

Dr. Thomas Szasz has characterized E. Fuller Torrey, MD, as a liar (PSYCHIATRIC FRAUD AND FORCE: A CRITIQUE OF E.FULLER TORREY by Thomas Szasz, MD, Journal of Humanistic Psychology, Vol. 44 No. 4, Fall 2004 416-430). Given Dr. Torrey's untruthful remarks quoted below about the "biological basis of anosognosia," I have to agree with Dr. Szasz. In spite of all the years of hoping to prove a biological basis to "severe mental illness," the medical profession hasn't done so.

*"I would stress that **anosognosia** is a common phenomenon, occurring in approximately half of all individuals with schizophrenia and almost half of individuals with bipolar disorder. Furthermore, the **biological basis of anosognosia has been well established, as has also its association with other psychological abnormalities.** In summary, anosognosia is a major symptom of schizophrenia and definitely should be included in the revised DSM, due to be published in 2013. Incidentally, I also agree with the proposed deletions of schizophrenia subtypes; they are not very useful." Dr. Fuller Torrey*