

Author's Notes on The Mogridge  
(Book 20: *Lord Efran and De'Ath*)

Alrighty. Because I couldn't draw what I had envisioned for these creatures, I had to go online for images again, this time looking for blobs. And because I didn't want to draw from a [horror movie](#), I looked to nature. And fell in love with [sea slugs](#) like these:



But nothing I found looked anything like my Mogridge—until I ran across the Nudibranchia [here](#),<sup>1</sup> [here](#),<sup>2</sup> and [here](#).<sup>3</sup> So I set out to make them work.

Their clawlike hands were actually from [EasyPeasyAI](#), which was a surprise.<sup>4</sup> The handsome De'Ath was courtesy of [Pexels](#),<sup>5</sup> and Estes came from [Freerange Photos](#).<sup>6</sup> The shark teeth were supplied by mrpenguin on [Pixabay](#).<sup>7</sup> The grove of trees was from a field near my apartment, and Estes' Polonti *Code of Justice* came from my library (titled something different, but never mind).

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PS. I am not claiming copyright on my illustration.

1. Photo by NOAA/Monterey Bay Aquarium Research Institute on Wikimedia Commons; cleaned up by [J J Messerly](#), which I very much appreciate.

2. Photo also by NOAA/Monterey Bay Aquarium Research Institute on Wikimedia Commons; also cleaned up by [J J Messerly](#)

3. Ditto the information above

4. It was a premade illustration that I did not create.

5. Photographed by [Balljinder Singh](#). I apologize for hacking off his mustache, but, Polonti.

6. Photographed by [Matt Bango](#)

7. [Lee Titone](#)