Endogenic

"Did you just sort of happen, with no known cause, but you might not have always been this way? Endogen! (Endogenous, having no external cause.)" (Trash Can Collective, 2014 August 8).

Quick Details

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Circumstances of Creation

In 2014, the Trash Can Collective found themselves "being told that using those terms [multiple and multiple system] is appropriative of the DID community [...] Being told [natural multiplicity] can't possibly be a thing, and it's trivializing DID folks to say it happens" (2014, August 7). In their attempts to avoid spurious claims of cultural appropriation and come up with "words to use for 'multiplicity', without using the word 'multiplicity', 'plurality', or anything relating to that" they came up with "the -genesis words. And we kind of liked the looks of some words, once we took of the -esis part!" (ibid). The most successful of these terms was "endogenous," which later was changed to "endogenic."

Unfortunately for Trash Can Collective, coming up with a completely separate terminology utterly seperate from the rest of the plural community didn't work. For instance, the Entropy System states, "I see the word 'endogenic' as equivalent to the confederate flag. [...] It still attaches them to a problematic past and encourages oppression of a minority group." (2018, May 13) (Note: this post is factually incorrect about the history of "endogenic" and the status of non-DID plurals within plural online communities. It is cited not as an accurate source on plural history, but a source on the kind of opinions that float around the term "endogenic.")

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