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Pure Slash vs Viral/Slash?

Build

Is there a distinct advantage for one vs the other? For example, if you build the Nataruk with Galvanized Chamber, Hunter Munitions, Shred, Critical Delay, Vital Sense, and Serration, you can either go pure slash with Heavy Caliber and Vigilante Armaments or viral with two elemental mods. If I understand correctly, the pure slash has bigger slash procs but the viral amplifies the procs.

Any thought process on the difference between the two selections?



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If you're doing content high enough level to actually care you're gonna want to be weighted heavily towards slash procs with your viral being applied by a primer weapon. We're talking deep steel path territory.

For normal stuff, capping out at around steel path incursions viral/slash is more convenient.



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Makes sense, thanks!



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viral is always better, going nvy calibre or serration is pointless due to primary arcanes.

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One single viral proc will increase the slash proc damage by 100% (which increases with more viral procs), which is far greater than adding a 2nd base damage mod. And you can double-dip with a faction mod (also far better then having a 2nd base damage mod). Having 2 mods providing the same stat bonus is almost always a bad idea. Diminishing returns means the 2nd mod will only provide maybe half of what is listed on the mod.

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Got it, thanks for the clarification!

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It just means you'll do more damage up front as opposed to tick damage

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Depends on the weapon

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The single instance I can think of a pure slash primary is the convectrix. Tho you still use an external primer to proc viral and then stack hundreds of slash procs with the convectrix

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A single viral proc will double the damage that your slash tics do while it's up, so there's a big advantage.

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