

# Bertolt Meyer

#Synlimb #ModularSynth #Transhuman #DJ #Techno #MindControl



Bertolt Meyer is a DJ, producer, and avowed modular enthusiast, who was born without his lower left arm. Instead of allowing this to hinder his creative pursuits, he hacked a prosthetic to create something truly special.

Having found his original prosthetic hand impractical for controlling his modular setup, Meyer began researching the possibilities of improving his creative experience by essentially shortening the signal flow between mind and action. The result is what he refers to as his 'Syn-limb' – a hacked prosthetic built with the help of Christian Zollner at KOMA Elektronik and his husband Daniel Theiler, which allows Meyer to control some parameters of his modular setup with muscular signals sent directly from his mind.

He prefers the controlled limitations of the modular over the overwhelmingly open-ended possibilities of a DAW for his creative expressions. What makes his relationship with his modular setup unique is that Meyers is not only controlling it – he is an essential part of it.

Bertolt Meyer is a tenured full professor in Psychology at the Institute of Psychology at the Chemnitz University of Technology and an experienced public speaker with a background in science, teaching, and award-winning TV science documentaries. He has given talks and keynotes (English or German) in front of large audiences at TEDx Cambridge University as well as at leading companies, including Google, SAP, BMW, Deutsche Bahn, and many others.

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