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Naoto Fukasawa & the Super Normal Body Painting goes Surreal Furniture that Light Up

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The concept of this sleek, egg-inspired bed was dreamt up by Agnieszka Bernacka, who then teamed up with Günther Thöny and Andreas Batliner to bring her idea to life. With two years poured into researching and studying sleep patterns, problems and therapies, the Lomme design group believes that their sleeping pods are the key to creating "deep, replenishing, natural rest".

The shape of the bed limits external disturbances like noise and light, and offers a cocoon-like environment that is meant to make the sleeper feel protected and safe. The shell even has a system that blocks electromagnetic waves and radiation! An iPod can be invisibly installed in the bed to offer soothing sounds and music that will lull you gently to sleep, while a massage system offering a choice of massage options to add to the already relaxing sleep environment is available with the mattress!

But here's what amazes us most about the Lomme bed: not only does it come with light colour therapy that allows the user to choose the colour he wants or needs, the light therapy system can even work as an alarm clock! Though 'alarm' might be too harsh a description... The lights will simulate the fading sunset and ease you into sleep, and when the time comes to wake up, it simulates a gentle sunrise to ease you out of sleep again.

With all the different bases – from in bed to out of bed – covered, no wonder the Lomme designers believe that their work is a "restoration project". The red dot award judges seem to agree: Lomme won the product design award for 2008 in the beds category.

Priced at €42,000; visit www.lomme.com

