

# Another take on the amnion

“[HolyHandGrenade!](#) wrote: 2024-12-07T02:15:57+00:00 What fun! Now it's only a matter of time before you're selling merch for us terrabøoes humans (jk of course, unless you really want to...).

I've said it before and I'll say it again. On the internet nobody knows you're a monkey fox.

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Here's another take on the amnion. There's no invasive connection between the occupant and the machine, it's all mediated through the neurogel. They don't even have to shave their fur. There's no metabolism outside of the brain and nervous system, so there's no waste to dispose of, though the gel is circulated and filtered.

Given enough time, the lungs and alimentary canal fill completely with gel. This is a feature, not a bug. The gel acts as a liquid ventilation medium for when the occupant is going into and out of suspension, when the capsule is full of gel but their metabolism is still going. Since the womb ship is traveling at relativistic speed, the gel permeating their body cavities acts as a cushion against high acceleration.

Much like incubators, suspension capsules are overengineered for safety. They can function in hard vacuum in the event the womb ship's interior is depressurized, and can even survive underwater.

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I mentioned this on the Discord server, but the reason I only just now started putting conworlding stuff out on the internet even though I've been doing this since the 90s is because I read some amateur sci-fi stories from Reddit last year and it made me realize that fiction (or any art) doesn't have to be perfect to be unironically enjoyable. I think a decade or so of YouTube critics picking apart shows and movies for every possible flaw had me conditioned to think otherwise.

The fact that others have shown interest in my work has been tremendously encouraging. I never had the sort of hobbies that outsiders could enjoy. My siblings were into things like Irish dancing and marching band. I spent my free time reading books about dead languages and obsessively refreshing the Wikipedia page on Proto-Indo-European morphology to see if there was any new info. My parents would brag to their friends about said Irish dancing and marching band, but I didn't get much of a mention. While they weren't trying to belittle me, indeed they encouraged me insofar as they understood what I was doing, buying me books about Latin and such, but that's just it, it's hard to make someone who isn't into conlanging or conworlding understand what's involved, let alone interested.

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