THE GREATER TRIANGLE OF NORTH CAROLINA







TRANSMISSION

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TECHNOLOGY

In the late 1900's, corporations took advantage of low taxation and many hundred acres of available land in the mid-eastern region of North Carolina to create Research Triangle Park. The goal of the development was to create an aesthetically attractive area in which large companies could perform their R&D with physical and political privacy. Though the original tenants were diverse, large pharmaceutical firms eventually dominated the region pushing out all commerce that did not support their functioning. These firms still stand, though most have branched out into related fields such as genetic engineering and mega-agriculture. The ever-looming influence of the Bible Belt plus good old Southern tradition prevented 'artificial' life technologies such as cybernetics or electronic subdermal implants from taking root in favor of more 'natural' or 'organic' methods. Attaching a bionic arm may be a social faux pas, but regrowing one using 'all-natural' and 'locally produced' pharmaceuticals (actually synthesized from various non-native plant and animal species raised in a lab or greenhouse) seems perfectly fine around these parts. In fact, it's quite amazing what folks will accept as "natural" sometimes.

ENVIRONMENT

Residents of the Triangle take great pride in what they call their 'pristine wildernesses.' Most of the time these supposed 'preservations' are in fact built around megacorp headquarters or universities, both as a display of influence and a buffer against spies, protesters and the government. Stray too far and you will soon end up in what's now simply called the Interior – the former cities of Raleigh, Durham, Cary, Morrisville, Carrboro and Chapel Hill. This sprawling mass of haphazard urban planning houses most of the middle and lower class populations and service industries. While not terribly dirty, the Interior is vastly overcrowded and unpleasant to view since much of the original natural beauty was transplanted for 'protection.'

SOCIETY

The relative affluence of the Triangle during the difficult economic times of the early 21st century attracted a wide variety of emigrants from across wildly different cultures and backgrounds. Unfortunately, some of these cultures did not mesh well together and racial tensions reignited, further aggravated by a new structure of ethnic social stratification. Well-educated immigrants from East Asia – particularly Chinese and Indian – took the lion's share of the high-paying technical pharmaceutical work. The "native" population, most of which had some combination of Caucasian, African and Hispanic heritage, failed to catch up to the rapidly progressing technology and were largely relegated to unskilled labor. Reaction to the Asian immigration influx created 'purist' groups among each of the various "native" ethnicities. The purist groups tend to be small due to the difficulty of proving single-ethnic heritage but the few that exist can be vicious.



CONNECTIONS

Muralikrishna Upasani

A high-level research scientist at Nimbus Pharmaceuticals

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Соах	
DETECT	
FIGHT	
Наск	
MOVE	
OPERATE	
PROWL	
Shoot	
TREAT	

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Snarky	
Detail-Oriented	
Steady	
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Objects: medkit, SkyRabbit, specs

Favors: deal, ride shark

Michele Pennington

Former Navy Seal turned stay-at-home mom... supposedly.

Соах	
DETECT	
FIGHT	
Наск	
MOVE	
Operate	
PROWL	
Shoot	
TREAT	

08

Objects: stealthsuit, stinger, baton

Favors: fix (guns, weapons), fence

Shan Chen

Professional Escort - in every sense of both words.

DETECT	
OPERATEImage: Constraint of the second s	

Smooth	
H Alluring	
D Professional	
:0	
80	

Objects: ARX-21, reflex stimulators, switchblade motorcycle

Favors: date, ride



Muralikrishna Upasani's Leads

1d6	Un-connected	Connected
1	Shan Chen (connection)	Sandra San Jacinto (connection)
2	Sex Scandal (event)	Pharmaceutical Recall (event)
3	VistaBank (faction)	P.G. Cardinal Pharma (faction)
4	Moore Square (location)	Silver Finch Winery (location)
5	The Number (object)	Black Glove Orchid (object)
6	Intoxicated Revelers (threat)	T-Killers (threat)

Michele Pennington's Leads

1d6	Un-connected	Connected
1	Rev. RubyAnn Rhodeen (connection)	"Demon" Stevie Jones (connection)
2	Poor Harvest (event)	A House Divided (event)
3	Triangle Chamber (faction)	CaroLiberation Party (faction)
4	The Beltline (location)	Umstead National Park (location)
5	Cacalackey BBQ Sauce (object)	Silent Consuela (object)
6	Furyies (threat)	Derrin Law Offices (threat)

Shan Chen's Leads

1d6	Un-connected	Connected
1	Michele Pennington (connection)	Muralikrishna Upasani (connection)
2	Purist Riot (event)	Failed Experiment (event)
3	The Blue Committee (faction)	Gardeners of Eden (faction)
4	Franklin Street (location)	Erimus Stadium (location)
5	Stormy (object)	Ram's Horn (object)
6	CyberPak (threat)	Raging Bulls (threat)



Sandra San Jacinto

A body modifications artist operating out of the Orange sector of the Interior.

COAX	
DETECT	
FIGHT	
Наск	
MOVE	
OPERATE	
PROWL	
Shoot	
TREAT	

D Particular	0
Discreet	0
E Savvy	0
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Objects: medkit, knife, barker, Kevlar vest, cyberhand, headjack

Favors: fix (cybernetics), splice

Rev. RubyAnn Rhodeen

Shepherd of the First Fellowship of Victory – Yates Temple campus.

COAX	E Spiritual	
DETECT	D auntless	
FIGHT	D Charismatic	08
Наск	:0	
Move	80	
Operate	Objects: baton	
Prowl		
Shoot	Favors: shark, date, fence	
TREAT		

"Demon" Stevie Jones

Technician at Lloyd's Auto and illegal street racing champion.

Соах	
DETECT	
FIGHT	
Наск	
MOVE	
OPERATE	
PROWL	
Shoot	
TREAT	

Daredevil	
Dextrous	
Gearhead	08
:0	
80	

Objects: goblin muscle car, switchblade motorcycle, spyder

Favors: chop, ride



Sandra San Jacinto's Leads

1d6	Un-connected	Connected
1	Muralikrishna Upasani (connection)	Rev. RubyAnn Rhodeen (connection)
2	Pharmaceutical Recall (event)	Poor Harvest (event)
3	CaroLiberation Party (faction)	The Blue Committee (faction)
4	Erimus Stadium (location)	Moore Square (location)
5	Silent Consuela (object)	Cacalackey BBQ Sauce (object)
6	T-Killers (threat)	Furyies (threat)

Rev. RubyAnn Rhodeen's Leads

1d6	Un-connected	Connected
1	"Demon" Stevie Jones (connection)	Shan Chen (connection)
2	A House Divided (event)	Sex Scandal (event)
3	P.G. Cardinal Pharma (faction)	Triangle Chamber (faction)
4	Silver Finch Winery (location)	Franklin Street (location)
5	Black Glove Orchid (object)	The Number (object)
6	Derrin Law Offices (threat)	Intoxicated Revelers (threat)

"Demon" Stevie Jones' Leads

1d6	Un-connected	Connected
1	Sandra San Jacinto (connection)	Michele Pennington (connection)
2	Failed Experiment (event)	Purist Riot (event)
3	Gardeners of Eden (faction)	VistaBank (faction)
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6	Raging Bulls (threat)	CyberPak (threat)



EVENTS

Pharmaceutical Recall

A lot of common drug is recalled when patients begin to experience bizarre side effects.

A House Divided

UNC squares off against Duke in an ACC sporting event.

Sex Scandal A prominent regional figure is accused of crossing taboo moral or ethic lines.

Purist Riot *A purist group attempts to lay claim to a certain section of the Interior.*

Failed Experiment *Genetic experimentation has gone awry; the results are about to be made public.*

Poor Harvest

Sporadic rainfall and a resistant insect invasion threatens the food and water supply.

FACTIONS

P.G. Cardinal Pharma

The largest pharmaceutical megacorp in the Triangle.

VistaBank

Specializes in business and research loans. They own some small bit of nearly everything.

Triangle Chamber

A formerly respected volunteer organization whose glory days seem well behind them.

CaroLiberation Party

Fledgling political party insistent on the necessity of secession for survival.

Gardeners of Eden

A religious organization dedicated to the purity of natural life. It manages to be remarkably cruel, yet non-violent.

The Blue Committee

Composed of representatives from all the major universities, this informal network effectively controls the direction of education and research for the state.



LOCATIONS

Franklin Street

College hangout street, known for its seedy dives and colorful characters.

Moore Square

The seat of the state government – whatever that's worth nowadays.

The Beltline

Series of state multi-levelled freeways that circle the Interior.

Silver Finch Winery

One of the last independent wineries in the Triangle.

Erimus Stadium *Multi-purpose sports arena which hosts nearly all minor and major league events.*

Umstead National Park

One of the last remaining public forests. All manner of illicit dealings occur here.

OBJECTS

Ram's Horn

Stormy

The Number

Electronic key to a major CEO's bank account, currently on a portable drive. **•** encryption, firewall, tough

Silent Consuela

A top-secret energy weapon stolen from nearby Ft. Bragg. energy weapon, stolen, powerful, laser-sight, silencer

Cacalackey BBQ Sauce

The newest street drug. Rumor says is was leaked as a cheap way to do human testing. **①** experimental, drug, quick, reflexive, popular

Black Glove Orchid



THREATS

CyberPak

A cabal of hackers based out of NC State University.

Derrin, Derrin and Derrin Law Offices

Legal counsel for most megacorps in the Triangle. They have significant dirt on nearly all of the circuit judges.

T-Killers

Corporate mercernaries specializing in pharma and biotech black ops.

Furyies

Humans with animal-derived implants who now feel more beast than beauty.

Raging Bulls

Violent ethnic purist street gang.

Intoxicated Revelers

They're drunk or high or.. something. It's kind of hard to tell which.

Master Table [1d6 by 1d6]

	1	2	3
1 Connections	Muralikrishna Upasani	Michele Pennington	Shan Chen
2 Events	Pharmaceutical Recall	A House Divided	Sex Scandal
3 Factions	P.G. Cardinal Pharma	VistaBank	Triangle Chamber
4 Locations	Franklin Street	Moore Square	The Beltline
5 Objects	Ram's Horn	Stormy	The Number
6 Threats	CyberPak	Derrin Law	T-Killers
	4	5	6
1 Connections	4 Sandra San Jacinto	5 Rev. RubyAnn Rhodeen	
1 Connections 2 Events			
	Sandra San Jacinto	Rev. RubyAnn Rhodeen	"Demon" Stevie Jones
2 Events	Sandra San Jacinto Purist Riot	Rev. RubyAnn Rhodeen Failed Experiment	"Demon" Stevie Jones Poor Harvest
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TAGS

Some of the objects in this Transmission use unique tags. The descriptions of these tags are found here. Some tags mention that they trump other tags. Remember that this means the trumped tag can't be used to defend against an action using the trumping tag.

calming: optimizes a sound for the most pleasant harmonics chemical sensor: detects trace amounts of airborne chemicals coiling: can be rolled up or tucked without hindering function delicate: subject to damage under even normal conditions drug: will apply the "high" negative tag as though given by a Dealer energy weapon: weapon utilizing electricity, photons or fire (trumps ballistic and impact armors) fast-healing: passively promotes rapid healing of wounds and injuries fine-control: can be used to mark a very specific target or relay a complex message frequency modulation: alter the tone and pitch of sounds to match a desired pattern heightened balance: augments the inner ear function for superior balance and spatial orientation high-frequency: receives and/or creates sound above normal human range low-frequency: received and/or creates sound below normal human range medicinal: useful for treating pathogens like bacteria or viruses organic: tissue indistinguishable from normal body tissue without surgical examination plume-dispersion: can be used to mark a wide area or multiple targets popular: in high demand across the population; as good as Kreds prehensile: another limb that articulates as well as an arm smart: an object or entity raised to human-level intelligence toxic: causes damage by ingestion, inhalation or absorption

Upgrades with the **organic** tag such as venom glands and tails are implanted using the *deal* favor instead of *splice*.



Threat: CyberPak

Heavies

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Operate	
PROWL	
Shoot	
TREAT	

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COAX		:0
DETECT		:0
FIGHT		-
Наск		:6
MOVE		80
Operate		~ .
PROWL		0
Shoot		ro
TREAT		

Henchmen

Blac0ps76	, beta 1
COAX	
DETECT	
FIGHT	
Наск	
MOVE	
OPERATE	
PROWL	
Shoot	
TREAT	
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Obj: medkit, stinger, specs



Obj: specs, stinger, vocaloid

10 Trigger-Happy	
Buspicious	08
Bombastic	08
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80	

Objects: headjack, stinger, buzzer

H Quick	
• Thorough	
Confident	08
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Objects: cybereyes, flexisteel gloves router patch, goblin musclecar



Obj: knife, specs

R0ut3r, gamma COAX DETECT FIGHT Наск MOVE **O**PERATE PROWL Shoot TREAT **Hyperactive** Obj: specs, spyder

Object Pool

Headjack Cerebral input, experimental, linked, nervelinked

Stinger 🔁 small

Buzzer • camera, linked, mic, rotor-fan

Cybereyes

⊕ cam, display, nervelinked, matched-pair

Flexisteel gloves 🕒 blunt, strong

Goblin musclecar linked, passengers, spheels, turbo

Medkit • bandages, linked, stims

Specs • display, gesture input, linked, sound

Knife • sharp, small, dermalinked

Vocaloid G calming, frequency modulation, loud

Spyder

• camera, linked, adhesive legs, mic, small, thermal imaging, sonar imaging

Threat: Derrin, Derrin and Derrin Law Offices Heavies **Object Pool**

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MOVE		80 08	
OPERATE		Objects: specs, vocaloid, aCar	
PROWL		objects, spees, voeuora, acar	
Shoot			
TREAT			
Kelly Derr	rin, senior part	ner	
COAX		Dramatic	
DETECT			
FIGHT		I Sharp	
Наск		:00;	
MOVE		8008	
OPERATE			
PROWL		Objects : spyder, specs, stinger	
Shoot		switchblade motorcycle	

Henchmen

TREAT

Trisha Derrin, junior partner

COAX		
DETECT		
FIGHT		
Наск		
Move		
Operate		
PROWL		
Shoot		
TREAT		
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Obj: specs



subdermal memory

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TREAT		
Shoot		
PROWL		
O PERATE		
MOVE		
Наск		
FIGHT		
DETECT		
COAX		
Rosa Varga	as, paralega	ıl

Obj: Jacobson's organ, pinna musculature

Leif Gund	ersson, intern
COAX	
DETECT	



Obj: specs, manual-drive car, baton

Jacobson's organ

• organic, chemical sensor

Stinger C small

Switchblade motorcycle • 3-d shocks, linked, spheel, turbo

Pinna musculature

⊖organic, mic, highfrequency, low-frequency

Router patch • derma-linked, linked, encryption, firewall

Manual-drive car

• passengers, spheels, turbo

Subdermal memory

⊕ small, nerve-linked, derma-linked, cerebral input

Specs

• display, gesture input, linked, sound

Vocaloid

Calming, frequency modulation, loud

Spyder

€ camera, linked, adhesive legs, mic, small, thermal imaging, sonar imaging

Threat: T-Killers

Heavies

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COAX		Deadeye	
DETECT		Calculating	
FIGHT		DIntimidating	
Наск		:0	
Move		80	
Operate		Objects: ARX-21, du	ister shotaun
PROWL		Kevlar vest, synthsca	U
Shoot		ree that vest, synthisea	
TREAT			
Ghanta, se	econd-in-comm	and	
COAX		Duick	08
DETECT		Thorough	
FIGHT		Confident	08
Наск		:0	08

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Objects: jaguar submachine gun, sonic grenade, Kevlar vest, synthscales

Nonoyama, pilot

COAX

COAX

FIGHT

Наск

MOVE

OPERATE

PROWL

DETECT

Henchmen

MOVE

OPERATE

PROWL

Shoot

TREAT

Velazquez,	reconnaisance
COAX	
DETECT	
FIGHT	
Наск	
MOVE	
Operate	
PROWL	
Shoot	
TREAT	
:O Stealth	V

Obj: Jacobson's organ, pinna

musculature, stinger, synthscales

DETECT FIGHT Наск MOVE **O**PERATE PROWL Shoot TREAT C Ace

Obj: SkyRabbit, duster shotgun

das Choudri, support

Sutter, sniper COAX DETECT FIGHT Наск MOVE OPERATE PROWL Shoot TREAT **:O**Calm

Obj: sniper rifle, cybereyes stealthsuit

Object Pool

Jaguar smg ⊕ burst fire

Kevlar vest ● ballistic armor, conditonmonitor

Synthscales O organic, impact armor

Jacobson's organ ⊖ organic, chem sensor

SkyRabbit

⊖ cam, linked, rotorfan, thrusters, passangers, gun, burst fire

Medkit

Oorganic, bandages, stims, fast-healing

Cybereyes

Cam, nerve-linked, sonar-imaging, themalimaging, infrafed

Sniper rifle

➡ large, long-range,silencer, stock, powerful

Stealthsuit ● linked, themal dampeners

SHOOT TREAT

Obj: medkit, duster shotgun

Threat: Furyies

Heavies

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COAX		
DETECT		
FIGHT		
Наск		
MOVE		
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COAX		
DETECT		
FIGHT		
Наск		
MOVE		
Operate		
PROWL		
Shoot		
TREAT		

Henchmen

Jackal, con	nic relief
COAX	
DETECT	
FIGHT	
Наск	
Move	
Operate	
PROWL	
Shoot	
TREAT	
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Obj: Jacobson's organ, specs, claws

Viper, enforcement



Obj: Jacobson's organ, fangs synthscales, venom gland



Objects: Jacobson's organ, pinna musculature, heightened pheromones, claws, tail, nictitating membrane

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Dominant	08
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:0	08
80	08

Objects: Jacobson's organ, pinna musculature, heightened pheromones, claws, tail, facilitated appendix



Obj: Jacobson's organ, vocaloid, pinna musculature, tail



Obj: Jacobson's organ, prehensile tail

Object Pool

Heightened pheromones

• organic, fine-control, plume dispersion

Nictitating membrane

• organic, protective, toxin-filter (eyes only)

Facilitated appendix O organic, toxin-filter

Synthscales O organic, impact armor

Pinna musculature

• organic, mic, highfrequency, low-frequency

Jacobson's organ ⊕ organic, chem sensor

Specs

G display, gesture input, linked, sound

Vocaloid

• calming, frequency modulation, loud

Venom gland Oorganic, toxic, bite-delivery

Threat: Raging Bulls

Heavies

Beast, disciplinarian COAX DETECT B B B B Bulky FIGHT Наск MOVE 80 Operate PROWL Shoot TREAT Rlaze communications

Blaze, communications	
COAX	
DETECT	
FIGHT	
Наск	
MOVE	
Operate	
PROWL	
Shoot	
TREAT	

Henchmen

War, instig	gator
COAX	
DETECT	
FIGHT	
Наск	
MOVE	
OPERATE	
PROWL	
Shoot	
TREAT	
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Obj: barker pistol, knife, aCar



Objects: goblin musclecar, nail bat, duster shotgun, riot shield

E Flamboyant	
Hot-headed	
D estructive	08
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80	08

Objects: flamethrower, goblin musclecar, flexisteel gloves, cybereyes

Famine, saboteur COAX DETECT FIGHT Наск MOVE **O**PERATE PROWL Shoot TREAT **:** Eager

Obj: vocaloid, aCar, knife

Plague, clean-up



Obj: ARX-21, aCar, cybereyes

Object Pool

Nail bat ❶ blunt, large, sharp

Riot shield ● protective

Flamethrower ⊕ energy weapon

Flexisteel gloves ● blunt, strong

Cybereyes

• cam, display, nerve-liked, ocular screen, matched pair

Barker pistol ● loud, powerful

Knife ❶ sharp, small

Threat: Intoxicated Revelers

Heavies Waseem COAX Proud DETECT Obnoxious FIGHT Наск MOVE OPERATE **Objects:** aCar, bat PROWL Shoot TREAT Raul COAX **H**Mischievous DETECT **Mouthy** FIGHT **E**ducated Наск :0 MOVE 80 Operate **Objects:** specs, bat PROWL Shoot TREAT

Henchmen

Kelsay		
COAX		
DETECT		
FIGHT		
Наск		
MOVE		
O PERATE		
PROWL		
S ноот		
TREAT		
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Obj: aCar, medkit



Obj: subdermal memory, router patch, specs, aCar

Jordan	
Coax	
DETECT	
FIGHT	
Наск	
Move	
OPERATE	
Prowl	
Shoot	
Treat	
:O Cool	
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Obj: specs, cyberhand



Obj: tail, synthscales, claws

Object Pool

aCar ⊕ automatic, linked passengers, spheels

Bat ⊕ blunt

Medkit Dandages, linked, stims

Cyberhand

nerve-linked, dextrous, detachable

Subdermal memory

● small, nerve-linked, derma-linked, cerebral input

Specs

• display, gesture input, linked, sound

Router patch

➡ derma-linked, linked, encryption, firewall