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ABOP (an acronym in Croatian for After is better than the party) is a prominent Croatian electronic music band. There's a party on the dancefloor, except there are five exquisite musicians on the stage instead of a DJ. Rather than having a frontman they have two drummers sitting opposite of each other, kicking in the same bass drum and sharing one drum set. Both visual and auditory centerpiece of their music. After six years of stuffing clubs in Croatia and the region they've decided to release their first studio material simply named ABOP.

ABOP are drummers Ivan Levačić and Ivan Vodopijec, synth players Bogumil Kulaga and Ivan Božanić, bass

player Erol Zejnilović and sound engineer Igor Ivanković. They're all members of Croatian arena sized bands with wealth of experience in music.

The legend says they've organized an afterparty of an awful party sometime in 2010. They didn't have any music source except the instruments, so they've decided to play. Everyone who witnessed the event liked it so much that they've decided to form a band. Next six years they've played clubs and festivals throughout Croatia and the region. Without any form of studio recording, the word of mouth of existing fans to the future ones created a myth about a band that you have to see live. You literally have to.

Since it's impossible to ignore this myth, shortly after forming, the band sold out numerous venues in Zagreb one after another.

Increasing number of followers provoked the band to finally record their first studio material. In April 2016 the band released their first 12" vinyl **ABOP EP** on PDV Records. The record was mastered by croatian techno pioneer Petar Dundov. Record release party packed Zagreb's biggest club Tvornica Kulture. The audience was faced with not just a wall of sound but also a monumental video installation, since the visual is as important as auditory in ABOP's performance.





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ACID TRASH (LIVE)



MIND MANIFEST (LIVE)

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