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Angelina Jolie plays a killer in an ultragory thriller

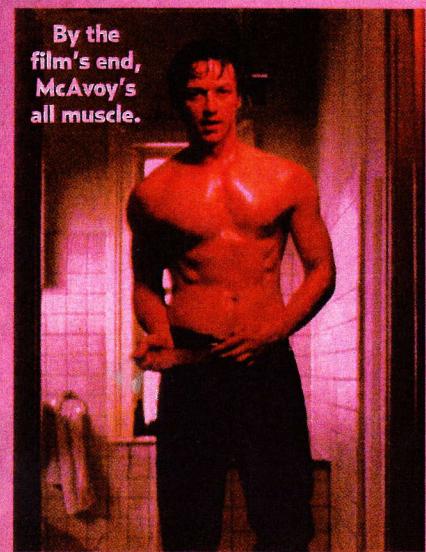
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Chicago corporate drone Wesley (Atonement's **James McAvoy**) thinks he'll be stuck in his cubicle forever. Then he meets the heavily tattooed, gun-toting Fox (Angelina Jolie, back in Mr. & Mrs. Smith mode), who tells him his father — whom Wesley thought died when he was a baby — was actually a top-tier assassin gunned down the previous day. The sexy (and scary-skinny) killer then pulls Wesley into a centuries-old secret network of shooters, who train him vigorously — in one

sequence, she even beats him up! — to become a master marksman and take down the guy who murdered his dad. While stuffed with action scenes (the duo run atop a train) and slick CGI effects (Wesley learns to fire a bullet so it curves), the frenetic thriller lacks the cleverness and cool of the Bourne series, and its relentless violence and bloodshed were a turnoff to *Us*. Also, be warned: While you may have seen the two stars share a liplock in the movie's ads, expect far more carnage than kisses.

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By the film's end, McAvoy's all muscle.



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