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# Paracesis

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The Sentient slayer. An offering from Ballas.

*Take this... the idea of it... it is  
the only way your war can end.*

—Ballas

The **Paracesis** is [Ballas'](#) signature weapon, introduced in [Update 23.10](#) (2018-10-12). Also known as "The [Sentient](#) Slayer", the weapon can gain additional max [ranks](#) after [polarization](#) capping at rank 40, with the additional ranks applying a damage bonus to Sentients and removing their damage resistances.

The Paracesis **cannot** be sold, but crafting it **is not required** for story

## Paracesis



**Untradeable**

**Hidden from Codex**

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### General Information

**Type** Heavy Blade

**Mastery** Rank: 10



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<b>Max Rank</b>	40	
<b>Slot</b>	Melee	
<b>Trigger Type</b>	N/A	
<b>Utility</b>		
<b>Attack Speed</b>	0.92x animation speed	
<b>Block Angle</b>	55°	
<b>Combo Duration</b>	5.0 s	
<b>Disposition</b>	•○○○ (0.60x)	
<b>Follow Through</b>	0.6x	
<b>Range</b>	2.90 m	
<b>Noise Level</b>	Silent	
<b>Sweep Radius</b>	0.20 m	
<b>Normal Attack</b>		
48.8 ( 21.98%)	17.8 ( 8.02%)	155.4 ( 70%)
<b>Total Damage</b>	222 (70.00%  Slash)	
<b>Attack Speed</b>	0.92x animation speed	
<b>Crit Chance</b>	31.00%	
<b>Crit Multiplier</b>	2.60x	
<b>Fire Rate</b>	0.92 attacks/sec	
<b>Noise Level</b>	Silent	
<b>Status Chance</b>	22.00%	
<b>Heavy Attack</b>		
<b>Heavy Damage</b>	1,332	
<b>Crit Chance</b>	31.00%	
<b>Crit Multiplier</b>	2.60x	
<b>Status Chance</b>	22.00%	
<b>Wind-up</b>	1.1 s	
<b>Heavy Slam Attack</b>		
<b>Slam Damage</b>	666	

## Characteristics

- This weapon deals primarily **Slash** damage.
- stance polarity matches **Cleaving Whirlwind** and **Tempo Royale**.
- Polarizing the weapon increases its max **rank** by **2**, capping at rank **40** after **5** polarizations.
  - Each rank above 30 adds a bonus damage to **Sentients** and increases **mod** capacity. At rank 40, the weapon gains **Void** damage properties against Sentients.

### Advantages over other Melee weapons (excluding modular weapons):

- Third highest **critical chance** of all heavy blades, behind **Gram Prime** and **Tenet Exec**.



multiplier of all heavy blades.

- Normal Attack (wiki attack index 1)
  - High crit chance (31.00%)
  - Above average total damage (222)
  - High attack range (2.90 m)
  - High crit multiplier (2.60x)

### Disadvantages over other Melee

#### weapons (excluding modular weapons):

- Normal Attack (wiki attack index 1)
  - Low attack speed (0.92x animation speed)
  - Below average status chance (22.00%)
  - Very low disposition (●○○○○ (0.60x))

See [WARFRAME Wiki:Stat Comparison/Percentiles](#) for more details.

## Acquisition

The weapon blueprint is given to the player upon completing the [Chimera Prologue](#) quest.

<b>Crit Multiplier</b>	2.60x
<b>Slam Element</b>	 Blast
<b>Forced Procs</b>	 Lifted
<b>Slam Radius</b>	9.0 m
<b>Status Chance</b>	22.00%
<b>Slam Attack</b>	
<b>Slam Damage</b>	444
<b>Crit Chance</b>	31.00%
<b>Crit Multiplier</b>	2.60x
<b>Slam Radius</b>	8.0 m
<b>Slam Element</b>	Impact
<b>Forced Procs</b>	Impact
<b>Status Chance</b>	22.00%
<b>Slide Attack</b>	
<b>Slide Damage</b>	444
<b>Crit Chance</b>	31.00%
<b>Crit Multiplier</b>	2.60x
<b>Slide Element</b>	Same damage type distribution as Normal Attack
<b>Status Chance</b>	22.00%
<b>Miscellaneous</b>	
<b>Compatibility Tags</b>	HEAVY_BLADE_STANCE
<b>Riven Family</b>	Paracesis
<b>Introduced</b>	Update 23.10 (2018-10-12)
<b>Polarities</b>	None
<b>Stance Polarity</b>	
<b>Users</b>	• Ballas
<b>Variants</b>	Paracesis



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**Manufacturing Requirements**

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	Orokin Ducats	Galatine	Eidolon Shard	Orokin Cell	Time:
					Hour(s)
30,000	1,000	1	5	15	Rush: 30
Market Price:	N/A		Blueprints	Price:N/A	

## Notes

- Uniquely, If no stance is equipped on the Paracesis, then it will use [Tempo Royale](#)'s entire moveset instead of the normal stanceless moveset for Heavy blades.
- The weapon's max [rank](#) caps at **40** after **5 polarizations** (max rank increases by 2 per [Forma](#) added).
  - Additional polarizations can be added when the weapon reaches its new max rank at that polarization level.
  - Each additional rank also gives Mastery Rank Experience, giving **4,000** points in total.
  - [Mod](#) capacity scales with the additional ranks, and can reach a total of **90** at rank 40 with an [Orokin Catalyst](#) installed and a matching stance mod.
    - Without an Orokin Catalyst, the max is 50. Combined with the five polarized mod slots required to reach that point, an Orokin Catalyst might not be required to finish modding the Paracesis.
    - After polarizing a weapon, any additional mod capacity above 30 (60 with an Orokin Catalyst) will not take effect until the weapon's rank



- Paracesis' [stealth damage bonus](#) does not increase past the usual maximum of 7, reached at rank 30.
- Each rank above 30 adds a bonus damage to [Sentients](#).
- At rank 40, all attacks reset [Sentient](#) and [Shadow Stalker](#) resistances, and changes the [Profit-Taker Orb](#)'s shield weakness.

Weapon Rank	Sentient Damage Bonus
31	+7%
32	+13%
33	+20%
34	+27%
35	+33%
36	+40%
37	+47%
38	+53%
39	+60%
40	+60%

## Tips

- The weapon's high mod capacity allows equipping the [Weapon Umbral](#) mods [Sacrificial Pressure](#) and [Sacrificial Steel](#) without the need for polarization with [Umbra Forma](#).

## Lore & History

The [Operator](#) follows [The Man in the Wall](#) and encounters [Ballas](#), whose [Orokin](#) body has become [Amalgamized](#) with [Sentient](#). Cursing [Natah](#), he constructs the idea of the Paracesis in front of them and instructs them to take it in preparation for [The New War](#) against the Sentients. The encounter is revealed to be a vision, arming the Operator with knowledge of the weapon.

However, delivering the Paracesis to the Tenno turned out to be a ruse. After arriving with the Paracesis, Ballas reveals to have been in control of the Sentients all along; he steals the weapon and then stabs the [Lotus](#) and the Operator with it before banishing them into a [Void](#) portal.



After the Lotus and the Operator returns to confront Ballas for the final battle, with [Ordis](#) reconstructing the Paracesis, Ballas eventually manages to get the upper hand in the fight, stealing the Paracesis and stabs the Lotus again. He attempts to attack again before the Tenno jump and disarm him with a [Narmer Veil](#), finally ending Ballas' threat for good.

## Trivia

- Paracesis is the first weapon:
  - That requires [Orokin Ducats](#) and [Eidolon Shards](#) to craft.
  - That can be ranked up above 30.
- Paracesis appears to be a corruption of [Paracelsus](#), the famed 16th-century Swiss alchemist. Some portraits of Paracelsus depict him holding a sword by the [pommel](#) which, depending on the source, was said to contain either the mythical [Philosopher's Stone](#) or the [Azoth](#), a rumored substance that could cure any illness or dissolve any material.
  - Additionally, Paracelsus was the first person to describe the creation of a [Homunculus](#), a small, fully formed human being, via artificial means. This could allude to [Ballas'](#) creation of the [Warframes](#) and, [albeit indirectly](#), the [Sentients](#).
  - Paracesis may also be a corruption of [Paracentesis](#), a medical procedure where the abdomen is punctured with a hollow needle in order to sample or drain bodily fluids. If this is the case, then it would metaphorically allude to the function of the sword as a curative instrument against a "cyst" or "infection" (the Sentients).
  - Paracelsus is known as the father of toxicology, with one of his most famous tenets being that the dose makes the poison, referring to how otherwise harmless chemicals may become deadly in certain doses. Combined with Ballas's rant referring to the Lotus as a venomous viper, it may be a statement on the Lotus changing from a benevolent force to malevolent now that she's taken a more personal role.
- The prefix *para* has a variety of meanings, including 'abnormal', 'resembling', or even from organic chemistry where it means having two substituents in opposition to each other. The suffix *esis* means action or process. One interpretation of the name would be the process of becoming abnormal. Another that it is the process of becoming a substituent opposed to another substituent. Either really works well for the background surrounding Ballas and the Operator

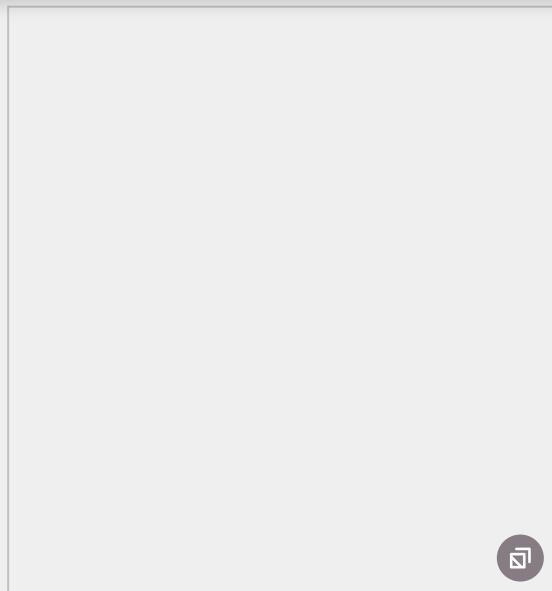


- In [Devstream 123](#), [DE]Steve advised not to sell the Paracesis (despite not being possible to). On [Update 27.0](#) (2019-12-13), the weapon would come into play in triggering the [Erra quest](#), however the quest's activation was changed in [Update 27.2](#) (2020-03-05) to no longer use the Paracesis.
  - The Paracesis is not required to start [The New War](#), despite initially appearing on the Warframe's back even if the player doesn't own one or did not equip it prior to starting the quest. An unranked, unmoddable Paracesis is also temporarily given to the player toward the climax of the quest.
- A Paracesis Sheath can be obtained as an [Orbiter Decoration](#) after completion of [Chimera Prologue](#), purchased from [Cephalon Simaris](#) for **50,000**. The sheath itself is not present when the Paracesis is holstered due to it being a heavy sword instead of a Nikana.

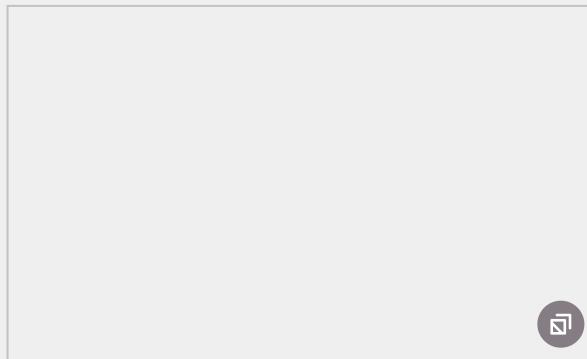
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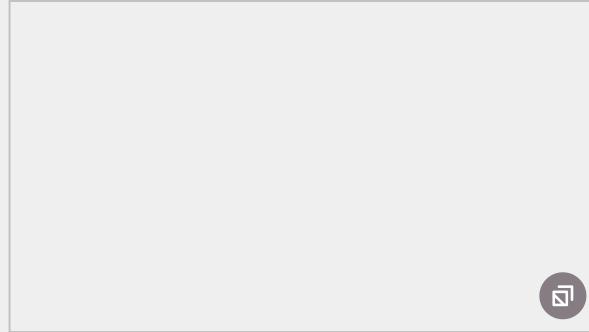




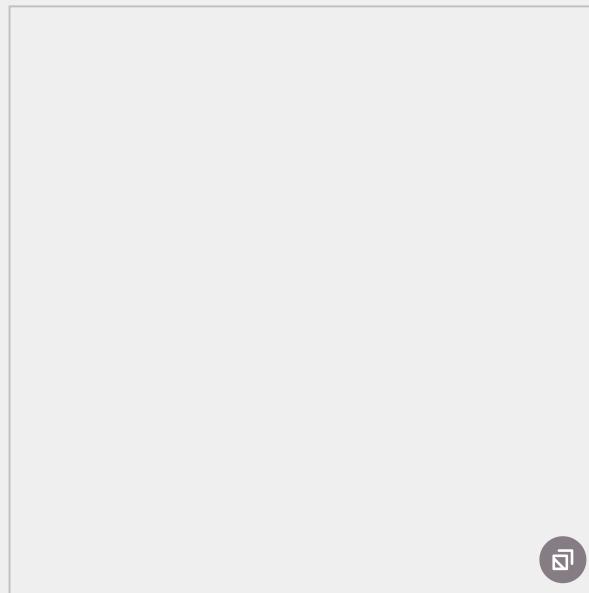
The Paraclesis in the Codex



Renders of the Paraclesis at various angles, with a (currently unused) scabbard to the left.

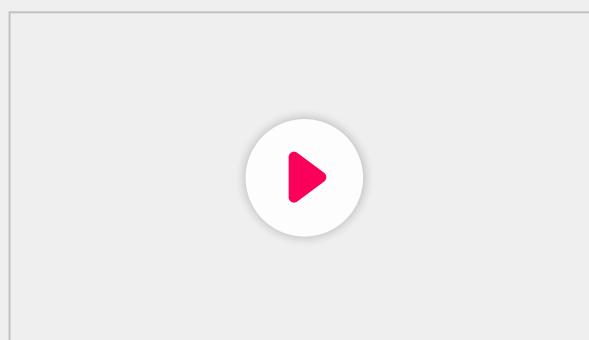


Paraclesis Color Scheme



### Paraclesis Sheathe

An ornate sheath for the Paraclesis.



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TennoGen



**Karv'r**  
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**Mizar**  
TennoGen



**Mortier**





Obanakk  
TennoGen

Suprema  
TennoGen



Tengoken  
TennoGen

Vaenn

## Patch History

### Hotfix 34.0.8 (2023-11-09)

- Fixed the Paracesis' "Rank Bonuses" on-hover UI element overlapping with its stats in the Upgrade screen.

### Hotfix 26.1.3 (2019-11-26)

- Added Lifted status to the Paracesis on a Heavy Ground Slam attack.

### Update 26.0 (2019-10-31)

*Actual patch notes made a mistake on old follow through.*

Last updated: [Update 26.0](#) (2019-10-31)

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