

This item about a Chinese man who sued his wife for having ugly children has been around since 2004. A news story in that year maintained that Feng's wife had cosmetic surgery prior to meeting him to disguise her looks but had not told him. Her secret was given away when she gave birth to an "ugly baby daughter" and confessed. He then successfully sued his wife both for divorce and monetary damages over her "deceit".

A Chinese man has divorced and sued his wife for £55,000 after discovering she'd had plastic surgery before they met. Jian Feng, 38, was said to have been "horrified" when she gave birth to an ugly baby daughter. He suspected her of having an affair. His wife then confessed to having plastic surgery costing £70,000 in South Korea before they met and showed him a picture of how she used to look.

This item has now been circulating on the Internet for years, resurfacing when some news outlet unaware of its background picks it up and runs it as a current and true news story. Clearly this photograph has nothing to do with the story to which it is now attached, as the Fengs supposedly divorced after the birth of their first child, a daughter, but this family portrait includes three children, the eldest of which is a boy.

What do you think of this picture? A handsome father and pretty mother surrounded by three children who very much resemble each other all smiling in front of the camera — it looks like a happy picture of the perfect family, doesn't it? But wait, is there something about this family that doesn't quite look right? Well, this picture is an ad for a plastic surgery center in Taiwan.

You can see that the children in the picture don't look like their parents at all. The ad features the line, "The only thing you have to worry you about after plastic surgery is the explaining you'll have to do to your children." Is any aspect of this story true? Probably not, as it apparently originated as a single-source item printed in a Chinese newspaper (the Heilongjiang Morning Post) known for publishing urban-legend like tales without verification.

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