

I'm not sure whether to be happy or sad about this. But then he hasn't said yes yet. Twitch actually broke this story, but then we could only write it up as a rumor. Now it seems that WB are definitely pursuing the mighty Gary Oldman for a role in their live action Akira flick. They also reveal that he is being looked at for the role of the Wizard Merlin in a new take on the Arthurian legend.. The advance accolades for Gary Oldman's work in Tinker Tailor Soldier Spy has put the actor in high demand. He's Warner Bros' choice not only to play the role of The Colonel in Akira (Garrett Hedlund will star in one of the two leads in the Jaume Collet-Serra-directed film), but also to play Merlin in Arthur & Lancelot, which David Dobkin will direct from his own script. Oldman was "in high demand" long before

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