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Best of fest

German drama 'When We Leave' has won world narrative feature at Tribeca.



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This season yields

Chernin goes 'Incognito'

By **PAMELA McCLINTOCK**

Twentieth Century Fox has nabbed the film rights to Ed Brubaker's graphic novel "Incognito" for Chernin Entertainment and Circle of Confusion.

Scribe Robert Schenkkan has been brought aboard to adapt the action-thriller, which is envisioned as a tale about the redemption of a superhero.

Brubaker's "Incognito" revolves around Zack Overkill, who has entered the witness protection program after testifying against his boss,

Black Death. He's forced to take a drug that strips him of his powers, but he regains his strength when he experiments with new drugs. Soon he's a masked vigilante fighting villains.



Project reunites Chernin Entertainment and Brubaker for the second time, and in short order. Fox-based Chernin Entertainment is developing a new version of "Daredevil," based on Brubaker's comic-book. Shingle also is producing "Caesar: Rise of the Apes" for Fox.

Circle of Confusion manages Brubaker.

Pilots speed

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 "Undercovers."
 Abrams co-wrote

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 a possible domestic
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 Cannes film festival.
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for a weekend take of \$12.4 million.
 And while this week's fresh offer-

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James

...from James' business, with Columbia Pictures
 wrapping up a pact to move forward with "Here
 Comes the Boom," an action comedy that the
 thesp will star in and produce with comedy col-
 laborator Adam Sandler and producer Todd Garner.
 Salma Hayek is said to be circling the film's
 female lead. Sandler will not star in "Boom," but
 will produce through his Happy Madison shingle.
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"Fair Game"