



THE HALF-LIFE OF LOVE

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Die Halbwertszeit der Liebe

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»Hardly any other author in Switzerland is able to diagnose and amuse in such a cool and unsentimental manner.« Basler Zeitung

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Margarete, 45, is a plastic surgeon with her own practice in Zurich. Day in and day out, she is confronted with the manifestations of ongoing physical deterioration. Even she is not spared from it, a fact that she is ready to face up to. Why do men desire her nevertheless? Maybe that is because she masters the art of seduction with the same precision she applies while performing liposuction or knee lift surgery. At a conference in Berlin she meets Heinrich, a preeminent plastic surgeon. And she decides: It is he whom she will love. Between the two, a lover's game ensues. It promises to call back into life what had already seemed lost. Yet when the two embark on a mountain hike, the game spirals out of control.

In her fourth novel, Corinna T. Sievers turns her protagonists inside out: Margarete, the fascinating, provocative heroine of her story is fragile and ambitious, tender and determined. In this abysmal love story, Corinna Sievers ventures into open-heart surgery. And the reader knows: not everyone will make it out alive.

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