

## Characters D6 / Royce Hemlock (Human)

Name: Royce Hemlock

Species: Human

Gender: Male

Hair color: Dark brown

Eye color: Blue

Skin color: Light

DEXTERITY: 2D+2

Blaster: 4D+2

Brawling Parry: 5D

Dodge: 5D+2

KNOWLEDGE: 4D

Alien species: 6D+1

Bureaucracy: 7D

Languages: 5D+2

Planetary systems: 4D+2

Scholar; Cloning: 8D

Scholar; Medicine: 7D

Tactics: 5D

Willpower: 6D

PERCEPTION: 4D

Bargain: 5D+1

Command: 8D+2

Con: 6D

Investigation: 8D

Search: 7D+1

Persuasion: 5D+2

STRENGTH: 2D+2

Brawling 4D+2

MECHANICAL: 3D

Bacta Tank Operation: 5D+2

Cloning Tank Operation: 6D

Communications: 5D+1

Repulsorlift Operation: 5D+2

TECHNICAL: 3D

Computer Programming/Repair: 6D



Droid Programming/Repair: 6D

First Aid: 8D+1

Medicine: 7D

Security: 7D

Move: 10

Force Sensitive: N

Force Points: 4

Dark Side Points: 3

Character Points: 10

Equipment:

Imperial Uniform, Blaster Pistol (4D), Commlink, Imperial Code Cylinders, Glove

Description: Royce Hemlock was a human male chief scientist of Advanced Science Division in service to the Galactic Empire. Around 19 BBY, Hemlock was assigned to Mount Tantiss in order to assist in the efforts of the Imperial cloning program.

## ***Biography***

### *Early life*

Royce Hemlock was an officer in the Galactic Republic's science corps but was expelled due to his unorthodox experiments.

### *Imperial scientist*

Around 19 BBY, Doctor Hemlock was a chief scientist of the Advanced Science Division assigned to work on the Imperial cloning program on Mount Tantiss under the Galactic Empire. After being transported to the facility aboard a Rho-class transport shuttle, Hemlock was greeted by Imperial scientist Scalder and a unit of Imperial clone commandos. Hemlock disregarded Scalder's formalities and informed the scientist about the further arrival of more vessels before he headed into the facility.

Soon after, Hemlock visited Kaminoan scientist Nala Se, who was being held in a cell due to her refusal to participate in any of the Empire's cloning operations. While Hemlock praised Se's work as a cloner, he chastised her unwillingness to contribute to the Imperial cause. When Se further refused to cooperate, Hemlock threatened that he could have far worse done to her. As he left the Kaminoan to ponder her decision, Hemlock was approached by scientist Emerie Karr and informed of the loss of communication with transport 904, an Imperial transport associated with the cloning program. Hemlock ordered recovery teams to be sent out and the transport's asset to be quickly contained. He inquired about any other Kaminoans that happened to be taken off-world prior to the destruction of Kamino, in which Emerie confirmed that the planet's former Prime Minister, Lama Su, was being held on Coruscant. Hemlock ordered Su to be brought to him.

Karr later informed Hemlock that transport 904's asset, a cloned Zillo Beast, had been recovered and secured in Mount Tantiss. As Hemlock walked to the base's docking bay with Imperial clone commando RC-1262 to observe the arrival of Su, he was informed by the commando that any witnesses to the Zillo

Beast clone were detained and would be dealt with, while also that a rogue military vessel was present during the operation. Hemlock tasked RC-1262 with tracking down the vessel as Su arrived. Hemlock informed Su that he has had trouble securing Se's cooperation, while Su mocked the Imperials for their lack of expertise in regards to cloning. Hemlock proposed Su's freedom in exchange for information on how to motivate Se, causing Su to reveal the existence of a female clone that Se had doted upon, and that she would be the key in securing the Kaminoan's cooperation. Satisfied, Hemlock invited Su into the facility for further discussions.

### *Hunting Clone Force 99*

Following an incident on Barton IV, which included the murder of his commanding officer, CT-9904 "Crosshair" was brought to Mount Tantiss. As Hemlock entered the operating chamber, he mentioned that Crosshair healed quickly after the critical condition when he first arrived. Hemlock told Crosshair that he was not sent in for punishment, but rather to give him a second chance. Hemlock asked for his cooperation to help locate Clone Force 99, adding that the clones possessed something he needed. Crosshair quickly guessed that Hemlock wanted Omega and told the doctor that they would never give up the kid. Hemlock said that the kid was a clone, which made her Imperial property. Crosshair responded that he did not know where the rogue clones were, but Hemlock replied that, the clone being a former member of the team, he knew how they operated and thought. Crosshair did not cooperate further, and Hemlock sent in an IT-O Interrogation Unit to torture the clone until he broke. As the interrogation droid started to torture Crosshair, Hemlock was notified by Scaldar that one of their transport ships from Balmorra was attacked, and the prisoners aboard escaped. Hemlock told Karr to inform him when Crosshair was ready to talk and left the chamber.

Crosshair soon attempted to escape, but was stopped by a toxin gas after he entered terminal three. Hemlock then entered the terminal, inhaling the toxin deeply without issue before telling Crosshair that the toxin was his own special formula and that he had built an immunity to it. After the failed attempt to escape, Crosshair was put back in the operating chamber.

Hemlock later informed Governor Wilhuff Tarkin via a hologram that the attack on the transport ship was unfortunate but inconsequential, although Tarkin quickly added that it was still a concern. The governor warned that the stolen data could compromise the location of the facility, to which Hemlock said that there were various protocols in place to prevent that. Despite Tarkin's warning, Hemlock was more concerned with how the transport ship was targeted. Tarkin suspected that the leak came from rogue clones still within the Imperial Army, adding that a growing number of clones had been questioning their orders. Hemlock responded that decommissioning problematic clones would not eliminate the threat. Hemlock proposed that the clones be sent to him and that he could deal with them in other ways. Interested, Tarkin told Hemlock that he expected a full briefing about his plans at the summit, before he ended the transmission.

Hemlock later returned to the operating chamber where Crosshair was held, but the clone continued to remain silent. Hemlock tried to tease Crosshair with potential freedom if he helped locate the rogue clones, but to no avail. Annoyed, Hemlock told Karr to increase the injection level of the interrogator droid. The interrogator droid soon came into view and started the torture on Crosshair, and Hemlock smirked as he stood and watched.

### *The summit on Eriadu*

Hemlock went to Raven's Peak, an Imperial fortress on Eriadu as he was invited by Tarkin to present his plans on what he wanted to do with clones. As his shuttle landed on the docking lane, Hemlock walked out and two TK stormtroopers told the doctor that Tarkin expected him and guided him to the summit. When Hemlock entered the meeting room, Tarkin and a few other top ranking officers were already waiting for his arrival. Tarkin told Hemlock that he was late to which he responded that there were other matters that required his attention, they then started the summit.

### ***Personality and traits***

Royce Hemlock was a human male with dark brown hair that had been neatly slicked back, blue eyes, and light skin.

Hemlock displayed an ambitious, work-oriented mindset and was eager to begin his service in the Imperial cloning program. He was willing to use intimidation and the threat of torture to get those that opposed the Empire to do his bidding. He spoke in an even tone and was often composed.

He displayed a habit of holding and tending to his left hand, which was covered with a glove.

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