

Re: I had a hallucination??

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Der alte Hexenmeister wrote:

"RP" <no_mail_no_spam@xxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message

Retinal fatigue lasts longer. I wasn't staring at the light, I was looking around me, in the mirror, watching other traffic, changing the radio station, doing all the things a person does when driving a car and paused at a light. Impatient for the light to change, certainly. Staring at it, no. Besides which, the complementary colours of retinal fatigue only appear after the white background is shown, not while the light is still red. I'll accept that it was hallucination, cause unknown.

I have experienced a few momentary hallucinations related to driving.

In one case, I had been waiting for a long time to make a left turn from a side street, while a long stream of traffic inched past. Suddenly, I clearly saw a a right turn signal flash on the approaching pickup truck, coming from my left. I pulled out expecting him to turn to his right, leaving me an opening. And we impacted. He had no turn signal on.

Impatience is dangerous.

Another time, I was slightly exceeding the speed limit and wondered if any police were nearby. As I looked in the rear view mirror, I saw one blue flash. I have an active conscience.

And once, I was driving down a strange road, looking for a stop sign I was told about, and I saw a momentary flash of a red octagon along the right side of the road, where there were only bushes, as if my mind was saying, "Look for something like this."

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