

Klingon/human hybrids?

By **Charles Gray (Cgray45)** ON Sunday, February 07, 2010 - 02:45 am: [Edit](#)

Well ew know we have Vulcan hybrids, but a question-- in SFB is that possible "naturally" or is it assumed to be the sort of thing that only happens with extensive (and expensive) genetic tinkering.

By **Terence Sean Terry O'Carroll (Terryoc)** ON Sunday, February 07, 2010 - 04:08 am: [Edit](#)

IIRC Sp*ck was the result of genetic work. So a klingon-human hybrid would be the same I'd imagine.

By **ROBERT I CALLAWAY (Callaway)** ON Sunday, February 07, 2010 - 05:26 am: [Edit](#)

the vulcans are copper based terrans are carbon, klingons are most likely carbon red blood in Voyager pairs and belona did not seem to need the Dr help

By **Terence Sean Terry O'Carroll (Terryoc)** ON Sunday, February 07, 2010 - 06:57 am: [Edit](#)

Both Vulcans and humans are carbon-based life forms, but Vulcans use copper to carry oxygen in their blood while humans use iron. I don't think anything beyond TOS can be considered canon for the SFU in any case. As far as I know, Klingons and Humans are the result of entirely different evolutionary processes. There's probably some discussion of this in Prime Directive but I'm too lazy to look for it right now.

By **Jeff Johnson (Jeffro)** ON Sunday, February 07, 2010 - 07:55 am: [Edit](#)

I thought the "suspiciously similar humanoid races" where "seeded" by a precursor race-- which explains why Alpha is not more like the Omega sector....

By **Reid Hupach (Gwbison)** ON Sunday, February 07, 2010 - 10:23 am: [Edit](#)

That was used by Next generation to explain how come everyone looked like a human with a nose ridge. Don't allow cheap makeup effects rule your logic about race origins.

By **Loren Knight (Loren)** ON Sunday, February 07, 2010 - 10:35 am: [Edit](#)

TOS did mention a precursor race that seeded the galaxy with humanoids. Spock mentioned it and McCoy said, "I always wondered why..."
I forget the episode.

By **Steve Cole (Stevecole)** ON Sunday, February 07, 2010 - 12:20 pm: [Edit](#)

The "seeders" are part of TOS/SFU.

I'm sure somewhere in PD it says if medical intervention is needed for mating. I'm just too lazy (busy) to hunt it down when somebody around here already knows where to find it.

By **Jonathan Jordan (Arcturusv)** ON Sunday, February 07, 2010 - 12:22 pm: [Edit](#)

Yeah, I can't recall the Precursor Races in SFU being said to do any genetic seeding or the ilk. There is mention of Lyrans and Kzintis being strikingly similiar

and possibly the result of such a thing done by the Leopard Kings. But I don't know if they can interbreed. It seems suggested that the Old Kings moved people around (As did the Lizard Kings) to new planets which caused them to evolve differently (Such as the Bargantines).

By [Steve Cole \(Stevecole\)](#) ON Sunday, February 07, 2010 - 12:31 pm: [Edit](#)

The Old Kings did some moving around, but the Seeders and the Leopard Kings and the Spirit Kings and the Lizzard Kinds are far older in history than the Old Kings.

By [John Sickels \(Johnsickels\)](#) ON Sunday, February 07, 2010 - 01:45 pm: [Edit](#)

The racial writeups in PDFeds indicate when medical intervention is necessary for mating, at least for the Fed species.

I have always assumed it was necessary in most cases, no matter what subsequent TV series implied.

The Seeders and the Preservers (which are not the same groups) are also mentioned in PD Feds.



I think you guys will like PD Feds.

By [Jonathan Jordan \(Arcturusv\)](#) ON Sunday, February 07, 2010 - 01:54 pm: [Edit](#)

Yes, yes I will.

By [Gary Carney \(Nerroth\)](#) ON Sunday, February 07, 2010 - 07:08 pm: [Edit](#)

The issue of hybrids would be pretty interesting to read up on, in terms of how it may affect the population of the Federal Republic.

The *PD Feds* data would be good for covering the first generation of post-transfer Auroran citizens - who, given their need to rapidly expand their population, may find themselves with a higher than average proportion of mixed-species children going forward.

Indeed, the Klingon-Human compatibility issue - or those involving any other species in the Empire - might be relevant when Kraknora arrives (in Y171) - as might potential Human-Veltressai (after PX 123 arrives) or Human-Tazol (given the gradual increase of ties between the FRA and the Mæsron Alliance) issues for that matter.

By [Terence Sean Terry O'Carroll \(Terryoc\)](#) ON Sunday, February 07, 2010 - 07:48 pm: [Edit](#)

No point in mixed-species children if those children are sterile mules (like horse-donkey interbreeding), or require further medical intervention for reproduction. Which I think they almost certainly would. I'd imagine that you can't really mix two different types of species without all kinds of complications. It would make more sense to have larger families within one species. I don't think mixed-species

breeding is all that common in the SFU. In the more conservative cultures (e.g. Klingon), it's likely to be frowned upon or even considered depraved. Even in the more open cultures like the Federation, it was clearly unusual (see Spock in TOS).

Given that Klingons tend to mature faster than other species, I can see some concern over the ethnic Klingons out-breeding the other species in the FRA, and taking over by force.

By **Gary Carney (Nerroth)** on Sunday, February 07, 2010 - 08:25 pm: [Edit](#)

Perhaps it was unusual in the Federation, since they have the luxury of numbers.

When you have dozens of densely-populated home worlds and a large array of small, medium and large colonies - hosting societies which are still taking their time in terms of building a deeply shared society - it might seem less usual.

Plus, in the case of a certain science officer, Vulcan seems to retain a sense of detachment, culturally at least, within the UFP. (Perhaps other species in the Federation are more open to forming mixed-species bonds.)

The Aurorans, even after Kraknora and PX 123 show up, do not have that luxury.

The only source of new citizens outside of their own efforts would be refugees or immigrants from other Omega planets, or perhaps those moving to the FRA after it joined the Mæsron Alliance in Y209. (With the trauma of the Mæsron Collapse and the turmoil of later Cycles, the FRA might be a haven for all sorts of displaced or subjugated peoples, even before it signed up to the Alliance.) Of those, only a few, like the humanoid Tazol, would likely be compatible with most Auroran species.

But even then, the Aurorans would have to depend on their own population growth to survive, let alone thrive the way they managed to do historically.

Still, I'd argue that necessity may become a virtue - and that, maybe, one of the defining characteristics of the FRA could be a preponderance of mixed-species citizens.

Wouldn't that be a neat way of showing the unique character of Auroran society?

Oh, and one thing to note is that Kraknora was a slave colony, with a lot of subject race inhabitants, when it was in Klingon space. Its population gladly took up the freedom offered by Auroran citizenship (even before they got a good idea about their new neighbours).

Indeed, the ones who were most disgruntled about the new situation were among the officer cadre aboard the five ships which were bombarding Kraknora (to put down a slave revolt) at the time of transfer - and they made off with a D6 and vanished into who knows where.

Plus, Kraknora had a population of about 1 million when it arrived, which would probably be much lower than the numbers that four decades' worth of time had produced in the rest of Auroran space by then.

I reckon that in the case of Kraknora (and the ISC colonists of PX 123, who showed up in Y178) the issue of survival in a turbulent part of the galaxy was the most likely driving force, in terms of expanding the colonies' populations.

By [Jean Sexton \(Jsexton\)](#) ON Sunday, February 07, 2010 - 10:49 pm: [Edit](#)

Humans are Zorski Group I-a.
Klingons are Zorski Group II.

Group II species are dissimilar in biochemistry to Group I species, and/or have significant internal differences including extra or unique internal organs.

While the example in PD20M specifically mentions a Human-Klingon hybrid, it also mentions specifically how difficult it would be for the average doctor to treat one.

The colonists are not stupid. Their offspring are going to have a better chance of being conceived and surviving childhood if they are not requiring special doctor rolls each time they get a new, common-to-some-species illness. PD Feds does note in some cases where species can easily inter-breed (mostly because they are genetically the same as the other one mentioned).

One thing I have discovered is that I am quite loathe to start creating cultures and characteristics of species until they are needed for fiction or some other reason. If we ever do an RPG sourcebook for Omega, I don't want anyone saying "Jean promised Gary Carney that the Aurorans could be a hodgepodge, Heinz-hound species/culture."

"When, where?"

"Oh, way back when, before she even moved to Amarillo."

It isn't going to happen, especially after a simple sentence in a book forced us to do a lot of head-scratching and re-writing to fix what we had done.

By [Steve Cole \(Stevecole\)](#) ON Thursday, August 25, 2011 - 01:32 pm: [Edit](#)

I would definitely say that even on Aurora (perhaps even especially on Aurora) mix-species persons are rare.

Aurora needs people, and breeding their own is the best way to do it. Even with

limited populations, there are still plenty of potential mates for any given person.

Cross-species breeding is going to be difficult, expensive, rarely successful, and produce offspring who need a LOT of support and care. Aurora would never encourage Human-Klingon breeding. Two humans in five years could safely produce four children at a cost to the government healthcare system of about \$50,000 total. One human and one Klingon would have about a 50-50 chance of producing a single healthy child who costs government healthcare a million dollars and requires ten times the medical support of a human-human child. A human-talzon couple would have about 1% chance of a successful offspring who costs the government \$25,000,000 to bring to term. Fahgedaboutit.

By [Loren Knight \(Loren\)](#) ON Thursday, August 25, 2011 - 01:44 pm: [Edit](#)

I think that even without a house system in a society, family is still going to be paramount to any of the people of the SFU. With a minimum population set to grow it is the people who have the most kids that will set better set to dominate community and business in the near future.

The execution of power is influence in a free society, I've observed, and family has a relationship with influence.

So, there will be those who want to help the society grow for the sake of contributing but most will probably be driven in a race for sociological position, both personally and for the race.

By [Gary Plana \(Garyplana\)](#) ON Thursday, August 25, 2011 - 02:13 pm: [Edit](#)

I created the interspecies part of the ruleset, and in the process created the Zorski table.

My opinion is that Human/Klingon hybrids would be **EITHER OR** Group I-a or II depending on which parent was the dominant species **medically**.

Human mothers and their children share blood while the baby is in the womb. So I would lean towards a hybrid being the same as the mother; That is my opinion as a GM, not a rule!

BOTTOM LINE ... it's up to the GM.

By [ROBERT I cALLAWAY \(Callaway\)](#) ON Thursday, August 25, 2011 - 03:48 pm: [Edit](#)

actually cost might not be as high as SVC stated the fEDS medical science has organ regrowth pills as part of a DR medical bag (ST 5? WITH THE WHALES)

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Rob, please remember that the movies are not part of the SFU.