

The Cosmic Joke

I give myself a bit of a chuckle when considering how we came to name this mysterious molecule, especially when coupled with one of life's other greatest mysteries; dark matter—the enigmatic transvisible terrain—*DMT*. But even beyond this I find dreadfully hilarious homophones nestled into its full and legally given name.

Individual investigators of both science and religion will inevitably ask some form of the question, “what does it all mean?” or insist that we need to have an awakening, a rebirth, a revival, a new enlightenment, a refurbishment, a remodeling, and so on.

DMT, dimethyltryptamine—that most mysterious molecule of the quantum moiré—the Dark and Grey Matter Terrain, it ironically teaches us the following:

1. When you die this meth'll take you on a trip to [meaning].
2. When you die this meth'll take you on a trip to ~~amine~~[a mean] awakening.

The fact that ‘tryp’ just means ‘tryptamine’ and “methyl” is just a grouping, a molecular coterie, and not allusions to trips, overdoses, and so on, does not change the interwoven fact that that which makes our world, this language we use to conceptualize and discuss it, has homophonically brought us here regardless of what you want to hear.

Does this joke allude to physical death or the near-experience? Is it spiritual death or ego-death-by-astonishment from encountering or consuming DMT? I'd wager both. Jumping back to my religious roots this seems to follow familiar phrases heard concerning the second coming of several iconic religious saviors: that the great and dreadful day of the lord will be, quite simply, great for some and dreadful for others. In other words, inevitably there will either be a great trip to awakening meaning, or a dreadfully mean awakening, and dimethyltryptamine will always be there to guide you through.

DMT is not merely a Schedule I controlled substance that everyone carries around in them endogenously every moment of every day, it is a reality expander and psychoscopic tool for exploring deeply personal and mutually entailed vast quantum worlds of which we cannot possibly conceive on our own.