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Melee Fortification

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Melee Fortification is a Melee [Arcane Enhancement](#) that causes melee kills to temporarily increase [Armor](#) for **10** seconds.

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Effect

Rank	Armor Buff per kill
0	+35
1	+70

Melee Fortification



Tradeable

Update Infobox Data

Max Rank Description ^

On Melee Kill
+210 Armor for 10s

General Information ^

Type	Melee
Rarity	Common
Refreshable	✓
Max Rank	5
Arcanes	



3	+140
4	+175
5	+210

Dissolution 18

Trading Tax 2,000

Introduced Update 35.0 (2023-12-13)

Vendor Sources ^

Vendors

[Bird 3](#) (Rank 3: Colleague) 5000 for x1

Official Drop Tables ^

<https://www.warframe.com/droptables>

Acquisition

- Awarded for killing [The Fragmented](#) on [Effervo](#), [Deimos](#).
- Awarded for killing [Whispers](#) in [Albrecht's Laboratories](#) missions.
- Awarded for killing [Gruzzlings](#) in non-[Disruption](#) [Albrecht's Laboratories](#) mission.
- Can be bought from [Bird 3](#) of [Cavia](#) for **5,000**, requiring **Rank 3 - Colleague**.

Item ↕	Source ↕	Chance ↕	Expected	Nearly Guaranteed
	The Fragmented	12.50%	~ 8 Kills	51 ± 17 Kills
	Scathing Whisper	12.50%	~ 8 Kills	51 ± 17 Kills
	Mocking Whisper	12.50%	~ 8 Kills	51 ± 17 Kills

All drop rates data is obtained from [DE's official drop tables \(https://warframe.com/droptables\)](https://warframe.com/droptables). See [Mission Rewards#Standard Missions](#) for definitions on reward table rotations. For more detailed definitions and information, visit [here](#).

Notes

- Armor bonus can stack with multiple kills with each stack having its own duration.
- This Arcane can be stacked up to **255** times. However, due to its 10-second duration, one must constantly keep killing to benefit effectively from the Armor buff. For the same reason, it is unlikely for this Arcane to be stacked beyond ~30x for +6300 Armor.
- Does **not** trigger from [Exalted Weapon](#) kills.

Tips

- This arcane's effects can trigger certain [Incarnon](#) perks that require Warframe armor to be at a certain value to gain additional effects, such as [Bo Incarnon Genesis's Stalwart Oak](#) or [Boar Incarnon Genesis's Fortress Salvo](#).
 - As all of these perks require **450** armor to activate, two kills is sufficient as

general) or 90 (exclusive to the  [Stalker](#) in [Duviri](#)).

Patch History

[Update 35.5](#) (2024-03-27)

NEW ENEMY: GRUZZLING

Greedy creatures born from The Indifference, these little Murrur tricksters love to steal Conduit Dockets and other coveted items from Albrecht's Laboratory.

In any other Deimos/Albrecht's Laboratory missions (including Netracells), these avaricious beings contain within them one of the following:

4x Common Enemy: Melee Arcanes

 Arcanes Edit							
Warframe	Primary	Secondary	Melee	Operator	Amp	Kitgun	Za
Teralyst/Orphix		Arcane Consequence • Arcane Ice • Arcane Momentum • Arcane Nullifier • Arcane Tempo • Arcane Warmth • Arcane Deflection • Arcane Healing • Arcane Resistance • Arcane Victory					
Gantulyst/Orphix		Arcane Acceleration • Arcane Agility • Arcane Awakening • Arcane Eruption • Arcane Guardian • Arcane Phantasm • Arcane Strike • Arcane Aegis • Arcane Precision • Arcane Pulse • Arcane Ultimatum					
Hydrolyst/Orphix		Arcane Trickery • Arcane Velocity • Arcane Arachne • Arcane Avenger • Arcane Fury • Arcane Rage • Arcane Barrier • Arcane Energize • Arcane Grace					
Arbitrations		Arcane Blade Charger • Arcane Bodyguard • Arcane Pistoleer • Arcane Primary Charger • Arcane Tank					
Isolation Vaults		Theorem Contagion • Theorem Demulcent • Theorem Infection					
The Zariman		Molt Augmented • Molt Efficiency • Molt Reconstruct • Molt Vigor					
Conjunction Survival		Arcane Blessing • Arcane Rise					
Mirror Defense		Arcane Double Back • Arcane Steadfast					
Duviri		Arcane Reaper • Arcane Intention • Arcane Power Rai					



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