

6-Oculus Tempore Nov 7

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1. We are about three quarters the way up **Sola**'s tower.
2. We must get to the basement to retrieve the **Load Stone**.
3. Using the elevator shaft, we run into an endless wave of **Pseudopods**.
4. After several battles, we change strategy and take the stairwell.
5. Things are no better, we barely survive an attack.
6. We are trapped in the stairwell with the way forward blocked and **Pseudopods** behind us.

Detail

- We are about three quarters the way up **Sola**'s tower.
 - We've learned that we must battle our way down to the basement to find the load stone.
 - The load stone will help us get through the shield around Proxima
 - **Sola** would not let us go to the basement until **Iraa** had signed his document.
 - The main door is blocked by **Pseudopods**, that are not fully from this realm.
 - They can fly or phase or teleport; basically they can pass through some walls.



- We get a map from **Sola** but it's very complex.
 - The map is on a data pad, **Talon** takes it.
 - All of the internal cameras are out.
 - Also the **load stone** can be heavy and float at the same time.
 - Someone has to keep it down while somebody carries it.
 - We decide to use the elevator shaft to reach the basement.
 - **Talon** drops a locket of light on a parachute down the shaft.
 - The light stops at the first security door about 5 levels below us.
 - When the tower was attacked **Sola** hit the security alert.
 - Security doors sealed off the elevator shaft at every five levels.
 - **Talon** shoots a fire bolt at the **Pseudopods** that near the emergency hatch.
 - The **Pseudopods** slightly withdraw.
 - We fly down and use a fire staff to send fire bolts at the door to remove the vines.
 - **Hans** uses his "mage hand" to open the emergency hatch and **Pseudopods** rise up onto the floor.
 - **Iraa** fills the doorway with fire from his flamethrower.
 - Seven **Pseudopods** survive.
 - When **Pseudopods** attack they flail tentacles, which leave acid burns.
 - One of the creatures attacks **Talon** the tentacle slapped at him and he gets slight acid damage.
 - **Hans** is hit and receives slight damage.
 - He uses the dagger of venom, the poison has little effect.

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- Talon clears an area with the flamethrower so we can see down the hatch.
 - Talon drops his light globe down the emergency hatch.
 - It is almost immediately lost in Pseudopods goo.
 - The light slowly drifts below through the mass of Pseudopods.
 - We are standing on the security door and below our feet is a mass of death.
 - Iraa does a "scorch ray" and blows a hole clean through the Pseudopods.
 - He jumps through the hole, to the next level.
 - Pseudopods begin to ease back up through the emergency hatch.
 - Hans shoots the blob as well as using a dagger of venom with poison damage.
 - Talon hits the Pseudopods with the flame thrower.
 - Iraa from below shoots the flamethrower.
 - The combination of fire kills all of the Pseudopods.
 - One level cleared.
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- Talon and Hans jumped through the hatch and meet up with Iraa on the next level.
 - The emergency hatch has been burned through with what looks like acid.
 - Talon drops the light globe down to the next level.
 - There is some sort of fixed structure at the next security level.
 - It appears to be petrified Pseudopods.
 - We can see that there's a powder on the ground.
 - There are some sort of non-human tracks in the powder.
 - As we hover above the security door. By accident Hans drops a vial of acid.
 - A blast of Pseudopods immediately come up from the emergency hatch.
 - It is immediately petrified.
 - There is something mysterious at work here.
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- We decide that the levels below us must be completely full of Pseudopods.
 - We change strategy, we will use the stairwell.
 - Looking around inside the elevator shaft we see doors on different sides of the shaft.
 - One of the doors opens into an office. Talon tests the dust that covers everything.
 - It is calcium chloride.
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- We take the stairwell down.
 - Talon is leading, Hans in the middle and Iraa in the back.
 - There are creatures following us down the stairwell.
 - We race ahead, but the bottom of the stairwell is blocked by office furniture. We are trapped!
 - Five of the Pseudopods attach from the rear.
 - Iraa takes some acid damage.
 - One of the Pseudopods leaps over us and attacks. Talon takes a hit but isn't hurt.
 - One of the Pseudopods slaps at Hans but he uses his shield to avoid damage.
 - Talon uses the flame spear to try to kill one of them, Iraa uses his flamethrower.
 - We finally kill all but one of them. The fifth Pseudopods runs away.
 - Iraa is slightly damaged. We're stuck in the stairwell.
 - The way forward is blocked and nowhere to retreat except back up.

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