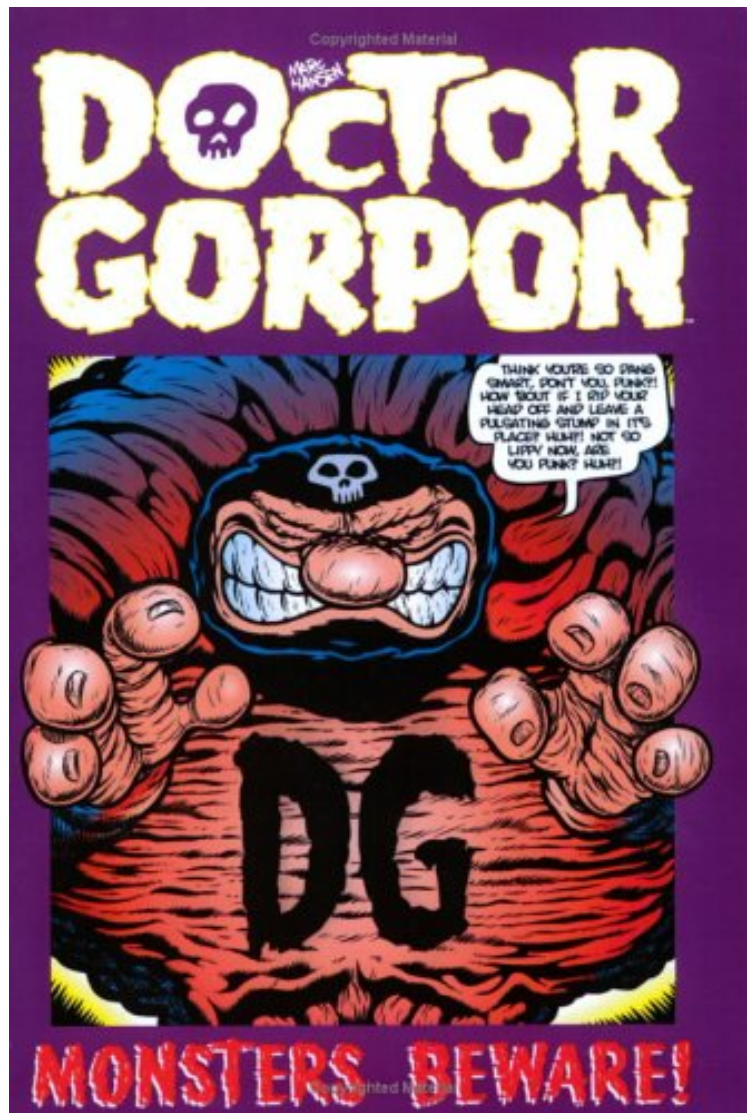


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Marc Hansen : Doctor Gorpon before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Doctor Gorpon:

1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. MONSTER SLAYING WITH DOCTOR GORPON By Tim Janson Artist/Writer Mark Hansen is best known as the Creator of Ralph Snart, that manic character he created for NOW comics in the mid-1980's and recently resurrected. But Hansen created another character, equally as manic and decidedly more violent...the monster slaying Doctor Gorpon. Originally appearing in Eternity Comics in the early 1990's, NOW comics has collected these adventures into a 96 page trade paperback. Doctor Gorpon is...unusual to say

the least. He's about 90% upper-torso with skinny arms and legs, but don't let the look fool you. The Doctor isn't the smartest monster slayer ever, but he's efficient...Gorpon slays monsters by ripping their heads clean off, as he does in the opening pages of the first story. Poor Mrs. Merdo never knew her husband was a monster! After his faithful sidekick destroys the Doc's wheels, he's smashed over the head with a hammer and fired unceremoniously, vowing revenge. Meanwhile the Police Chief wants nothing more than to bring Gorpon in as he considers him a menace. When two metal-head stoners conjure a demon, eating poor Elrod, Gorpon has to save the day. Doofus, the other metal-head, offers himself as Gorpon's new sidekick. In the second story, Doc's deposed sidekick has vowed revenge by hiring a hit man to take Doc out. Meanwhile a mad scientist has invented a formula which brings a chocolate bunny to life that devours every "hooman" in sight as revenge for years of chocolate bunnies being eaten. In the last story, Doc takes on Doofus as his new sidekick, even while his old sidekick and the hit man are invading his secret hideout. Doc has a final showdown with the police chief, meanwhile an evil, primordial pond of ooze comes to life intent on killing Doctor Gorpon. Will this be the last adventure of the Doctor? Pick this trade paperback up and see for yourself. Hilariously violent and chaotic, the adventures of Doctor Gorpon are a wonderful trip back to that period of the late 80's and early 90's when so many small press comic companies were putting out great material without feeling the need to have big-breasted and scantily clad women as the selling point. Marc Hansen's unique art style reminds me of those old "Weird Ohs" trading cards from the 1960's (I'm dating my self now) mixed with a bit of Don Martin of MAD magazine influence. His style is perfectly suited for a book like this and he's certainly one of the most talented cartoonists in comics. What a fun and wild ride!

Monsters beware! Doctor Gorpon has sworn to kill all evil beasts! Nothing pleases him more than to destroy the demonic filth that slithers along the underbelly of Big City. And still more, to do it in the most sickening way possible! It's a disgusting business, but luckily for us pathetic and thankless slugs, the Doc's on the job! The story opens with Gorpon tearing of the head of Mrs. Merdo's husband, Harold, who he claims is really a mutant devil-beast from the fifth dimension. He then makes her sign for it so he can take it for proper disposal. (A bill will be in the mail.) Gorpon then jumps in his muscle-car and speeds to his hidden base. Unfortunately, the lever to his secret door is stuck and his assistant, Glork, can't open it. After he flattens his car against the wall, he fires his lowly assistant. Meanwhile, Doofus and Elrod, two local teenagers, write some metal tunes based on satanic spells and conjure up a demon. Elrod gets eaten alive but doesn't really mind because it's a "pretty damn cool way to go."