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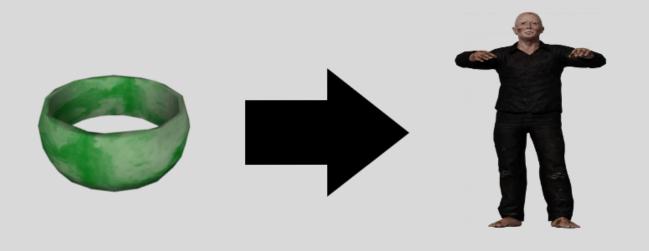


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Proposal

The cross-test proposed today is that of one SCP-714, utilized by one Class D subject, becoming infected by SCP-049's "cure" method to determine if the anomalous effects of chemical tolerance and reduced mental capacity can alter or neutralize the effects of an

SCP-049-2 instance. The Class D in question will be evaluated psychologically before the test ensues, following approval by the Ethics Committee.

Further information about the proposed test can be found on pages 4 and 7 for the Introduction and Hypothesis respectively.

Introduction

The working concept of today's test has to do with SCP-714's anomalous properties, and whether or not these properties will drastically alter the effects of a live subject becoming an SCP-049-2 instance or neutralize them altogether. As we know, SCP-714 has several anomalous properties that cause the wearer to become abnormally tolerant to foreign chemicals introduced to the body, as well as reducing their cognitive faculties to a level much lower than is normal for human beings not suffering from psychological or mental deficiencies. Within this study, we will outline the effects of SCP-714, the process of becoming an instance of SCP-049-2, and – with ethical commissions permitting – determine what effects these anomalous entities may or may not produce when coming into close contact.

Description: SCP-049-2

Item #: SCP-049-2

Object Class: Euclid

Special Containment Procedures: To facilitate the ongoing containment of SCP-049, the entity is to be provided with the corpse of a recently deceased animal (typically a bovine or other large mammal) or human cadaver if permitted by the Ethics Committee once every two weeks for study. Corpses that become instances of SCP-049-2 are to be removed from SCP-049's containment cell and incinerated.

Description:

SCP-049 will become hostile with individuals it sees as being affected by the Pestilence, often having to be restrained should it encounter such. If left unchecked, SCP-049 will generally attempt to kill any such individual; SCP-049 is capable of causing all biological functions of an organism to cease through direct skin contact. How this occurs is currently unknown, and autopsies of SCP-049's victims have invariably been inconclusive. SCP-049 has expressed frustration or remorse after these killings, indicating that they have done little to kill "The Pestilence", though will usually seek to then perform a crude surgery on the corpse using the implements contained within a black doctor's bag it carries on its person at all times. While

these surgeries are not always "successful", they often result in the creation of instances of SCP-049-2.

SCP-049-2 instances are reanimated corpses that have been operated on by SCP-049. These instances do not seem to retain any of their prior memories or mental functions, having only basic motor skills and response mechanisms. While these instances are generally inactive, moving very little, and in a generally ambulatory fashion, they can become extremely aggressive if provoked, or if directed to by SCP-049. SCP-049-2 instances express active biological functions, though these are vastly different from currently understood human physiology. Despite these alterations, SCP-049 often remarks that the subjects have been "cured".

SCP-714

Item #: SCP-714

Object Class: Safe

Special Containment Procedures:

SCP-714 is to be stored in a reinforced, high-security containment cell that is to be accessible only to Level 2+ personnel, due to several incidents of misuse.

Description:

Seemingly nothing more than a green jade ring, SCP-714 can expand and contract to perfectly fit the finger of anyone who touches it, though this is the least important of its properties. SCP-714 only changes size when touched by a 'new' subject.

SCP-714 has several major effects, detailed as follows;

1) Exhaustion, Compulsion to Rest/Sleep

Within minutes of putting on SCP-714, wearers report feeling worn out - physically and mentally exhausted. Due to this, they will feel driven to "sit down and rest for a bit" on the nearest available furniture, and will likely fall asleep within the space of a few hours.

2) Slowed Reactions, Sluggish Movement

Subjects suffer from severely impaired reaction times; a normally sharp, alert and physically fit subject can have a hard time catching a slow-moving object thrown to them, even if warned and given ample time to prepare.

3) Reduced Mental Capacity

Seemingly as part of the mental fatigue, anyone wearing SCP-714 claims that they 'think slowly', or may even have trouble finding the words to adequately communicate that they cannot think as clearly as normal.

4) Mental 'Shield'

As a dubious "benefit" of seemingly reduced mental capacity, wearers of SCP-714 show abnormally high resilience to memetic and mental influences, particularly commands or immediate effects.

5) Chemical Tolerance

Just as their minds block memetic influences, the bodies of SCP-714 wearers slow down and nullify the effects of various chemicals on the body. Fully poisonous or toxic substances are generally not hindered, but those that specifically impede or enhance neural and/or nervous functions in some way (such as stimulants or sedatives) have very diminished effects.

Hypothesis

For this research study, several hypotheses will be explored and recorded to determine as many likely possible outcomes of the study as possible, as listed below;

Hypothesis One

SCP-714 will have zero (0) effects on the wearer once they become an instance of SCP-049-2.

Hypothesis Two:

SCP-714's chemical tolerance effects will slow or neutralize the process of becoming an SCP-049-2 instance.

Hypothesis Three:

SCP-714's capacity to reduce its wearer's mental capacity and motor functions will make the SCP-049-2 more docile and easier to terminate.

Due to the anomalous effects of SCP-049's surgical procedure on dead subjects, the creature exhibits increased speed, strength, and an abnormally high tolerance for physical pain. This being the case, any of the above hypothetical inquiries are entirely possible.

Aims

The gist of this research study is to determine whether the anomalous effects of SCP-049's surgical procedure on a subject can be hindered, slowed, or neutralized altogether due to the anomalous effects of SCP-714.

Due to SCP-714's anomalous nature, transporting a Class D to SCP-049's containment chamber may be an obstacle, as transport by foot is hindered by the effects of SCP-714 on the wearer. Other methods will be explored, as it would be of considerable benefit to the Foundation if the test proves effective in slowing or altering the effects of an SCP-049-2 instance. This may very well allow further research into live specimens produced by SCP-049 on subjects presented to it; perhaps hinting into how SCP-049 alters the genetic code of the carcass and perhaps even reversing the effects on Foundation personnel affected during SCP-049 breaches.

Methods

The methods for this study will be very simple:

- 1) Acquire a Class D.
- 2) Perform a Psychological Evaluation on the Class D.
- 3) Equip the Class D subject with SCP-714.
- 4) Transport the Class D, hereafter referred to as "SCP-714-1" to SCP-049's CC.
- 5) Instruct SCP-049 to turn SCP-714-1 into an instance of SCP-049-2.
- 6) Observe the effects of SCP-714-1 becoming an instance of SCP-049-2, hereafter referred to SCP-049-A or Alpha.
- 7) Depending on the outcome of SCP-049-A, termination may be required.

Once all the perceivable effects of SCP-049-A have been recorded, the data can be read in the Findings section on page 13.

Findings

Upon transporting the SCP-714-1 to SCP-049's CC, they were instructed to enter the chamber and SCP-049 was instructed to perform their surgical procedure. SCP-049 did this immediately, grasping SCP-714-1 by the throat until they expired from asphyxiation and collapsed to the chamber floor. After a few minutes, SCP-714-1 seemed to stir and arise, becoming SCP-049-A.

SCP-049-A's physical appearance did not change much from its initial physique, however, its trachea visibly collapsed from SCP-049's abnormally strong grip strength, their face gaunt and movements considerably more sluggish than before. When prompted with questions, SCP-049-A did not respond at first – attempting a physical assault on SCP-049 with no discernible effect. Perhaps, due to residual effects of the process SCP-049 performs on fresh corpses, -049-A was unable to harm its progenitor.

SCP-714 was confirmed to still be on the wearer's hand at approximately 4:38 PM, the object has not fallen from the user's finger as previously suggested when worn by other subjects who

had expired due to its effects – which implies that its effects were still very much active. As though something had clicked in SCP-049-A, it looked through the observation window at me and the present security detail; recognizing who we were. When prompted this time, SCP-049-A responded with one (1) tap on the window with an affirmative "Yes" and two (2) taps for "No".

When asked if it remembered who it was, SCP-049-A tapped once. One tap when asked if it knew who I am, two taps when questioned if it felt unwell. These results exceeded all expectations hypothesized. The effects of SCP-714 had VERY visibly altered the outcome of SCP-049's interventions, whether due to the capacity of the inanimate object to increase a user's chemical tolerance or hinder a being's mental faculties; one cannot be entirely sure. One new hypothesis is that the latter anomalies' effects, coupled with the process of becoming an instance of SCP-049-2 caused all brain function to cease – one could have canceled the other out, like adding two negative values to become a positive one in mathematics. SCP-049-A, although incapable of speech due to bodily trauma, was fully capable of recognizing complex concepts such as 'feeling unwell' and remembering its name before expiration.

Despite all data on SCP-049-A during its initial psychological evaluation, all homicidal and even suicidal ideations seemed to vanish altogether; the entity exhibited docile behaviors and even being cooperative when an ethical termination was proposed. SCP-049-A was promptly terminated and later incinerated at approximately 5:02 PM.

Conclusions

Hypothesis One SCP-714 will have zero (0) effects on the wearer once they become an instance of SCP-049-2.

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Hypothesis Two SCP-714's chemical tolerance effects will slow or neutralize the process of becoming an SCP-049-2 instance.

PLAUSIBLE

Hypothesis Three SCP-714's capacity to reduce its wearer's mental capacity and motor functions will make the SCP-049-2 more docile and easier to terminate.

CONFIRMED

Full Psychological Examination of SCP-049-2 prior to test.