

AGENT V'LEME

Vulcan Female Dept of Temporal Investigations

Biography

The Federation tries to maintain the sanctity of a lot of constants in the universe, from protecting pre-warp civilizations through the Prime Directive to protecting human rights through the democratic process of the Federation Council. One of the most mysterious groups that operates along these lines is the Department of Temporal Investigations which investigates any reports of time travel, temporal anomalies, and other time-related phenomena.

Too much messing around with the space-time continuum, of course, can lead to many unintended consequences. Researchers like Agent V'leme attempt to figure out exactly what those consequences might be, though in her case she is thoroughly opposed to any sort of active research into this topic. Though she is a respected and well-known temporal physicist, even teaching for a time at the Vulcan Science Academy, V'leme has made it clear that she doesn't believe any time travel is risk-free. She frequently says that any temporal movement by its very nature corrupts the timeline.

And yet, there is something she has been dealing with recently that could change that view. Several months ago, V'leme and a few other agents of the Department of Temporal Investigations questioned an Andorian woman who was shown to have traveled from the 26th century to overload the power core of Earth Spacedock in order to prevent a coming catastrophe. The destruction of the station, home to tens of thousands of people and at any given time hosting a dozen starships, could easily lead to half a million deaths. Yet the catastrophe that the woman was describing could kill tens of millions at least.

Luckily, the time traveler was caught by Earth Spacedock security and thoroughly questioned by the V'leme and her fellow agents, but she is having trouble shaking the conversation. The timeline has already been altered given this woman traveling here and sharing her information and if approaching fatalities can be reduced by several orders of magnitude, isn't that the more logical choice? V'leme hasn't shared these misgivings with anyone else, but she hasn't stopped pondering them either.



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V'leme in the 23rd Century

Moving V'leme to the time of the original *Star Trek* series doesn't involve changing her backstory much. She can still be a temporal investigator and still feel strongly about time travel, though you can give her opinions about the *Enterprise* crew who frequently shifts through time. However, putting her in the series' "past" does give the option of listing a concrete future calamity to have the mysterious Andorian trying to change.

Maybe blowing up Earth Spacedock is a means of strengthening the Federation militarily so that it can better withstand the Borg or so that it can more quickly curb the expansion of the Dominion. Maybe it's a way to stop Romulan aggression and the destruction at Khitomer. You might even make the PCs the ones traveling back in time to change the past and set up a necessary preparation for the time of *The Next Generation*.

Statistics

Use the following statistics for a Notable or Major version of this character. The statistics note what changes are necessary for a Major NPC.

TRAIT: Vulcan, Temporal Investigator

Stress: 10 **Resistance:** 0

VALUES:

- All Time Travel Is Harmful
- Understanding Time Means Knowing Terrible Truths (Major NPC)

ATTACKS:

- **Unarmed Strike** (Melee, 2♣ Knockdown, 1H, Non-lethal)
- **Phaser type-1** (Ranged, 3♣, 1H, Charge, Hidden)
- **Escalation Phaser type-2** (Ranged, 4♣, 1H, Charge)

ATTRIBUTES

Control	II	Daring	9
Fitness	9	Insight	II
Presence	10	Reason	12

SPECIAL ABILITIES

- **Testing a Theory** (Talent, p. 137)
- **Kolinahr** (Talent, p. 110)
- **Logical Interrogation:** When engaging in Social Conflict to interview someone involved in a temporal incident (including witnesses), V'leme can always use her Science Discipline for the Task. When using Intimidation she also gains a bonus Threat which can only be used for the *Obtain Information* spend.
- **Temporal Mechanic:** Once per scene, when confronted with a temporal anomaly, V'leme rolls one Challenge Die and generates Threat equal to the result. Additionally, add one Momentum to the group pool for each Effect rolled.
- **Theory Into Practice:** When attempting a Task using Engineering or Science where she gets a bonus d20 from Testing a Theory, V'leme reduces the Difficulty of the Task by 1, to a minimum of 0.

DISCIPLINES

Command	03	Conn	01
Security	01	Engineering	03
Science	04	Medicine	01

For Major NPC add +1 to Conn and Medicine.

FOCUSES:

- Temporal Mechanics
- Interviews
- Sensor Systems (Major NPC)
- Deception (Major NPC)