## **Biomarker Trait** HooHoo Night Owl: This doctor loves the night shift. He baffles most of us diurnal humans and thrives when the moon is up. He finds energy and vitality from the dark and feeds when the sun goes down. On his days off, at 2 a.m., you can find him closing down the late-night diners or in aisle 7 in Q Mart.

Black Cloud: Watch out for this guy! He is trouble for the patients and for himself. His days are piled high with 2BAD excess admissions, and his patients rarely evade hospital-acquired infections. Bad luck precedes him and misfortune follows in his wake. He is the albatross of the hospital.

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floors. Everybody hates them.

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**NOTEK** Luddite: Technology is not this physician's friend. Electronic medical records are her nemesis and she hates all things computerized. Like her 19th-century English cousins, she pines for the days when no one had ever heard of bandwidth or 64-tetrabyte hard-drive storage. You are likely to find her using a VCR, its red light flashing.

**BUM** Slacker: Everyone has worked with slackers before. They don't carry their own load and are quick to pawn off work on some unfortunate soul. You're likely to find this doctor napping in the on-call room while his team finishes rounds. Tends to function well with 2BAD-positive colleagues.

Documenter: Nothing goes on with this verbose physician's patients that isn't recorded. Anything that can be 4D-Record said in 1 word will be said in 20. If a patient sneezes, the length of sneeze, probable causes, and volume of mucus will be recorded in meticulous detail. Plan on setting aside a few days if you need to review this physician's charts because their size is in line with the medical textbooks that line the library shelves.

LEECH Phlebotomist: This doctor loves bloodwork. She believes that there is a nothing better than a quick CBC or lyte panel. Ordering an SPEP peps up her day. She is guaranteed to order labs for any and all medical maladies that

walk through the door. Her patients routinely become anemic from their stay in the hospital. Of course, that necessitates more testing.

C+P Duplicator: This doctor copies and pastes everything. Copies and pastes everything. He sees no point in spending valuable time wordsmithing when he can simply draw on what has already been said before. Control-C and

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**CSuite** Committee Chair: If there is a committee, this hospitalist is on it. She wants to know the inner workings of

everything that is going on, and she wants to know it first. She is quick to voice her opinion at the meetings and has a goal of setting a Guinness World Record for most committees chaired in a lifetime. Plus she likes the free cookies. The Master: Physicians with this biomarker glide through the day in perfect balance and are at peace with the ZEN

This physician is unlikely to believe in this column due to our level III-C data.

hospital. They are not shaken by a code blue but rather calmly perform the life-saving measures all while keeping their chakras aligned. They have perfect notes, well-organized teams, and are the masters of their

Statistician: This physician will not believe anything without hard evidence to back up the claim. He does not

take double-blind, multicenter controlled studies with simple random samples lightly. If the patient says that she is hungry, this doctor will need to see low stomach enzymes to verify that the patient's stomach is truly empty.