

METEORITE PROPERTIES

- ▶ WASTES AWAY while exposed to natural air.
- ▶ Continuously Produces SIGNIFICANT HEAT.
- ▶ SOFT AND MALLEABLE, similar to Plastic.
- ▶ SMALL MAGNETIC FIELD, but is still a rock and generally thought to be a metal.
- ▶ LUMINOUS, very noticeable in the dark.
- ▶ Spectroscopic analysis during heating results in SHINING BANDS previously unknown in the visible spectrum.
- ▶ Faint traces of WIDMANSTÄTTEN PATTERNS appear in response to acid reagents but is otherwise immune.

COLOR PROPERTIES

- ▶ Touching THE COLOR with any object causes the object to lose whatever color it previously had and be turned to the strange UNPLACEABLE COLOR. Additionally, any biological object which touches THE COLOR suffers damage as described below.
- ▶ Geiger counters register RADIATION.
- ▶ Anything that can see into other visible spectra (IR, NU, etc.) shows the color as a BRIGHT PATCH OF LIGHT.
- ▶ Destroys silicon-based structures rapidly and seems to seek them out.

THE COLOR OUT OF SPACE

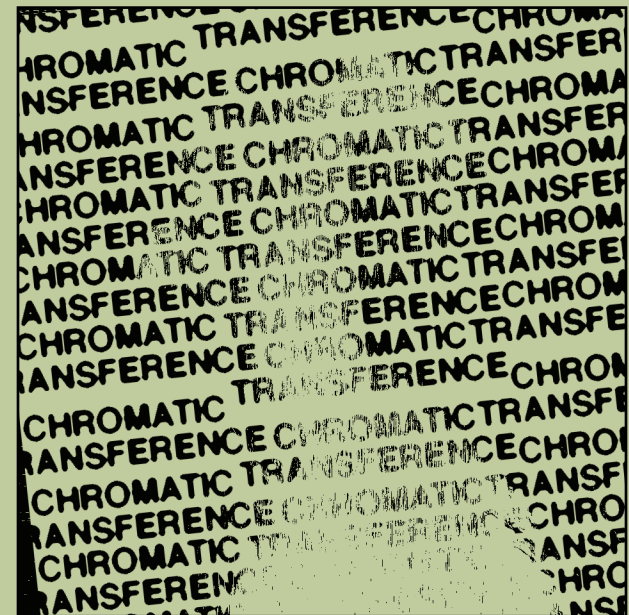
This UNPLACEABLE COLOR causes a Sanity Save anytime a Player sees it pour out of THE METEORITE. It feels like a soft, smoky veil that eats away from the inside.

- ▶ C:60 3d10 DMG to all Stats (5d10 to Androids) I:65 W:N/A Body Save or Blind.
- ▶ SIZE: 5m x 5m. Every time it drains a creature of life, it grows 1.5m x 1.5m.
- ▶ TACTICS: Attacks Androids first.
- ▶ It is insubstantial and isn't confined by normal movement limitations.
- ▶ It can't be hurt by normal means, though strong magnetic fields can contain it.
- ▶ Crew within the area covered by THE COLOR suffer 1d5 Stress (no Save) per hour.



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The top secret Ukweli-4 research facility was built to study a strange meteorite, inside of which is a color never before seen by human eyes. Due to an accident, the original researchers have long since died, leaving the facility an empty tomb.

FALLOUT

- ▶ If THE COLOR is allowed to reach civilization, it wreaks havoc, spreading exponentially and killing everything within its path.
- ▶ If THE COLOR can be safely retrieved it is worth 30mcr to the right buyer.
- ▶ To destroy it requires an absurd amount of energy, something on the scale of a black hole.
- ▶ Powerful people are looking for it.

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SCANS SHOW

- ▶ C-type Asteroid
- ▶ Diameter: ██████████
- ▶ Mass: (17.4 x 10¹⁵) (2149.1)
- ▶ Speed: ██████████
- ▶ Gravity: ██████████
- ▶ Atmosphere: Non-breathable
- ▶ Surface: Entirely covered with IMPACT CRATERS except for a 50m x 50m flat square at (A). Zooming in on the flat area reveals TERRESTRIAL DISTURBANCES around the zone.
- ▶ PILOTING/ASTROGATION: The disturbances are the remnants of a shuttle launch. The GUIDE-LINES, normally placed out and reeled in before take off, remain behind and appear to have been jettisoned, as if the ship left in a hurry.

ON THE SURFACE OF THE ASTEROID

(A) BLACK SITE ENTRANCE: a TUNNEL 3m high and 1m wide, bored directly into the asteroid's surface.

- ▶ GEOLOGY: it doesn't appear to be an impact site as the walls, floors and roof are one SMOOTH, CONTINUOUS SHAPE. It's as though the tunnel was MELTED and FORMED by something moving through it.

THE TUNNEL: a set of GALVANIZED TITANIUM AND ZINC ALLOY DOORWAYS with a LOCKED KEYPAD (a successful Hacking Check, or Strength [-] Check, or explosives will open the door).

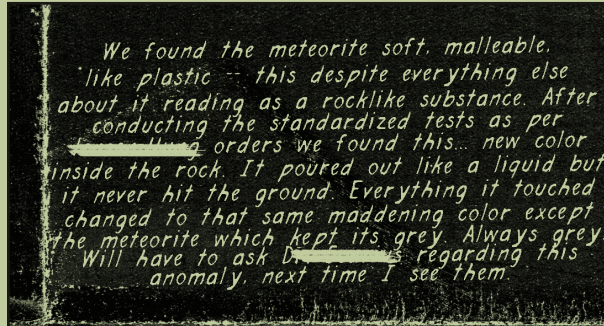
INSIDE THE BLACK SITE

(01) AIRLOCK: A double airlock separates the black site from the vacuum of space. Under sterilizing purple UV lights:

- ▶ THREE VACCSUITS are visible, hanging on hooks. Patches read: "UKWELI-4" (LINGUISTICS: Swahili for "Truth"), and show a multi-colored Prism surrounded by a black circle.
- ▶ One STERILE WHITE MEDICAL COVERALL stained with an UNPLACEABLE COLOR staining it (see Back Panel) has been discarded in the corner.
- ▶ A forgotten ██████████ safety manual, well thumbed. "Containment Procedures" page is dog-eared.

(02) SLEEPING QUARTERS: six sleeping quarters with identical layouts are arrayed on the other side of the metal corridor.

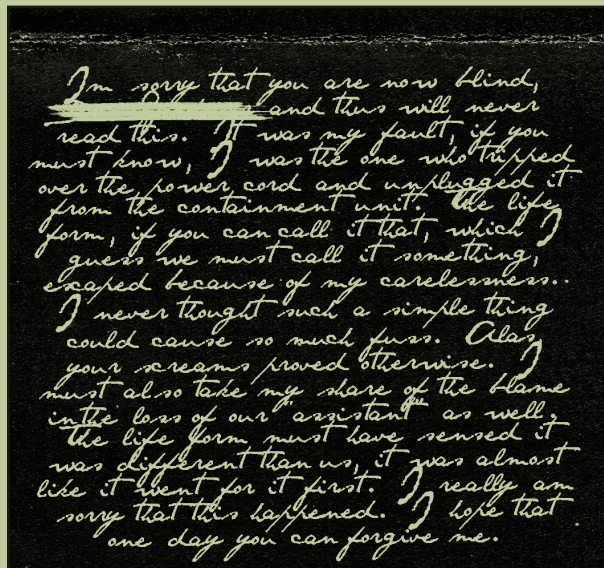
- ▶ EACH CONTAINS: a double bed, small stash cupboard, desk and chair, toilet, shower and fridge.
- ▶ One room contains a DIARY. Outside of the personal trials and tribulations of life in the lab, 5 minutes of flipping reveals the following entry:



We found the meteorite soft, malleable, like plastic -- this despite everything else about it reading as a rocklike substance. After conducting the standardized tests as per the orders we found this... new color inside the rock. It poured out like a liquid but it never hit the ground. Everything it touched changed to that same maddening color except the meteorite which kept its grey. Always grey. Will have to ask the scientists regarding this anomaly, next time I see them.

(03) MESS: Positive pressure airlock gives way to a warm, fluorescent glow and a cozy, well-lived-in mess hall.

- ▶ Sufficient FOODSTUFFS for six people to live well for at least 2 more years.
- ▶ Basic ENTERTAINMENT ITEMS: a TV, MACROGRAM VIDEO GAME CONSOLE, stack of MOVIES, a few BOARD GAMES, several BOOKS, a SOUND SYSTEM, PING PONG TABLE, etc.
- ▶ A NOTE on the table reads:



I'm sorry that you are now blind, and thus will never read this. It was my fault, if you must know, I was the one who tripped over the power cord and unplugged it from the containment unit. The life form, if you can call it that, which I guess we must call it something, escaped because of my carelessness. I never thought such a simple thing could cause so much fuss. Alas your screams proved otherwise. I must also take my share of the blame in the loss of our "assistant" as well. The life form must have sensed it was different than us, it was almost like it went for it first. I really am sorry that this happened. I hope that one day you can forgive me.

(04) RESEARCH LAB: a sucking noise from the airlock and a BUMP IN TEMPERATURE as the crew enter the well-lit lab.

- ▶ BROKEN GLASS and DESTROYED EQUIPMENT litter the floor.
- ▶ TWO PAINFULLY CONTORTED BODIES in sterile white medical coveralls lay face down. Their skin is dried and cracked as if all moisture has been sucked from them. Their eyes have changed to the same UNPLACEABLE COLOR that emanates from THE METEORITE.
- ▶ THE METEORITE (see Back Panel) is suspended in a MAGNETIC FIELD by the only working equipment. A small GLOW of the UNPLACEABLE COLOR emanates from within. Upon characters entering, the magnetic field shuts down and the glow of the UNPLACEABLE COLOR grows for less than a second as The Meteorite drops slightly, before the magnetic field kicks back on and it returns to its previous state.

Crew experimenting on THE METEORITE and THE UNPLACEABLE COLOR can learn their Properties (see Back Panel) through Play or by spending 1d10 hours researching.

- ▶ Scientists/Androids may add +1 to a Stat or Save for experimenting on THE METEORITE and add +2 for experimenting on THE COLOR.

05. ENGINEERING: the bio-organic O2 filtration system has OVERGROWN its area by 2-3 times. Despite this, the air here SMELLS STALE.

- ▶ If the lights are turned off or when the power goes out, this bio-organic system GLOWS with the same UNPLACEABLE COLOR that is inside THE METEORITE.
- ▶ The HEATING UNIT is turned off and doesn't look like it has actually been touched since it was installed.
- ▶ A DEAD BODY with its hands Pressed onto the emergency power button lies here, dressed in sterile white medical coveralls and stained with THE UNPLACEABLE COLOR. The corpse has the same dried and cracked skin as the bodies in the Research Lab (4).
- ▶ The EMERGENCY POWER has ~25 minutes left before it runs out. It is clogged with GREY, ASH-LIKE, DECAYED PLANT MATTER. Two people working 30+ minutes can clean it out and get it back up and running.