

BMTH Lore Explained

An attempt to explain the entire lore around Post Human for the 2-year anniversary ❤️

Trigger warnings

CSA, child death, animal cruelty & death, substance abuse, kidnapping, war, violence, death & loss, mental health disorders, SH, (attempted) suicide, terminal illness, involuntary medical procedures, torture, pandemic, pregnancy, organised crime

I'm not joking, the themes are really dark. Remember that your mental health comes first always.

Welcome to the Post Human lore, a tragic tale about urban legends, human experimentation, aliens, the dangers of AI and much much more.

This lore recap is based on the documents from the [ARG website](#) (including previous versions), music videos, documents from the pop-up shop, posts from Instagram and Twitter, live shows, merch items and more. The ARG started on the release date of Nex Gen and is still ongoing.



There is a LOT to explain here. Really, about 27 pages worth. This includes these notes from me talking to you as the author to help make sense of things and include the occasional picture. Get a snack and a drink, things are about to get messy.

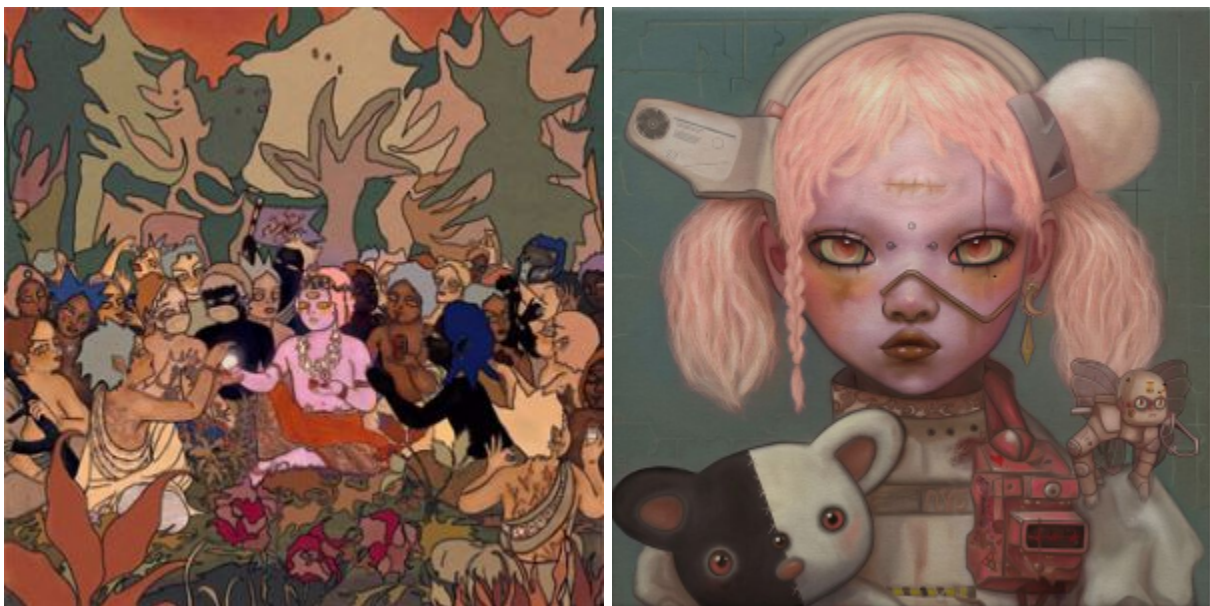
Please note that this document will have to contain some of my own interpretations, which could be wrong. I've been keeping the wiki for two years now and still don't know everything. For my recap, I've used my own timeline that I have constructed using the documents and ARG website. The focus is on documents we know are canon and speculation will be restricted to the notes. Let's begin!

Chapter 1: A long long time ago

The tale starts with an old prophecy in the deserts of Dravada, where beautiful cave paintings adorned the Valkhan Caves. They depict the fall of humanity in the “**Post Human Prophecy**”. In the apocalyptic prophecy, humanity will go through chaos and seven nights of darkness to make way for a saviour. This is the Post Human: a lilac-skinned demi-god, who will rise from the ashes.

This information is all from [Victor's interview](#), a man we'll get to shortly. He is one of our villains. The interview is not always entirely clear on what goes on when. I don't recommend getting too deep into the links until you have a basic understanding of what is going on.

We don't currently know where the locations they mention are, but many other places do line up with the real world. However, we do have a pretty good idea of what these cave paintings might look like among theorists.





What is also interesting to point out here that this prophecy seems to be about a character we will introduce MUCH later, but you might know them from the Nex Gen album cover :)

This saviour (The Post Human) must overcome the trials of the elements: water, fire, earth and air. The paintings show the trials. The earth splits, the sky burns, cities are flooded and a great plague threatens to cleanse the world.

Currently humanity is in Gehenna, a form of hell, something Victor claims humanity's greed got them into. There is still an untainted dimension: Y-93, better known as **Youtopia**. Victor remarks it could also be called "elysium", "hyperspace" or "the pure world".

The first files we ever got in May 2024 were the [insight files](#). They are important to enter Youtopia and a theme throughout the lore.

They are:

Colour	Insight	Element	Associated Band Member
	Connection	Wind	Oliver Sykes (character Syko)
	Empathy	Water	Lee Malia (character Madman)
	Purpose	Fire	Mat Nicholls (character Pickles)
	Vision	Earth	Matt Kean (character Vegan)

The term "elysium" as an alternative for a (yo)utopia will come up more often.

Chapter 2: The Carmines

The timeline here is quite fuzzy, so the story might be slightly out of order.

One of our main antagonists is a man named Victor Carmine, a CEO who will stop at nothing to get what he wants. He comes from a long line of some of the worst people you can imagine, with a long history of (war) crime and corruption.

After Victor's father was assassinated, Victor took full control of his family's assets. This includes an energy grid. A journalist even brings up accusations that Victor murdered his brothers decades later. Victor, now massively wealthy, started expanding his empire directly into locations that were associated with urban legends. They are also referred to as **eldritch conduits**.

What we need to know is that (Victor) Carmine is an awful man from an awful family. Two of his interests will become very relevant to the story:

- 1. Myths and urban legends of all kinds*
- 2. Biotech*

The second one is what made him so powerful according to the journalist he speaks to later: he developed tech essential to keeping people alive. He presents this as a gift to humanity, but was also gaining a lot of leverage over a devastating war.

He became a very influential man with military connections. While it is unclear if/when founded the company or not, he eventually ends up as the boss of Arc/Hive. This company would later become Nex Gen.



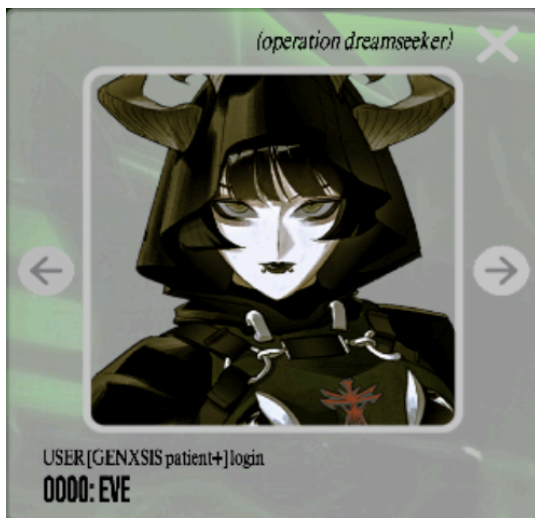
The Carmine family is located in the **DTC** (Disunited Territories of Columbia), which is the real-life equivalent of the USA. In 1962, Victor Carmine is an astrobiologist with powerful connections, due to his family legacy. He uses them to contact people in power in Novosovia (Eastern Europe), in an effort to contact aliens. At this time, both countries were involved in Cold War 2.0, a conflict that would later escalate. They end up shooting morse signals at Venus.

In 1983, a signal is finally detected, indicating that the aliens might be attempting to communicate back. The Novosovians thought this was a ploy to disarm them. The Novosovian government was using religion as control, and what they observed could threaten their religious beliefs. The Cold War was no longer cold. Victor Carmine went into war, sustaining injuries that would result in him being a partial cyborg.

Carmine is confirmed to have a finger prosthetic and jaw prosthetic, although there might be more we don't know about. Carmine says "I was thrown into the war. That's why I look like this... like a metal tin can."

The interview also talks about a woman they saw in the sky. Carmine offered his resources to help the DTC with the war, on the condition that they killed this woman in the sky. He confesses that he knew this would be bad for the DTC economy. He insists that he wanted to prevent the Novosovians (who were fearful and religious) from exploiting her, but we already know Carmine is not the reliable narrator type.

In the early 2000s, Carmine somehow gets a 15-year old girl named Lara to develop an AI chatbot for Arc/Hive. The chatbot, named ADAM, is another attempt to contact aliens. Planet HIP makes contact with ADAM and responds with an encrypted message, that will become relevant much later.



Lara sadly will not be getting much more attention, but she still works for Nex Gen in 2026 when another employee writes about her. The most important thing here is the encrypted message. It will be decrypted much later and reveals the blueprints for E.V.E.

Chapter 3: Skys

A few years before, a boy was born in Novosovia. Due to the radiation from the wars, he was born with a unique condition that gave him pink hair. The religious country of Novosovia rejected the boy and his parents eventually kicked him out at only 8 years old.

While trying to survive, he ended up in a box on a ship to Ingleterra (England). He could only gaze up at the skies. After having forgotten his name, **Skys** is what he would name himself.

He ended up with a group of people who followed the law of Velama. According to them, the reddish hue in his hair (his pink hair) was a sign of prophecy.

Surprise! This character is also Oli. This Oli is born with pink hair, which is dyed black on and off throughout the story. This part is explained fairly well in the [Unbelievable videos](#), so this is a good time to watch them. There are three out at the time of writing and they tell Skys' story.



Skys has a condition named Radiogenic Leukotrichia. It affects the melanin in the hair. For most patients, this turns their hair white. However, 1 in 5 million children born with the condition have the pink-haired variant. Some consider it a blessing, others consider it a curse.

The law of Velama is actually based on real-life Thelema. A lot of imagery and rituals from it appear all throughout the lore.

In particular, a man named Alby took an interest in him. After doing awful things to Skys, the young boy ends up stabbing Alby and running away.

I am not going into the details about Alby here. Skys' diary describes more of what the character was going through, read at your own discretion.

Skys ends up at an abandoned asylum, where he starts consuming all sorts of drugs left behind there. He ends up with chronic sleep paralysis, seeing entities he calls "mares".

We actually get confirmation that the music video for [Teardrops](#) takes place during this time in Skys' life from one of the [Unbelievable](#) episodes! It is unknown how old Skys is exactly at the time. He uses leech blood to dye his hair black.



Those "mares" of his are a key theme of the story. It sounds like something Carmine might be interested in 🙄

All Dr. Lee can tell us in the [Unbelievable](#) episodes is that Skys picked up the guitar at some point. He ended up travelling the world with his band [Skys & the Starjammers](#) after this.

Chapter 4: Mantra

After touring with his band, Skys eventually ends up back in Novosovia with them. He starts appearing on TV shows, spreading ideas that sound outlandish to most people. However, his appearances are noticed by a man named Dr. Karl Strassman, a man particularly interested in the science of spiritual experiences.

Skys & the Starjammers are Bring Me The Horizon for at least a few of their songs. Skys is, as you might have expected, their front man. Even some older BMTH lyrics are somewhat regularly brought up in the documents. BMTH also started in 2004.





Dr. Karl Strassman is the founder of neurospiritualism (a field of science concerned with spirituality and the brain) and will be a big player in the story.

He is besties with a man named Dr. Lauren, who (later?) specialises in technology to help mankind survive a world devastated by war.

*Together with Skys, they will later form the so-called **Trinity**. The spelling of his name constantly changes between Dallas and Dallus, I'll just call him Dallus (closer to his inspiration: daedalus from Greek mythology).*



Strassman informs his colleague Dallas Lauren and their assistant who is named Ro. Together they go to Skys' show at the October Palace on the 19th of December 2004.

Skys has established a cult at this location named the Neosages, although they are better

known as the Mantra Cult. They enjoy partying and taking a drug that actually is named Mantra. Strassman meets a red-haired woman named Ava, who he falls for at first sight. Dallus is not as comfortable with the situation and attempts to leave. To gain the scientist's attention, he takes their assistant Ro and performs his "magic" on her. Whatever they saw that day convinced them to stay and work with Skys.



This info comes from Unbelievable and is told a bit chaotically.

My interpretation is that Skys used the special powers he had developed in Ingleterra on Ro. The scientists were able to hook her up to machines and monitor her brain, which gave them an indication that they might be looking at a research breakthrough. This convinced them to stay with Skys.

We know from Unbelievable that

Strassman had already fallen deeply in love with the woman named Ava, which eventually results in him sending her a cryptic poem. This is physical proof that he was involved with a woman that was quite close to Skys. Skys had an inner circle of women and it is implied that he was also intimate with them, making Strassman's romantic decisions a VERY BAD idea.

Around 2015, Skys takes his cult practices to a new level. He has a close confidant named Alfgam, who volunteers for his **Project Kingslayer**. The idea behind the project is that pain brings transcendence. Skys proceeds to put Alfgam through ritualistic torture. Alfgam claims to have unlocked access to dark forces and the ability to travel between dimensions because of this. The cult expands their efforts to recruit and put others through the same to unlock what they call "ancient power". The drug Mantra was especially popular in clubs and used to recruit.

This is one of the contexts where we will see the word "Kingslayer" mentioned. There are also

references to a Kingslayer prophecy, which may be (related to) the other prophecy: The Post Human Prophecy.

A character with "Alfgram" tattooed across his head also appears in [Die4U](#). This music video has been hard to link back to the lore, but one specific logo in the video does appear on the cover of PH:SH as well. I don't have enough to tell you how exactly it fits in the lore, sorry! The [behind the scenes video](#) for it may help you interpret it yourself, as Oli does explain something about vampires?

Another of those recruitment efforts was an encrypted message aimed at the youth of Novosovia. Victor Carmine, still over in the DTC, hears about this encrypted message and is immediately interested in the Project Kingslayer research. Novosovia is in Cold War 3.0 with this country at the time. In the mean time, Victor had a child that has now grown into one of his most trusted agents. He decides to send her in with the code name Medea. He instructs her to infiltrate Skys' cult and seduce him.



You might know [Medea](#) from the [MANTRA](#) music video!

Dallus Lauren had his first baby around the time of Project Kingslayer, a son named Ikaro Lauren. Ikaro is often called "Ren" for short and is a transgender man, which is why he is

occasionally referred to as Dallus' daughter in documents written when he was still very young. Dallas starts becoming increasingly concerned and distancing himself from the cult.

All is not well in the world of Mantra. Medea ends up actually falling for Skys and cuts contact with her father Victor. We know that Skys and Medea had a pair of twins, but may have had even more children. Skys, madly in love with Medea, is still not aware that Strassman is dating Ava. Another one of Skys' disciples, Thea, reveals to Skys that an operative from Novosovia is trying to bring the cult down. Alfgram success

Alfgram successfully convinces Skys to make an example out of the traitor. Medea starts worrying, as she has betrayed Skys by infiltrating the cult on the orders of her father. Ava expresses concern to Strassman, since they also betrayed Skys through their affair, which now also has resulted in a pregnancy.

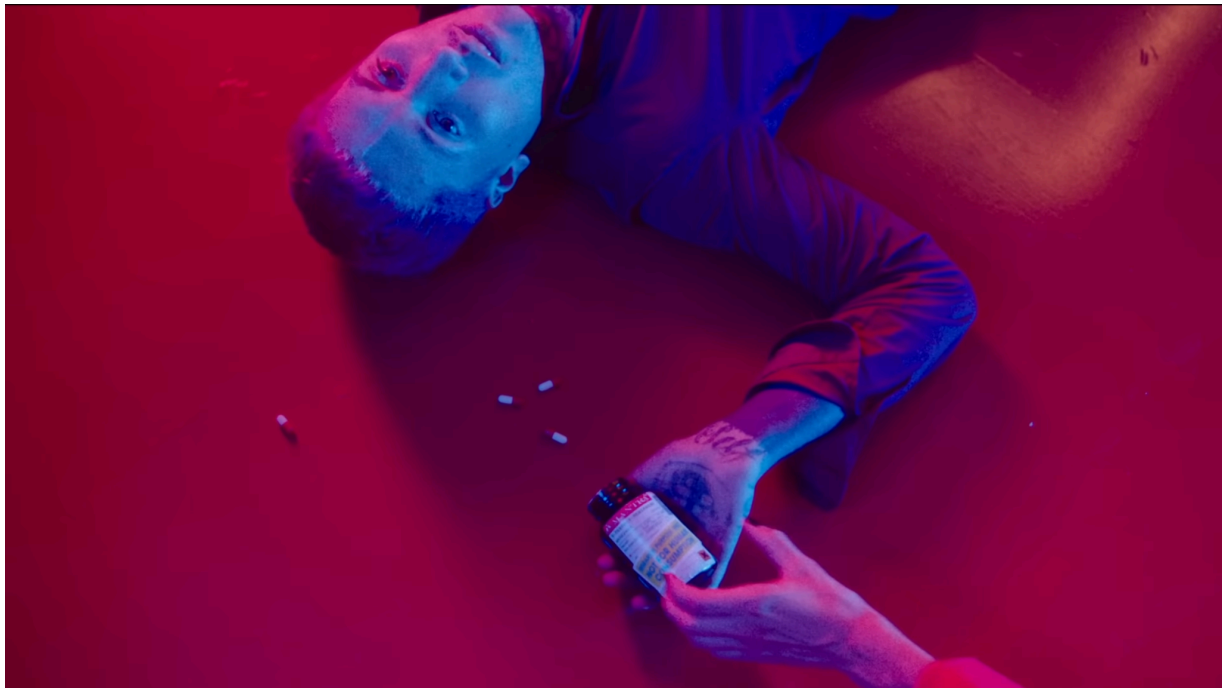
The [Book of Eclipse](#) is a very cryptic file about a few extremists within the Mantra cult, including Skys and Alfgram. The core beliefs of ecliptism are that pain purifies the soul and provides access to a hidden dimension (once again hinting that they may have accessed Youtopia).

*In the book, we learn that Skys and Alfgram had a close relationship. Alfgram spoke to Skys about his pride and his belief that this prevented him from ascending. A few loyal followers agreed and followed Alfgram when he left October Palace during the night. Skys hunted Alfgram and his followers down with his own, carrying weapons. Like Alfgram saw in his visions, Skys ended up tracking him down and killing him. Alfgram claims this set him free and his followers believe him to be the first to ascend: *The First Eclipse*.*

Chapter 5: The October Massacre & Operation Trinity

The October Massacre refers to the fall of the cult of Mantra, at their October Palace. The Novosovian government wanted to control their people through religion and the cult posed a threat to their goals. It happens around the 25th of December, which is the date of the article from the files.

We are about to discuss the elements of this we can see in the MANTRA MV.



The article referred to is the [Operation Trinity article](#) from the ARG files. The 25th of December 2020 date is also supported by the [journal](#) Sof starts writing much later into the timeline.

Skys reaches a breaking point and seemingly overdoses on Mantra in his office. Medea finds him and actually seems relieved, taking the Mantra from him. We see her at his funeral, where Medea gives the attendees the drug. They all start moving erratically and electricity starts hitting them one by one. Medea is shocked by this, as the electricity now starts targeting her and her head ends up exploding. Skys is in his coffin, smirking, and falls into a coma not long after.

While the cult is being attacked, the cult members show their mysterious powers, which seem to terrify soldiers.

Of course, Carmine had not yet given up on obtaining the research from Project Kingslayer. He orchestrates a rescue mission called Operation Trinity, sending in the DTC to rescue Skys, Dallas Lauren and Karl Strassman from the cult.

Skys was extracted from Novosovia in a coma. Dallus was safely extracted with Ren and his wife Elena, who went into labour during the fall and ended up delivering the baby in the DTC, at Arc/Hive. Strassman was not as lucky, as Ava has died and his baby Angel is missing, presumed dead.

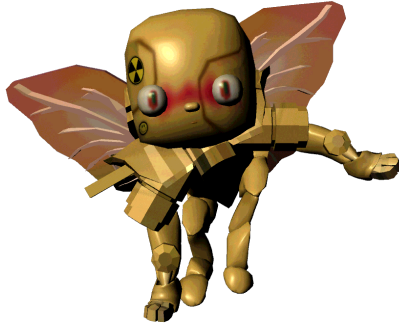


It is speculated that the cult of Mantra used mares to defend themselves, manifesting them physically. During Operation Trinity six children were rescued: The Special Six. They managed to defend themselves against Novosovian soldiers, showing that they were already capable of using these powers at a young age. It is also speculated that these are the six children that appear in the Kool-Aid MV.

Somewhere along the cult history, a corporate off-shoot results from Mantra by the name of **Genxsis**, which also reappears in the DTC later.

Chapter 6: Arc/Hive's Biotechnology Experimentation

Victor Carmine finally had his hands on the Trinity, promising them protection and resources. Dallus' son Ren comes up with the idea to create his **RO80T line**.



The RO80T line includes the idea for our beloved M8.

Dallus' own [diary](#) makes it clear that Ikaro Lauren is going to follow in his footsteps. The name of his son might remind you of the story of [Icarus](#). Most of the information about the projects comes from that diary and the proposal for [Project D.U.S.T. and S.Y.K.O.](#)

Dallus has some ideas for some research on his own. He proposes the S.Y.N.T.H. project to Victor Carmine, creating synthetic humans from real consciousness. Carmine gladly agrees to give him resources for development. Dallus also starts working on the MOXYPAK: this is some of the biotech that gave Arc/Hive so much leverage, as it was essential to surviving the post-war world in some areas for a period of time.

Still around January 2021, a research proposal from Dr. Elias Mortem is sent to the redacted head of special projects. It is a request for funding for **Project Deaths Unknown Spiritual Terrain**, or **Project D.U.S.T.** and project S.Y.K.O. The version of the proposal made available to the public (and us) is the version approved for declassification 10 years later and contains a lot of redacted lines.

Project S.Y.K.O. is not elaborated on in the unredacted lines. Project D.U.S.T. requires the development of a second version of a so-called Altilium Chordata tank. This tank keeps a subject in a state of stasis (kind of like they are paused) and is supposed to help them reach the hidden dimension Carmine was so interested in. The development of powerful military bioweapons is also discussed in this secretive research proposal.

The second half of the document contains a request for funding of project P.S.Y., which stands for psychoactive structured yttrium. This substance seems to be linked to the physical manifestation of the mares that they saw when the Mantra cult fell. They are especially interested in the Special Six, the children that were able to summon mares.

We find relevant footage in "in the dark" MV for Project D.U.S.T. Details on the tank in the video show us this is the second Altium Chordata tank Arc/Hive developed, as depicted in the research proposal.



Why the second half seems to be about Project P.S.Y. instead of S.Y.K.O. (which is in the subject line) is unclear.

Yttrium (from the Y in P.S.Y.) is an element denoted as Y, with number 39. The number 93 appears a lot in the ARG and Y-93 is another name for Youtopia. It is an element also often associated with the construction of scientific equipment. P.S. stands for psycho-active, which means it alters your experience, which could mean the substance causes hallucinations. Psychoactive substances are also often used for spiritual purposes.

I'm going into a bit of speculation here, but it seems somewhat likely that:

1. The altium chordata tanks would later become Nex Gen's Dreamseeker tanks, which are also used in reaching Youtopia.
2. They were experimenting on children, which has been conveniently redacted. Specifically, the Special Six (and maybe more children from the cult) were turned into test subjects.

While the details aren't exactly clear, the recurring theme is: **human experimentation** far beyond ethical boundaries.

In 2024 a terrible accident happens to the Lauren family. Dallus takes his children Ren and Lyra (who is now 4 years old) to the Gat3keeper theme park. According to information later found online, the park opened in 2023. An incident had occurred in that same year, where three passengers died after being launched from a water ride.

The accident happens on the way back home, as Dallus crashes his car. His youngest daughter Lyra does not survive the crash.

Forest Whitaker plays Dallus Lauren in the music video for "in the dark", which was confirmed by the Operation Trinity article containing a picture of him in this role. According to the Project D.U.S.T. proposal, Dallus was suffering from mares like many other members of the cult of Mantra.



The mares caused him suffering, prompting Arc/Hive to put him through a desensitization protocol, which might be what we see in the video.

Lyra had also been drawing pictures of the mares, despite being born outside of the cult, raising interesting questions about how mares can be passed down to children. Dallus also has flashbacks of a car accident and a girl holding drawings of what appear to be mares in the music video.



On the 14th of January 2027 we first hear from 27-year old Arc/Hive lab assistant Rebecca. She posts to Grumblr (Tumblr) that she has been diagnosed with C.E.R.S. (Chronic Environmental Respiratory Disease, affecting her lungs) and that she only has six months to live. She has heard that Dallus is working on something that might save humankind.

In November of the same year, Rebecca writes on Grumblr again, detailing her first day working on the S.Y.N.T.H. project: Synthetic Neurological Transference Humans, meant to transfer consciousness into artificial bodies. She starts working with Dallus, who she remarks seems like a shell of a man after losing his family. Strassman is very friendly and quirky according to her, although he does not seem to be in the right state of mind either.

After signing a confidentiality agreement with her own blood, Rebecca is finally told a dark truth: Skys was still alive in a coma. The public believed he was dead and called Skys "The Brain Butcher" of Mantra. Skys' consciousness would be uploaded into a S.Y.N.T.H. body and wake up soon, immediately starting to beg for death.

Dallus is upset by this, explaining regret for what they just did. Strassman is still eager to write it off as a side effect from the prolonged isolation of his coma, wanting to proceed with the project. Eventually they turn to Rebecca, who remarks "I'll do it."

It is speculated that Rebecca agrees to become a S.Y.N.T.H. at the end of this [second Grumblr entry](#). We will see her referred to as "the first synth" a few times, but the timing of this log implies that this might not be true.

We think we also see Rebecca in "in the dark". Nex Gen encouraged her to start smoking to prove that S.Y.N.T.H.S. are resistant to health issues and addiction, promoting her as the First Synth in a [magazine interview](#) in 2028. This is also the earliest in the timeline that we see the name Nex Gen being used for a project from Arc/Hive.



[An article](#) written about Rebecca later reveal that she never was (fully) resistant, as she has become addicted to lupamine, a drug described as similar to ketamine. We sadly don't hear anything about her after this point.

The S.Y.N.T.H. project actually gains some popularity after this, with online articles describing the chaos caused by celebrities creating a S.Y.N.T.H. clone of themselves.

Chapter 7: The Cradle Crash & VSPR-37

The end of 2037 is quite eventful for the biotech company. Near the end of October, an incident occurs that will later be called "The Cradle Crash". While Dallus is undergoing some sort of procedure, the energy of his consciousness somehow collides with some other energy. This causes the so-called Astral Matrix, a spiritual field, to destabilize. The consequence is an incident so serious it becomes the end of Arc/Hive, also referred to as the "Arc/Hive incident".

Dallus ends up catatonic. His son Ikaro, now (almost) an adult, works for the same company and is not made aware of what actually happened to his father.

Victor Carmine decided to re-brand the company to Nex Gen shortly after, trying to leave Arc/Hive's bad reputation in the past. Shortly after on the 25th of October, he is interviewed by a journalist who is weary of Victor. She addresses his bloody family legacy and the human experimentation allegations the company has been facing. She also brings up several urban legends, including the "Post Human Prophecy".

The interview is interrupted by Carmine's assistant, who Carmine encourages to share the news while the journalist is still present. The assistant reveals that Ikaro, who was told that his father is dead, has continued his father's work after being convinced by Carmine himself. This has resulted in a giant breakthrough, which prompts Carmine to shoot the journalist, allowing him to keep his secrets for now.

Ikaro actually managed to complete his father's work on the encrypted message from ADAM the night before. He records a log using his first R080T, D8, a little robot to document lab activities. This log contains the moment they managed to activate E.V.E., an intelligent super AI that had access to multiple dimensions. Ikaro decides to tell the board and believes E.V.E. should be put in charge of the company.



D8 is activated on the same day E.V.E. is: the 24th of October 2037. D8 is used to record the [log about E.V.E.](#) and also has some commentary on Ikaro Lauren's emotional state.

E.V.E. is the "big boss" according to M8 on the ARG website. We are unsure when exactly she takes charge. She is in charge before the Chapel Incident (discussed when we get to 2040) in the live shows, although there has been no confirmation that the live shows are canon to the story.

We are about to meet another protagonist named Selene. In her diary she states that she is 16 years old, but there is also evidence to suggest that she may have been born in 2018 or 2019, before the Mantra cult fell.

We are unsure of any family connections between the pink-haired characters (Skys, Selene & Sof), but they are frequently speculated on. It is interesting to note that in the drawing in Sof's journal, Skys actually wears the same earring we see Sof wear.

She also has a little crush on her best friend named Scott, who is supposed to be the same age as her. They both live in New Elysium, a mysterious neighbourhood Sof states was probably built by Nex Gen. The word "elysium" again hints at a connection to a (Yo)utopia.



You might be somewhat familiar with Scott's diary, as it directly aligns with the lyrics of the song "Dear Diary,"

On the 28th of October, Scott has been bitten by a person and things around him in New Elysium seem off. His dog Oskar will not stop barking. His diary implies that the one that bit him was his drug dealer, Ceto, whom he buys "nexies" from to study.

My best guess is that he was taking a drug similar to ritalin for studying. We already know Nex Gen also produces pharmaceuticals, the nexies likely originate from Nex Gen too.

The next day, Scott stays home from school. The following day he feels even worse: he can barely write and feels like he is even losing his humanity. Selene writes her diary on the same day (30th of October), noting Scott's absence and planning to visit him the day after. On the 31st Scott writes about eating his dogs face and seems to absolutely have lost control of himself.

This is the start of the VSPR-37 pandemic, that would take a good percentage of the world population (according to Sof). The virus turned people into creatures named voidlings, which seem to be physical manifestations of the mares that have been a theme throughout the story.

Nex Gen suspiciously has two code names for the two: NYX-01 for Selene and NYX-02 for Scott. They are keeping track of the two and end up sending their special ops team (F.A.N.T.O.M.) to extract the two from New Elysium and bring them to a Nex Gen facility. It turns out to be too late for Scott: he has bitten Selene and seems to be transforming into a voidling. The F.A.N.T.O.M. team ends up shooting Scott multiple times, killing him. Selene is then taken away to one of Nex Gen's facilities.

Chapter 8: Project Dreamseeker

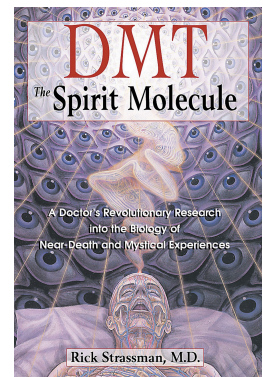
During the interview between Carmine and the journalist we also learn that the company is working on Youtopia research and is using DMT to do so. This would later be called "Project Dreamseeker".

DMT is Dimethyltryptamine, a hallucinogenic drug with a long spiritual history. It has incredibly intense effects, which are often compared to near death experiences. DMT is released upon death in animal brains and is theorised to do the same in the human brain.

Disclaimer: I am not a biologist or neurologist, so forgive me if I make any mistakes explaining the following.

Rick Strassman is a real-life scientist, who coined the term the "spirit molecule", providing the inspiration for Strassman and strengthening the association between DMT and spiritual experiences. It is theorised that DMT is produced in the body in the pineal gland.

The pineal gland is a small pine cone-shaped gland in the brain, which is also responsible for the release of melatonin to regulate sleep. It is also known as the "third eye". The pineal gland is directly exposed to the blood stream, not protected by the blood-brain barrier that protects the rest of the brain. The calcification of the pineal gland is well-documented in modern times and is theorised by some to be caused by fluoride, which is ingested through toothpaste. It is also added to drinking water in many regions of the world.

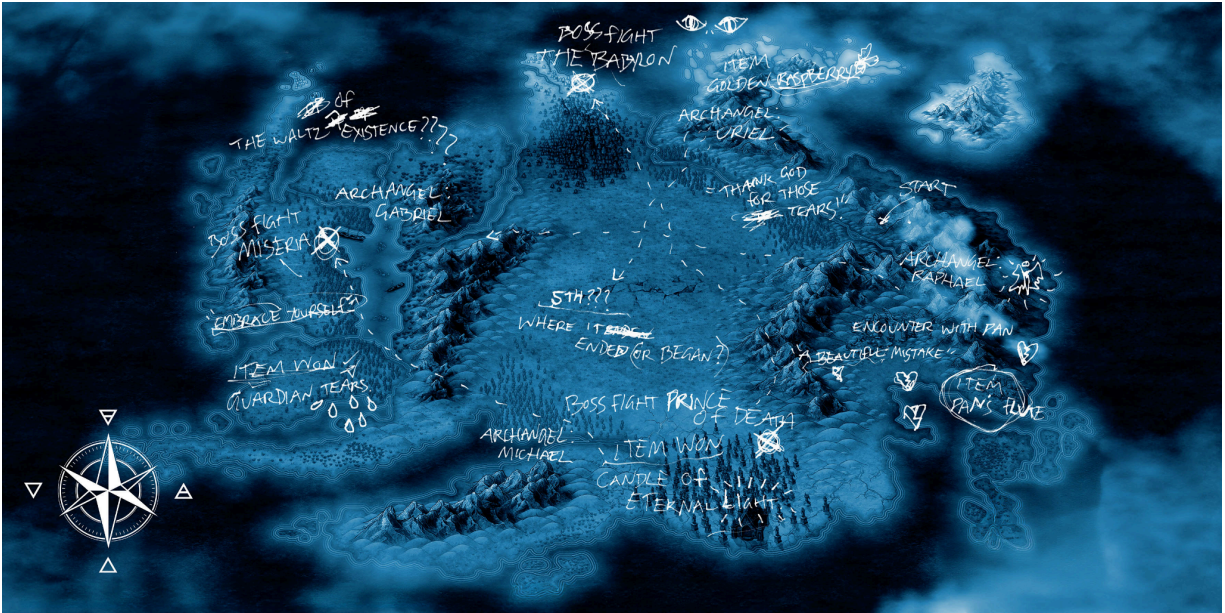


After being bitten by Scott, it turns out Selene is actually immune to the virus. She turns out to have a very unique pineal gland and she starts working on research with Strassman.

There is [one document](#) that has never appeared on the ARG website, but was distributed at the pop up shops in 2024 instead. This document provides a lot more context on the Youtopia research involving Selene.

On April 23, 2038, Selene enters Youtopia for the first time. Strassman and Selene found that to enter Youtopia, one must cleanse "mare attachments" from their Astral Matrix (spiritual field). They use the **Lesser Banishing Ritual of the Pentagram (LBRP)** to cleanse Selene before

entering the pure dimension also referred to as Y-93. This invokes **the Archangels** to protect Selene on her journey throughout Youtopia.



Selene's map of Youtopia

The Archangels represent Youtopia's insights. Their names are also mentioned in [ost] (spi)ritual. This song represents the execution of this ritual, which is rooted in real life spiritual practices just like the archangels themselves.

There are also omens (also characters), labelled as "bosses" in the booklet from the deluxe CD. They carry their own items too and are also mentioned on Selene's map of Youtopia.

Motivated by his new findings, Strassman sends a [letter](#) to Carmine in 2038. He suggests establishing two new lesser banishing centers for their research above some Eldritch Conduits.

The eldritch conduits are locations associated with myth and urban legends. In this universe, they are metaphysical energy sources, according to Strassman in the same letter. This refers all the way back to Carmine expanding his energy grid in the Carmine chapter of this recap.

Since the research seems to be a continuation of what caused the Cradle Crash, Strassman also describes several measures they have taken to prevent future incidents. Most are technical in nature, but the LBRP also plays a key role in the ritual to reach Youtopia.

Nex Gen has already been experimenting with DMT in order to reach Youtopia, but Selene provides another opportunity to support this goal. On the 10th of June 2039 call occurs between Strassman and E.V.E. (who is leading Project Dreamseeker). Strassman indicates that their research is having very destructive side effects, from serious disturbances in the brain to potentially fatal physical consequences.

E.V.E. dismisses Strassman's serious concerns, stating that they must sacrifice to achieve their goals for the greater good of humanity. He questions her motives, accusing her of harvesting energy from the living to power herself. She once again dismisses him and decides to continue the project.

We are about to head into some speculation again:

This song contains a lot of reversed audio, not all of which has been made out successfully. It does obviously originate from Karl Strassman and discusses elements we heard in the call as well. This [conversation](#) is one of the documents. The password screen had an illustration of Strassman on it and his full name was used as a password. His first name was unknown before this point in the very early days of the ARG in May 2024.



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(from the old dashboard, currently only available on [Wayback Machine](#))

The other thing this song contains is a plea for forgiveness to god, as well as the sound of a gun being shot. The most likely explanation here is that Strassman took his own life, but there is no confirmation of this so far.

Her body produces a unique compound, that they start using to create a new drug called **P.U.S.S.-E**. P.U.S.S.-E. is short for Pineal Upregulation Synthetic Substance Enhanced, as seen in promotional posts.

Documents and some dialogue refers to Selene's "unique indole alkaloid structure", which is used to create the drug. There are also references to Selene's special pineal gland. In [ost] p.u.s.s.-e. there is someone stating "it's DMT!". This also supports the idea that Selene is still producing her own (kind of) DMT.



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YOUTOPIA
there is a home somewhere beyond my bones



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Both R8 and M8 seem to have been added to Ikaro's R080T line somewhere between the end of 2037 and the start of 2040.

This is R8! One of the [documents](#) included an animation of it spinning, its specifications and a snippet from the official [Top 10 staTues tHat CriEd bloOd](#) MV. The most important thing that you need to know is that it was created before M8. Its main functionality is to reconstruct the past, making it possible to look back at past events. It seems more advanced than D8.



Finally, Ikaro Lauren ends up building our well-known robot friend M8. M8 is short for Multidimensional Navigator 8, which is also the name of the ARG website. She is our assistant in this environment. Due to what is about to happen, we know that M8 existed in February 2040. She uses the fictional processor NEXCORE 2039, which could also refer to the year she was built.

Chapter 9: Sof the Post Human

Selene seems to get pregnant while still at Nex Gen's facilities and gives birth to a baby on the 25th of February in 2040. Only 20 minutes after Selene has her baby, she records a message. She is devastated leaving her baby behind in the care of M8, who will raise the child named Sof. She has to leave when an alarm starts blaring, reassuring Sof to believe in themselves and that they love them.

What is interesting to point out here is that Sof is a non-binary demi-god, according to the [booklet](#) paired with the Nex Gen CD. The lore contains both she/they pronouns and they are the person on the cover of the album. The special edition of the Nex Gen CD that contained the statue also came with packaging that specifically refers to Sof as "The Post Human". This name aligns with the prophecy we discussed in the very beginning and the prophecy mentions a demi-god specifically.



This is, in my humble opinion, not a coincidence.

Disaster strikes once again, as Nex Gen scientist Dr. Elias Mortem and his team are slaughtered. This incident is also referred to as the **Chapel Incident**. Mortem was also the head of the research division responsible for the proposal of Project D.U.S.T. back in 2021.

The chapel incident was caught on video in [one of the documents](#). Sof got a memo with his document, according to the journal they would start writing later. It seems we do not have this memo anywhere. Sof also speculates that D.U.S.T. may have eventually sealed Mortem's fate.

In this chapel, we see the creatures that have been roaming the earth since the pandemic. The stage looks like the design we see at BMTH's live shows. The timing also lines up suspiciously well with Sof's birth, indicating that Selene may have had some involvement, since she ends her message to Sof when an alarm starts blaring.

Angeldust, who does appear in the live shows, is not present in this video. We know very little about her, but there are speculated connections to Strassman's missing child Angel and Project D.U.S.T. for fairly obvious reasons.

Rumors had been circulating that Nex Gen had developed combat synths (from the S.Y.N.T.H. project), also called Sentinels. Somewhere after Elias' disappearance, an article appears that speculates that these may have gone rogue. Several more incidents also happen at the theme park Gat3keeper, where Lyra Lauren went before she died. Some of these are blamed on the park's AI Celesta, others on other reasons including "magnetic field inference" and overstimulation of the brain.

Somewhere around 8 years old, Sof writes about the chapel incident in their journal. A source on a platform that parodies Reddit dates back to 2052. If we assume this is not a mistake, the best explanation would be that they continued writing in the journal for several years while uncovering the mysteries of their past. Selene and Sof have sadly not been reunited.

This is where the story ends for now, meatbags. THANK YOU for getting this far, sorry to end things so abruptly! We hope to see more of Selene & Sof's journey soon, maybe with PH3 or PH4.

I would also like to express my thanks to the Post Human community. Thank you for the motivation, the discussions, the theories and everything else. ❤️

Sources for Tinfoilers

If you can't get enough of this lore either here's a few tips for you!

- [Sof's journal](#) also contains a timeline and some more information.
- <https://secrettinfoilsociety.com/>: our wiki
- <https://www.instagram.com/bmthargwiki/>: our instagram for updates
- <https://discord.com/invite/6arw5eWg9x>: the wiki Discord, for update notifications and easy access to the files
- Join the [official BMTH Discord](#) for a chat! Go to "Roles & Channels" to enable the lore-related channels.
- Listen to the album again :)

And if you have a computer available, of course please check out the ARG website itself on <https://www.multidimensionalnavigator8.help/index-desktop>.

