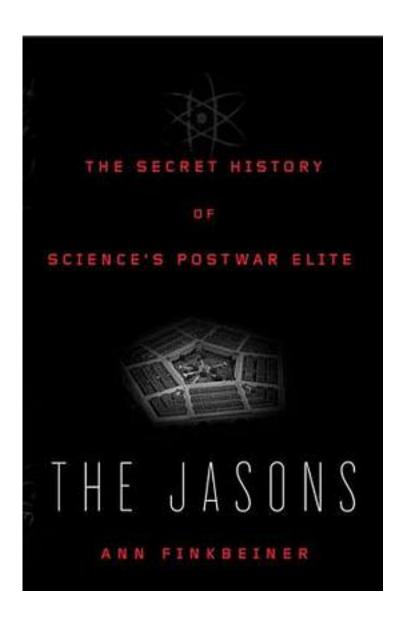
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They call themselves Jason. Their group is a child of the Manhattan Project by way of the cold war, and they have counted among their ranks scientific stars like Freeman Dyson and Murray Gell-Mann, and among their mentors Edward Teller and Hans Bethe. They've inherited a mission from the Manhattan Project-to counsel the government on the military uses of pure science-and have gathered every summer since 1960 to solve highly classified problems for the Department of Defense and the intelligence community. Aside from a brief media firestorm during the Vietnam War, they've worked in utter secrecy with unparalleled freedom.

Fiercely patriotic and stubbornly independent, the Jasons have been directly responsible for breakthroughs ranging from the electronic battlefield to "Star Wars" missile defense technology to the national system for predicting global climate. But their mission to keep a vigil over applied science has led them into both moral dilemmas and political stews. In this spellbinding and meticulously researched history, science writer Ann Finkbeiner reveals the critical scientific advances-and the unintended consequences-of the Jasons' shadowy work as well as the fascinating personalities of the Jasons themselves.

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纪实类,讲述二战后曼哈顿计划的物理学家得到了政府的赏识,衍生出一个不为人知的秘密组织,由顶级科学家组成,专门解决(从物理理论上)国防部无解的问题。文章由对历史的讲述和对组织成员的采访组成。

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