

Name: Vlex Onopin

Died: 0 BBY, Eadu

Species: Human

Gender: Male

Hair color: Dark brown (graying)

Eye color: Brown

Skin color: Pale

DEXTERITY: 2D+1

Blaster: 4D+1

Brawling parry: 3D+1

Dodge: 5D

KNOWLEDGE: 4D

Bureaucracy: 5D

Languages: 5D+1

Planetary Systems: 4D+2

Scholar (Energy Weapons): 5D

PERCEPTION: 4D

Investigation: 6D

Search: 5D

STRENGTH: 2D+1

Brawling: 2D+2

Climbing/Jumping: 3D+1

MECHANICAL: 2D

Communications: 5D

Repulsorlift Operation: 4D

TECHNICAL: 4D

Computer Programming & Repair: 7D+2

Droid Programming/Repair: 7D

Security: 7D+1

Move: 9 (due to age)

Force Sensitive: N

Force Points: 1

Dark Side Points: 0

Character Points: 3

Equipment:

Comlink, Datapads, Antiseptic Coveralls, Code Cylinders



Description: Vlex Onopin was a human male scientist and programmer who earned a diploma from the prestigious Magrody Institute of Programmable Intelligence. After being unwillingly forced into Imperial service around 19 BBY, the engineer refined his expertise in the kyber crystal research field. During that time, Onopin worked in a division of the Tarkin Initiative known as the kyber crystal research team, which was based on the Outer Rim planet Eadu. Onopin and his colleagues worked under the leadership of the crystallographer Galen Erso to turn kyber crystals into a viable energy source for the Death Star's superlaser, giving it the capability to destroy entire planets.

In 0 BBY, Imperial Director Orson Krennic found evidence that a member of Onopin's research team had conspired with a cargo pilot to send a message to the Rebel Alliance about the Death Star project. Krennic brought death troopers to confront Onopin and his colleagues, instructing the traitor to expose himself. Although appreciative of Onopin's talents, the director proceeded to have his troopers execute the entire research team despite Erso admitting to the betrayal.

## ***Biography***

### *Forced conscription*

The human male Vlex Onopin was a scientist and programmer who attended the Magrody Institute of Programmable Intelligence, graduating with a diploma from the prestigious institution at some point by the end of the Republic Era. Following the formation of the Galactic Empire in 19 BBY, he was forcibly conscripted into Imperial service to serve on the kyber crystal research team, a division of the Tarkin Initiative managed by Director Orson Krennic. As the team's lead programmer, Onopin became well-versed in the field of kyber crystal research. Identification records of the scientists working for Krennic, including Onopin, were deleted from public databases upon their admittance to Imperial service.

Onopin and his colleagues were stationed in the Outer Rim planet Eadu's Energy Conversion Laboratory, where they were kept secluded in laboratories hidden by the world's mountainous terrain. The programmer and the rest of his team labored on a project that would utilize kyber crystals as an energy source for the superlaser of the Death Star, a Geonosian-designed battle station that would, with the superlaser, possess the capability to destroy entire planets. While working in Eadu's laboratories, Onopin established coded sequences that calculated the hyperspatial formulas required for the energy translations of kyber crystals. He spent the majority of his time in Imperial service fine-tuning these sequencing devices with his coding, for every shot fired by the Death Star's superlaser would someday rely on the variables calculated by them.

The kyber crystal research team's day-to-day needs on Eadu were managed by Sirro Argonne, its operations manager. By 13 BBY, work on the superlaser had stalled, prompting Krennic to hunt down his former colleague, the crystallographer Galen Erso, and force him back into Imperial service. Onopin and his team proved able to complete the Death Star's superlaser after several years working under Erso, aided by the crystallographer's extraordinary intellect.

### *Imperial execution*

In 0 BBY, Grand Moff Wilhuff Tarkin informed Krennic that a rebel sympathizer within Erso's research team had conspired with a cargo pilot to deliver a message to the Rebel Alliance concerning the Death Star. Enraged, Krennic traveled to Eadu with a group of death troopers to investigate, informing the

laboratory's workers, including Onopin, of his shuttle's impending arrival. Although Krennic's visit worried the programmer, he was annoyed at the director's visit interrupting his work with bureaucratic nonsense. Stormtroopers ushered the scientists out of the laboratories to near the entrance of Krennic's shuttle. The director then recalled each scientist by name, ordering his death trooper unit to assemble near the scientists.

Krennic announced his knowledge of the conspiracy against the Empire and instructed the traitor to expose himself. As the director surveyed the team of scientists for signs of guilt, he noticed Onopin opening and closing his mouth as if begging for the turncoat to reveal himself. When Krennic received no response in the moments afterward, he concluded that the scientists had conspired in a group effort. As Krennic's death troopers readied themselves to execute the scientists, Erso intervened and confessed to being the traitor in an attempt to save Onopin and his colleagues. However, as soon as Erso stepped toward the director, his scientists were shot and killed by the death troopers per Krennic's orders.

Onopin's work contributed to the completion of the Death Star project, and his coding sequences were used by the space station during its subsequent deployments. However, the Death Star was ultimately destroyed not long after Onopin's death when the Rebel Alliance targeted a faulty thermal exhaust port that Erso had deliberately planted inside.

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

When Onopin was forced into Imperial service, his passion for programming diminished despite the excellent sequences he still produced. The time he spent in the kyber crystal research team's laboratories on Eadu left him frail and unused to the outdoors by the time of his death. Onopin disliked interruptions to his work, regarding Krennic's initial arrival on Eadu as bureaucratic nonsense. Although Krennic reflected on how much he appreciated the programmer, the director ordered his execution alongside his colleagues' regardless. When confronted by Krennic's death troopers, Onopin was terrified at the prospect of death and looked from side to side in an effort to convince the traitor to reveal himself. The programmer had pale skin, brown eyes, a gray beard, and brown hair that was graying by the time of his death.

### ***Skills and abilities***

A gifted programmer, Onopin was extremely talented at forming new coding sequences. During his Imperial service, he became exceptionally skilled in the field of kyber crystal research.

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