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shadowox8 4 Aug 2012, 11:41

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So, maybe I'm mistaken, but are only a small number being contained while the rest roam free? That strikes me as un-Foundation-like, unless there is some large cover-up occurring simultaneously to hide their existence and/or protect people from them.

That, and it sounds more like an unfortunate species of cicadas rather than an SCP.

A group of cicadas sounds outside my window as I write that last sentence.

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Bunton 4 Aug 2012, 11:46

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Not at all. The Foundation are containing as many as the can, and destroying the rest. The containment procedures simply provide an appropriate response in the event that any specimens are found outside of containment (which must be acknowledged as a possibility).

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Kaiser Crab 4 Aug 2012, 16:44

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This is very well written and it looks like you did a lot of research on the subject, and the concept certainly gave me the creeps for a second. However, this SCP reminds of the part of the "How to write an SCP" article that warns against writing plant and animal SCPs since in most cases something that weird already exists. This just seems like an OTT cicada to me. No vote, but again I appreciate the quality of the work put in.

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Bunton 31 Aug 2012, 03:10

[Fold](#)

If it's a good OTT cicada, then job well done.

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ribby97 14 Dec 2015, 06:29

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I disagree, there are plenty very good plant and animal SCPs of this type that are contained by the Foundation

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Bunton 4 Aug 2012, 19:20

[Fold](#)

Oh damn, I've forgot: this statement does need to be attached somewhere, doesn't it?

This wasn't originally my concept. It's a rewrite of draft submitted by a new member who later deleted his account.



Wogglebug 4 Aug 2012, 20:58

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'Most specimens are able to survive feeding only once every one (1) or two (2) weeks.'
I like the SCP, but for some reason this sentence just sort of bothers me.

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 Bunton 4 Aug 2012, 21:07

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Well, I can hardly fix it if I don't know what the problem is, silly. Exactly what about it bothers you?

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 Wogglebug 5 Aug 2012, 13:47

[Fold](#)

It just seems like it's saying that they're able to survive the feeding. Also, it says once every one *or* two weeks, and I feel like that would be written as a range rather than an A or B sort of thing, given that it's an indefinite period that falls somewhere between the two, rather than necessarily one or the other. Maybe I'm just misinterpreting it.

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 Bunton 5 Aug 2012, 14:05

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I intended to say that their last feeding lasts them one to two weeks. And I did intend it as a range, thank you. I'll edit that shortly.

Last edited on 6 Aug 2012, 07:02 by Bunton [Show more](#)

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 SRegan 5 Aug 2012, 08:09

[Fold](#)

I liked it and have upvoted. I was also a bit baffled by the bit Wogglebug points out, as I initially assumed it was talking about the subject's life expectancy and how frequently the nymphs fed to keep their host alive, coming as it does immediately after a description of symptoms, but after re-reading I gather it's how long they can go without food. Perhaps:

"Most specimens are able to survive one (1) to two (2) weeks without feeding."? Admittedly that then places the emphasis on not feeding rather than feeding... Maybe putting it at the end of the first Description para?

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 TL333s 6 Aug 2012, 18:33

[Fold](#)

Oh man, these went away and came back too? I always liked these.

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 (account deleted) 25 Apr 2014, 17:27

[Fold](#)

This is just barely on the border of "is this a scip, or a weird but scientifically plausible thing?" As much as the thought of having one's inner ear drained makes me shudder, there are known parasites that do far worse things. I guess the thing that makes this so weird is *why* having this adaptation would make for a successful organism, but...I guess if lots of people and/or animals were around and the whatever sap the bugs normally eat was in severely depleted supply, maybe it could happen. It's more plausible than the arctic tarantula, at any rate, and I thought that wasn't anomalous enough to qualify (though I admit that was more borne of ignorance than anything). And that means downvote. Sorry.

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 **SsnakeBite** 27 Nov 2014, 09:25

[Fold](#)

Aside from a few writing mistakes (most notably "larvae will SCP-1186 larvae will spontaneously appear") and tonal problems, there are quite a few things that don't make a lot of sense about this one:

+ spoilered for size

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 **Soultear** 3 May 2015, 01:00

[Fold](#)

This is well written and not half bad, but I find it quite uninteresting. I also agree with all that the last comment says. I'll downvote for now.

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 **Nanoro** 8 Sep 2015, 05:05

[Fold](#)

Hm. This one has nothing explicitly *wrong* with it, but... There isn't much going for it either.

The scip feels a bit too plain. I feel like it is missing the hook that makes it weird, scary or otherwise worth calling a scip. Sure, the whole "larvae spontaneously appear" thing is anomalous and all, but... This needs just a little more spice to it, more meat on the bones.

+ -0'd, cannot get good enough grasp of it as is to vote.

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