

## DR MEREDITH'S MEDICAL REPORT

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*This is a report on the medical status of the science team currently assigned to the Laboratory suite on level KL4*

### Summary

*All the science team show very similar symptoms; namely random incidences of nausea and vomiting, lassitude and inability to concentrate, distorted vision and, latterly, increasing hair loss.*

*These effects seem to increase the longer the subjects work with the dismantled Martian vehicle-machines. I have managed to prevail on Sir George to have two scientists previously on the team, Colin Davidson and Brian Kerr, rotated out to a sanatorium in Kent.*

*Davidson's symptoms continued to worsen and he began to develop growths in his abdominal cavity before his death two weeks ago. Kerr, who had only worked in KL4 for a month, appears to be recovering.*

### Prof Damian Durrell, 32

*Prof Durrell is the senior scientist in the team, and except for Bruce Grubbs has been working here the longest. He has all the above symptoms, plus cancerous growths in his hands. He refuses to stop working, and I believe the other men feel he sets an example they feel they need to live up to. Judging from Davidson's symptoms I do not expect him to live much longer*

### Dr Ben Lefever, 27

*The youngest member of the science team, Dr Lefever is physically very strong and fit, and I think this has helped him resist the effects so far.*

### Dr Kevin Lawhead, 51

*Dr Lawhead's case is interesting, as his symptoms seem different from the others. As well as some physical effects (nausea and dizziness) he reports regular hallucinations. Strangely, he appears not to mind them, although when they occur he loses concentration on his work and*

*has to be placed in chair until they wear off. Some research of my own has revealed that Dr Lawhead has in past years had several volumes of poetry of a whimsical and fantastic nature published under a pseudonym, though I have kept this to myself; his standing here would be adversely affected by the revaluation of this.*

*Dr. David Varnetten, 31*

*Dr Varnetten is on secondment from the University of Groningen in Holland. He is displaying the early symptoms of the effects, and I have warned Sir George as having a visiting scholar drop dead while engaged in secret work on dangerous alien artifacts might be a considerable embarrassment.*

*Bruce Grubbs, 22*

*Grubbs is a lab assistant and his duties involve more of the physical manipulation of the hardware; this I believe has increased his exposure to whatever agent causes these effects. Grubb is currently in the infirmary in the latter stages of advanced cancer of the liver, and I fear he will die in the next few days.*

*Raul Gabbell, 45*

*Lab technician; no symptoms noted so far*

*Rudolph Jennings, 18*

*Lab technician; no symptoms noted so far*

*Alexander Kakar, 39*

*Lab technician; no symptoms noted so far*

*Myses Pettersson, 17*

*Lab technician; no symptoms noted so far*

*Moishe Venters, 20*

*Lab technician. Venters is a Jew and has declined to be examined by me for his own reasons. The disinclination is mutual.*