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Stigmalion

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Dolores McBride knows that a handshake, a kiss, or a slap could kill her, and that makes college life... challenging. When the devastatingly handsome William Veland shows up on campus, bearing a mysterious grudge against her, things get even more complicated. On top of managing her life-threatening allergy, Dolores will have to navigate William's hatred of her, and her own feelings for him. But she's got a few things going for her: a delightfully dark sense of humor, a supportive family, a volunteer job at the veterinary clinic, and a growing following on Instagram.

I dreamed of an embrace. Somebody's arms were around me, their hands wandering over my back, then lower, firm on my butt... Ι was kissing somebody's chin. It was strong and soft at the same time, covered with short, prickly whiskers. My lips moved higher and found another pair of lips. They smelled like candy. And the sea. And freedom. And something forbidden...

With its sweet, sexy style, and its wry view on growing up, chronic illness, love, risk, and forgiveness, *Stigmalion* has sold 113,000 copies since 2018. Now author Kristina Stark is excited to debut in English. All rights belong to the author.



About the Author

Kristina Stark (legal name: Iryna Chukina) is a Ukrainian immigrant to Ireland. She lives in Dublin and works as a Trust and Safety Investigator for TikTok. She is the author of five immensely popular young adult novels. Since the beginning of Russia's war in Ukraine, Kristina has cut ties with her publisher there and is working to share her stories with new readers. She is fluent in English and in the language of social media: *Stigmalion* is already on Instagram.

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