

Samara and Leucht are dismissive of Chinese data, even though their original protocol stated they would be included in their meta-analysis. Furthermore, there are increasing calls to include such data.<sup>4</sup> In a review of PubMed English-language articles published in 2000 and 2010, 11% of retractions were from China, while 33% were from the USA. Both Chinese studies in our meta-analysis were identified in the Cochrane database and analysed for risk of bias.

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poems  
by  
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## And They Call It A Fucking Science!

Jo McFarlane

Believe it or not, but if you read the DSM  
(Diagnostic & Statistical Manual),  
BPD is probably the least insulting  
personality disorder to be labelled with.

When it dawned on me that  
'having a histrionic flavour to her presentation'  
didn't describe the packet of crisps I was holding,  
but my dress sense!  
Well, I was understandably indignant.  
Now it just amuses me  
to trawl the list of character traits  
that define me to be an aberration.  
Apparently being 'spirited', 'animated' and 'charming'  
are signs of this – or, to put it another way,  
'the seductiveness of the histrionic  
mixed with the energy typical of a hypo-mania'

Who actually believes this diagnosis  
to be anything more than judgemental hocus pocus?

Dr, if you don't like me – just come out and say it.  
Truth is: you're not my cup of tea either.

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