

# **When Epicurus says that death is the end of sensation, does "end of sensation" in and of itself mean that consciousness ends at death?**

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I'd think from an Epicurean perspective, that consciousness and sensation are all generated from the motions of atoms, the collapse of that system at death would make for the end of consciousness. From a modern perspective, consciousness itself is a kind of sensation. Lost at death or even under anesthesia.

They put you out for a coloscopy, and you're out! 😊