

Sidekick 1391

Chapter 1391: For Your Sake, I Will Try My Best

Qin Chuan's eyes were filled with sorrow and self-mockery as he said this.

However, he did not regret any of his actions.

In fact, he didn't even have many expectations to survive.

"Can't we be friends?" Jian Yiling asked.

"If I asked you this question in our previous lives, would you say yes?"

Upon hearing this answer, Jian Yiling shook her head slowly.

She could say yes right now. However, she knew she certainly couldn't in her previous life.

Despite giving this response, Jian Yiling said: "But I still hope you can say yes. I don't want you to experience what I experienced in my previous life."

After a pause, Jian Yiling added: "Mo Shiyun made her own decisions in her life. You don't need to blame yourself for what happened to her. I also made my own decisions. My decisions have nothing to do with you. You do not need to punish yourself either."

Upon hearing these words, a light flickered in Qin Chuan's eyes. He did not expect that after what he did, Jian Yiling would say such things to him.

After a long pause, Qin Chuan asked, "Are you saying this because I almost became friends with you and Zhai Yunsheng in this life? Or are you saying this because you loved me deeply in our previous life?"

"Perhaps both reasons play a part," Jian Yiling answered. "I can't differentiate it but I don't feel like I have the need to."

Both her lives made up her current self.

It was enough to just follow her own heart.

Jian Yiling's frankness struck a chord in Qin Chuan's heart.

"Do you really want me to get better?" Qin Chuan once again confirmed with Jian Yiling.

"Mhmm," Jian Yiling responded without the slightest hesitation.

Qin Chuan closed his eyes when he heard this. A memory from the past came to his mind.

For some reason, he suddenly felt extremely relieved.

It didn't matter whether they hated or loved each other right now. She wanted him to live on and he also wanted her to live on.

When he was on the verge of death, she still wanted to save him. She wasn't influenced by those tangled emotions and messy memories from their previous lives.

After another long silence, Qin Chuan said to Jian Yiling: "Then I'll leave everything to fate. If fate lets me live, I will live."

"Okay," Jian Yiling answered.

This conversation with Jian Yiling made Qin Chuan's mood change drastically.

"Take your medicine on time and remain optimistic," Jian Yiling said to Qin Chuan.

Then, she noted down a few other things before leaving his hospital ward.

As Qin Chuan watched Jian Yiling leave, he silently vowed to himself that he would try his best to live on. He would watch from afar and protect her happiness.

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Long Yuetian knew that Jian Yiling and the others were very busy recently. And thus, after work, she decided to visit them with some food.

However, she didn't expect the Second Master of the Zhai family to arrive a few moments after her.

"Woah, you guys are so in sync," Luo Xiuen commented. "Either you don't come, or you come together. And both of you brought food."

Upon hearing this, Long Yuetian was incredibly embarrassed. She was afraid to meet Zhai Zhongshen recently.

And thus, she had been trying to avoid him.

After a week of not running into him, Long Yuetian gradually relaxed her guard.

She definitely did not expect to see him here today!

However, Long Yuetian kept up her confidence and told herself she couldn't be scared of him. It was just the Second Master of the Zhai family! Even if he held a lot of power, he was still a human being! He couldn't eat her alive! Furthermore, it was just a marriage contract. She hadn't broken any laws! Therefore, there was no need to be scared of him!

Chapter 1392: Running into Zhai Zhongshen Again

As always, Zhai Zhongshen carried a majestic and domineering aura around him. As soon as he entered the laboratory, Liu Ting quickly scurried off into his corner and refused to come out again.

Even though Liu Ting liked to joke around, he didn't dare to do such a thing in front of the Second Master of the Zhai family.

In fact, no one dared to even step out of line.

"Yiling, I just remembered that something came up at work. I need to head back," Long Yuetian hastily said. She wanted to leave as soon as possible.

"Your work should be fine today," Zhai Zhongshen interrupted.

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Upon hearing this, Luo Xiuen realized something: "Wait, how do you know if there's anything going on at the Long Heng Group?"

"We've been cooperating with the Long Heng Group recently," Zhai Zhongshen replied indifferently.

"Since when did the Tianxing Group also get involved in the entertainment industry?" Luo Xiuen continued to ask.

Internationally, the Tianxing Group had companies in various industries and businesses. However, in the past, they never involved themselves in the entertainment industry which was the Long Heng Group's main focus.

"Recently," Zhai Zhongshen replied simply.

Luo Xiuen was once again worried for her good friend Cheng Yi.

This man was not an ordinary person.

Even though Long Yuetian was also smart, she was no match for a thousand-year-old fox like Zhai Zhongshen. This meant she would inevitably fall into the trap he set up for her.

Hence, Luo Xiuen sneakily sent a message to Cheng Yi who happened to be out on an errand.

[Come back quickly. Miss Long came over to visit us.]

Cheng Yi was visiting a research institution in Beijing's western suburbs today. And thus, Luo Xiuen did not know whether he had the time to read the message she sent him.

When she heard Zhai Zhongshen's words, Long Yuetian could not help but regret her previous decisions. Why did she agree to cooperate with the Tianxing Group? Because of this cooperation, he knew almost everything that was happening in her company! He even knew she was trying to use an excuse in an attempt to run away.

When she sensed that Zhai Zhongshen was looking at her, Long Yuetian quickly turned around to look at Jian Yiling: "Apparently, the gender of Sister En's child is known already. What about you? Do you know your child's gender yet?"

Long Yuetian's question was a bit redundant. It was obvious she was trying to intentionally change the topic of conversation.

"I don't know," Jian Yiling replied.

Zhai Zhongshen said to Jian Yiling: "Yiling, you must be tired after working all day. Go and have some food."

"Sure," Jian Yiling replied. She was indeed getting hungrier faster than usual.

Unlike other women who would feel sick when pregnant, Jian Yiling somehow maintained an amazing appetite.

And thus, Long Yuetian was forced to sit down and eat with everyone else.

Naturally, Zhai Zhongshen sat down beside her.

He was elegant in his demeanor, and his every move emitted the air of a mature man.

As always, he did not smile or talk much.

After Jian Yiling finished eating, Zhai Zhongshen handed a file bag to Jian Yiling.

Jian Yiling looked at him with puzzled eyes.

“Information on the Zhang family.”

Zhai Zhongshen would not stop Jian Yiling from competing against the Zhang family.

However, he would help her behind the scenes by investigating the Zhang family.

“Thank you, Uncle Zhai,” Jian Yiling responded. Even though she hadn’t read the information yet, she still appreciated what he did.

Long Yuetian lowered her head to secretly glance at Zhai Zhongshen.

Even though he seemed cold and indifferent towards everything, he really cared about his family.

After receiving the message from Luo Xiuen, Cheng Yi rushed back.

“Yuetian, when did you arrive?” Cheng Yi asked. The smile on his face was silly as he looked at her.

When Luo Xiuen saw this, she wanted to smack Cheng Yi in the head.

Didn’t he notice that Zhai Zhongshen was sitting beside Long Yuetian? Why was he smiling like that?

Chapter 1393: Zhai Zhongshen is Mature and Reliable

How did he manage to completely ignore Zhai Zhongshen’s powerful presence? Was he slow or something?

“Ahem,” Luo Xiuen lightly coughed to remind Cheng Yi.

Cheng Yi noticed Zhai Zhongshen when he returned to the laboratory. However, he pretended to not notice him. After all, if he wanted to compete against Zhai Zhongshen, he had to fake it until he makes it.

If he was stunned by Zhai Zhongshen’s aura, he would lose the opportunity to compete for Long Yuetian’s love from the very beginning.

“I arrived not long ago. I also brought some food over. As I don’t know what you guys like to eat, so bought a bit of everything.”

Long Yuetian did not feel the same pressure when she was facing Cheng Yi.

In fact, Long Yuetian only felt nervous when she spoke to Zhai Zhongshen. He was the only person who made her feel that way.

Cheng Yi smiled brightly and replied: "Thank you."

Upon hearing this response, Luo Xiuen said to herself: Miss Long didn't even buy this food for you. She bought this food for Yiling! What are you so happy about?

After she finished eating, Jian Yiling flipped through the information that Zhai Zhongshen gathered.

According to the information, in addition to being friends with Qin Chuan, it seemed as though Zhang Xin wanted to compete against her because his ancestors passed down a remedy that could delay the spread of lung cancer.

Although that remedy could not cure the disease, it could prolong the life of a patient who had lung cancer.

In other words, if Jian Yiling could not make progress in her research, Zhang Xin could easily win against her with just this remedy.

As Luo Xiuen sat beside Jian Yiling, she also read through the information.

When she finished reading, Luo Xiuen became incredibly angry: "This is outrageous! No wonder he was so sure and confident! I actually thought he had real skills! But no, he's just relying on his ancestors!"

Then, she rolled up her sleeves and called on Cheng Yi who was giggling with Long Yuetian: "Cheng Yi, go with me to settle the score with that guy!"

"Sister En, calm down, calm down!" Cheng Yi called out as he tried to slow Luo Xiuen down.

"Calm down? What do you mean by calm down? I'm clearly incredibly calm right now."

"Sister En, you're currently pregnant. If you rush over and get into a fight, Jian Yumin will definitely kill us!"

Upon hearing the words Jian Yumin, Luo Xiuen indeed calmed down.

Zhai Zhongshen added: "There's no need to be angry. If they want to win with that remedy left by their ancestors, I will definitely ruin their reputation."

Zhai Zhongshen's words reassured Luo Xiuen.

He was right. If he had the ability to find this information, he would definitely make corresponding preparations.

Furthermore, Zhai Zhongshen loved Yiling dearly. He would not let her be bullied by others.

Once again, Long Yuetian carefully glanced at Zhai Zhongshen.

It just so happened that the Second Master of the Zhai family also turned his head to look at her.

When their eyes met, Long Yuetian felt her heart beat faster and she hurriedly looked away.

Long Yuetian once again found an excuse to leave: "It's getting late. I don't want to disturb you guys anymore. I will take my leave."

Luo Xiuen asked Long Yuetian: "Oh? Where are you heading? Are you heading to the eastern suburbs of Beijing?"

"Yeah."

"Oh, if that's the case, could you bring Cheng Yi along with you? He has some business to deal with in the eastern suburbs as well."

As she said this, Luo Xiuen thought to herself that she could only help Cheng Yi this much.

Chapter 1394: Can't Escape From Zhai Zhongshen (1)

Long Yuetian did not put much thought into this question. She agreed immediately: "Sure, he can come with me."

Then, Long Yuetian intended to leave with Cheng Yi.

When she headed into the parking lot, just as she was about to start her car, the system prompted her that there was a problem with the car tires.

And thus, Long Yuetian got out of the car to check. She quickly discovered one of her tires was flat. It was as if she had run over a nail on the way here.

Long Yuetian apologetically said to Cheng Yi: "Sorry, you may have to wait a while."

Then, she opened the trunk of her car and intended to change the tire herself.

When Cheng Yi saw this, he offered: "Let me change the tire."

"No need," Long Yuetian replied. She insisted on doing it herself.

At this moment, Zhai Zhongshen walked into the parking lot as well.

"I will send you guys over. Let my assistant fix the car and drive it over for you," Zhai Zhongshen said to Long Yuetian.

As he said this, Zhai Zhongshen's assistant began to help Long Yuetian.

"Miss. Long, please let me handle this. You don't need to dirty your hands with this work. It will take up your precious time. After all, you have to go and attend a meeting with the Second Master of the Zhai family."

"Meeting?" Long Yuetian repeated as she turned her head to look at Zhai Zhongshen.

"We ran into a small problem in our collaborative project. I believe this needs to be handled by you," Zhai Zhongshen replied without skipping a beat.

Once Long Yuetian heard that there was a problem with her project, she naturally was no longer focused on changing the tires of her car.

Of course, Cheng Yi did not want to go in Zhai Zhongshen's car. However, if Long Yuetian was going, he didn't want to give them an opportunity to spend time alone.

And thus, despite his unwillingness, Cheng Yi got into the car as well.

Zhai Zhongshen asked his driver to send Cheng Yi to his destination first.

Even though Cheng Yi did not want this to happen, he had no way to refuse this.

As the three of them sat in the spacious back seat of the Rolls Royce, the atmosphere was rather awkward.

As Long Yuetian was afraid to speak to Zhai Zhongshen, she decided to speak to Cheng Yi instead. This was because he was a friend who was roughly the same age as her. She felt no pressure speaking to him.

Long Yuetian took the initiative to ask Cheng Yi about their research project.

“For the time being, it’s hard to say whether it’s going well or not. Generally speaking, even any progress is considered good. After all, it’s completely unrealistic to develop a cure all at once. However, with the assistance and support of Lahaisen Hospital’s advanced medical equipment and technology, our research will definitely progress ten times faster than usual.”

But even so, Cheng Yi did not want to claim that they could definitely produce results.

“Ahh, it must be hard on you. After all, Yiling shouldn’t work overtime as she’s pregnant. All the running around and errands will be left to you,” Long Yuetian said.

“No no. It’s what I should do. After all, I’m a man. It’s only natural for me to look after Yiling and Sister En.”

“When the project is over, I will introduce you to some girls.”

In Long Yuetian’s opinion, Cheng Yi was a motivated young man. As the Long Heng Group involved themselves in the entertainment industry, she could introduce him to many beautiful and capable girls.

“It’s alright. I already like someone,” Cheng Yi replied with a bit of embarrassment.

“Oh? You already like someone?” Long Yuetian inquired curiously. “Since you’re such a good man, that girl must like you as well. Hopefully, the two of you can get married as soon as possible.”

Not for a moment did Long Yuetian think Cheng Yi liked her.

After all, she was a bit older than Cheng Yi. She also wasn’t as delusional as her father.

In addition to this, she didn’t believe her personality was suited to be someone’s girlfriend.

As Long Yuetian chatted with Cheng Yi, she completely ignored the presence of Zhai Zhongshen.

Chapter 1395: Can’t Escape From Zhai Zhongshen (2)

Although Cheng Yi could feel Zhai Zhongshen’s intense gaze, he tried to ignore it.

“Well... I’m not sure about that...” Cheng Yi replied. He wasn’t very confident.

“Well, good luck then,” Long Yuetian encouraged

“Yep, I will try my best,” Cheng Yi responded seriously. He was trying his best right now.

It took roughly forty minutes for them to drive to Cheng Yi’s destination.

When they arrived, Cheng Yi reluctantly got out of the car. Then, he watched Long Yuetian and Zhai Zhongshen leave.

Without Cheng Yi, the atmosphere in the car instantly became awkward. Long Yuetian was unsure of how to chat with Zhai Zhongshen.

And thus, she looked down. Similarly, Zhai Zhongshen did not open his mouth to speak.

Every minute spent alone with Zhai Zhongshen seemed extraordinarily long.

It was not until the car stopped that Long Yuetian realized she wasn’t at the Long Heng Group.

“Where is this?” Long Yuetian asked.

“The Tianxing Group.”

The Tianxing Group’s headquarters were located in Country Y. This building was just a branch that Zhai Zhongshen opened in Beijing.

“Why did you bring me to Tianxing Group?” Long Yuetian asked.

“We need to discuss parts of the project,” Zhai Zhongshen calmly replied. He said this to Long Yuetian before they departed.

Upon hearing this response, Long Yuetian slowly followed Zhai Zhongshen into the VIP elevator.

The VIP elevator brought them straight to the CEO’s office which was located on the highest level of the building.

However, as soon as she entered the office, Long Yuetian noticed that there was no one else there.

“Is it just us?” Long Yuetian questioned.

Could they discuss this project with just the two of them? What could they even talk about?

“Sit,” Zhai Zhongshen gestured as he poured a glass of water for Long Yuetian.

Long Yuetian slowly sat down on the leather sofa. She felt a little uncomfortable.

Zhai Zhongshen’s aura and presence were extraordinarily strong. It was hard to ignore him.

“So what went wrong in our project?” Long Yuetian took the initiative to ask.

As long as she talked about work matters, she wouldn’t feel as nervous.

Zhai Zhongshen was standing in front of the leather sofa.

Without replying to her question, he suddenly lowered his head and approached Long Yuetian’s face.

This gesture closed the distance between them.

He was so close that the tip of his nose could almost touch hers.

Long Yuetian's heart began to beat rapidly and her entire brain went blank.

"Do you care a lot about Cheng Yi?" Zhai Zhongshen asked.

"What?" Long Yuetian responded with confusion. As her brain felt short-circuited, she couldn't quite comprehend the meaning of Zhai Zhongshen's words.

"Are you concerned about his romantic interests?"

"No?" When did she say that?

The conversation she had with Cheng Yi on the way here was just between ordinary friends. It was nothing special.

As she attempted to recall the conversation, her lips were suddenly met with Zhai Zhongshen's hot lips.

Zhai Zhongshen's kiss was so aggressive and possessive that it almost took Long Yuetian's breath away.

This kiss completely short-circuited Long Yuetian's already fragile and half-working brain.

Her brain which had been active for more than thirty years went on strike for the first time.

After a long time, Zhai Zhongshen finally released Long Yuetian.

Long Yuetian looked at Zhai Zhongshen with a bewildered expression on her face. She could not quite comprehend what had just happened.

After a long pause, Long Yuetian moved her right hand to touch her damp lips. It was as though she was trying to confirm that what just happened was real and not an illusion.

"What are you doing..."

"I want you," Zhai Zhongshen replied seriously. Despite saying these words, his face still showed little to no expression.

Chapter 1396: First Kiss That She Treasured for Thirty Years!

On the way home, Long Yuetian remained in a trance. Zhai Zhongshen's handsome face kept appearing in her mind and the words "I want you" kept repeating over and over again.

She couldn't believe such a serious and stoic man actually said the words "I want you."

Was she dreaming? Was she having an illusion?

As soon as she got home, Long Yuetian collapsed on her bed. She began to regret everything.

Why didn't she refuse just now?!

That was so humiliating!

Her first kiss!

Her first kiss that she treasured for thirty years!

Two hours later, Long Yuetian finally located her brain. She realized she suffered a huge loss.

“That damned old man!” Long Yuetian cursed as she punched her bed. She wanted to vent her anger and displeasure.

Then, she began to toss and turn on her bed.

Finally, she decided to stay away from Zhai Zhongshen.

She was a member of the Long family. How could she let a man influence her heart like this?

As a descendant of the Long family, she had to be independent and self-disciplined. She wasn't going to be swayed by others!

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Unlike the research team formed by Jian Yiling, everyone on Zhang Xin's team were all descendants or disciples of the Zhang family.

As Zhang Xin's ancestors passed down a remedy for lung cancer, after a bit of research over the years, Zhang Xin and his team found out it was very effective in slowing down the spread of cancer cells in the lungs.

Perhaps back in the day, his ancestor used this formula to treat lung cancer. However, back then, he probably didn't know what it was.

Previously, through various experiments, Zhang Xin managed to confirm that this remedy could delay the deterioration of the lung to a certain extent. This could allow patients with terminal lung cancer who could previously only survive two to three months to be able to extend their life to two or three years.

This was why Zhang Xin was so confident.

With this as the foundation, they just needed to further develop this remedy.

However, things were not going as smoothly as Zhang Xin planned.

A week had passed, and he hadn't made any progress at all.

And thus, Zhang Xin began to worry.

Eventually, he decided to send someone to have a look around Jian Yiling's research lab to inquire into the situation. He wanted to make sure he was ahead of her in progression.

However, his men couldn't get anywhere close to Jian Yiling's research. And thus, there was no way to inquire into Jian Yiling's research progression.

In the end, Zhang Xin could only go to see Qin Chuan.

As Qin Chuan was the subject of their competition, he was under the joint supervision of three parties. Namely, Zhang Xin's research team, Jian Yiling's research team, and the National Medical Institution who acted as their judge.

When Zhang Xin arrived, Qin Chuan's complexion looked better than usual. He had much more energy than when Zhang Xin first saw him.

However, this was not necessarily because his condition improved. Rather, the effect seemed to be brought by a change in mood.

When Jian Yiling arrived outside Qin Chuan's ward, Zhang Xin and Qin Chuan were chatting inside.

Zhang Xin asked Qin Chuan: "Have you let go of your obsession with Dr. Jian?"

"Well, it's not really letting go. I just figured things out," Qin Chuan replied.

"That's good. Being in a better mood will help your condition and give you more hope to last until the end of our competition."

"Are you determined to win against her?"

"Of course. The Zhang family has a reputation to maintain in the medical industry. We have hundreds of years of foundation. This can't be ruined in my hands. Even though we're a reclusive family, we will not allow someone else to claim to be the best."

Chapter 1397: Trusting Her

As Jian Yiling had no intentions to eavesdrop, she walked straight through the door.

When Zhang Xin saw Jian Yiling, he immediately stopped his conversation with Qin Chuan. He turned his head to mock Jian Yiling: "Dr. Jian, it seems like you're quite diligent with your visits. Are you confident about the progress you're making?"

By provoking Jian Yiling, Zhang Xin hoped to hear some update on her research progress.

However, Jian Yiling was not affected by his words.

She walked over to Qin Chuan's bed without any expression on her face. Then, she did the usual checks and monitored if there were any changes in his body.

At this stage, she and Zhang Xin could only give Qin Chuan some relatively basic drugs to delay the deterioration of his condition.

However, the effect of these drugs was very limited.

Despite her lack of response, Zhang Xin continued to speak to Jian Yiling: "Dr. Jian, if you're not making any progress in your research, you can choose to concede defeat. As long as you concede defeat and leave Mr. Qin to be my patient, I can ensure that he will live a few more years."

"I will not concede defeat. Furthermore, if you have a way to make him better, you should help him. As a doctor, you shouldn't use his health as a bargaining chip."

Upon hearing this response, Zhang Xin laughed: "Dr. Jian, you're really good with your words. All you're doing right now is reducing the embarrassment you'll be facing when you lose."

Qin Chuan warned Zhang Xin: “Mr. Zhang, please watch your words. I have no problem if you want to compete against Dr. Jian peacefully. However, I won’t let you speak ill of her.”

Zhang Xin laughed: “Qin Chuan, do you still think you’re the respected Head of the Qin family? Initially, I only befriended you because I saw that you were somewhat capable. However, your only use right now is to be our research subject.”

Previously, Zhang Xin intended to maintain a superficial friendship with Qin Chuan. However, since Qin Chuan dared to speak out against him, there was no need to act friendly with him.

“Zhang Xin, I’m not dead yet.”

“Well, you’re close enough to being dead. Who doesn’t know that you’ve been screwed over by Jian Yiling and Zhai Yunsheng?”

Jian Yiling replied, “A Sheng and I didn’t completely ruin him. We only ruined his company.”

In many aspects, Qin Chuan caused his own ruin and demise.

Furthermore, he most likely knew what kind of consequences he would face when he did those things.

When Qin Chuan realized Jian Yiling somewhat understood him, he smiled softly. Then he said to Zhang Xin: “Zhang Xin, if you’re capable of winning against her fair and square, go ahead and do so. However, don’t you dare play any dirty tricks. As long as I live, I will always choose to protect her.”

Qin Chuan’s words were not only for Zhang Xin’s ears, but he was also making a promise to Jian Yiling.

As her friend, he would protect her to repay the debt he owed her.

Jian Yiling paused when she heard this. After a moment, she said to Qin Chuan: “I will do everything I can to extend your life.”

“I believe in you.”

Qin Chuan believed in Jian Yiling with all his heart and soul.

He believed that she could find a way to make him better.

Zhang Xin sneered and said: “Well, we will see when the time comes! I wonder if you’ll still have such confidence in your abilities!”

After finishing her examination of Qin Chuan, Jian Yiling also left.

When she left Qin Chuan’s ward, she saw that Zhai Yunsheng had also come over at some point.

It seemed like he was waiting for her.

When Jian Yiling and Zhai Yunsheng looked at each other, they didn’t say anything to one another.

Instead, Zhai Yunsheng slowly lowered his head and dropped a kiss on her forehead.

Then, he took her hand and walked away.

As they were husband and wife, they didn't need to explain many things to one another. Between them, there was unconditional trust.

Chapter 1398: Ruins

A month later, Jian Yiling's research team began to achieve initial results.

As Qin Chuan's condition was critical, Jian Yiling decided to use drugs that had not yet been fully clinically tested on him.

If she was just trying to win against Zhang Xin, she would not have rashly used the medicine on Qin Chuan before the results of the competition came out. After all, if she did this, she would be essentially revealing her research progress to the Zhang family.

Naturally, Qin Chuan trusted Jian Yiling. He was willing to try the drugs that had not been repeatedly verified through experiments. On top of this, he specifically asked to sign a waiver agreement.

He did not want Jian Yiling to be held responsible for his condition if it deteriorated.

After trying the new drug developed by Jian Yiling, Qin Chuan's condition improved significantly.

Qin Chuan's mother was delighted to see this. The members of Jian Yiling's team were also very happy.

Upon learning this news, the person Zhang Xin arranged to be in Qin Chuan's ward immediately informed him.

Zhang Xin was utterly furious.

After an entire month of experiments, their team made little progress.

However, Jian Yiling's team somehow achieved such a huge breakthrough.

If Jian Yiling did multiple experiments with the new drug and it was proven to be effective, this meant he was going to lose the competition.

No. He couldn't afford to lose.

If he lost to Jian Yiling, this would mean the Zhang family would actually end up losing their reputation and status in the medical industry.

And this was something he absolutely could not tolerate.

On top of this, his family elders would definitely blame him.

Therefore, he could not lose. His pride would not allow him to fail. The definition of failure did not exist inside his dictionary.

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"What's going on?"

When Luo Xiuen entered the research lab in the morning with Jian Yiling, she discovered everything was in ruin.

All their papers had been burned.

In addition, the computers they used to store data had been completely trashed. It seemed as though particular care was put into destroying the memory and storage.

Furthermore, all the flasks inside the lab were all knocked over, and various liquids were spilled on the table and floor.

Inside the small room belonging to Liu Ting, his collections of bottles and jars were also all smashed. Formalin solutions were spilled all over the floor and strange organs and tissues were all exposed to the air.

It seemed like the entire research room just encountered an intense battle.

“The Zhang family must have done this!” Luo Xiuen exclaimed in anger.

Other than the Zhang family, no one else would achieve anything from destroying their research progression.

“They’re so damn despicable! I’m going to go and settle a score with them! I will beat the hell out of them!” Luo Xiuen refused to tolerate what happened.

As she was also pregnant, her temper was a little more irritable than usual

“Don’t go,” Jian Yiling called out as she stopped Luo Xiuen.

“Yiling, don’t stop me. I can’t stand this.”

“No,” Jian Yiling firmly said as she opened her arms to block Luo Xiuen’s way. She did not want her sister-in-law to act impulsively.

“Yiling... I...” Luo Xiuen started.

“Don’t worry, I’ll take care of it,” Jian Yiling calmly reassured Luo Xiuen.

Upon hearing this, Luo Xiuen gradually calmed down.

“But Yiling... That was almost a month of research data... It’s been completely destroyed. We would have to start from scratch... It will take us at least half a month to return to where we were. We were so close to achieving results...”

When she thought about their hard work that got destroyed, Luo Xiuen felt incredibly angry.

Chapter 1399: Jian Yiling is Too Young

After the incident with Jian Yiling’s team, news came from Zhang Xin’s side that their research had made great progress. They were now entering the final clinical validation phase.

If the clinical phase went well, Zhang Xin's team would announce the results of their research and thereby, achieve results before Jian Yiling.

This meant Jian Yiling's team would likely lose the competition.

However, a week later, Jian Yiling was the first to submit an application to verify her research to the national medical institution.

As long as the national medical institution confirmed the validity of Jian Yiling's research, then Zhang Xin, who had not yet submitted an application, would lose.

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However, everyone knew Jian Yiling's research lab had just gotten destroyed and all her data had been wiped clean.

Hence, in just a week's time, it was impossible for Jian Yiling to catch up to her previous progression.

Zhang Xin did not become nervous when he heard Jian Yiling submit an application to the national medical institution. Instead, he began to laugh.

As expected, Jian Yiling fell for his trap!

This was in his plan.

He deliberately let out the word that his team had made progress.

This would make Jian Yiling stressed. After all, any data she previously had was utterly destroyed.

"Master, what if Jian Yiling's team actually has research results?"

Zhang Xin laughed when he heard this: "Are her research results not taken from me? I deliberately chose to let them know what medicine I gave Qin Chuan. After her data got destroyed, she definitely grasped as straws and tried to grab onto her last hope of victory."

"How are you sure that she must be using the information you leaked to them?"

"Although she has no evidence, she definitely could guess someone from the Zhang family destroyed her data and research lab. As she can't do anything without evidence, she would want to retaliate against me through other means. Knowing this, I created this opportunity for her. She would definitely take the risk as she believes that I am at fault first. Hence, she wouldn't have to feel guilty taking my research. But what she doesn't know is that this is a trap I set for her."

Zhang Xin's face was full of smiles.

Jian Yiling was still way too young.

In order to be fair and impartial, when the national medical institution verified the results provided by Jian Yiling's team, Zhang Xin's team also had to be present.

As Qin Chuan was concerned about Jian Yiling, he also requested to be there.

And thus, Yun Song who was the representative of the national medical institution decided to set the verification location at the hospital where Qin Chuan was hospitalized.

Zhang Xin arrived at the hospital with a big smile on his face.

The smile on his face gave Yun Song a bad feeling.

Intuition told Yun Song that this matter would never be that simple. The Zhang Xin he knew would never meekly admit defeat.

Zhang Xin had a strong desire to win. He would never let someone win over him especially if the matter affected the entirety of the Zhang family.

When Yun Song realized this, he wanted to warn Jian Yiling that this was possibly a trap.

However, as Jian Yiling's team began presenting, he as the judge, should not be whispering to her.

Despite this, Yun Song was incredibly worried about Jian Yiling.

Jian Yiling seemed completely unaware that she walked into Zhang Xin's trap.

Chapter 1400: Waiting for Jian Yiling to Embarrass Herself

When Jian Yiling's team began their demonstration, they used the most advanced medical equipment currently available. This medical technology was not available elsewhere in the world as the equipment was transferred by Jian Yiling from Lahaisen Hospital to this hospital.

Because of this, the doctors and nurses from the affiliated hospital of Beijing University came to speculate as well.

In the spirit of fairness and openness, Jian Yiling did not stop them.

In the past, Zhang Xin heard about Lahaisen Hospital's medical technology. However, when he saw it for the first time, he couldn't help but feel surprised and envious.

Historically, as the Zhang family specialized in traditional Chinese medicine, Zhang Xin's main focus was on that. However, when Zhang Xin became the head of the Zhang family, he no longer wanted to limit his diagnosis and treatment to Chinese medicine. Hence, over the years, he began to use modern medical technology as an auxiliary tool.

As the medical equipment used by Jian Yiling's team supported and streamlined the work done, most doctors and nurses wanted the opportunity to use it.

Zhang Xin secretly decided to himself that after winning against Jian Yiling, he would find a way to access the advanced medical technology owned by Lahaisen Hospital and Xuming Medical Manufacturers.

If his status was certified by respected individuals in the medical industry, Jian Yiling would not be able to refuse his request.

He could definitely find ways to "borrow" her medical equipment.

Many academics, respected doctors, and individuals with rich medical knowledge and experience gathered to watch Jian Yiling's demonstration.

There were amazed expressions on their faces.

Jian Yiling's demonstration was incredibly insightful even to the "old fossils" in the medical industry.

With this medical technology, it made sense why Lahaisen Hospital was considered the best in the world.

Their advanced technology could easily leave all the other ordinary hospitals in the dust.

Today was the first stage of the demonstration. The demonstration was roughly split into two stages. The first stage was meant to be testing on sick mice whilst the second stage was going to be testing performed on cultured cancer cells.

If the drug developed by Jian Yiling's team could control the various indicators of the sick mice within a certain range for a period of time with no negative side effects, their team would pass the first stage of the demonstration.

Obviously, there would be a continued observation of the sick mice for roughly a week after testing to determine the effectiveness of the experimental drug. After this observation period ended, Jian Yiling's research team would have mostly won.

The demonstration soon reached its most critical moment.

Yun Song became both excited and nervous.

If Jian Yiling succeeded, then they would all be witnesses to this miracle. However, if Jian Yiling failed, she would lose her reputation in the medical community. Even though she wouldn't hit the rock bottom, in the future, whenever Lahaisen Hospital or her name was mentioned, it would not be as respected as the Zhang family or Zhang Xin.

All the other academics felt the same way.

Even though they were all rather old, whenever there was a breakthrough in this area, they all acted like excited children.

Zhang Xin tried to hold back a smile. The good show he was waiting for was finally going to begin.

Jian Yiling was going to make a fool of herself.

Then all of her research would be overturned.

Luo Xiuen noticed Zhang Xin's expression. She was so angry that she began to grit her teeth.

How dare that bastard smile like that after destroying their research lab and data?!

If not for Yiling's words, she would have gone up to rip the smile off his face!