

Variety is reporting that Rebecca Hall, who starred in Ben Affleck's *The Town* is currently in negotiations to join the cast of *Iron Man 3*. If she signs on she will be replacing Jessica Chastain, who just yesterday dropped out due to a scheduling conflict. The role is reportedly Maya Hansen, a female scientist and old flame of Tony Stark (Robert Downey Jr.). Thesp would play a scientist who plays a pivotal role in the creation of a nanotechnology, known as Extremis, that winds up being sold to terrorists. Plot will borrow elements from Warren Ellis' six-issue "*Iron Man: Extremis*," that also heavily influenced the first "*Iron Man*" pic, and focuses on the spread of a virus through nanotechnology. *Iron Man 3* will be directed by Shane Black, and is expected to hit theaters May 3, 2013! The film stars: Robert Downey Jr. (Tony Stark), Gwyneth Paltrow (Virginia Potts), Don Cheadle (Col.

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