

Breakthrough

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Caroline is a young biochemist fresh from college who has recently accepted a generous offer by a new company active in the field of experimental cosmetic techniques. She was actually a bit skeptical about the firm but the salary they promised was very attractive to her so she took their offer.

One day, while working late in the lab, she discovers a section that had until then been kept secret from her. "That's pretty weird" - she tells herself "they showed me around everything else in this flood on my introduction day". She checks the time, it's 7 PM of a Friday evening, nobody else is probably still in the whole building apart from the guardians, it might be the right time to closely investigate the matter.

She takes her time to analyse the test tubes stored there and figures out it's a new agent able to quickly and selectively alter the DNA of human cells. She is shocked to realise such researches are kept in secret and not released to the scientific community to benefit humanity and suspects something illegal is going on.

As she continues her analyses further, an unnoticed man enters the lab from a back door and observes her. Then he finally makes himself noticed by clearing his throat.

What happens next?

A. She tells the man she wants to report the subject to the press, facing a possible punishment from the company

B. She freaks out and accidentally spills the fluid on herself, causing some unexpected consequences

C. She decides to work for this project and is shown some interesting results