

The Holst Pain Index For Tyranid Bioweapons



In the wake of Hive Fleet Leviathan, Lord Kryptman commissioned me to interview veterans of the 3rd Tyrannic War, particularly those recovering from wounds received in combat. My purpose was to document the non-lethal effects of xenological weapons under the employ of the enemy. Guardsman from the 10th Logres Regiment, 133rd Death Korps of Krieg and various planetary PDF regiments were subpoenaed, providing their accounts in a makeshift Class 8 facility on Tarsis ultra, under the auspices of Magos Biologis Vianco Locard. The spectrum of injuries and experiences was staggering, highlighting both the inherent mutability of Tyranid bioforms and the subjectiveness of human experience. With the aid of Magos Locard, I have prepared a novel pain index based on our findings. It is our hope that such a document will improve battlefield triage operations and promote the effective synthesis/application of analgesics. The more specific our responses to the Tyranid threat, in all its facets, the greater our capacity for survival.

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Pain Level	Bioweapon	Description
1	Spike Rifle	"You are pierced with a length of rebar. The rebar is electrified."
1	Flamespurt	"You put on your storm-coat while it is on fire and soaked with battery acid."
1.5	Fleshborer	"Somewhat concerning. You are punched with a mining augur. It grinds deeper, looking for something you do not want it to find."
1.5	Spinefist	"You are caught out in the hail, but the hail is knives. The knives are electrified and red hot."
2	Barbed Strangler	"You are grazed by an RZ60 ball bearing dropped from the knee joint of a Reaver titan. This is followed by the sensation of being caught by a crashing wave that is full of floating razorblades."
2.5	Spore Mine	"You are looking through a plexiglass window as it gets hit by a mortar round. Large, hot pieces of glass stick into you, while you breathe in hot glass shards. Red hot glass powder coats your skin and tries to get inside."
3	Bonesword	"You grab a tazer goad with wet hands, followed by the hollow sensation of falling from a high place, only the sensation is limited to your arms, and you are falling on barbed wire."
3	Deathspitter	"You are hit with a 15 L flexi-canteen thrown by an Ogryn at 10 paces. Instead of containing water, it contain phosphor. It never stops burning. The phosphor is radioactive."
4	Bioplasma	"You step out of a room into the sunlight, except the sun is right there in the doorway, holding a shock maul and a warrant for your beating."
4	Venom Cannon	"You are slapped by a power glove as you bite through the insulating wire of a lascannon power coupling. Is this what it feels like to be submerged in the fusion core of a Titan?"
2	Devourer	(Subject left interview in a psychotic state)