

Quentin Pendergast, PhD

Played by: Lee



Packages: +15

Earthling: +1, **Scientist without the Gadgeteer Trait:** +14

Attributes: +18

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| 4 | Awareness (+1 Scientist) +3 |
| 3 | Coordination +3 |
| 6 | Ingenuity (+2 Scientist) +4 |
| 4 | Presence +4 * |
| 3 | Resolve (+1 Scientist) +2 |
| 2 | Strength +2 |

Skills: 14

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| 0 | Athletics |
| 2 | Convince +2 * |
| 0 | Craft |
| 2 | Fighting +2 |
| 2 | Knowledge (+1 Scientist) +1 |
| 3 | Marksman +3 |
| 2 | Medicine (+1 Scientist) +1 |
| 5/7(10) ** *** | Science (+3 Scientist) +3 - AoE Chemistry |
| 0 | Subterfuge |
| 2 | Survival +2 |
| 2/4 **** | Technology (+2 Scientist) |
| 0 | Transport |

Traits: -1

* **Charming** +1 - The character gains a +2 bonus on any rolls related to social interaction.

** **Doctorate ([Science Chemistry])** +1

Insatiable Curiosity -1 - If the character is trying to resist these urges, he should spend a Story Point and make a difficulty 12 Ingenuity + Resolve -2 roll.

Phobia ([enclosed spaces]) -1 - The character receives a -2 penalty on fear rolls that involve her phobia, and gains no benefit from the Brave Trait with regards to her phobia.

Adversary ([Dr. Jones – Dept of Chemistry Harvard]) -1

Friends ([Dr. Bernwick]) (**Earthling**, minor good)

No Gadgeteer trait! (**Scientist**, half-major-good)

***** Man or Woman of Science (Scientist, major good)** - S/he can spend a Story Point to substitute Science for any other Skill in a roll. This substitution lasts only for that roll, and the character needs to spend another Story Point to perform this feat again, representing the thought processes needed to recalculate the trajectory of a bullet, analyze a new situation, or apply chemistry in a new way.

****** Technically Adept (Scientist, minor good)**

Obsession ([Explaining unknown mysteries]) (**Scientist**, minor bad)

Special/Equipment: -4

Experienced -3 story points

Ray gun -1 story point

-1 Story points spent toward Firebird 2

Story Points: 7

Dr Quentin Pendergast, played by Lee

Age:23

Sex: Male

Species: Earthling

Occupation: Scientist- Applied Chemistry, MIT

Quentin Pendergast was born in 1915 to middle class parents living in the suburbs of New York City. At an early age, Quentin showed signs of very high intelligence and his parents took it upon themselves to encourage his interest in math and science. By age 13, he had surpassed his teachers and, seeking greater challenges, applied to MIT. He was admitted as a freshman at the tender age of 14. He soon fell in love with chemistry and became a rising star in the chemistry department. He had planned graduate at 17 and then enter the commercial sector, working for a company such as Dow Chemicals or Dupont, when the world suddenly changed. The first manned mission to Mars, presented new challenges and opportunities, ones that grabbed the fascination of Quentin. Graduating in 1932, he remained at MIT as a grad student in Chemistry, working for the notable Professor Joseph Bernwick, head of the Chemistry department. This turned into the opportunity of a lifetime when Quentin and fellow grad student Helena Jones were selected to join the first MIT scientific mission to Mars in 1933. Upon arriving on Mars, Quentin became fascinated with the ancient cities and lost wonders of Mars. He soon became obsessed with explaining the mysteries that he found around him, everything from the ancient Martian technologies to how the universe worked.

For the next 2 years Quentin aided Dr Bernwick with his research into ancient Mars. Together they studied various technologies and materials found in the ruins of Martian cities. There were 2 notable events that had an impact on Quentin at this time. The first was during the exploration of a cave system near Kostrast. While studying some ruins in the cave there was a slight marsquake, which collapsed the entrance of the cave. While Quentin and the other members of the team were soon rescued, he has ever since that event had a fear of enclosed spaces. The other notable event was the during the war with Mircanok. When Prince Kolatilik ordered the imprisonment of all Earthlings in his territory, the MIT team conducting a research mission along the border area. A small Mircanok force attempted to detain the team, but Quentin and several other members of the team fought them off and got the group back to Kostrast territory, saving their lives, as all of the American's who were

imprisoned by Prince Kolatilik were killed before they could be rescued. In response to this event, Quentin managed to acquire a new Ray Pistol (There are some questions about how exactly he got) and convinced several Rocket Rangers to train him in its use.

Upon returning to Earth, Quentin completed and earned his doctorate in Chemistry. While many other students focused on traditional fields and laboratory based programs, Quentin favored field research. Determined to go back to Mars and conduct more field expeditions, he also studied the new fields of Xeno-Linguistics and Exo-Terran Archaeology. During this time Quentin continued aiding Dr Bernwick studying items that they brought back from Mars. Quentin became very popular on campus, his natural charm winning him many friends. One of the few exceptions was Helena Jones. A very driven person, Helena sought to be the best at everything and resented Quentin for challenging her as the top student in the doctoral program. She also resented the ease with which had made friends with fellow students and faculty. The final straw was in 1936, when after both Helena and Quentin were awarded their doctorates, Quentin was chosen to join the MIT faculty as a junior professor. While Helena attributed this to underhanded actions by Quentin, the truth was she had alienated the faculty through a combination of her attitude and her interest in science, not a way to better the world, but a way to enrich herself. She soon left academia to enter the private sector and find her fame and fortune.

Recognizing Quentin's strength in field research he was assigned to a joint research program between GE and MIT to conduct further studies of the ancient Martian science and technology.