

Review of: "What is it like to be Out-of-Body? Phenomenal accounts of experiencers"

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1) The article appeared to have two objectives. The first was to provide examples of OBE experiences from the percipient's perspective. The second was to discuss physical causes as a potential experience.

2) These two objectives conflicted, leaving me unsatisfied with both. If the authors had wanted to perform a qualitative analysis of the OBE experience, I would have liked a richer analysis of the data they provided. I would also have liked more data. As it is, they presented quotes from interviews uncritically without a satisfying analysis.

3) If they had wanted to promote the idea of a neurological explanation for reports of OBE experiences, they should have engaged the literature more aggressively. If they wanted to argue that they do not have a physical origin, I would have liked to see more of the literature on that subject and how it conflicts with neurological explanations.

Overall, I had the impression that a few quotes were taken from a few interviews and then casual references to the literature were made. I think the article would be improved considerably with a stronger analysis.