

Alicorn Metamorphosis Procedure #12

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We have devoted more than 70% of our efforts on researching Earwig's precious artifact, but I remain convinced that utilizing and controlling taint will never produce useful results in non-pony test subjects. It is my continuing assertion that taint itself is a flawed substance. ~~According to legend, the Pink Cloud was responsible for the Princesses' deaths, and yet the Goddess has poking around Canterlot for some time now with no reported effect, and it stands to reason that they are two different, but similar-looking entities.~~ Irrelevant, the goddess is a superior being.

There was some positive effect during the backwards healing spell experiment and I would like to continue researching in a similar area. It is my hypothesis that the natural healing abilities of Alicorns can be employed to alter the physical makeup of a non-alicorn test subject. Now that we have access to fresh tissue samples, we can proceed at any time. The first stage of the project may be conducted on ponies, in the interest of establishing a baseline reaction to the procedure. I mean really, who even understands how pony genetics work anyway?

Procedure Methods

Step 1: Implantation of Monitoring Devices.

For this experiment, I recommend basic life sign monitoring only. Sub-dermal measurements are possible, but any invasive surgery may complicate the procedure.

Step 2: Transfusion

Over the course of several weeks, we will systematically extract blood from the goddess we have access to. Once we have enough, we will suspend the life functions of our test subjects and perform a total blood transfusion. The smaller the test subject, the better, as blood supply will be limited to how much we can safely extract in a given time period.

Step 3: Serious Internal Injury

The Alicorn's blood borne defenses should then begin rejecting and attacking the host subject's tissue, resulting in serious internal damage. Further transfusions may be required if the invasive blood loses its potency before the subject reaches critical condition.

Step 4: Healing Magic

Once subject death is imminent, we will employ several modified healing spells. Because the subject's original tissue will be badly damaged, the modified spell should hypothetically recognize the blood type as being correct and repair the damaged tissue to match. If successful, this will alter the subjects physical nature, and could potentially be

employed on non-ponies.

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Experiment Results

So close, and yet so far. The experiment was largely a failure, however we did gather some excellent data that may help Call Away refine his healing and taint removal spells.

One test subject survived the procedure, subject A12. The procedure successfully altered its physical makeup. However, the subject suffered massive brain damage that was not repaired by the healing spell, and we may never be able to determine whether or not it altered its mental and magical chemistry to be compatible with Unity, or if it is simply cosmetic. Clearly that is not a viable solution. I'm afraid A12 is totally brain dead, however its usefulness as a test subject is not diminished, so I recommend against disposal for the time being.

I recommend recycling the control group into the next experiment. It is my belief that with some modifications to the procedure, we may experience better results.