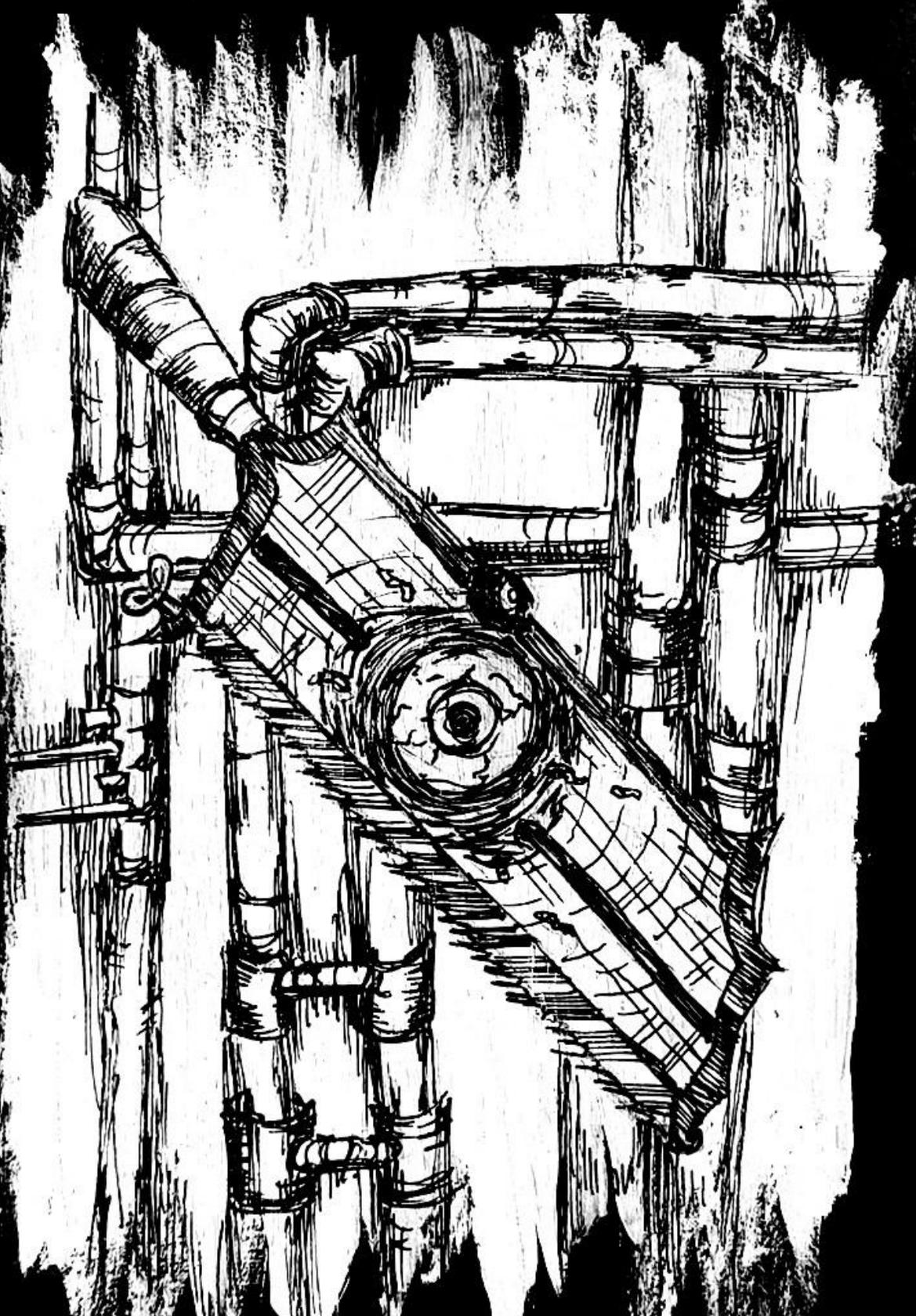


APOPTOSIS



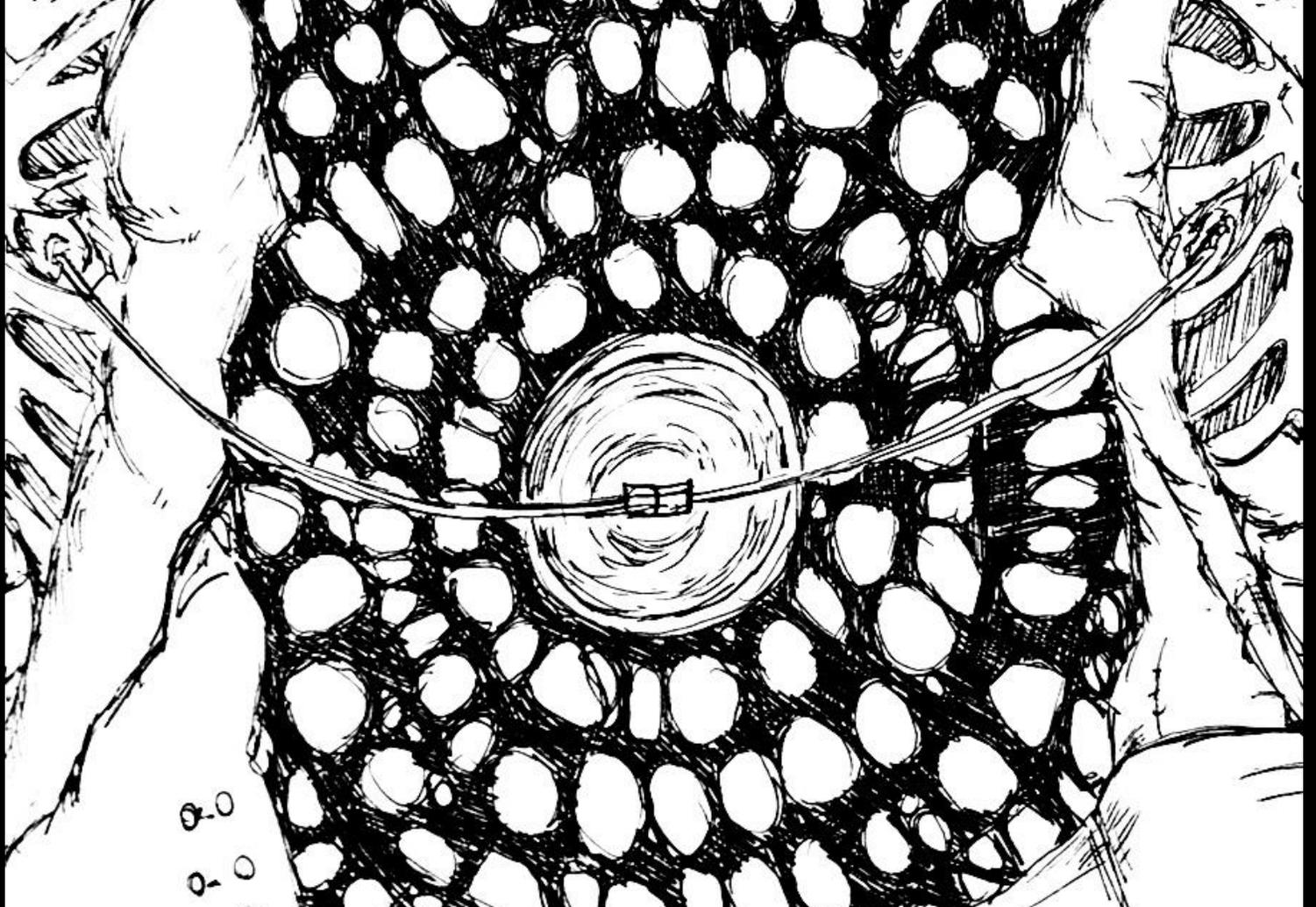
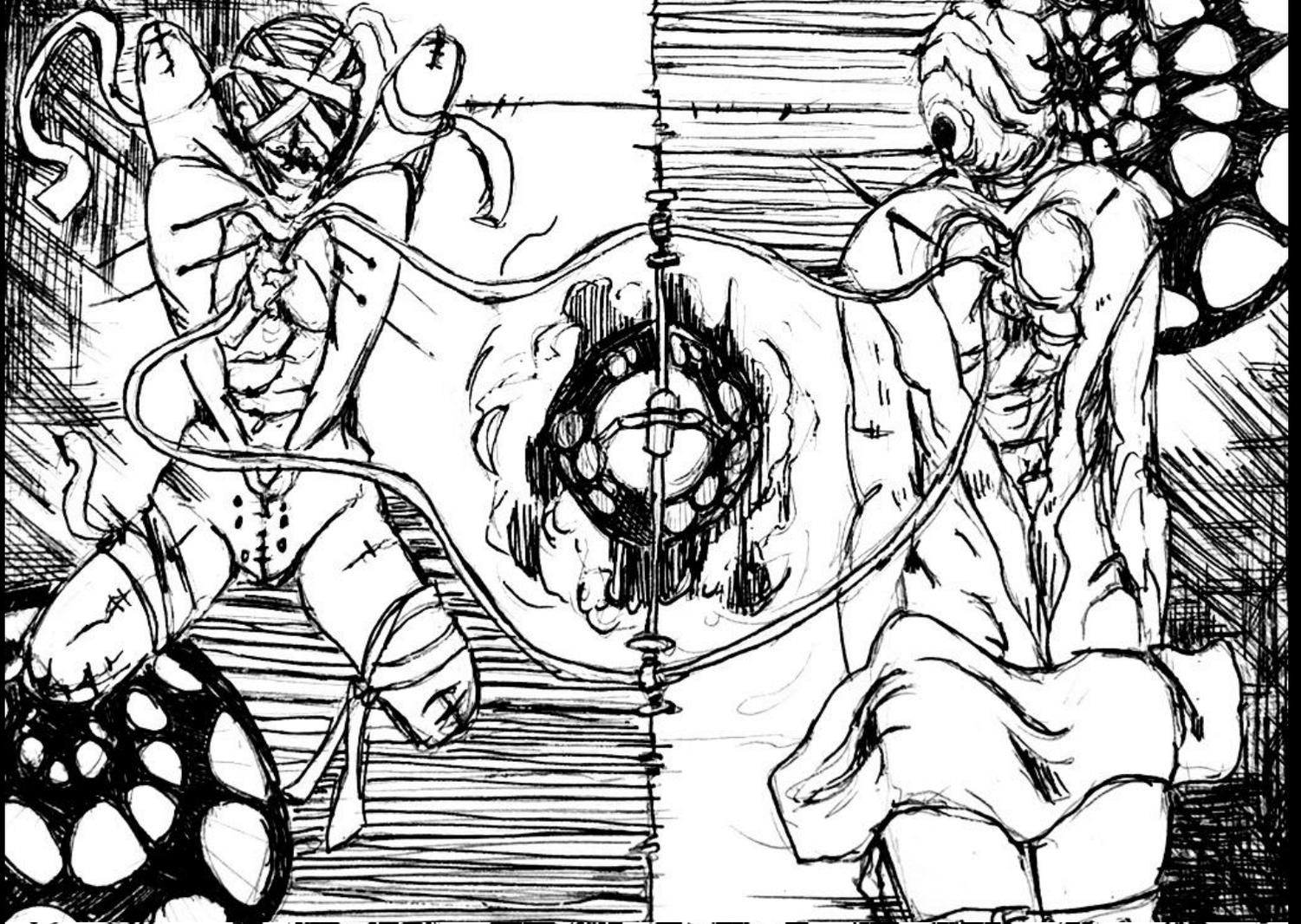
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Apoptosis is the hardwired process of cellular suicide. A cell realizes its capacity for harm or end of life, and self destructs to rot the bloodstream clean, precursor to exorcism. Radiation fosters mutation, rendering apoptosis ultravital; in absence of the ability to self-regulate one's cells or overexposure to radiation itself, there are operations in place to purify the body.

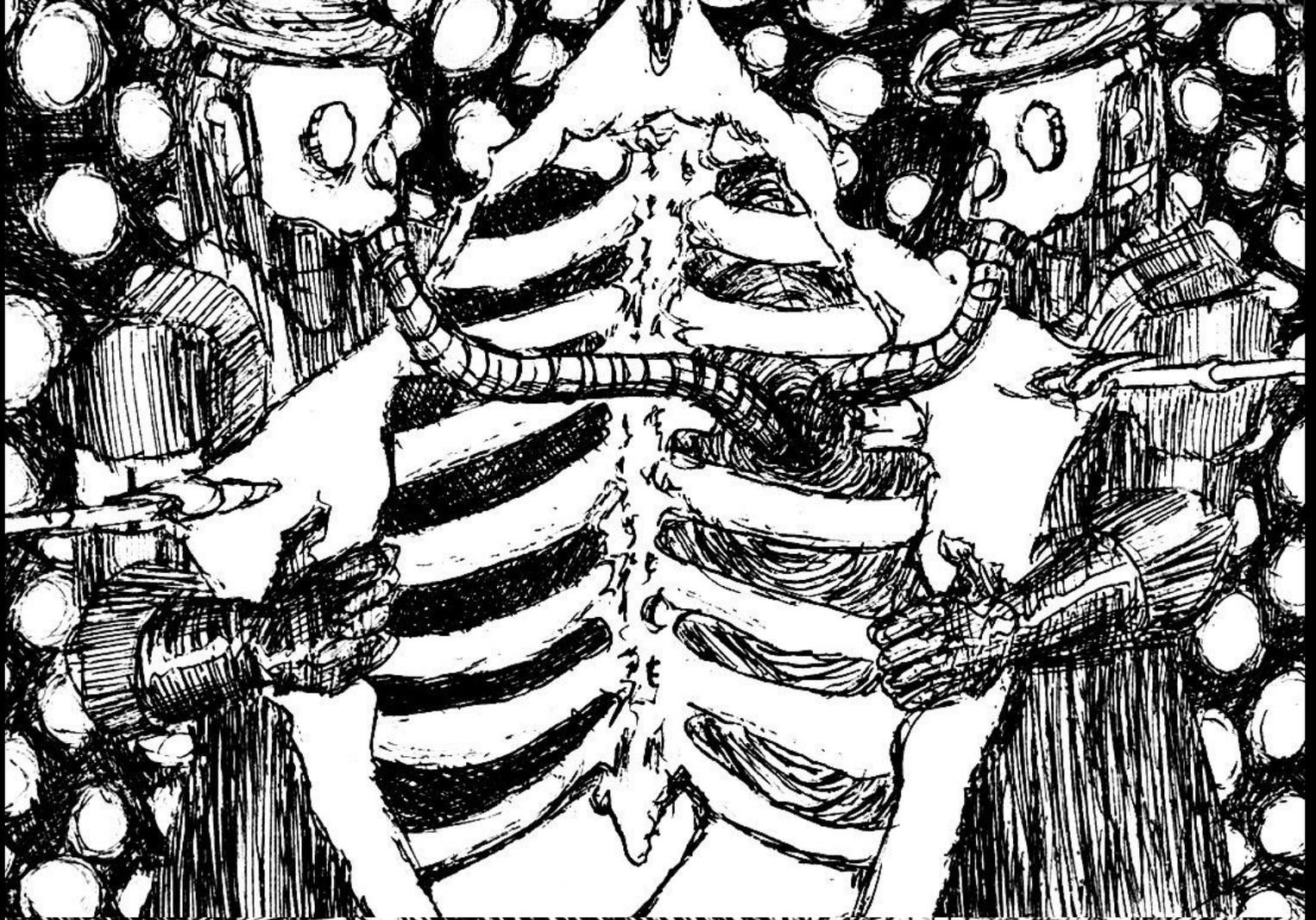
Exorcism cleans bloodstream, filtering boiled and irradiated blood through the inner membranes of an Exorcist; the blessed few whose bodies are hospitable to something truly radiotrophic, feeding off the rot seething in the tissues of the Possessed. Our beloved maggots masticating the sickness.

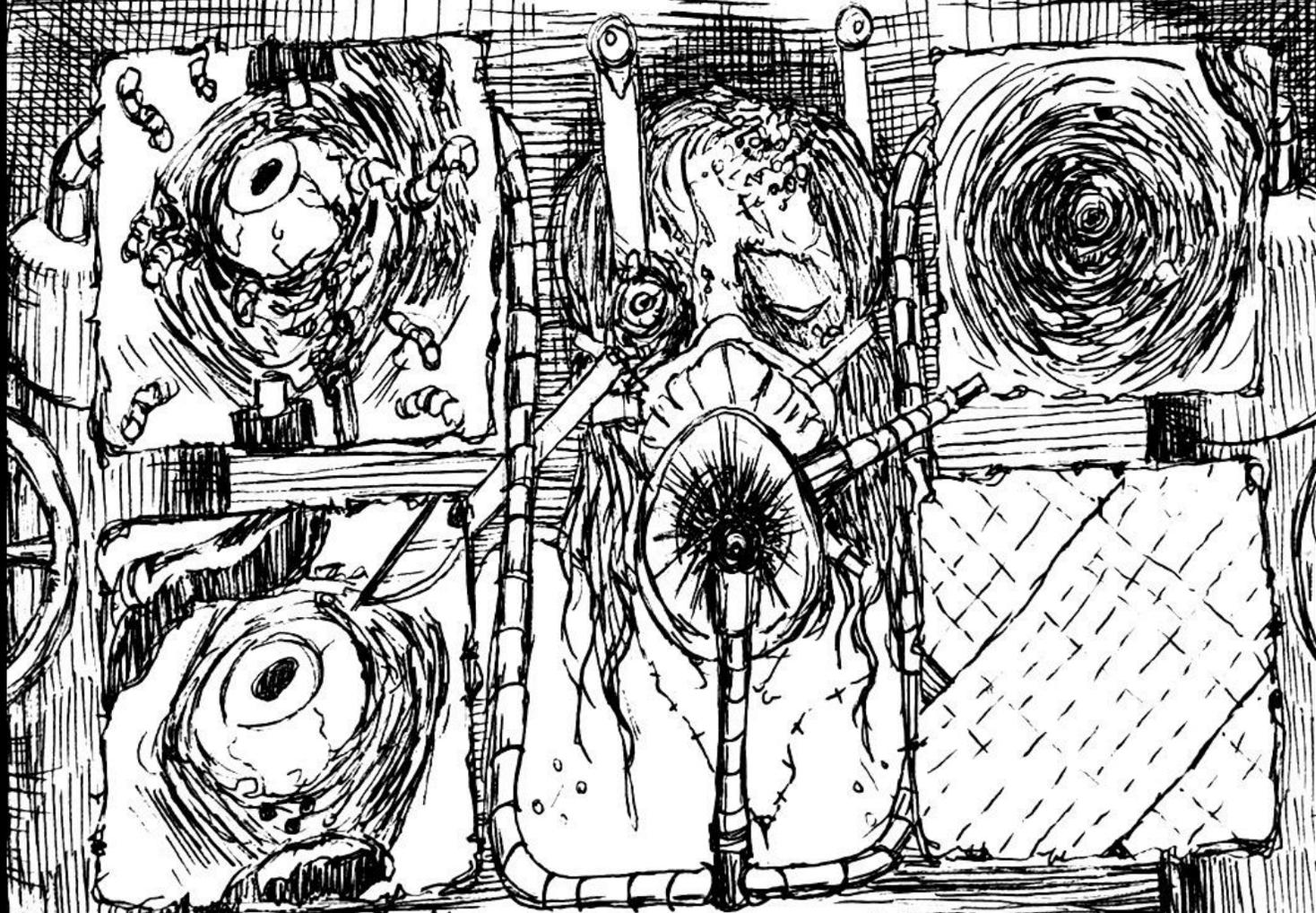
While palliative in nature for the Possessed, lining of the body with lead, through piercing or implantation, prevents further spread of this Rot by creating barriers within the body. Radiation cannot penetrate lead the way it can flesh outside one's skin; why would it be any different within?



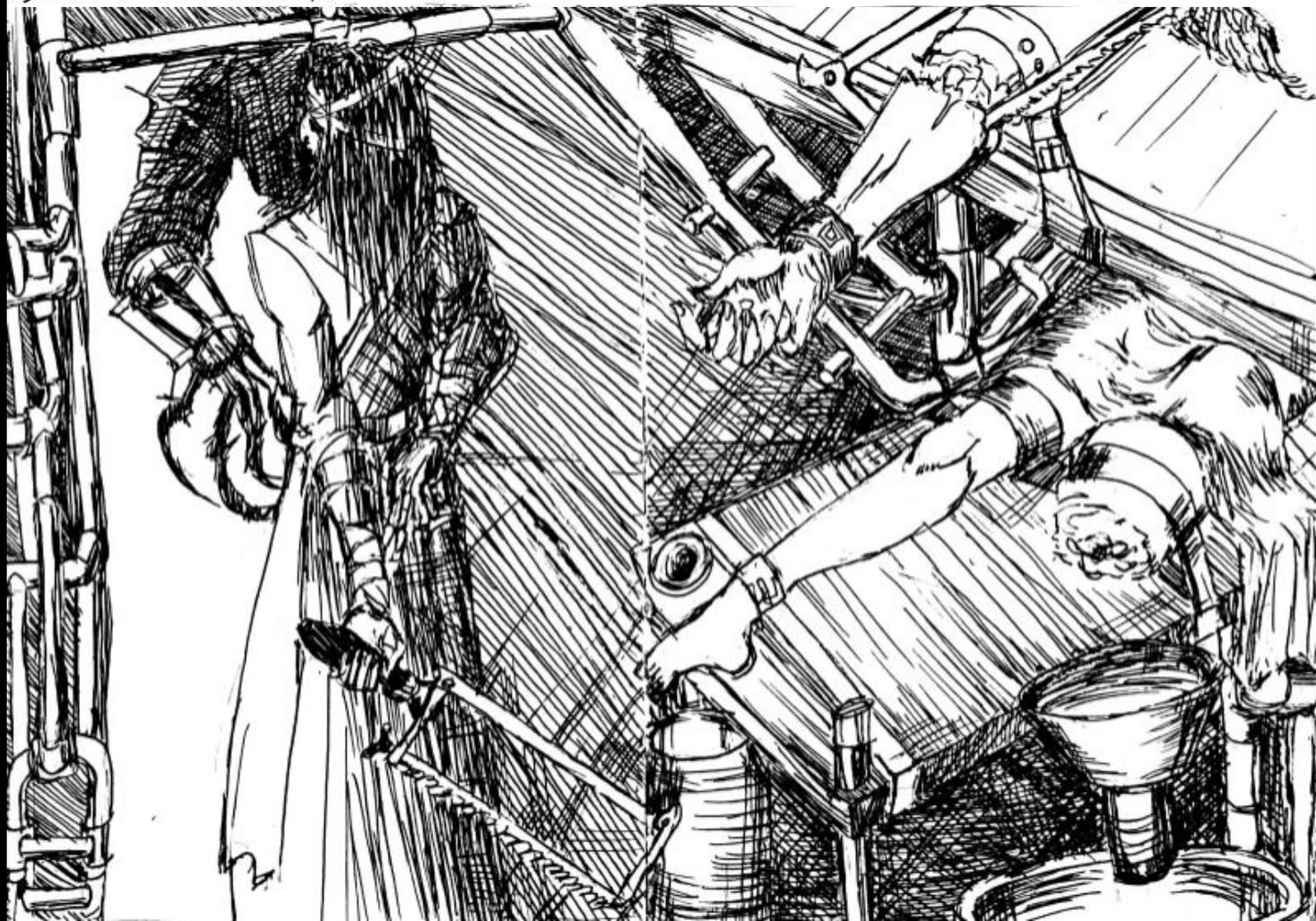


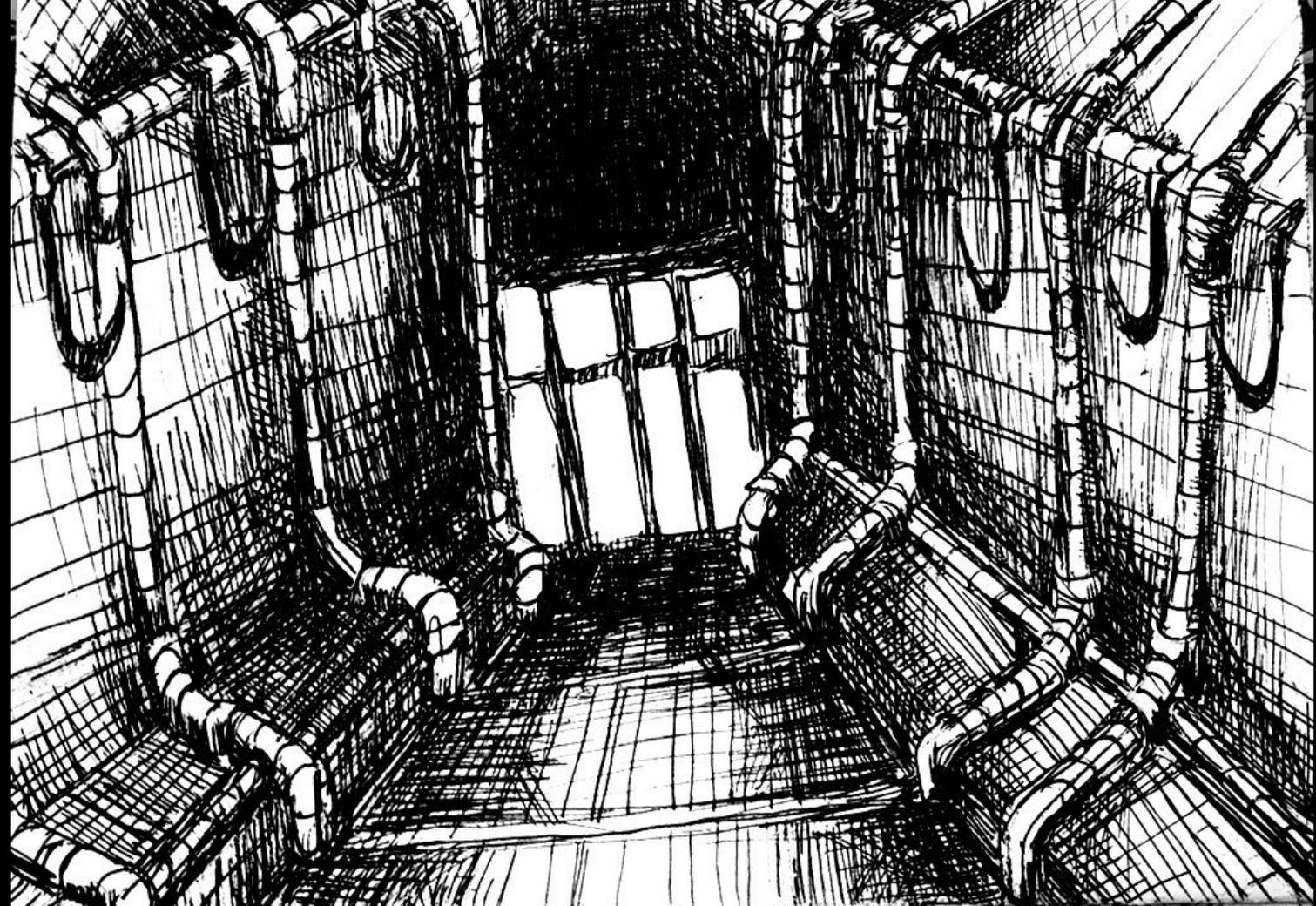
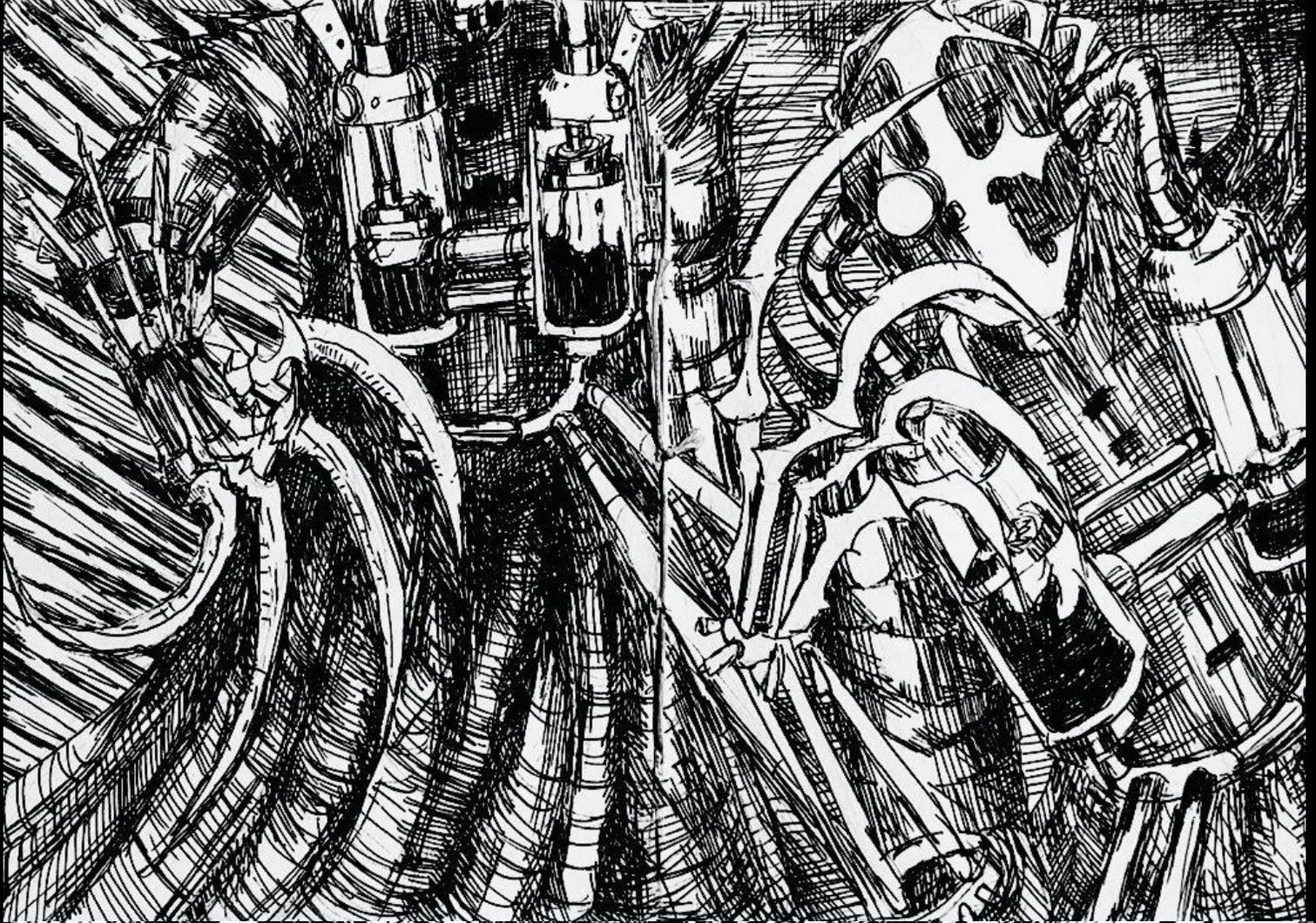






REMOVAL OF AN INFECTED MEMBER OF THE BODY IS SPECIFIC TREATMENT.







Exorcists exist to excise at the cost of personal incision and intrusion to their bodies. Their blood runs through others so often it's no longer their own, that their bodies degrade and decay alive with taking on the contamination of the masses.

These bandages are a useless platitude. The wounds are long since healed but there's some visceral appeal to the illusion of a permanent patient. Something frail, rendered less than human for purposes of the flesh. If there's some comfort in wrapping over a scar, in creating a 'sick role' that brings appeal to succumbing to the helplessness, it should remain unchallenged.

For greater health's sake.





LEADLINED VOLUME I