

WHEN PETER PARKER WAS BITTEN BY A RADIOACTIVE SPIDER, HE GAINED THE PROPORTIONAL SPEED, STRENGTH, AND AGILITY OF A SPIDER; ADHESIVE FINGERTIPS AND TOES; AND THE UNIQUE PRECOGNITIVE AWARENESS OF DANGER CALLED "SPIDER-SENSE"! AFTER LEARNING THAT WITH GREAT POWER THERE MUST ALSO COME GREAT RESPONSIBILITY, HE BECAME THE CRIME-FIGHTING SUPER HERO CALLED...

# The AMAZING SPIDER-MAN

FOR MONTHS, PETER PARKER HAS BEEN LEADING A DOUBLE LIFE AS THE C.E.O. OF A MAJOR GLOBAL CORPORATION, PARKER INDUSTRIES, AND AS THE WEB-SLINGING WONDER SPIDER-MAN.

ONE OF HIS EMPLOYEES, ANNA MARIA MARCONI, FIRST STARTED WORKING WITH THE COMPANY WHEN OTTO OCTAVIUS WAS CONTROLLING PETER'S BODY AS THE SUPERIOR SPIDER-MAN. AFTER DISCOVERING THE TRUTH, ANNA MARIA DECIDED TO STAY WITH PARKER INDUSTRIES, AND NOW RUNS THEIR LONDON OFFICE.

UNBEKNOWNST TO HER, THE LIVING BRAIN, HER TRUSTY ROBOTIC ASSISTANT, HAS BEEN PLAYING HOST TO OTTO OCTAVIUS'S CONSCIOUSNESS! HE HAS BEEN WATCHING... AND WAITING...



## BEFORE DEAD NO MORE PART THREE: "FULL OTTO"

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MY NAME IS OTTO OCTAVIUS, THE INFAMOUS DOCTOR OCTOPUS.

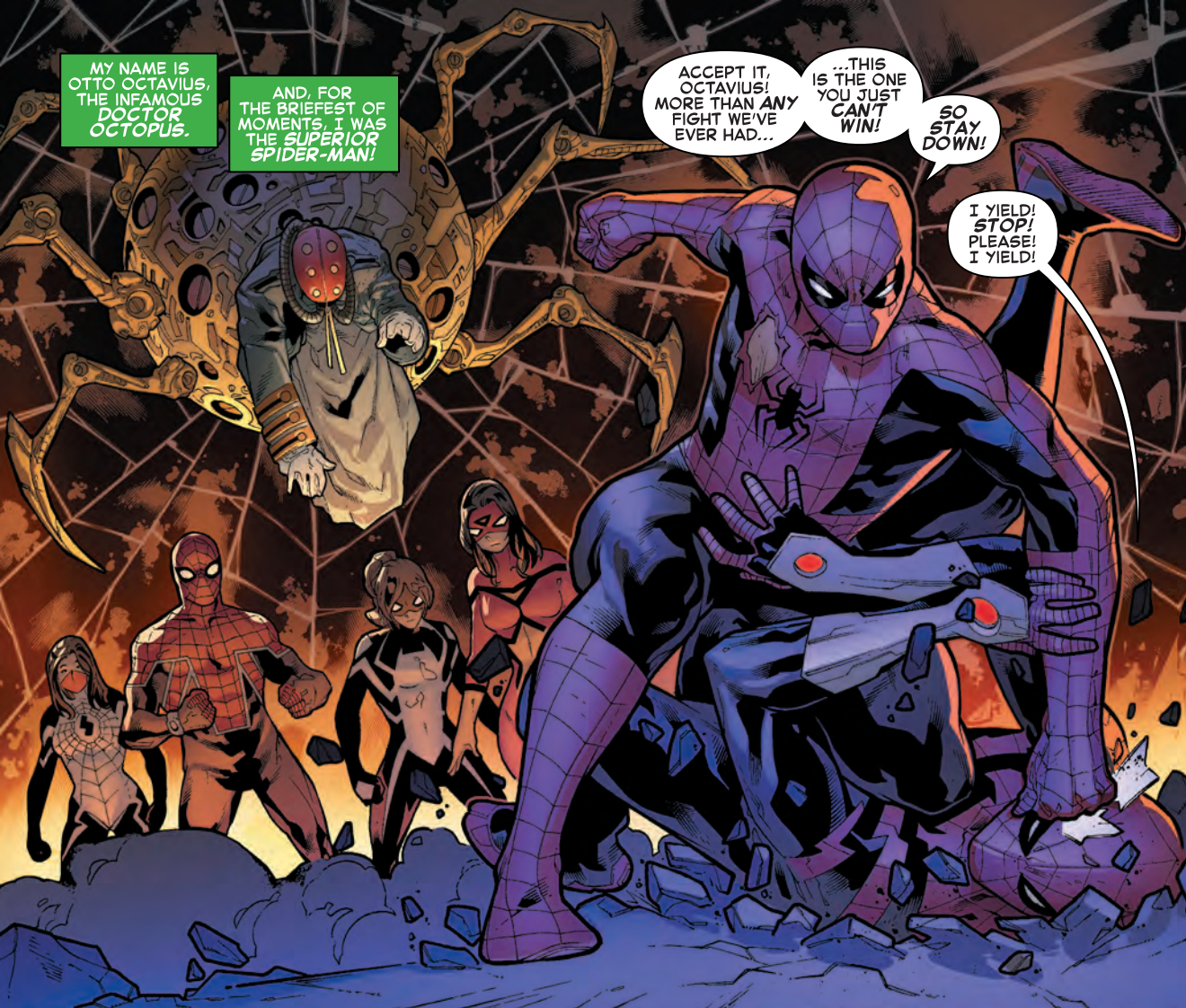
AND, FOR THE BRIEFEST OF MOMENTS, I WAS THE SUPERIOR SPIDER-MAN!

ACCEPT IT, OCTAVIUS! MORE THAN ANY FIGHT WE'VE EVER HAD...

...THIS IS THE ONE YOU JUST CAN'T WIN!

SO STAY DOWN!

I YIELD! STOP! PLEASE! I YIELD!



TRUE, IF IT IS ANY CONSOLATION, CROSSING YOUR OWN TIME STREAM WILL MOST LIKELY ADDLE YOUR BRAIN.

YOU'LL SOON FORGET ALL OF THIS.

I GUESS THAT WAS IT. YOUR FINAL FIGHT WITH OTTO OCTAVIUS.

NO, I HAD MY FINAL FIGHT WITH HIM MONTHS AGO, BACK WHEN HE GOT HIS MIND WIPED.

NO. THAT'D BE HIS LAST FIGHT. THIS IS YOUR LAST FIGHT.

GOD, I HATE TIME TRAVEL.

KNOW WHAT? WE'RE DONE HERE.



NO! THIS CAN'T BE THE END! NOT FOR A MAN OF MY GENIUS! YOU'LL SEE--

A MOMENT I HAD EVERY INTENTION...

NOW, ANNA. AS WE DISCUSSED.

ENTERING SLEEP MODE FOR 100 DAYS.

...OF EXTENDING.

AN ABERRATION IN TIME AND SPACE HAD GRANTED ME ONE EXTRA OUTING...

...FIGHTING ALONGSIDE DOZENS OF INFERIOR SPIDER-MEN.\*

INCLUDING THE ONE WHOSE BODY I HAD STOLEN NOT LONG AGO-- BUT WHO WOULD SOMEHOW RECLAIM IT IN MY FUTURE.

...FIRST THE SO-CALLED SUPERIOR SPIDER-MAN MUST RETURN TO HIS PROPER PLACE-- IN THE PAST.

\*THE ADVENTURE WE KNOW AS SPIDER-VERSE.  
--NICK

MY "PROPER PLACE." SO FORMAL. WHEN WHAT YOU ARE ACTUALLY DOING IS SETTING ME ON A PATH...

...WHERE I AM DESTINED TO DIE, ADMIT IT!

...THERE'S A LIFE SIGN IN THERE. IT'S GOTTA BE HIM!

IF WE CAN REVERSE THE POLARITY OF THE NEUTRON FLOW, WE SHOULD BE ABLE TO...

--I'LL FIND A WAY! YOU HAVEN'T HEARD THE LAST OF DOCTOR-- WHAT? WHERE AM I?

DUDE! WE DID IT, SPIDEY! YOU'RE BACK. SO? WHERE'D YOU GO, MAN?

I-- I DON'T KNOW.

WHERE I HAD BEEN WAS UNIMPORTANT. IT WAS THE WHEN THAT MATTERED! WHETHER I REMEMBERED OR NOT, I HAD SEEN THE FUTURE...

...AND PREPARED FOR IT!

EVERYONE BE CAREFUL. I KNOW THE PLACE IS TRASHED, BUT IF WE'RE LUCKY SOME OF OUR EQUIPMENT MAY HAVE SURVIVED...

...AND WE WON'T HAVE TO REBUILD PARKER INDUSTRIES FROM SCRATCH.\*

GREAT SPEECH, PETE. YOUR OPTIMISM, IT'S...WHAT'S THE WORD?

"DELUSIONAL."

DON'T LISTEN TO SAJANI. I'M SURE THERE'S PLENTY HERE WE CAN SALVAGE AND BRING BACK TO LIFE.

\*THE ORIGINAL PARKER INDUSTRIES BLEW UP IN ASM VOL. 3 #18 --NICK

100 DAYS COMPLETE. REBOOTING BRAINWAVE PATTERN.

IT WORKED. I KNEW IT! THE TECHNOLOGY I ACQUIRED IN 2099...

...IF IT WAS POWERFUL ENOUGH TO HOUSE YOUR ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE...

...IT COULD ALSO HANDLE A COPY OF MINE! AND WITH ONE LAST MODIFICATION...

...WHAT WERE ONCE MY GAUNTLETS CAN BECOME A FULLY FUNCTIONAL OCTOBOT!

YES! THE PROCESS CAN BEGIN AGAIN!

THE TRICK WILL BE TO FIND THE RIGHT MOMENT...

...WHEN PARKER'S INFERNAL SPIDER-SENSE WILL BE TAXED TO ITS VERY LIMITS!

ONLY THEN CAN I STRIKE AND RECLAIM THAT BODY ONCE AND FOR ALL--WAIT!

LOGIC SAYS THAT WE'RE IN A TIMELINE WHERE HE'S DEFEATED ME.

HE ALREADY KNOWS HOW TO CAST ME OUT! WHAT'S TO PREVENT PARKER FROM EMPLOYING THAT STRATAGEM AGAIN?!



BLAST IT! WHO KNOWS HOW LONG THESE MANACLES CAN KEEP THEIR CHARGE! I NEED--

THERE!



THE LIVING BRAIN! I KNOW THE CAPACITY OF THIS CONSTRUCT!



ITS MEMORY BANKS CAN MAINTAIN MY BRAINWAVES INDEFINITELY.

PERFECT! DOWNLOAD COMPLETED!

THIS CANTANKEROUS CONTRAPTION CAN SERVE AS A LITERAL LIFEBOAT FOR THE TIME BEING.

UNTIL I CAN DEVISE A FOOLPROOF PLAN FOR POSSESSING YOUNG PARKER AGAIN. FROM HERE I SHALL BIDE MY TIME AND--



HEY, BRAIN. DON'T JUST STAND THERE.

C'MON. HELP ME MOVE THIS STUFF OUT OF THE WAY.

--AND BE HIS FAITHFUL LACKEY. OH, THE IGNOMINY OF IT ALL!

YES, DOC-TOR PARKER. RIGHT AWAY. WHIRR-- CLICK-ICK.