

Name: Simus

Died: 5000 BBY, Ziost

Species: Sith-Human hybrid

Gender: Male

Hair color: Dark

Eye color: Red

Skin color: Grey

Move: 10

DEXTERITY: 0D (formerly 3D)

Archaic Guns: 0D (formerly 5D)

Brawling Parry: 0D (formerly 6D+1)

Dodge: 0D (formerly 7D)

Melee Combat: 0D (formerly 8D+1)

Melee Parry: 0D (formerly 7D+2)

PERCEPTION: 4D

Bargain: 6D+2

Con: 5D+1

Investigation: 6D+1

Persuasion: 6D+2

Search: 7D

Sneak: 0D (formerly 5D+1)

Command: 7D+1

KNOWLEDGE: 5D

Alien Species: 5D+1

Cultures: 5D+2

Intimidation: 7D

Languages: 6D

Law Enforcement: 6D+1

Planetary Systems: 5D+2

Scholar (Jedi Lore): 5D+1

Scholar (Sith Lore): 8D+2

Streetwise: 5D+1

Survival: 6D+2

Tactics: 7D+1

Willpower: 9D

STRENGTH: 1D (formerly 4D)

Brawling: 0D (formerly 6D+1)

Climbing/Jumping: 0D (formerly 5D+2)

Stamina: 7D



MECHANICAL: 3D

Space Transports: 5D+2
Repulsorlift Operation: 5D
Starship Gunnery: 5D+2
Communications: 5D+2
Sensors: 6D
Astrogation: 4D+1

TECHNICAL: 1D

Security: 4D
First Aid: 3D+1

SPECIAL ABILITIES

Force Skills:

Control: 9D+1
Sense: 8D
Alter: 8D+2

Force Powers: Force Sense, Force Jump, Force Throw, Affect Mind, Telekinesis, Absorb/Dissipate Energy, Accelerate Another's Healing, Accelerate Healing, Affect Mind, Control Another's Pain, Combat Sense, Concentration, Control Pain, Danger Sense, Detoxify Poison, Life Detection, Life Sense, Magnify Senses, Projective Telepathy, Reduce Injury, Remain Conscious, Return Another to Consciousness, Resist Stun, Jedi Armed Combat

Notes: Simus knew many obscure powers unknown to most at the time—one of these enabled him to evade death even after being beheaded by Ragnos.

Evade Death: Even though beheaded, Simus used his dark side power to remain alive, this is considered a sustained power and therefore reduces all other skill rolls by 1D.

FORCE SENSITIVE - Y

FORCE POINTS: 10

DARK SIDE POINTS: 25

CHARACTER POINTS: 20

Equipment: Crystal Life Support Tank

Description: Simus was a Sith Lord who lived during the time of the first Sith Empire, and, centuries before 5000 BBY, challenged fellow Sith Lord Marka Ragnos for the title of Dark Lord of the Sith. As they vied for control of the Empire, Simus was ultimately defeated and beheaded in a duel with Ragnos; however, the Sith Lord did not give up his life.

Rather than letting himself die, Simus used his Sith powers to preserve his life. Very little of the Dark Lord-contender was left, though—Ragnos' rival lived as a severed head in a crystalline container for the rest of his days. Eventually, the bodiless Simus was made a part of the Sith Council, becoming a

respected member whose opinion was highly valued by the other councilors.

Lord Simus lived for over a hundred years, and watched as Marka Ragnos grew in power, pitting his adversaries against each other and ensuring that there were no threats to Ragnos's throne. Simus was one of few to survive, and in the process trained Naga Sadow in the ways of the Sith.

Sadow eventually became extremely powerful, and after the death of Marka Ragnos, he was one of two challengers for the throne. The other, Ludo Kressh, wished to keep the Empire hidden from the Galactic Republic, while Sadow wished to expand the Empire's borders. Though the Council was split on the matter, Simus supported his old friend Sadow, and backed his candidacy for the role of Dark Lord of the Sith.

Simus was eventually killed by Sadow with a Republic-issue blaster in the Dark Lord-aspirant's attempt to provide the other councilors with a reason to go to war, framing the Republic for his assassination.

Biography

Duel with Marka Ragnos

Simus was a male born some several centuries before the Great Hyperspace War, which occurred five thousand years before the Battle of Yavin. Like every sentient being in the Sith Empire at the time, he had at least some blood of the Sith species.

Simus grew in power and prominence, eventually becoming one of the most powerful Sith Lords of his time. After the death of the Dark Lord of the Sith, Simus and another powerful Sith, Marka Ragnos, were the contenders for the mantle. A Sith hybrid of immense physical strength, Ragnos became infamous through a series of short, ruthless campaigns against any and all who stood in the way of his efforts to gain power.

He and Simus eventually dueled each other for the right to rule, and Ragnos's rival lost the duel—the hybrid cut him down, and he was left scarred and bodiless—yet Simus did not give up his life.

Using unknown Sith techniques, he kept himself alive, preserving his head in a specialized crystalline container. This was made of metal, with transparent orange-colored material around the severed head, allowing him to see those that he spoke with as well as vice versa. A massive, heavily armed Sith servant accompanied Simus everywhere he went, carrying the dismembered head by the container as his master willed.

Sith Council

Simus was eventually offered a place on the Sith Council, an advisory body of the Sith Empire that met at the Sith Citadel on the ice Sith world of Ziost, where he sat alongside others such as Dor Gal-ram, Horak-mul, Shar Dakhan, Garu, and Tritos Nal. The bodiless male watched as Marka Ragnos gained complete control of the hundreds of worlds of the Sith Empire, living through the many assassinations of those who might have opposed the new Dark Lord's reign. Simus served faithfully for hundreds of years on the Council, becoming one of the most respected members amongst them.

Simus took at least one apprentice, a Human-Sith hybrid known as Naga Sadow. Sadow became extremely powerful, and when Ragnos passed away in 5000 BBY, he was one of two lords bidding for his throne. Similarly to how Ragnos and Simus dueled centuries before, Naga Sadow and Ludo Kressh engaged each other in a duel. Sadow's master, and several other members of the Council supported him, and his plans to expand the borders of the Empire, while Kressh wanted to keep the Empire stable and prosperous, and to ensure that they kept firm control on the Sith people.

The two aspiring Dark Lords had a great duel during Ragnos's funeral, and were closely matched when Ragnos's spirit appeared, telling them that though this was the Sith's golden age, things might soon change, and warning the two Sith to choose their paths wisely. Just after Simus's former rival departed once again, a ship known as the Starbreaker 12 arrived on Korriban. Two hyperspace explorers named Jori and Gav Daragon had inadvertently landed on the mausoleum planet after typing in random coordinates. Fearing that this was the possible attack from the Republic that Ragnos had warned about, the Sith Council immediately imprisoned them and called a Council meeting.

Death

The ten members of the Sith Council, including Simus, Sadow, and Kressh, held a meeting on the ice planet of Ziost, where the Dark Lord of the Sith normally ruled from—however, a new Dark Lord had yet to be decided. One of the councilors quickly claimed that the two Humans were spies, sent by the Republic, and if they were allowed to escape, the Daragons would return with their forces to plunder all that the Sith had worked hard to build. Kressh and his conservative faction were of the opinion that they should kill the two explorers and remove all evidence that they were ever on the planet.

Lord Simus, however, boldly told Kressh that he was speaking from fear, and was not thinking about the situation, which could have ended direly. The dismembered councilor told them that this was an opportunity—one they should consider before destroying it forever. Sadow was quick to side with his old master, and told Kressh that he was not adapting his thinking to the changing world they lived in—that he was still living in the past, in the times of Marka Ragnos, and that he was afraid of change.

Yet Kressh persisted, saying that if Simus was wrong, they would lose everything, while if Kressh was wrong, they would lose but the lives of two worthless Humans. Sadow responded angrily, and told the members of the Council, including his old master, that if they killed the two explorers they would lose the chance to capture thousands of new worlds, steal the riches from as many species, and gain control of the whole galaxy. Looking at Simus, Naga Sadow told the others that it was their destiny.

However, many members of the Council did not share Sadow and Simus's optimism, and decided that Jori and Gav Daragon posed too great a threat to their Empire. They gave the orders for the Humans' immediate execution, before resolving to discuss of their ship at the next meeting. Simus was tasked with telling the two youths of their fate, and, accompanied by his loyal bodyguard, he traveled to their cell on cold Ziost. The guard lifted his container up to the bars of the tiny cell, and the bodiless man told them what would happen and why. Gav protested, telling him they had not even given evidence, but Simus replied that their information was irrelevant to the Council.

However, Sadow was determined to see out his plan, and, behind the other Councilors' backs, he had a

tracer placed in the Daragons' ship. He even kept his plan secret from his friend Simus, for if it was to work, no one could get in the way. Later, Simus and his servant discovered a disruption in the cell block where Jori and Gav were being imprisoned on Ziost. The beheaded Sith found his apprentice, surrounded by corpses, standing alone in the corridor. Simus was concerned for Sadow's well being, believing, like the other Councilors would in time, that it had been a Republic raid. Sadow turned towards his master, and told him he was sorry. He then fired at Simus with a Republic-issue blaster pistol taken from the Starbreaker 12, killing the old Sith with a single blaster bolt, which shattered the head container and pierced through his loyal servant.

Legacy

Simus's charred head was eventually found by the Council, who mourned his death, angry that someone would kill such a helpless opponent. They declared the "Republic agents" monsters for having slain the old Council member, whom they all had great respect for, even those who did not support his ideas. Sadow then burst in, pretending to be oblivious to the goings on. The late Sith's eulogy was a speech delivered by Naga Sadow over Simus's wisdom and nobility.

Sadow saw Simus's death as a necessary sacrifice, as it sparked the same opportunities the late Sith had supported. The new Dark Lord of the Sith eventually defeated Kressh, and allowed Jori to escape back to the Republic with the tracker in place. With the Sith Empire's forces united, Naga Sadow proceeded to wage a devastating war on the Republic, which became known as the Great Hyperspace War.

However, the Dark Lord was eventually defeated and returned to Sith territory, where he once again faced Ludo Kressh, who had survived the previous battle. Sadow managed to truly kill Kressh the second time around, though with the end of the golden age of the Sith, had then fled to the moon Yavin 4, where he warped his loyal Massassi to keep himself alive.

Ultimately, Simus' death did not achieve the intended advancement of the Sith Empire through conquest. Instead, Naga Sadow's plans brought about the fall of the Empire, and for one thousand years the Sith would cease to exist, until Marka Ragnos's spirit once again materialized.

Personality and traits

Simus was a man with great perseverance—even after he was decapitated by Marka Ragnos, he did not succumb to death. He used his powers to allow himself to live on, albeit in an inconvenient way.

Simus was also reasonably trusting and loyal compared to most Sith Lords—his unwavering trust in his apprentice, Naga Sadow, eventually led to his downfall. The august councilor trusted Sadow's decisions and his desire to expand the Sith Empire, where many of the other Council members were skeptical. The vulnerable Sith also entrusted himself with his servant.

Simus was also, like his apprentice, incredibly ambitious and wanted the Sith Empire to rule the galaxy, whereas many of the other councilors of the period were happy with the hundred or so worlds they controlled. He was also thought to be incredibly wise by the other Council members, especially Sadow.

By 5000 BBY, the beheaded Simus sported short dark hair, a pair of red eyes, and pale, grey-colored skin. Despite the frailty of what remained of his body and old age, the Sith Lord retained a full set of teeth and only slightly wrinkled facial features.

Powers and abilities

Simus was one of the most powerful Sith of the era in his prime; however, after he was defeated by Ragnos, he became next to helpless. His dueling skills were almost surely excellent once, for to escape death at the hands of Marka Ragnos, an undoubtedly powerful adversary, he must have been skilled. The ancient Sith's powers were passed down to Naga Sadow, and Sadow's superior power was a testament to Simus'. The old Sith knew many obscure powers unknown to most at the time—one of these enabled him to evade death even after being beheaded by Ragnos.

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