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DNA, BASICALLY THE CODED INSTRUCTIONS FOR YOUR CELLS AND EVERYTHING THEY WILL DO WITHIN YOUR LIFE.

WHICH CELLS SHOULD GROW AND WHEN, WHICH CELLS SHOULD DIE AND WHEN, WHICH CELLS SHOULD MAKE YOUR EYES AND WHAT COLOR THEY WILL BE.



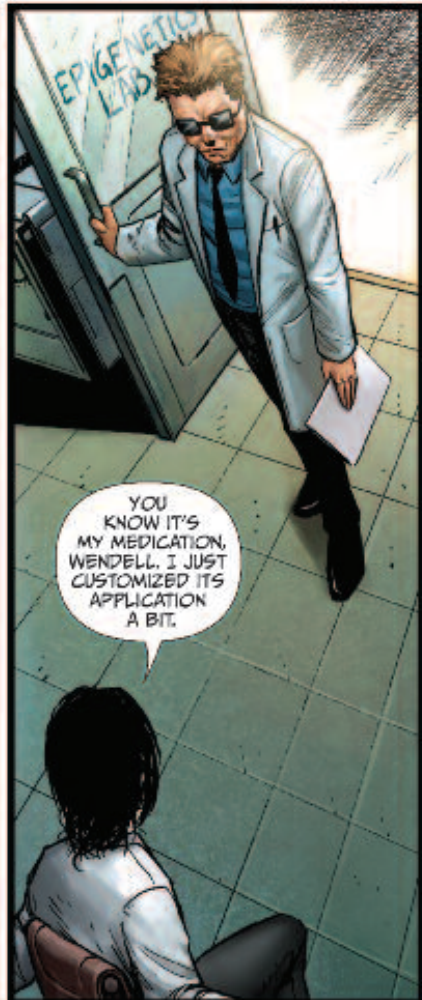
IF YOU'LL BE ATTRACTIVE.

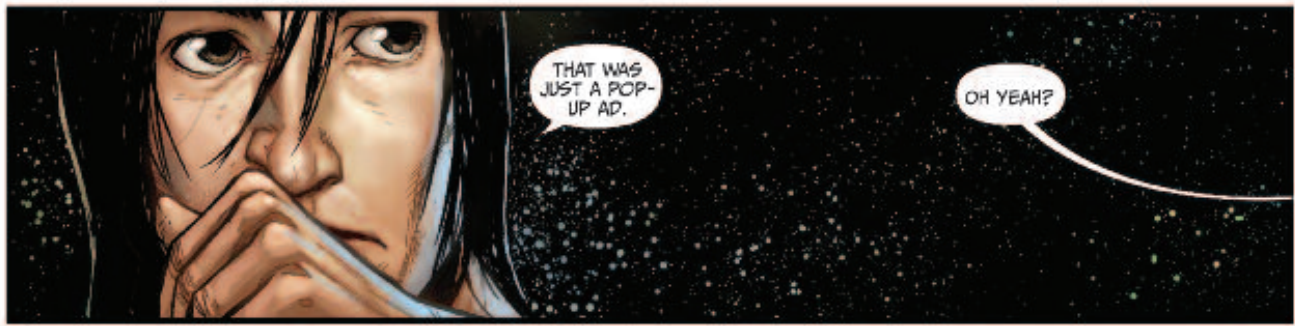
OR IF YOU'LL HAVE... PERSONALITY.

EXTROVERT.

INTROVERT.

YOUR DNA MAKES YOU EVERYTHING YOU ARE WHEN YOU COME INTO THIS WORLD.





THAT WAS JUST A POP-UP AD.

OH YEAH?



FINE YOU GOT ME. IT WAS HOW I PASSED FIFTY-THREE SECONDS THIS MORNING.

THAT A NEW RECORD FOR YOU? WAIT, MENTAL IMAGE FORMING. SHIT.

TOO LATE. LET'S JUST MOVE ON. YOU REMEMBER YIN AND YANG?



MODERN MEDICINE

THE ONES WE MADE FROM THE SAME STEM CELL?

GENE BREACH MANIPULATION: IS THIS THE FUTURE OF EVOLUTION?



WELL, THE RESULTS ARE IN AND DR. KILN WANTS TO DISCUSS IT.

WHY? WHAT HAPPENED?

IT'S A GOOD NEWS, BAD NEWS SORT OF THING. GOOD NEWS IS YOUR OUTLANDISH THEORY FOR GENE-BREACH MANIPULATION HAS NOW ACTUALLY WORKED IN PRACTICE.

BAD NEWS... WELL, WE'LL GET THERE. FIRST, CHECK OUT THEIR NEURO-IMAGING RESULTS. THEIR COGNITIVE ABILITIES ARE CONSTANTLY EVOLVING.



NOT ONLY THAT-- THEIR PHYSICAL ATTRIBUTES ARE OFF- THE-CHARTS LIKE NOTHING PREVIOUSLY RECORDED. EVER.



YOU MEAN THEY'RE LIKE CAESAR?

IF YOU MUST USE POP CULTURE TO EVALUATE THE PINNACLE OF SCIENTIFIC ENGINEERING THAN YES, THEY'RE LIKE CAESAR.



SO WHAT'S THE BAD NEWS?

KILN'S CUTTING OUR FUNDING.

WHAT?

YEAH HE SAYS--





YOU GUYS ARE BUILDING PLANET OF THE APES WHEN WE NEED YOU TO BE BUILDING A PLANET KRYPTON.



YOU WANT TO START TESTING THIS ON HUMANS, DR. KILN?

THE FACT IS WE'RE LOSING OUT.

DYNACORE, MEDITECH, BIOGEN, THEY'RE ALL MAKING GENETICALLY VIABLE SOLUTIONS FOR EVERYDAY PEOPLE RIGHT NOW.



WE NEED TO DEVELOP SOMETHING WE CAN TAKE TO THE BANK OR WE'RE GOING TO SINK.



YOU DON'T WANT TO SEE THIS COMPANY GO UNDER DO YOU?

THAT'S A RHETORICAL QUESTION RIGHT?

IT'S HARD TO TELL YOU KNOW BECAUSE YOU'RE ALWAYS SO LAID BACK AND EVERYTHING.



YOUR FATHER BUILT THIS COMPANY FROM NOTHING. WE'RE ALL WAITING FOR YOU TO STEP IN AND LEAD IT INTO THE FUTURE.









HERE, LET ME HELP.

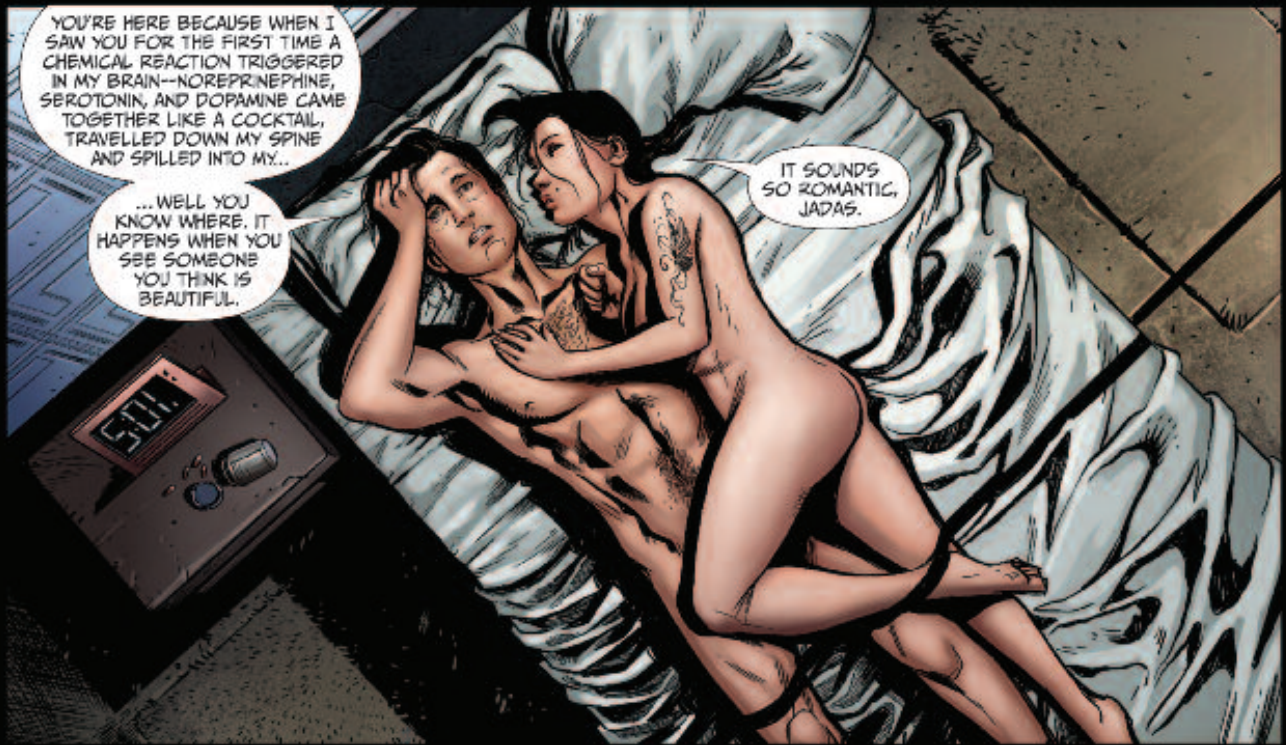
WAIT.

WHY?



I CAN'T FOCUS ON ONE THING. I'M THINKING OF TEN DIFFERENT THINGS RIGHT NOW.

IS IT WORK? DIDN'T YOU CALL ME TO GET YOUR MIND OFF OF WORK?



YOU'RE HERE BECAUSE WHEN I SAW YOU FOR THE FIRST TIME A CHEMICAL REACTION TRIGGERED IN MY BRAIN--NOREPRINEPHINE, SEROTONIN, AND DOPAMINE CAME TOGETHER LIKE A COCKTAIL, TRAVELLED DOWN MY SPINE AND SPILLED INTO MY...

... WELL YOU KNOW WHERE. IT HAPPENS WHEN YOU SEE SOMEONE YOU THINK IS BEAUTIFUL.

IT SOUNDS SO ROMANTIC, JADAS.



SORRY, SYLVIA. I KNOW I HAVEN'T BEEN MYSELF LATELY.

SHHH. IT'S OKAY, BABY. I LOVE WHEN YOU TALK DIRTY TO ME LATE AT NIGHT.



ALRIGHT, 10 PINTS OF MODIFIED DNA PLASMA FROM ONE SUBJECT DX-539, A.K.A. CLARK KENT.



25 YEARS OLD, 6 FEET 2 INCHES TALL, 195 POUNDS, IQ OF 151, AND NOW GENOYMYNE OWNS HIS DNA AND YOU WILL PLAY GOD TO HIS PROGENY.



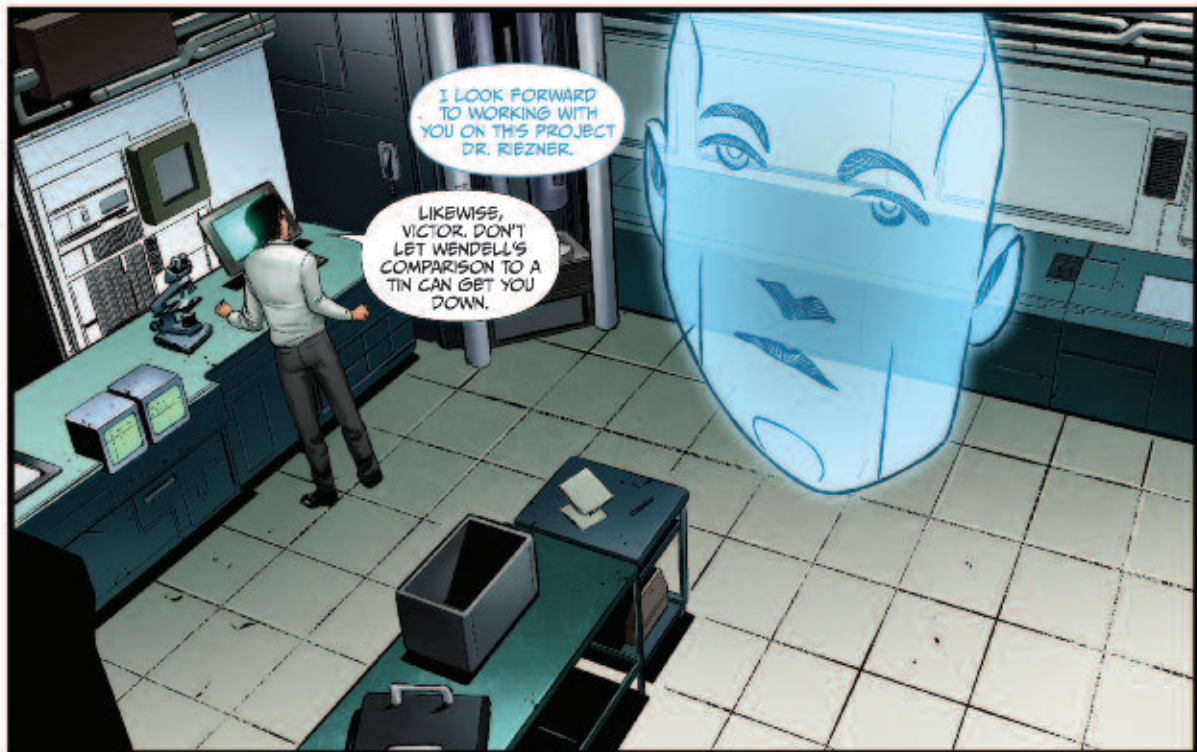
AREN'T YOU GOING TO STICK AROUND?



I'M NOT WATCHING THE BODIES PILE UP THROUGHOUT THE TRIAL AND ERROR.

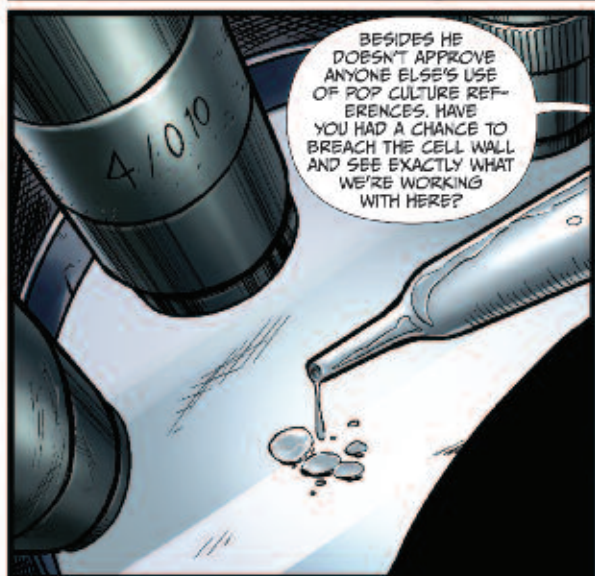


BESIDES, YOU HAVE RZ-DZ HERE TO HELP.



I LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU ON THIS PROJECT DR. RIEZNER.

LIKEWISE, VICTOR. DON'T LET WENDELL'S COMPARISON TO A TIN CAN GET YOU DOWN.



BESIDES HE DOESN'T APPROVE ANYONE ELSE'S USE OF POP CULTURE REFERENCES. HAVE YOU HAD A CHANCE TO BREACH THE CELL WALL AND SEE EXACTLY WHAT WE'RE WORKING WITH HERE?



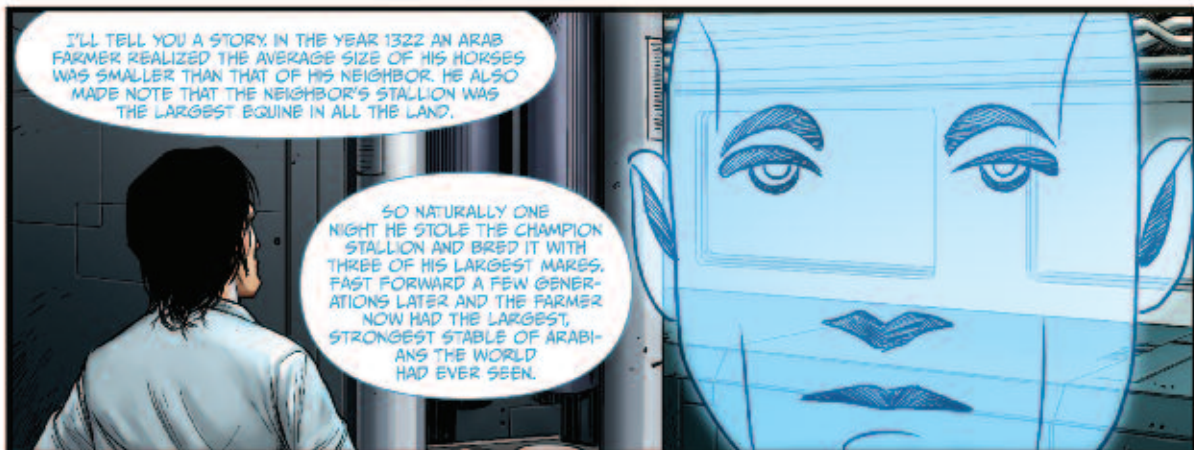
IN FACT I HAVE ALREADY REPROGRAMMED THE CHROMOSOMES IN ATTEMPT TO BOLSTER INFECTIOUS AND HEREDITARY DISEASE RESISTANCES, PROLONGED LUNG CAPACITY AND A MORE EFFICIENT CIRCULATORY SYSTEM.

IS EVERYTHING ALRIGHT, DR. RIEZNER? YOU SEEM HESITANT TO INITIATE ALPHA TRIAL?



IS WENDELL RIGHT, VICTOR? I MEAN, IS THIS RIGHT? WHAT EXACTLY ARE WE FUCKING WITH HERE?

ARE WE REALLY TRYING TO MAKE A HUMAN WITH A PERMANENT STEROID NEEDLE STUCK IN HIS ASS?



I'LL TELL YOU A STORY. IN THE YEAR 1322 AN ARAB FARMER REALIZED THE AVERAGE SIZE OF HIS HORSES WAS SMALLER THAN THAT OF HIS NEIGHBOR. HE ALSO MADE NOTE THAT THE NEIGHBOR'S STALLION WAS THE LARGEST EQUINE IN ALL THE LAND.

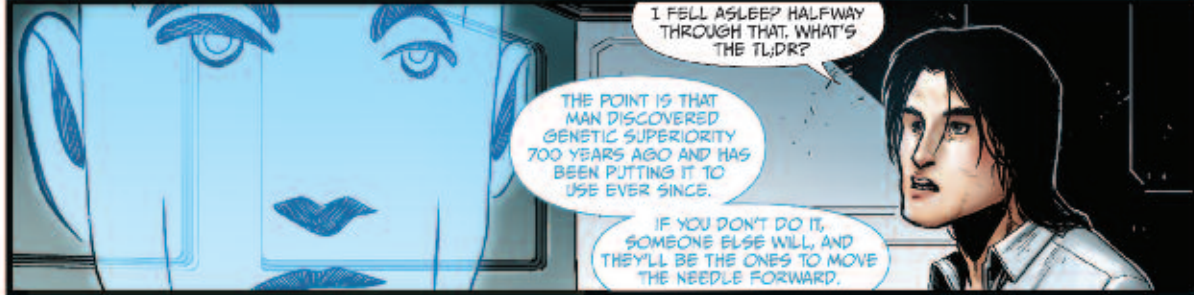
SO NATURALLY ONE NIGHT HE STOLE THE CHAMPION STALLION AND BRED IT WITH THREE OF HIS LARGEST MARES. FAST FORWARD A FEW GENERATIONS LATER AND THE FARMER NOW HAD THE LARGEST, STRONGEST STABLE OF ARABIANS THE WORLD HAD EVER SEEN.



VICTOR.



YES.



I FELL ASLEEP HALFWAY THROUGH THAT. WHAT'S THE TL;DR?

THE POINT IS THAT MAN DISCOVERED GENETIC SUPERIORITY 700 YEARS AGO AND HAS BEEN PUTTING IT TO USE EVER SINCE.

IF YOU DON'T DO IT, SOMEONE ELSE WILL, AND THEY'LL BE THE ONES TO MOVE THE NEEDLE FORWARD.



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