

Akira fans have been waiting to hear what WB's plans are for the live action version of the classic Manga/Anime. Now Variety are the bearer of great or awful news depending on how you feel about this adaptation. Warner Bros. has greenlit its remake of 'Akira.' In July, Warners tapped Spanish helmer Jaume Collet-Serra ("Orphan," "Unknown") to direct the live-action version of the anime cult hit at a lower revised budget of \$90 million..Production on the pic is set for a late February / early March start. One very interesting addition to this info is the news that as well as Leonardo DiCaprio's Appian Way producing the movie, the creator of the original Manga and director of the '80s Anime version Katsuhiro Otomo is on board as exec-producer. That at least should give fans a little more encouragement. WB had struggled to find a cast for the movie with big names such as

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