TORCHWOOD 2

Episode 6

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PRE-TITLES

1 INT. INDUSTRIAL COMPLEX -- NIGHT

WEEVIL, soaked with rain, emerges from cover & runs through the complex.

WEEVIL dodges round a corner into a desolate area of waste bins & rubbish - & comes to a halt. It's seen something. The WEEVIL's nostrils twitch & its lips draw back in a snarl, & it leans in close to the object of its interest.

CUT TO:

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2 INT. INDUSTRIAL COMPLEX -- NIGHT

TOSH & OWEN enter in pursuit of the WEEVIL. -

They follow its path & find it, hunched over the body of a middle-aged man, with no obvious signs of violence.

The WEEVIL clocks them & runs off.

OWEN checks vital signs of the corpse.

OWEN

Dead.

CUT TO:

3 INT. TORCHWOOD RECEPTION -- NIGHT

Our POV is that of a visitor opening the door, & finding IANTO behind the counter, idly flipping through a magazine.

IANTO looks up, looks us up & down casually but appreciatively.

IANTO Sorry, we're just closing...

We hold out an identity card.

The camera doesn't see what it says, but IANTO's reaction tells us enough. He snaps to attention.

IANTO (CONT'D) Pardon me Ma'am. 3

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IANTO hurries to shut up shop, then ushers us into the Hub.

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4 INT. THE HUB -- NIGHT

The team, apart from IANTO, are watching as OWEN begins preliminary post-mortem on the body they found.

JACK Documents on the body identify the

victim as Meredith Roberts...

OWEN No obvious signs of violence...

GWEN So are we saying it wasn't the Weevil?

OWEN Give us a chance, I've only just started...

IANTO (V.O.) (From intercom) Jack - your VIP visitor is here.

Owen, Gwen, Toshiko all look at Jack.

GWEN

I didn't know we were expecting anyone.

Lights by the door start to flash. Jack steps into the Main hub, followed by the others.

JACK Suddenly, in an underground mortuary, on a wet night in Cardiff - I hear the song of a nightingale...

This as the big door rolls open to reveal:

JACK (CONT'D) Miss Martha Jones!

Push in on Martha, standing, framed by the door, grinning.

Titles.

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5 INT. TORCHWOOD, THE HUB - NIGHT

JACK & MARTHA hugging. (IANTO entering through main doors to join the rest of the team)

MARTHA Good to see you, Jack.

JACK Owen, Toshiko, Ianto, Gwen... meet Martha.

OWEN Just a casual visit?

MARTHA (Sweet smile) I'm here to complete your post-mortem.

OWEN looks to Jack.

JACK D c Jones is from UNIT.

GWEN

Oh God, all these names, I can never remember who's who. Which one's UNIT?

JACK

International, military, cute red caps. The acceptable face of intelligence gathering on aliens. We're more ad hoc. But better looking.

MARTHA moves in to examine the body, OWEN hovering at her shoulder - close as he can.

JACK & the others are watching.

MARTHA

I identified a pattern from UNIT's data on sudden deaths - toxic shock, nothing to link the victims...

MARTHA carefully examines the spaces between the victim's toes, with an illuminated magnifier.

MARTHA (CONT'D) Different ages, sexes, occupations, ethnic origins... But there was a statistically significant concentration in South Wales...

MARTHA gives up on the toes, peers into the armpits.

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JACK

Be honest - you really came all this way just for me...

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MARTHA Still struggling to conquer your shyness, Jack?

JACK & MARTHA smirk at each other; they're delighting in each others' company.

OWEN

So what was this pattern?

MARTHA

They were being wrighten pff_aas_E suicidents...

MARTHA delicately peels back the eyelid of the victim, shines illuminated magnifier on the eyeball.

MARTHA (CONT'D)

Look...

FX: OWEN looks - there's a tiny puncture mark at the extreme edge of the eyeball's visible area.

MARTHA (CONT'D)

Puncture mark - hypodermic needle... You'll find his bloodstream was pumped full of ammonium hydroxide...

OWEN Bloodstream, yeah, that was next on my--

MARTHA

(over him) Have you checked his medical records?

OWEN No, I was just about to--

MARTHA

(over him) MARTHA give it a go. You never know, Owen -(Big friendly grin -

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JACK (CONT'D) (Beat; grins) So, End of the World Survivors Club.

And Martha grins, so grateful.

MARTHA God, I'm glad to see you!

JACK See, I knew it. You did come all this way just for me. It's the jawline, once seen, always yearned for.

They smile: relief and gratitude for the other.

JACK (CONT'D) D'you miss him?

MARTHA No. I made my choice. (Beat) Maybe sometimes. Tiny bit. Tiny tiny. And then I come to my senses again.

They both grin.

MARTHA (CONT'D) Anyway, I've got plenty to occupy me.

JACK Ooh yeah, Miss High-Falutin'. What is

it, Medical Officer? MARTHA

(big grin; so proud) Oh yes!

JACK So do I have to call you ma'am?

MARTHA No, just follow my orders to the letter!

JACK Y'know, you should've called me, if you were looking for a job.

MARTHA

I wasn't. This woman from UNIT rang, out of the blue. Said I was just what they were looking for. That I'd been recommended by an "impeccable source". Torchwood 2 Ep 6 - Yellow - J.C.Wilsher - 03/09/07 Page 7.

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| 7A | CONTINUED: 7A | |
| | Marie looks round, there's nobody else about. This is making her uneasy. | * |
| | Looks back. The man still there. | * |
| | Marie tugs on the lead starts walking. Away from the figure on the corner. | * |
| | After a few paces, she glances over her shoulder. The man is walking too now. After her. At her pace. | * |
| | Marie's scared now. She quickens her pace. | * |
| | INTERCUT: The man's pace quickens. | * |
| | Marie speeds up heads past the camera, as the man behind her comes into shot. | * |
| | He's reaching into the inside pocket of his jacket. | * |
| | As he passes the camera, he pulls out a needle. It glints in the streetlight. (!) | * |
| | CUT TO: | * |
| 8 | INT. TORCHWOOD, HOTHOUSE ROOM / GANTRY / MAIN HUB NIGBT | * |
| | JACK walking through the Hub with MARTHA and GWEN. Starting in the hothouse. | |
| | MARTHA lingers to look at the alien plants; JACK carries | |

MARTHA lingers to look at the alien plants; JACK carries on ahead to the gantry but GWEN pauses with MARTHA.

> GWEN So, you know Jack pretty well, then?

MARTHA We were only together for a few days. But it was ... intense.

GWEN Oh you mean, you...?

MARTHA

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MARTHA We must be the only two people on the planet!

And they're laughing now.

GWEN We must be doing something wrong!

And they're bonded, laughing, as Jack comes over.

JACK Talking about me?

GWEN (Nods at the plants) Discussing alien flora. (to Martha) Aren't we?

MARTHA

Oh yeah.

They grin at each other.

JACK She's no fun - raise your game, girls!

JUMP CUT: Few moments later, in the main hub. OWEN busy working.

MARTHA picks up the Singularity Scalpel, an exotic bit of kit lying around on a table.

MARTHA You've got some well weird kit - what's this?

JACK Be careful! Alien artefact.

OWEN

(Takes it from MARTHA) There's a lot of argument about this. For my money, it's got to be a surgical instrument...

MARTHA

Really?

JACK He's just guessing. Typical medic... Torchwood 2 Ep 6 - Yellow - J.C.Wilsher - 03/09/07 Page 10.

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OWEN monkeys about with it & LCD type screen on the back warms up.

OWEN I call it the Singularity Scalpel. See, what it does is concentrate energy at a tiny fixed point, without damaging anything on the way...

OWEN sets up a polystyrene cup, with a scrap of paper inside.

MARTHA

That's amazing...

GWEN

Owen - remember the last time...

OWEN fiddles with the device some more, & a grainy monochrome image of the cup appears, with cross-hair sights in the middle. Then the image x-rays through the cup, & reveals the scrap of paper.

> OWEN We're gonna vapourise the paper, without even scorching the cup...

JACK This'll end in tears...

The device powers up.

IANTO enters.

The cup is unaffected. So is the scrap of paper. Close to IANTO a plant pot explodes with a loud bang, & totally vapourises.

IANTO ducks, glowers at OWEN.

OWEN Haven't got the calibration quite sorted...

IANTO Jack - there's been another attack assault with a hypodermic. Only this time, the victim survived - woman, aged 27, she's in hospital ...

CUT TO:

9 <u>EXT. SUV -- NIGHT</u>

The SUV speeds through urban streets.

9A INT. HOSPITAL CORRIDOR -- NIGHT

GWEN on mobile phone, JACK and MARTHA striding through hospital, Martha carrying a medical kit in bag.

GWEN (on comms) Okay, cheers Tosh... (To JACK) Like the others - medical records wiped...

A UNIFORM CONSTABLE is standing outside the ward door.

JACK Torchwood. We need to talk to the victim.

UNIFORM CONSTABLE nods them through.

JUMP CUT TO:

10 INT. HOSPITAL A&E CUBICLE -- NIGHT

me...

JACK, GWEN & MARTHA are in the cubicle with MARIE.

We should get a sense of MARIE, anxious & confused, as the Torchwood team question & examine her.

MARTHA is drawing a blood sample from MARIE's arm, as -

MARIE The doctors said they were finished with

MARTHA glances at the blood in the syringe, gives MARIE a professional smile of reassurance -

MARTHA

We're a bit different.

MARTHA disconnects the sample phial from the needle with cool competence, removes the needle & swabs MARIE's arm, as -

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GWEN We know how tough this is for you, Marie. But did you recognise the man who attacked you?

MARIE I told the police...

JACK We're different from them, too.

MARTHA is securely bagging the sample & needle.

MARIE (Shakes head) Never seen him before.

GWEN

Did he say anything in the course of the assault?

MARIE

No -

MARTHA holds out a cotton bud type swab to take a sample from within MARIE's mouth.

MARTHA

Open wide!

MARIE opens her mouth a bit reluctantly & as MARTHA swabs a sample –

MARIE

(Articulating as best she can) Just come at me with a bloody great needle, didn't he? My dog bit the bugger, and I kicked him in the nuts.

JACK

Respect!

CUT TO:

11 INT. TORCHWOOD, THE HUB (MONTAGE) -- DAY

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Rapid-fire sequence of shots: OWEN & MARTHA conducting tests on MARIE's blood & tissue cells - dripping small

quantities into test tubes; agitating & centrifuging them; looking at samples through a computerised microscope.

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All the time they're working with terrific rapport - exchanging the odd word & nod but almost not needing to, thinking with one mind

OWEN puts a mug of coffee down in front of MARTHA.

OWEN So you and Jack go back a long way?

MARTHA (Reflects) Forward, and back, really.

OWEN What brought you together?

MARTHA Let's say we were under the same doctor.

OWEN frowns - that's not an answer.

MARTHA (CONT'D) (Changing subject deliberately) These killings - why the ammonium hydroxide? Weird way to kill someone...

OWEN

(Nods) Gross. Like injecting them with raw bleach -

MARTHA Unless the objective isn't just killing -

OWEN looks at MARTHA - they're thinking with the same mind.

OWEN

It's destroying something in the victim's bloodstream!

MARTHA

Getting rid of evidence!

MARTHA & OWEN are bright-eyed, thrilled about the fact they're making a breakthrough.

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13 INT. TORCHWOOD, THE HUB -- DAY

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| 13A | INT. TORCHWOOD, THE HUB DAY | 13A | * |
| | TOSHIKO at her computer it beeps. She calls so | mething | * |

up on screen (NB: we don't need to see graphics, play all

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this off Toshiko's face). TOSHIKO Ianto... IANTO appears at TOSHIKO's side. TOSHIKO (CONT'D) * Police have found another body, in Heath Park. From the initial reports, it's * got all the hallmarks of the other * * attacks. IANTO I'll get Gwen, head out there now. And he's off. CUT TO: 14 14 * EXT. CANAL TOWPATH -- DAY

The SUV pulls up at the nearest road access point & IANTO & GWEN get out & hurry to a murder scene - uniform police on the perimeter, police tapes indicating T3.rder 75uE393 T663 Torchwood 2 Ep 6 - Yellow - J.C.Wilsher - 03/09/07 Page 16.

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GWEN

- Toxic shock.

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| INT. | TORCHWOOD, TUNNELS DAY | 15A | * |
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| GWEN | and MARTHA in the tunnels, walking and talking: | | * |
| | GWEN The attack took place in the woods. So no witnesses and no CCTV. | | * * * |
| | MARTHA Same as the others. | | * |
| | GWEN Tosh just checked Barry's medical records: already wiped. | | * * * |
| | MARTHA And the puncture mark on his eyeball is identical to the other victims. Jack's right: these attacks aren't random. They're clinical, professional. More like assassinations. | | * |
| | GWEN Except Barry Leonard was a student. Who assassinates students?! | | * |
| | MARTHA Student Loan Company? | | * |
| | GWEN Brilliant, you've cracked it. (tiny grin, then:) But why delete medical records? What would all those people have in common? | | * * * * * |
| | MARTHA Owen's analysing Marie's test results now. I'm hoping that might give us an indication. | | * * * |
| | GWEN So we're still in the dark. No idea where the killer'll strike next. And the attacks are getting more frequent. | | * * * |
| | MARTHA (so certain) We keep looking, we'll find something. | | * * * |

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IANTO

(over intercom) Martha, call from the hospital. Marie's had some sort of seizure.

Martha looks to Gwen, horrified.

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16 INT. TORCHWOOD, THE HUB -- DAY

OWEN is looking at a computer screen as MARTHA enters.

MARTHA They want us at the hospital - Marie's collapsed.

OWEN stands up, gets kit together as -

OWEN

Yeah? My money's on this stuff...

MARTHA looks at the computer graphic display of a fragment of a very complex molecular structure.

OWEN (CONT'D) From Marie's blood. New one on me...

MARTHA

Yeah, me too...

OWEN raises eyebrows in ironic mock amazement - "Don't you know everything?"

MARTHA (CONT'D) Have you run an isoenzyme analysis on it?

OWEN

Not yet - what're you thinking, parasitic infection?

MARTHA

Could be.

OWEN It's got to be down to this - because otherwise, I can't find a thing wrong with her...

OWEN calls up medical data on MARIE.

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MARTHA

(Studying screen, increasingly surprised) Yeah - no infections, no deficiencies in organ function, perfect cholesterol levels, ideal blood pressure...

OWEN Exactly. Textbook readings. She's so normal, she's abnormal.

They look at each other, taking in the strangeness of it.

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| 19 | INT. HOSPITAL - EMERGENCY ROOM DAY | 19 |

From MARIE's POV as she comes back to consciousness.

OWEN & MARTHA, gowned & with masks currently pulled down, are examining MARIE, who is hooked up to all manner of drips & monitors.

MARTHA Marie - can you hear me? Marie!

MARIE

(Feebly; semiconscious) Uh... Mm, yes...

OWEN

There's a substance in your blood that we don't recognise. We think it's caused your current illness. We need to know what's been happening to you, so we can help you...

MARIE

(Stonewalling) You're the doctors. You tell me.

MARTHA & OWEN exchange a look: she's hiding something.

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20 INT. STUDENT FLAT -- DAY

A shared, boy's student flat - clothes and trainers slung

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MARIE thrashes about, briefly immensely strong, & throws OWEN aside. MARIE collapses back on to the bed, with her mouth open.

MARIE collapses back on the bed, dead. The monitors flatline.

FX: A humming, buzzing noise comes from MARIE's throat. Out of her mouth comes a shimmering golden cloud which hangs above her face.

FX: The cloud swirls & buzzes; we realise it is a swarm of tiny flying creatures - smaller than midges, we can't see any details of them individually. The swarm swirls around & spreads until it fills the room. OWEN & MARTHA pull their masks up & try to cover their faces as the swarm of creatures batter at them.

OWEN hits a panic button.

OWEN (CONT'D) Emergency! Biohazard! Seal this area!

Alarm goes off.

FX: The tiny creatures buzz about frantically until their dead bodies start dropping off OWEN's & MARTHA's clothes. All that remains of the swarm is a scatter of dust-speck bodies on the floor & the bed & surfaces.

FX: OWEN picks one up on the fingertip of his glove & looks at it.

CUT TO:

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22 INT. TORCHWOOD, THE HUB -- DAY

We are looking at a computer screen with a massively blown up image of a winged insect-like creature - but weird enough to be unmistakably alien. The image turns so we see it from all angles.

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OWEN (CONT'D) The larvae left Marie's body when she died, presumably looking for another host for the next stage of its development...

MARTHA

(Shudder of disgust) Which could have been us.

OWEN

(Nods) Fortunately, when they didn't find one very rapidly, they died.

MARTHA Wonder what this cute little larva grows up to be...?

OWEN shakes his head.

CUT TO:

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23 INT. TORCHWOOD, BOARDROOM -- DAY

The screen is filled by the complex molecular model of the substance OWEN found in MARIE's blood.

OWEN This is a molecular model of the drug we found in Marie's blood.

MARTHA

She called it Reset.

We pull back & see that JACK, GWEN, TOSH & IANTO are with OWEN & MARTHA.

IANTO

So what does it do?

OWEN

Think about what happens when you run a virus scan on a computer. The software works through all the files, when it finds a virus or a Trojan or whatever, it identifies and deletes it.

As OWEN speaks, on the computer display we pull back from the detailed structure of the substance & see it as part of a horde of such molecules, moving through cells or the bloodstream & zapping undesirables.

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OWEN (CONT'D)

That's what this stuff does in the human body. Not just viruses, but harmful bacteria, toxins, mutant cells - you name it. It's like the body's been turned back to its factory setting.

MARTHA

The ultimate magic bullet - supersedes anything and everything in the pharmacological armoury.

GWEN

But that'd be the greatest medical discovery in human history!

MARTHA Exactly. Except, it comes bundled with a lethal alien parasite.

Computer display changes to show the winged larva.

JACK

OK, not so good a discovery.

IANTO enters as MARTHA speaks.

MARTHA

The parasite needs a healthy body until it's incubated. So the parasite's egg incorporates this magic bullet, which puts everything in the system back to its factory setting...

JACK

"Reset" - neat. (to Gwen and Ianto) What can you tell us about The Pharm?

IANTO

Well, the public image is innocent enough. Private-public partnership between the Government, and a consortium of the big pharmaceutical companies. Researching and developing cutting edge biotechnology.

TOSHIKO

Their IT systems are way more cutting edge than they need to be. Plus they've got seemingly unrestricted security clearance. Torchwood 2 Ep 6 - Yellow - J.C.Wilsher - 03/09/07 Page 25.

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MARTHA

Which means they'd have the capability to erase medical records if they wanted to.

TOSHIKO

(grinning) Exactly.

JACK Who runs this outfit?

IANTO operates power-point type display. Series of pictures of COPLEY, from youthful lab-coated researcher standing proudly by complex molecular model through lecturer at podium to black-tied grandee receiving award.

> GWEN Institute Director - Dr Aaron Copley.

OWEN I know his work. He's one of the most respected research scientists around.

IANTO Harvard Graduate, did research at Cambridge. Last job, Harvard Professor of Molecular Pharmacology. Came to the UK to set up The Pharm.

JACK Kinda handsome, too. Think he likes visitors?

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24 <u>OMITTED</u>

25 INT/EXT. SUV / THE PHARM -- DAY

JACK driving, OWEN with him. They turn off country lanes into what looks like a farm track but comes up against a high security fence, watchbox & swing barrier.

JACK pulls up at the barrier, GUARD looks out of watchbox & JACK & OWEN hold up ID cards. A CCTV camera is on them.

GUARD checks a list on computer, then allows the barrier to swing up.

The core of the complex is an old farmhouse & yard, but around it are the long hangars associated with factory farming or industrial processes.

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JACK (CONT'D)

See, this is a little awkward. Two of these people were murdered. Another died of a parasitic infection, of alien origin. One of the victims mentioned your organisation by name, shortly before she died.

COPLEY

(still the smile and the charm) Alien origin? That's preposterous. We're a publicly funded scientific research institute -

OWEN

(intervening) Professor - when I was writing my MD thesis, your published work on immunology was a terrific help...

COPLEY Glad to be of service.

OWEN

Now, if there was a drug that could restore the body to its factory setting, you'd know about it...

COPLEY

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COPLEY

(Smiles) Not here, I'm afraid. Ask Whitehall we're fireproof.

JACK

Yeah. I had a bad experience with a politician recently. I tend not to listen to Whitehall any more.

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I'll have someone guide you back to your vehicle.

CUT TO:

27 EXT. THE PHARM CAR PARK: DAY

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Two GUARDS are accompanying JACK & OWEN to the car park.

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JACK, OWEN, MARTHA, GWEN are looking over TOSHIKO's shoulder.

TOSHIKO I can't hack in there, Jack. And if I keep on trying, with a brute force approach, they'll know they're under attack...

JACK An alien life form is preying on the Torchwood 2 Ep 6 - Yellow - J.C.Wilsher - 03/09/07 Page 30.

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JACK

(Shakes head) We don't know enough about the workings of that place - too many things could go wrong...

MARTHA Unless you put a medic in there. Somebody who knew what to look for...

OWEN

I can't - they know me...

MARTHA I know it's hard to believe, Owen - but I wasn't thinking of you.

OWEN & JACK both react badly to the idea.

JACK

No way.

MARTHA I've been in worse places. And you know it.

JACK & MARTHA look at each other - they're sharing memories & knowledge that the others are excluded from.

JACK

OK.

GWEN and OWEN exchange worried glances.

MARTHA clicks on "Register now".

CUT TO:

29 INT. TORCHWOOD, JACK'S OFFICE -- DAY

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JACK is at his desk cleaning his Webley. OWEN animated.

OWEN I know you're big buddies from way back whenever - but you can't just send her in there like this.

JACK Trust me. She's more than capable. I'd rely on Martha if the world was ending. In fact, I did. Torchwood 2 Ep 6 - Yellow - J.C.Wilsher - 03/09/07 Page 31.

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29 CONTINUED: OWEN gives up trying to understand, shrugs, accepts what Torchwood 2 Ep 6 - Yellow - J.C.Wilsher - 03/09/07 Page 32.

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IANTO (CONT'D) That way, Toshiko can get access to their files, see what they're really up to.

MARTHA

Industrial espionage. Very civilised.

IANTO

(grins) Once that's done, get out. No wandering off, no heroics. Don't take any unnecessary risks.

MARTHA

Understood! (as Ianto folds the plans away; cheeky) So, Jack asked if I could get a UNIT cap for you to wear.

IANTO Did he now? Well, red is my colour.

MARTHA

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| | IANTO Oh yes. (professional facade back up again) Shall we sort your cover story. | | * * * * |
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| | MARTHA Absolutely. | | * * |
| | Ianto heads on out, Martha follows grinning. She likes it here! | i | * * |
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| 30 | INT. TORCHWOOD, THE HUB DAY | 30 | * |
| | MARTHA facing TOSHIKO, IANTO & JACK across a desk. | | |
| | TOSHIKO has a small plain box in front of her. | | |
| | IANTO passes MARTHA a sheaf of documents including passport, credit cards & driving licence. | | |
| | IANTO Fake ID - first name Samantha - we thought the "Jones" was safe enough. | | |
| | MARTHA (Glancing at the documents) Okay - how do I stay in touch? | | |
| | TOSHIKO | | |

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MARTHA looks puzzled.

INT. TORCHWOOD, THE HUB -- DAY

TOSHIKO keyboards & clicks away. An image of the room appears on the computer screen - & blacks out briefly a couple of times as MARTHA blinks.

As MARTHA moves her head the image changes - it's reproducing her POV. OWEN enters.

MARTHA

(Realises what's happening) Oh! I'm a camera!

JACK

As Chris Isherwood once said to me, when we were cruising the Kurfurstendamm...

TOSHIKO

And we can text you...

TOSHIKO types a message, which we see, from MARTHA's POV, action print across the bottom of her visual field: "U LOOK WE C".

MARTHA

Wow!

TOSHIKO Power comes from your body-heat, so they only work when you're wearing them...

OWEN

(cheeky) So you have to keep them on everywhere.

MARTHA

I'll be doing some things with my eyes shut, then.

JACK In emergencies we can speak directly to you...

TOSHIKO

The lens will communicate with your sensory-neuro receptors - bypasses the auditory system.

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MARTHA But can't these signals be intercepted?

IANTO

(Smugly) Alien technology. Wit exploits a solution to the EPR Paradox -

MARTHA

(Nods, been there, done that) Oh, quantum entanglement of remote particles, okay, cool.

IANTO looks impressed.

JACK (Grins at Ianto) Did I mention she was brilliant?

CUT TO:

32 INT. THE PHARM - SURGERY -- DAY

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A very high tech set up, operating table, lots of electronic kit.

DR PLUMMER is taking a blood sample from MARTHA & completing a checklist questionnaire.

PLUMMER (Reading from MARTHA's application) "Recreations... Books, Movies, Music... Travel..."

MARTHA

(Open & innocent) Yeah, I really enjoy new places, new experiences...

PLUMMER

So tell us the places you've been to, Samantha.

MARTHA

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MARTHA

No, but I'm sure I'll get around to it.

CUT TO:

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33 INT. TORCHWOOD, THE HUB -- DAY / INT. THE PHARM - SURGER 3--DAY

OWEN & JACK at computer terminal, looking at the scene in the Pharm through MARTHA's eyes. OWEN doing the keyboarding, TOSHIKO with another computer & keyboard, monitoring the same scene.

PLUMMER (OFF)

(From speaker) Travel off the beaten track can be a bit of a problem for us. If you had some exotic tropical disease there could be unexpected side effects.

Speech segues over into -

CUT TO:

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34 INT. THE PHARM - SURGERY -- DAY

PLUMMER And volunteers' welfare is our absolute priority.

MARTHA

I don't think there'll be any problem with that. And of course, I'm very conscious of health issues...

PLUMMER looks at MARTHA.

Text from MARTHA's POV: Warning triangle comes up again.

MARTHA (CONT'D) (Quick thinking) My Mum's a nurse. Brush your teeth, scrub your hands, wash fresh fruit and veg. All that.

COPLEY enters.

PLUMMER This is Professor Copley, Samantha -Institute Director...

MARTHA

Hello...

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Text: GET CLOSE TO COPLEY

COPLEY shakes MARTHA's hand, takes the notes from PLUMMER.

COPLEY

Hi Sam, good to meet you... (Looks at the notes) Says here that you're a postgraduate student, at the moment?

PLUMMER seals off & bags the sample as-

MARTHA

That's right.

COPLEY Studying what?

MARTHA

Creative Writing.

COPLEY & PLUMMER look at each other as if she's said Basket Weaving. Not a subject they can ask any searching questions about.

> MARTHA (CONT'D) So I really need the cash...

COPLEY (Polite brush-off) Yes... (Pauses to study the documents) Well, Samantha, you'll understand that we have a lot of applicants. We'll let you know in due course...

Text: "DON'T LOSE HIM!"

MARTHA realises the team have run out of ideas, she's on her own; thinks desperately on her feet.

MARTHA Actually, there's one more thing I should have told you...

COPLEY (Not very interested) Oh yes?

MARTHA It'll show up in the tests anyway -

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Without missing a beat, PLUMMER lays a sheet of paper in front of MARTHA.

COPLEY, smiling, hands MARTHA a classy silver pen. MARTHA smiles, takes it. The tiniest hesitation as she signs: SAMANTHA JONES.

And COPLEY watching all the time. His smile and charm not shifting.

MARTHA hands the signed sheet over to COPLEY.

COPLEY (CONT'D)

Thank you.

MARTHA So - what sort of drugs will you want me to take?

COPLEY We've got various products at the clinical trials stage. You'll be given

Torchwood 2 Ep 6 - Yellow - J.C.Wilsher - 03/09/07 Page 40. 37A CONTINUED: 37A OWEN * You know me. Mr Sociable. TOSHIKO She's gorgeous. OWEN (all innocence) Is she? TOSHIKO (grinning; slaps his shoulder) You know she is! And they're both laughing now. OWEN Alright, fair cop. TOSHIKO And a doctor. Perfect match. OWEN Nah, she's only interested in the work. TOSHIKO D'you think? OWEN * Yeah, bit of flirting, so I'll show her * the ropes. Plus, if I did anything * improper, I think Jack might kneecap me. They both grin. Owen taps a couple of things on the * * keyboard, checks the screen. As he watches the surveillance footage: OWEN (CONT'D) So, what happened to that pool tournament you were organising? On Tosh: staring at Owen. Is this her moment? Dare she take it? Oh, the turmoil! Go Tosh! * TOSHIKO Oh. That. * (Beat) * It was never really a tournament. * OWEN * Then what was all that about--

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| | Beat. | | | * |
| | : | Pardon? | TOSHIKO | * |
| | : | Let's do tha | OWEN t. | * |
| | | | TOSHIKO g sarcastic? | * |
| |] | No! | OWEN | * |
| | | | TOSHIKO polite. You'll stand me | * |
| | | laughin) I've said ok | OWEN g) ay haven't I? One date. See s. Which might be nowhere. | * * * |
| | | | TOSHIKO at's fine. | * |
| | | And I can st | OWEN ill flirt with everyone ot stopping flirting just | * * * |
| | | | TOSHIKO ing of Flirts. | * |
| | | Good. | OWEN | * |
| | | Yeah. | TOSHIKO | * |
| | | OK then. | OWEN | * |
| | Beat. What | * | | |
| | | | OWEN (CONT'D) back to the | * |
| | , | | concentrateon Martha. | * |
| | | (big gri back) | TOSHIKO n as he turns | * |
| | | Yeah. | | * |

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And they both have a little grin to themselves, unseen by the other.

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38 INT: THE PHARM - GUEST ACCOMMODATION / CORRIDOR -- NIGHT 38 *

A comfortable, bland hotel type room.

MARTHA is lying awake on the bed, in darkness. She checks her watch, then gets off the bed, moves to the door, listens, opens it.

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TOSHIKO keyboards & mouse-clicks briskly, & a window opens with five blank boxes representing code numbers. Numbers flicker through the blank boxes as TOSHIKO reads the code remotely through MARTHA's eyes.

JACK & OWEN watch all this with anxious concern, but it's down to TOSHIKO now.

CUT TO:

42 INT. THE PHARM - CORRIDOR -- NIGHT

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Off, sounds of footsteps approaching.

MARTHA looks anxiously in the direction they're coming from.

From MARTHA's POV: warning triangle & text:
"CONCENTRATE".

MARTHA looks back at the keypad.

Text: "4".

MARTHA punches in 4, then each of the numbers as they action print across her vision.

Text: "1 - 0 - 4 -"

Footsteps closer, distant reflection of a flashlight beam.

Text: "0"

MARTHA punches in the last number & tries the door. It swings open & she slips inside, shutting it behind her as two GUARDS turn the corner into the corridor, playing flashlights on the doors.

Flashlight beam hits the keypad - nothing untoward - GUARDS move on.

CUT TO:

43

43 INT. THE PHARM - OFFICE -- NIGHT

MARTHA rests for a second against the door, listening, then breathes a sigh of relief & looks around. Office with filing cabinets & computer terminals on standby.

MARTHA moves to computer, touches the mouse & screen lights up.

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An icon is labelled "Clinical Trials". MARTHA clicks on it. A window asks her to log in.

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CUT TO:

44

44 INT. TORCHWOOD, THE HUB -- NIGHT

JACK & OWEN at one terminal, TOSHIKO at the other.

GWEN enters, realises it's a tense moment, watches silently.

OWEN

(To TOSHIKO)

Can you show her how to blag her way in to the computer system?

TOSHIKO Yes, but it'll take time to talk her through it.

JACK We don't have time. I want her out of that office.

GWEN enters, clocks the screens, is about to ask what's happening. JACK puts his finger to his lips.

TOSHIKO thinks.

TOSHIKO If I can get her to give me remote control of that computer -(starts writing text)

JACK, OWEN & GWEN react with relief.

CUT TO:

45 INT. THE PHARM - OFFICE -- NIGHT

Taking instruction from the texts in her lenses, MARTHA keyboards & mouse clicks - accessing the system's communications software & setting up a point to point link with the Hub.

FROM MARTHA'S POV: TEXT: "I HAVE CONTROL T".

MARTHA sees the screen being operated remotely; relaxes.

Too quickly to read, alphanumeric combinations are tested in the log-in dialogue box; eventually one works.

MARTHA now has access to the "Clinical Trials" files.

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One, named "Mayfly Larval Development" is opened.

MARTHA

(Whispers) The life cycle of the parasite... They call it the Mayfly

FX: The file contains a series of images, beginning with a tiny egg, then a swimming creature, then the winged insect we saw, & then a series of stages - including losing its wings - ending with the adult MAYFLY. The adult MAYFLY is a humanoid creature with big eyes & delicate, semi-transparent skin, whose internal organs can be seen pulsing away. The MAYFLY has webbed hands & feet. It should look cute & engaging rather than horrific & sinister.

It has a "third eye" - a small disc in its forehead which shimmers & shifts refracted colours like the surface of an oil-slick.

CUT TO:

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46 INT. TORCHWOOD, THE HUB -- NIGHT

The team are all fascinated - this is a new species.

GWEN We've never seen that species before.

TOSHIKO They're beautiful.

OWEN They're lethal.

JACK So what's Copley doing with them?

JACK leans towards mic & presses button.

CUT TO:

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47 INT. THE PHARM - OFFICE -- NIGHT

MARTHA moves cursor to icon named "Clinical Trials -Covert".

> JACK (V.O.) Martha - we've got control: we can download all this. Get out of there.

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MARTHA grins, moves to the door, listens, opens the door & lets herself out into the corridor.

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> OWEN Jack: if the Pharm have got their own hit man, God knows what they're capable of.

JACK (staring at the screen) And I sent her in there...

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51 EXT. THE PHARM -- NIGHT

MARTHA is trying to keep out of the way of the search party. She moves into an area of darkness behind the hangar - maybe a waste dump with recycling bins.

A soft sound can be heard - laboured breathing. MARTHA looks around the area cautiously, thinks she catches a movement in the corner of her eye, turns to look -

FX: From MARTHA's POV, the lenses are flooded with radiation - a total whiteout.

52 INT. TORCHWOOD, THE HUB -- NIGHT

OWEN's computer screen similarly whites out - JACK & OWEN instinctively flinch back in reaction, TOSHIKO looks across from her terminal - then goes dark.

OWEN

Shit!

JACK What was that?

TOSHIKO

Radiation surge?

TOSHIKO starts keyboarding, trying to restore the signal.

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53 CONTINUED: 53 When she's done so she's relieved to discover she can see

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55 EXT. THE PHARM -- NIGHT

FX: The MAYFLY is scrabbling past MARTHA to escape - she realises it's not attacking her.

The scene is lit by powerful torches.

The GUARDS with guns, cattle prods etc approach.

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COPLEY

(To GUARD) Good work. And pass that on to the team.

GUARD nods.

MARTHA

I'm here as a clinical volunteer! You can't treat me like this!

COPLEY

You lied to us, Samantha.

PLUMMER moves to computer terminal & logs in, as -

COPLEY (CONT'D)

(To GUARD) We'll manage here.

GUARD nods & exits.

MARTHA

Can I just explain? I got bored stuck in that room, I went for a walk and first that - thing attacked me, and then your heavies assaulted me -

Bar charts & spreadsheets appear on PLUMMER's computer screen, with diagrammatic graphics of a female human body.

COPLEY

(interrupts) You don't owe any loyalty to Torchwood. Jack Harkness has used you in a criminally irresponsible way.

MARTHA

Who? I really don't understand...

COPLEY

Don't bother. This isn't an interrogation. Torchwood is irrelevant to us, not even a nuisance. In fact, they've done us a favour putting you in here. (beat)

We've analysed your test results. You're really something special.

And he smiles that charming smile.

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And Martha senses she's really in trouble now.

58 <u>INT. ELIN'S FLAT -- NIGHT</u>

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Bedroom of a small studio flat. Under the duvet a dark haired female figure - ELIN - sleeps soundly.

The bedroom door is opened, very quietly.

The figure in the bed stirs slightly but doesn't waken.

BILLY pauses in the doorway, then moves towards the bed. He looks down at the sleeping figure & smooths the surgical gloves on his hands, & gets out a tranquillising spray.

BILLY starts to move the duvet gently from ELIN's face.

ELIN wakes, BILLY squirts the spray in her face before she can scream. ELIN gasps for breath, then loses consciousness. BILLY calmly gets out a large hypodermic, checks it, quite gently lifts ELIN's eyelid & moves the hypodermic to inject her.

The door is kicked open, GWEN & IANTO enter pointing guns.

GWEN

Hands above your head!

BILLY drops the syringe, & puts his hands up.

IANTO moves in on BILLY from behind, zaps him with the stun gun.

BILLY loses consciousness.

As GWEN calls on comms, IANTO checks ELIN - she's coming round, eyes fluttering open.

IANTO

She's okay...

GWEN

(To comms) Jack - we've got Billy Davis. He could get you into the Pharm!

CUT TO:

59 INT. THE PHARM - SURGERY -- NIGHT

PLUMMER operates a computer terminal.

COPLEY D'you know what lymphocytes are, Samantha?

MARTHA A kind of white blood cell, part of the immune system...

PLUMMER Well, your lymphocytes are really quite extraordinary.

PLUMMER calls up image of lymphocytes on screen.

COPLEY

We haven't seen anything like them before - well, not in a human being. Aliens are a different matter...

MARTHA

Aliens? I don't know what you're talking about -

PLUMMER

Your lymphocytes - and God knows what other cells - have mutated.

MARTHA

Mutated? How?

COPLEY

Under the influence of radiation. Radiation that isn't found in temporally stable environments on Earth.

MARTHA

(Feeling really queasy) I don't know what that means...

COPLEY

It means you've travelled. And I don't think we're talking about a gap year, are we?

MARTHA just clams up.

COPLEY (CONT'D) We've dealt with aliens, but we've never Torchwood 2 Ep 6 - Yellow - J.C.Wilsher - 03/09/07 Page 56.

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COPLEY (CONT'D) A human being who's travelled in time and space. (desperate to know) Tell me about it. How's it possible? What did you see out there?

MARTHA This is mad! I dunno what you're talking about!

And Copley's tougher now, she won't give anything away.

COPLEY Fine. If that's how you want to play it. However it happened, it means you have a uniquely effective immune system, which is what we've been looking for.

MARTHA looks at them, wide-eyed.

PLUMMER opens the case she came in with, extracts a drip bag with colourless fluid.

COPLEY (CONT'D) We're developing a drug that's going to change the world, Sam. Incurable cancers, AIDS, all the scourges of the human race wiped out. A revolution in medicine and human welfare. (Beat) Except it's still imperfect.

PLUMMER gets a pre-loaded hypodermic out of the case.

COPLEY (CONT'D) And I want to know what your funk 12 180 290 Tm /TT3 1 T Tm

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JACK (CONT'D)

My God...

OWEN

He must have breathed in larvae when one of his victims died... This could have been me. Or Martha...

JACK

Deal with it.

FX: OWEN extracts it with forceps, & deposits it in a dish.

OWEN checks BILLY's vital signs. Shakes head.

JACK (CONT'D) Thanks for your input, Owen. So what's Plan B?

Close on OWEN, thinking desperately.

CUT TO:

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63 INT. THE PHARM - SURGERY -- NIGHT

The drip bag is empty.

MARTHA, still unconscious, is breathing heavily & filmed with sweat. The monitors are starting to show accelerated pulse & increasing blood pressure & temperature.

PLUMMER disconnects the drip line.

PLUMMER I've given her twice the critical dose.

COPLEY So the Mayfly larvae will be incubating?

PLUMMER

(Nods; then doubtful) You're sure about this? Her immune system's clearly reacting. There's quite a fight going on inside her.

COPLEY flashes a smile at PLUMMER.

COPLEY Keep your nerve. We're making history.

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| | They both stare at MARTHA, in agony. | | | |
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| 63A | INT. TORCHWOOD, THE HUB NIGHT 63A | * | | |
| | IANTO passes by TOSHIKO at her desk. | | | |
| | TOSHIKO Ianto! What've you done with Billy Davis's body? | * * * | | |
| | IANTO Just about to dispose of it why? | * | | |
| | TOSHIKO I've thought of a way we can use him, to get us into the Pharm. | * * * | | |
| | She turns her screen (or shows him the screen of her PDA). We don't see what's on it. But Ianto's face is a disgusted picture. He looks back to her. | | | |
| | TOSHIKO (CONT'D) (beaming) Clever, huh? | * * * | | |
| | IANTO You are warped on the inside. How do you think of these things? | * * * | | |
| | And he's off. Leaving a smiling Toshiko. | * | | |
| | TOSHIKO I'll take that as a compliment. | * | | |
| | CUT TO: | * | | |

64 EXT./INT. THE PHARM - ENTRANCE, CAR PARK / BILLY'S JEEP --

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The jeep drives to staff car park, & pulls up abruptly. BILLY's body slumps forward on to the steering wheel.

JACK, OWEN, GWEN, TOSHIKO & IANTO get out. OWEN has a medical backpack.

JACK Tosh, Gwen, Ianto - check out Zone A. We're going after Martha.

IANTO, TOSHIKO & GWEN move off.

JACK (CONT'D)

Let's go.

JACK & OWEN move towards the main building.

CUT TO:

65 INT. THE PHARM - CORRIDOR -- NIGHT

A GUARD moves along the corridor, passing the open door of an unlit room.

As the GUARD goes by JACK steps out & FX: zaps him with Stun gun.

GUARD slumps & OWEN emerges from the room, they drag GUARD in & emerge, locking the door after them, & move off down the corridor.

CUT TO:

65A

65A EXT. THE PHARM -- NIGHT

GWEN, TOSHIKO and IANTO approach the gate to Zone A (same set as sc 49) and gain access.

CUT TO:

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66 INT. THE PHARM - SURGERY -- NIGHT

FX: Our first image is from a monitor, showing the result of a scan - something is growing, like a foetus, but very fast.

We pull back & see MARTHA in a high fever, sweating, gasping & writhing on the operating table, watched by COPLEY, who is also looking at the monitor.

The door bursts open, booted by JACK, who comes through pointing his gun.

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JACK

Hands above your head!

OWEN backs in after, covering the corridor behind them, kicks the door shut, turns to cover COPLEY.

JACK clocks MARTHA.

JACK (CONT'D) What have you done to her?

OWEN (To COPLEY) Tell me that's not Reset!

COPLEY (Scared, but still the fascinated researcher) She's survived the larval stage - the only subject ever to do so... It's fascinating - turns out the bugs practice sibling cannibalism - only the strongest individual's left now... God knows what happens next...

OWEN Put a stop to this!

COPLEY (Shakes head) I can't. I don't know how...

CUT TO:

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67 EXT. THE PHARM - OUTBUILDING -- NIGHT

TOSHIKO, GWEN & IANTO, move to the entrance of the outbuilding with "ZONE A etc" signage.

TOSHIKO studies the keypad, produces a gadget & starts scanning it.

CUT TO:

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68 INT. THE PHARM - ZONE A -- NIGHT

FX DMP: All we can see, a row of coffin-sized tanks, with chemical feeds leading in & out of them.

PLUMMER is disconnecting a jar of fluid from a feed line, & replacing it with an empty one.

Door opens & TOSHIKO, GWEN & IANTO enter.

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GWEN

(Aims gun) Hands above your head!

PLUMMER puts her hands up.

GWEN rubs PLUMMER down - she's not armed - as TOSHIKO looks in the tank.

TOSHIKO

Ianto...

IANTO looks in the tank.

IANTO

Bloody hell!

CUT TO:

69 INT. THE PHARM - SURGERY -- NIGHT

OWEN is examining MARTHA & checking the monitors.

OWEN

(To JACK) Jack - this thing's killing her... I don't know what I can do!

JACK Owen, stay calm, there's gotta be something.

OWEN looks at JACK, at the monitor, & at MARTHA.

OWEN delves into the backpack, pulls out the Singularity Scalpel.

CUT TO:

70 INT. THE PHARM - ZONE A -- NIGHT

We are looking into the tank.

In the tank is a WEEVIL, sedated & bound, with an intravenous drip going into its arm & a drain from its abdomen. The WEEVIL looks pale & sickly, & twitches & squirms ineffectually.

GWEN, TOSHIKO & IANTO are looking into the tank.

GWEN What's happening here?

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PLUMMER

This is what the Pharm is all about - we farm captive aliens for the exotic chemical products they metabolise.

A flow of fluid, variously coloured, can be seen draining into a collecting vessel.

IANTO What the hell do you get from a Weevil?

PLUMMER (Shrugs dismissively) Some pesticides, and a quite powerful chemical defoliant... But the Weevils aren't what's going to clinch the Nobel for us..

PLUMMER moves on to another tank.

FX: In it is an adult MAYFLY. The MAYFLY, though sedated & restrained, is shivering & quivering in obvious distress.

FX: GWEN tilts her head, and the MAYFLY tilts it's head to match. Amazed, GWEN raises her hand to the glass, and again, the MAYFLY moves to mirror her.

PLUMMER (CONT'D) The Mayfly - our feedstock for Reset! Given time, we'll tweak the product for human use, and then it'll be bigger than Torchwood 2 Ep 6 - Yellow - J.C.Wilsher - 03/09/07 Page 65.

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JACK

(To comms) Understood, Ianto. Tell Tosh to go for a total shutdown. (Ends call. To COPLEY) This place is a torture chamber.

COPLEY

I don't need to debate medical ethics with you.

JACK You've abused the Mayflies and turned them into parasites .

COPLEY We didn't understand how the Mayflies reproduced... We tried to limit the damage...

JACK

By murdering people.

COPLEY

They were going to die anyway. We're on the edge of the greatest discovery in history! It's got to be worth some sacrifices! You must understand that, Jack - you're involved in alien research...

JACK

Not like this.

OWEN has finished preparing MARTHA, & starts fiddling anxiously with the Singularity Scalpel.

JACK (CONT'D) What becomes of these aliens?

COPLEY

(Shrugs) We keep them going as long as we're getting good product, but... It's a destructive process. They're laboratory animals.

JACK They're sacrificed.

COPLEY shrugs, gives up on trying to explain himself.

JACK (CONT'D) I'm closing this place down. Torchwood 2 Ep 6 - Yellow - J.C.Wilsher - 03/09/07 Page 66.

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COPLEY

In your dreams! This is a state of the art, official facility!

JACK

I'm not going to do it by sending a memo. We have control of your IT systems. As we speak, we're crashing your data-banks, wiping your records...

COPLEY

That's cyber-terrorism!

JACK

That's just for starters. Before we leave, we'll trip the alarm systems in your fire, radiation and biohazard safety networks. Power will be cut off, sprinklers will activate, and large areas of the facility will be sealed and flooded with inert gases.

COPLEY

The aliens will die.

JACK

They're dying anyway. This way they'll be put out of their misery.

COPLEY

But for God's sake, we're on the same side!

JACK

No. Combatting hostile aliens is one thing. This is... Slavery. Exploitation. A war crime.

OWEN

Jack, I need your help!

JACK turns his attention to OWEN, who's fiddling with the Singularity Scalpel.

JACK What the hell are you doing?

OWEN It's her only chance. I think I'm starting to understand how it works.

JACK

You'd better be sure.

Torchwood 2 Ep 6 - Yellow - J.C.Wilsher - 03/09/07 Page 67. 71 CONTINUED: (3) 71 FX: OWEN points the Scalpel at MARTHA's abdomen. Its scanner shows a MAYFLY struggling. FX: OWEN's hand is shaking as he tries to centre the cross-hairs on the MAYFLY. COPLEY clocks that JACK & OWEN are absorbed, & edges to the door: slips out of the room unnoticed. The device powers up. All the monitors show critical states. OWEN squeezes his eyes shut, concentrates, opens them again & the Scalpel activates. FX: The MAYFLY vapourises. MARTHA jerks upward from the bed as if in electric shock.

All the monitors flatline.

Her eyes open wide.

JACK looks at OWEN: has he killed her?

MARTHA falls back on the bed, eyes closed.

OWEN just stares at her.

MARTHA coughs, coughs again, goes into a coughing fit.

The monitors start to show raised but healthy readings.

MARTHA's eyes open; she's conscious.

JACK reacts: massive relief. Owen stunned.

OWEN It worked. It bloody worked. (such relief) Thank God for that.

JACK Let's get her out of here.

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OWEN

I'm prescribing rest and recuperation. Few days in bed, preferably under my supervision.

MARTHA Owen, how do I break this to you? I've got a boyfriend!

OWEN Yeah, but has he ever saved your life, like I just did?

MARTHA Um, yes, actually.

OWEN

Oh.

The rest of the team approach the car park - GWEN escorts PLUMMER at gunpoint & IANTO covers them; TOSHIKO follows with a lap-top, which she opens up, looking at JACK expectantly.

JACK

(To TOSHIKO) Do it.

TOSHIKO hits the Enter key on the laptop.

After a beat -

All over the site, alarm sirens go off & warning lights flash.

TANNOY

(Recorded message)
This facility is being evacuated. Leave
the site by the nearest emergency exit.
 (Repeats at intervals)

The barrier at the site entrance goes up & staff leave, hurriedly but in an orderly manner.

OWEN Time to be making a move.

JACK

Sure... (To the team) Let's go!

GWEN & IANTO load PLUMMER into the jeep.

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Suddenly COPLEY steps out from the darkness, holding an automatic pistol pointed at MARTHA.

COPLEY You think I'll let you just walk away? When you've wrecked everything I ever worked for!

OWEN edges in front of MARTHA & starts talking, convinced he can "negotiate" out of this.

OWEN

Come on, don't be stupid.

OWEN edges closer to COPLEY as he makes his pitch.

OWEN (CONT'D) We're both rational men, scientists. I know you don't want to shoot.

COPLEY looks OWEN in the eye.

OWEN reaches out towards him for the gun, with an encouraging smile.

COPLEY shoots OWEN in the chest.

OWEN's face a picture of shock and bewilderment as he falls to the ground. GWEN, TOSH & IANTO horrified.

TOSHIKO

Owen!

But GWEN holds TOSH back as COPLEY turns the gun on MARTHA.

COPLEY

Now you.

JACK's POV - JACK raises his gun in a two-handed grip & aims - MARTHA's between JACK & COPLEY, he only has a partial view of COPLEY's head. It's a near-impossible shot.

On JACK - Clint Eastwood at the end of Dirty Harry. Coldly & professionally, he fires.

COPLEY is hit cleanly between the eyes, goes down.

MARTHA kneels to examine OWEN.

TOSHIKO kneels with her, rest of the team crowd around.

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MARTHA

Owen! Can you hear me? Owen...?

OWEN has lost consciousness.

TOSHIKO

Owen. (To MARTHA) You gotta help him.

OWEN's head is in MARTHA's lap as she tries to check his vital signs.

MARTHA gets a hypodermic from OWEN's medical pack & jabs it into OWEN's chest.

MARTHA Owen - speak to me!

OWEN's eyes flicker open, he looks at MARTHA.

Blood trickles out & his eyes close, & his head lolls.

MARTHA (CONT'D)

He's dead.

END OF EPISODE