

# Xenosaga character profiles

\* Character profiles contain spoilers.



## Gaignun Kukai Jr. (a.k.a. Number 666, Rubedo)

A Representative Director of the Kukai Foundation. His hobby is collecting ancient text and literature, as well as ancient (relative to his time period) weapons. The official records state that he was born in T.C. 4755 and is the adopted son of Gaignun Kukai.

His real identity is a survivor of the URTVs - the special group of people created based on data collected from U-DO, the discarnate entity that threatened the Galaxy Federation in the past, in order to be its anti-existence. His official name is URTV unit number 666, Rubedo. He was born from the same embryo as URTV unit number 667, Albedo.

He has the ability to activate the special anti-U-DO waveform mode Red Dragon, which causes mutual destruction upon contact with U-DO. In order to contain that dual-edged power, Jr. has half-subconsciously halted the development of his own body. However, as this mutual destruction extends only to Jr. and the observational terminal part of U-DO, from a cost-benefit perspective, his powers cannot be called a complete anti-U-DO solution. In actuality, Jr. and his kind were created out of a need to accumulate data before Dmitri could ascend to an existence equivalent to U-DO.

Because he was born with red hair, he was named Rubedo, a name taken from C.G. Jung's "Psychology and Alchemy," in which "rubedo" refers to the process of a substance turning red. He was born a conjoined twin, his back attached to unit number 667, Albedo.

### \* Enneagram Type

According to Enneagram personality classification, Jr, in his connection to people, is classified with a type 8 characteristic (brave / self-confident / coercive / confrontational).

*"By improving everything through self-power, possessing courage, and with a strength of will appealing to his surroundings, a type-8 is a personality that can take up leadership. Because he takes command of the Durandal, always stands at the front line of battle, and also because of an attitude that seems to rise above hardship, he is proven to be of this type. Behaving egocentrically and holding influential power over his surroundings, in time he overwhelms other people."*

- Xenosaga Official Design Materials

As the *Xenosaga Official Design Materials'* rather in-depth analysis concludes, Jr is in an unstable state, wavering between healthiness and unhealthiness. This is considered to be something that was caused by the Miltian Conflict 14 years ago. Because of his small size, it can also be fear that others do not respect him or take him seriously. In those situations, he may want to prove his strength through action or achievement.

Given the impression that Jr likes to live large, with a lust for friendship and camaraderie, he exhibit the traits of a Social variant type 8. This is the most loyal type 8. Loyal to a group and conceive of friendship as a pact of mutual protection. Want everyone to benefit; group's cohesion and welfare is most important to them. They cultivate friendships and are always ready to give their friends the shirt off their back. Stronger connection to 2. When healthy they are aggressively blustery but will back down and apologize when they've been unfair. More able to say "I was wrong" than other type 8s. Can be hostile toward anyone outside who threatens group. "Friends or Foes," perceives world in black and white. Talkative. Can easily feel betrayed and hold grudges.

Rubedo was the first variant URTV to be born at the Institute and possessed a much stronger anti-U-DO waveform than standard-URTVs. He united the URTVs as a leader figure. As children, his younger brother Albedo never left his side. Rubedo watched over him with kindness at times and discipline at others. However, their relationship turned disastrous when the URTV force faced U-DO, and Rubedo foresaw Miltia and the URTVs' future. Understanding everything, Rubedo cut off the mental link between the URTVs, fearful that his existence would be erased. As a result, the standard URTVs and Albedo became infected by U-DO. To this day, Rubedo is tormented by guilt for having cut off the mental link.

### Notes:

Jr. was written by Soraya Saga.

Jr. is voiced by [Eriko Kawasaki](#) (JP ver) and [Brienne Siddall](#) (NA ver).

"Rubedo" is the alchemical process of reddening.

### Archived discussion and forum posts:

- [Jr and Books](#).

### Quotes:

*"I wonder...does that lake of darkness where Nero does his fishing look something like this?"*

*"Hey, who's an illegitimate son?"*

*"The day numbers and battle strategies replace people...it'll be game over, cyborg."*

*"All right, damn it! I couldn't control my fear!"*

*"Yeah. It was fun. My blood danced in my veins. We really are nothing more than instruments of war."*

## RELATED CHARACTERS

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## MIRRORED CHARACTERS



### Bart Fatima (Xenogears)

While there is no direct relation between the two characters, they both play a key supporting role to the troubled main character in their respective story arc. Both have similar Ennea-type (although their instinctual variants differ), both are referred to as the "Young/Little Master" among their crew, both command an impressive ship, and both rely on their calmer "older sibling".



### Billy Lee Black (Xenogears)

While there is no direct relation between the two characters, they both play a supporting role to the troubled main character in their respective story arc, and both have a thing for guns.



### Emerald Kassim (Xenogears)

While there is no relation between the two characters, they both start out in the form of children, even though they're both much older, and near the end of their respective story arc they gain an 'adult form'. (Note: Jr's adult form was removed by MSI when they rewrote Takahashi's and Soraya's original script.)



### Rico Banderas (Xenogears)

While there is no direct relation between the two characters, they are both red-haired characters who are referred to as "monsters" by family members. Both have the same Enneagram type including variant, though the stacking seems different. Both are influential and famous characters where they live, and they can be quick to anger.

