

Xenomorph Larva Removal

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TITLE CARD

The title card has a United Systems Military emblem and reads "United Systems Military, 1029 Infantry Division, Counter Xenomorph Operations Center, Jigoku Station, Advanced Training Module # 27: Xenomorph Larva Removal".

INT. JIGOKU SPACE STATION OBSERVATION ROOM

On a large, wide screen monitor is the United Systems Military emblem. STAFF SERGEANT DECKER and STAFF SERGEANT MARSHALL stand just forward and to either side of the monitor. They wear military uniforms.

On a table sits a large specimen jar. Within the jar is a xenomorph facehugger. Behind them is a large monitor screen.

MARSHALL

Welcome to the Counter Xenomorph Operations at Jigoku Station in orbit over Salado. I'm Staff Sergeant David Marshall.

DECKER

And I am Staff Sergeant Richard Decker. In this module we will cover the surgical removal of the Xenomorph larva.

MARSHALL

Just a quick review. As was discussed in the previous module, this is the facehugger form of the xenomorph.

Marshall gestures to the facehugger specimen.

DECKER

Once the facehugger attaches itself, it pushes a proboscis down its victim's throat and secretes this bioactive fluid.

Decker holds up a vial of black liquid.

DECKER (CONT'D)

This fluid is basically a biological instruction set that hijacks the host's DNA and forces the body to create and then incubate a xenomorph larva.

MARSHALL

All experimentation on surgical larva removal was limited to animal studies. That is until now.

Three DOCTORS in white surgical gowns bring in Fred. Fred wears a hospital gown.

MARSHALL (CONT'D)

Say hello to Fred.

FRED

Hello.

DECKER

Fred volunteered to test out a new pain medication. Little did he know that while he was sedated we exposed him to a xenomorph facehugger.

FRED

Wait. What did you do?

MARSHALL

The facehugger has dropped off and now Fred has a xenomorph larva growing in his chest.

DECKER

Soon, the larva will be ready to emerge. It will trash about inside his chest cavity, tearing up his internal organs as it to escape. It will then punch itself through his sternum as it explosively erupts from his chest. And then Fred is going to die.

FRED

What the hell!

MARSHALL

Unless we surgically remove it in time.

DECKER

Our doctors here at the Counter Xenomorph Operations center have worked diligently to develop a procedure to safely remove the larva from a human subject and now believe that we are ready for human trials.

DOCTOR #1 reaches over for Fred.

DOCTOR#1

We should get him ready for surgery.

MARSHALL

In just a minute. It is important not to try to remove the larva too early. If an attempt is made too early the body will detect it and immediately start growing a second larva.

DOCTOR#1

Sooner would be better.

DECKER

Just a second. Once the facehugger implants the bioagent, gestation can take anywhere from five to eighteen hours except in the case of a queen xenomorph which can take twenty eight to thirty six hours.

DOCTOR#1

I think it's time we...

MARSHALL

Just a second. Because of the wide range of possible gestation times it is important that the subject be closely monitored by a medical professional.

FRED

I don't feel so well.

DECKER

Once medical scans show that the larva is sufficiently developed, the removal procedure can proceed.

FRED

I think I felt it move!

Marshall and Decker both put a hand on Fred's chest.

DECKER
Did it kick?

MARSHALL
Doctor, what are you waiting for.

DECKER
Seriously? Go on. Get him into surgery!

The doctors take Fred away. Marshall and Decker shake their heads.

MARSHALL
It is important that the removal be done in a secure setting. Otherwise, the larva may escape, grow to adulthood and reproduce rapidly creating thousands of xenomorphs.

Decker and Marshall turn to the monitor.

DECKER
Computer. Bring up channel five.

The monitor goes from the United Systems Military emblem to a view of the doctors prepare Fred for surgery. Fred is on an operating table. The doctors are now wearing latex gloves and surgical masks. In the background, above a large door in red letters is "Airlock".

DECKER (CONT'D)
Ready, doctor?

Doctor #1 give a thumbs up.

DOCTOR#1
Ready.

DECKER
Good. Please proceed. Computer, audio to zero.

Marshall and Decker turn away from the screen.

DECKER (CONT'D)
In this case, as we are in space, we are using an airlock.
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DECKER (CONT'D)

Other containment systems can be used but it should be noted that xenomorphs have been known to spit acid which, much like its blood, is highly corrosive to almost anything except the most acid resistant of materials.

On the screen Fred goes into convulsions. The xenomorph larva bursts from his chest. Blood goes everywhere.

MARSHALL

The procedure is relatively straight forward. An incision is made in the chest and the sternum cut open. Then the larva is located inside the mediastinum. Once the larva is removed from the chest cavity, the umbilical cord is cut and then it is placed into a secure, acid resistant container.

On the screen doctor #1 grabs the larva. It violently thrashes about. It lunges at and bites into his throat. Blood spurts from his neck.

Doctor #2 pulls the larva away but is in turn attacked. He is bitten in the chest. Blood sprays out and he falls to the floor. Doctor #3 cowers back against the airlock door.

Decker notices what is happening on the screen. Marshall notices Decker and looks to the screen. They then look at each other and then back to the screen.

Decker presses a button on a control panel next to the screen. Warning lights start flashing inside the airlock.

Decker and Marshall move to in front of the screen. They stand at attention and salute. Decker presses another button on the control panel. Fred, the doctors, the larva and various pieces of medical equipment get blown into space.

DECKER

Computer. End channel five.

The computer screen goes back to the United Systems Military emblem.

Marshall and Decker move back to their original positions.

MARSHALL

That concludes this training module.

DECKER

In our next module we will cover
xenomorph egg and facehugger
avoidance. Thank you for watching.