

Infinite's

# Dr.Pill

English manual



When the devil himself has taken  
the Hippocratic Oath, medical chaos is afoot

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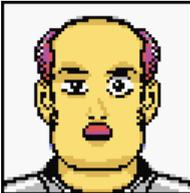
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Always  
switch off a real  
MSX to plug or unplug  
cartridges!



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## About the game

**D**octor Pill is a large mini game. A small and fairly simple game idea, but with a lot of media to give shape to this idea. In its basic concept, Dr.Pill is a simulation of a doctor's office where the player deals with infections, symptoms and pills. While in real life this would sound like a simple day job, the same process in this game is hindered by a few embarrassing aspects.

- The patients are a collection of halfwits who may have some absurd complaints.
- Dr.Pill, a doctor sent from hell, is extremely impolite, rude and sadistic. His paycheck is his only reason to stick to the job, otherwise he would surely prescribe his patients a high dose of cyanide.
- The pills which Dr.Pill can buy and prescribe aren't the best pills around. Many have side effects and not all of them are known.

..and you, the player, are the one to take up the role of Dr.Pill!



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# Specifications

Size	SCC MegaROM (128KB)
RAM	64KB
VRAM	16KB
Computer	MSX1
Music	<p>PSG (when playing the ROM file on a real MSX without SCC cartridge being present or when booting with [F1] held down)</p> <p>PSG&amp;SCC (when playing in emulators or on an MSX with an SCC cartridge is present)</p> <p><i>Note: due to a flaw in the original SCC chip design, a severe deformation in sound quality may be exposed. This flaw, which is probably related to the SCC chip setting bits at the wrong moment, appears to be fixed in the SCC-I/SCC+ chip which can be found in Konami's <u>The Snatcher</u> and <u>SD-Snatcher</u> games. Until MSX emulators start emulating this bug, emulators * are a good way to play this game. The music itself was made for the first generation of SCC chips in which channel four and five share the same waveform.</i></p> <p><i>Also, the music was composed for 50Hz. On 60Hz MSX2 machines, the game will set this frequency back to 50hz, unless you hold down [Select] during boot.</i></p>
Controls	Keyboard Joystick in port 1
Extras	MSX2 palette

## The game, the pills and the shops

**W**hen starting the game, the introduction starts. This introduction can be interrupted by pressing the spacebar or the joystick button, after which you will be redirected to the title screen. At this title screen you can press spacebar or the joystick button again to start the game. The seed of the random generator of this game is based on the time between system start and you pressing the spacebar or the joystick button to start the game. Unless you manage to actually start the game multiple times using the same random seed, you will end up with a new list of patients, names and issues every time you start the game.

**T**he game is largely text/menu driven, which implies that the basic functionality will be made

clear by playing the game. This user manual therefor puts the focus on backgrounds regarding patients, infections, symptoms, pills and shops. More of that elsewhere in this manual.

**I**n a nutshell, a patient visits you, explains his or her complaints upon which you decide on which pill to prescribe. If you do well, the medical council will reward you financially, basically your income. It's therefor wise to keep your patients happy with you as their doctor. If your patients have all walked away in anger and/or your funds have gone below zero, you have failed your mission and the game's over.

**L**uckily, the doctor's office already has a bit of money in



cash, enabling you to buy pills right away from one of the four shops.

The shops have all the pills you'd ever want for sale. Some shops specialize in certain pills, others are cheap, others are expensive, and prices may fluctuate. Knowing your shops is a smart way to get the best price for a pill. The shops you can buy pills from are:

- **Pills'R'us**
- **Pill Emporium**
- **Wholesale Pills**
- **J.U.N.K.E.R.**

**Pills'R'us** has simple painkillers typically aimed at a group of symptoms. The price fluctuates.

**Pill Emporium** has a large number of pills but is expensive. The price

may fluctuate.

**Wholesale Pills** also has a large number of average class pills and is cheaper.

**J.U.N.K.E.R.** has high quality pills in larger boxes.



In Dr.Pill you'll have to use cursorkeys/joystick, spacebar/button1 and Escape/button2 to change and set values, and move yourself through the menus. The shop is no different: select the amounts you need with these keys and scroll all the way down to make the transaction.



# About infections and symptoms

**D**uring the game you will be visited by all kinds of patients who try to explain their symptoms. Based on these descriptions, you will have to figure out which pill to prescribe. If you prescribe the wrong pills or the wrong dose things may get worse even. It is therefore practical to understand the basics of the game.



**I**nfections are the basic viruses that cause problems among your patients. Infections cause symptoms and can't be cured with cheap painkillers. If these infections aren't cured, the symptoms won't go away permanently and patients will continue to come back to annoy you. The only thing patients are able to describe are symptoms, it is up to you to find out which in-

fection is involved in order to prescribe the right pill.

**A** major problem is that some symptoms can be the result of more than one infection. Before you prescribe a pill, you'll have to make sure you're trying to cure the right infection. The challenging aspect of the game is to know and understand all infections, symptoms all available pills and the possible side effects of these pills.



# List of infections

Sneezuenza infection

Common infection which causes everyday issues such as cold, sore throat and coughing.

Lucifer-Beta poisoning

Infection which causes deformation of the appendixes of the body, like arms, hands, legs, feet and toes.

Orientifalsus infection

Infection which causes problems related to orientation such as 3D perspective.

Visius Interruptus

Infection related to the eyes, such as pain in the eye and problems with the tear glands.

Psychological issues

Infection which causes emotional problems such as evilness. Additional problems may be being furious and sad.

Spinal infection

Infection which causes problems with the spine.

Digestus Hilarius

A common infection which causes digestion problems, such as belly pain, vomiting, diarrhoea, burping and others.



Hearing infection

Infection which causes hearing problems such as sound recognition.

Nasal infection

An infection which causes problems with scent recognition.

Body Surface infection

Dermatological infection which may cause skin problems, such as itching and pigment differences.

Swine flu

Infection which causes H1B1B, which results in pig-like issues.

Vampiric contamination

Supernatural infection related to the effects of vampire bites.

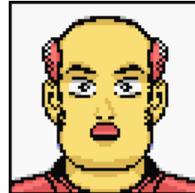
Lycantropic infection

Supernatural infection which causes the werewolf syndrome.



## List of pills

Minimal	Broad spectrum pain killer usable for fighting all kinds of pain.
Coldqfix	Kills the infection that causes generic colds, also known as sneezuenza infection.
Coldisan	Generic pill for reducing the effects of everyday colds.
Sirupygoo	Extremely effective medicine to reduce a sore throat.
Mentholine	Stops the uncontrollable secretion of fluids from the nasal cavity.
Antisnatch	Neutralizes the lucifer-beta poison that causes deformation of bodily appendages. May cause some skin irritation.
Reductori	High quality medicine to reduce many kinds of swelling.
Reducomi	Reduces swelling in minor appendages.



Reducoma

Reduces swelling in larger bodyparts.

Appendix-f

Cures lucifer-beta poisoning. Also helps against swollen or deformed fingers.

Appendix-t

Cures lucifer-beta poisoning. Also helps against swollen or deformed toes.

doubletom

Kills the infection that causes symptoms the show as issues with orientation. Beware of some dizziness that this pill may cause.

Eye-be-good

Reduces a wide variety of problems related to the eyes.

Oria 0.0

Restores eye sight when affected by eye infections. May cause some pain in certain areas.

Icanu

Cures visius interruptus, which causes problems with eyesight and issues related to the eyes. Patients may feel somewhat



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tired after using this.

Improves 3d-vision when affected by medical problems.

C-Clear

Pain killer specifically designed for pain in and near the eyes. May cause some discomfort around the eyes.

Emosaltus

Reduces the excessive generation of fluids in the tear glands.

Visiopro

Increases bad eye sight when caused by medical problems. Warning: no substitute for glasses!

Visioopta

Cures the infection that causes Visius Interruptus.

Ultramind

Neutralizes psychnosis alterus. Use this to cure the underlying problem of emotional and mental stability. Some ear discomfort may be felt.



Redpill

This is a sleeping pill. Only prescribe this in small doses to reduce severe cases of exhaustion.

Freudianslip

Improves the state of the mind.

Emoredux

Restores emotional control to the patient. Beware of muscle spasms with prolonged use!

De-furi700

Calms a patient and returns a more balanced state of mind. This pill has been known to cause some problems with sleeping.

De-evil900

This pill can be used for patients whose mind has run completely off the track.

Motorine

Stops the infection that causes motoric problems, like sudden uncontrolled movements. This infection is normally located somewhere in the spine.

Spinocurus

Cures the spinal infections that are the cause of problems with motor functions.



	This pill may have adverse effects with regards to food.
Dynamicum	Reduces problems with the motor skills.
CTRL4 arm	Reduces problems with unintentional movement of the arms.
CTRL4 leg	Reduces problems with unintentional movement of the legs.
CTRL4 hand	Reduces problems with unintentional movement of the hands.
CTRL4 head	Reduces problems with unintentional movement of the head.
Digestine	Kills the infection that causes Digestus Hilarius, which typically results in digestion problems like stomach pain, burping and others.
Dethroatboom	Effective anti cough pill.



Thebellypill

Reduces ache in the belly and intestines. Reported to have various side effects that are too numerous to mention.

Hardenit

Remedy for severe diarrhoea by reducing fluids.

Antipuki

Calms the stomach and reduces the feeling of nausea. Diarrhoea is a common side effect of using this pill.

Debassoon

Reduces the formation of gas inside the stomach and thereby the unintentional audible discomfort.

Taste id74

Reduces inflammation of the tongue to improve taste recognition..

Digestonin

Cure for Digestus Hilarius.

Foodbar

Medicine for use with a wide range of digestive problems.



Audapristine

Kills the audius problematus infection that causes problems with ears and hearing. Prolonged use may cause some balance problems.

Audifix388

Pain killer focused on ear pain. This pill will have side effects in hearing.

Balanol

Improves the balance of patients.

Clearmind

Lowers blood pressure in the brain to reduce dizziness. Watch out for some problems with brain functions.

Audifix418

Cures mild cases of disease induced deafness. Watch out for heightened feeling in the ears.

sound id78

Reduces swelling in the ears that causes the hearing to be distorted.

Scentipede

Neutralizes the infection that causes problems regarding smelling. Usage is often



Nishinosicum

followed by a minor cold.

Reduces effects of nasal infections.

scent id76

Clears blockage in the nose and restores the scent of smell. May cause slight throat irritation.

Dermafix

Removes the dermamadness infection from the skin. This pill is rather new and no side effects have been reported.

Gigaderm

Supresses skin issues such a rash or pigment marks. Causes some sleeplessness.

Itch-be-gone

Reduces skin itches, insect bytes, allergic reactions etc.

Ramine

Use this pill to reduce the discomfort of exposure to intense light. Causes some reduction in eye sight.

Dermaverse



Mexfix

Reduces skin related problems.

Pigsteinaway

Stop the H1B1B infection, also known as piggy flu. Use this with care as the infection may be particularly difficult to detect!

Tamifoobar

Reduces the effects of piggy flu infections.

Resistodirt

Effective anti viral medicine to kill the H1B1B virus.

RC744

Reduces the urge to go out and get less than proper.

Arkeloid

Cure the blood contamination caused by vampire bites. This medicine causes severe nausea.

Buffymin

Reduces the effects of various problems that may occur after vampire bites. Use this to cure the pathogen introduced into the bloodstream by the bite of a vampire.



Zeroflow

Kills the infection that causes the werewolf syndrome, otherwise known as lycantropic infection. People taking this drug some reduction of the senses.

Decanis lupis

Reduces lycantropic effects.

Silverbullet

Kills the infection brought an by a lycan bite.

Oodlefluid

Quenches thirst caused by various infections. Guaranteed without side effects.

Decoyote

Reduces the feeling of extreme hunger. May cause some dryness or soreness in the throat.

Degoo

Restores the slime balance in a mouth and reduces the problem of drooling. Will cause dehydration with prolonged use.

Nocturbegone

This is a mild sleeping pill that reduces the chances of sleepwalking.





And if you don't believe all this..

You may  
kiss my firm ass and enjoy  
the gastronomy. Go away, you epic  
failure of a creature. You.. you.. incredible  
imbecile. Here, take some cyanide and  
swallow it!



See?