both of them were using the best computers in the market.

Huo Yao unzipped the file. After spending two minutes to see its demo, she clicked on the database module.

Before long, she replied to him: [Average. I can see you finally have an inkling of how it is done.]

J felt unsurprised by her feedback. He pondered for a couple of seconds and wrote: [I am really curious about the independent database you mentioned. I wonder how it will look when it is ready.]

Huo Yao looked at the screen and contemplated.

After some time, she finally answered: [You will know when your data core is ready.]

J: [Okay. I will do my best...]

J: [Oh yes. Now that you mention it, can you help me check my data core?]

Huo Yao gathered her thoughts. She went through her computer and found a set of coding she had done previously and sent it to him without answering his previous question: [You can use this for reference.]

After clicking on send, Huo Yao turned off the computer, stood up, and walked over to the French windows. There was no moon tonight, so the sky was completely dark.

Huo Yao reached her hand out to open the glass door. A gust of cool wind swept into the room gradually clarifying her mind.

Recently, she frequently kept remembering things about her past and her current identity. It felt as though something was slowly awakening.

Huo Yao looked up at the night sky, deep in thought. After some time, she finally closed the door and went back into her bedroom.

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The next day, Huo Yao came downstairs with a severe case of panda eyes. Also, her face was very pale and she looked unwell.

Huo Tingrui had to go to court today, so he had woken up early. The moment he saw how sick his little sister was, he quickly walked over. "Are you unwell?"

Huo Yao waved her hand nonchalantly and sniffled. "I am fine. I just have a slight cold."

Huo Tingrui frowned. He reached his hand out and touched her forehead. Fortunately, she did not seem to have a fever. He walked over to the living room, opened a drawer, and asked. "Where are the meds stored?"

"It's fine Brother Tingrui. I have a great constitution." Huo Yao sat on the couch. She hugged her chest and pulled her jacket more tightly around herself.

Huo Tingrui turned his head to glare at her. She would have sounded more convincing if she did not look so sick.

Huo Yao did not bicker with him like she normally did. Instead, she shrank into the couch.

Huo Yulin also came downstairs. The moment he arrived, he saw his second older brother rummaging through the drawer, so he asked quizzically. "What are you looking for?"

Huo Tingrui said angrily without even raising his head, "Just look at her."

Huo Yulin frowned when he saw Huo Yao and noticed that her face was particularly pale. He walked over to the side of the hall and quickly came back with some cold medicine and water.

Huo Yao looked at Huo Yulin once more and took the medication promptly.

Huo Tingrui scoffed in his heart when Huo Yao agreed to take the medicine since it was Huo Yulin giving it.

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Huo Yulin put the teacup down on the coffee table and said, "You don't look well. Why don't you give the school a pass and stay in today?"

Huo Yao rubbed her nose and shook her head. "No, I'd rather not. I just joined a research team, and don't want to hold up the project."

Huo Yulin did not insist upon it. He simply placed the medication inside her coat pocket. "Remember to take your meds."

Huo Yao acknowledged him gently.

Since Huo Tingrui was in a hurry, he spoke briefly before leaving through the door hurriedly.

After breakfast, Huo Yao went upstairs to put on a thicker jacket before heading to school.

Huo Yao went over to the department laboratory after finishing her compulsory classes in the afternoon.

Even though Dai Jie, Tang Jun, and Wang Jing were studying PhD, they had more free time than Huo Yao. By the time she got to the laboratory, she discovered that they were already there working hard on calculations.

"Hi, Huo Yao... Hmm? You don't look great today. Are you sick?" Wang Jing wanted to ask Huo Yao about the research, but promptly checked on Huo Yao when she noticed Huo Yao's pale face.

Huo Yao smiled as she nodded to them. "I just have a slight cold. I am a lot better now."

"If you are unwell, don't force yourself. You really need to take care," said Dai Jie in concern as he adjusted his spectacles.

"I am really fine," replied Huo Yao and pulled a chair out. She sat down before turning on the computer.

Huo Yao picked up from where she had stopped the previous day and started doing calculations. Since she had a keen scientific mind, she finished the computation without any problems whatsoever.

However, Dai Jie and Tang Jun encountered a major hitch.

They were unable to come up with a viable way to make the autologous cells integrate with Genetic Engineering techniques, so even Wang Jing had put aside her work to help.

After Huo Yao was done doing some calculations, she raised her head and saw them sitting there sadly. Her hands paused briefly.

Liu Qian was not around and Yuan Huan was not on campus either, so only the four of them were in the laboratory.

Huo Yao said nothing after hearing their discussion. Instead, she continued working on her calculations.

If Wang Jing and the others had paid any attention towards her, they would have noticed that Huo Yao was doing the calculations a lot faster than she did previously.

Huo Yao was done with the initial calculations ten minutes later and sent them straight to Dai Jie and Tang Jun via email.

She finally raised her head and said to Dai Jie and Tang Jun, "I just mailed you the calculations. Why don't you take a look and let me know if they work."



She did not email it to Wang Jing since Wang Jing's part had nothing to do with the programming.

Dai Jie and Tang Jun were instantly startled when they heard Huo Yao.

"Are you done already?" asked Dai Jie in surprise.

She had clearly done only one third of it yesterday!

Tang Jun glanced at the computer before picking up the mouse.

Huo Yao acknowledged softly. Her voice sounded a little nasal and wasn't as clear as usual. "I worked on it a little more last night, but I don't know if I am on the right track. Since you have more experience, let me know if I am doing it correctly. If you have any suggestions, I can always make changes."

For some reason, Dai Jie felt inexplicably embarrassed.

Huo Yao had worked late last night on these calculations and even caught a cold. Even though he was her senior, he had yet to make any progress.

Dai Jie quietly lowered his head to look at the numbers on the computer.