1. Theoretical Approach
An updated sociological analysis of the racial identity development process is needed. This must use a social constructionist perspective over an essentialist one. This would assist a better and more accurately informed thinking of how racial identity is flexible, diverse and of multiple status.

2. Method
Oral Life (Hi)Story Interview
Six Transracial Adoptees
BME Birth & White Adoptive Family
(+ Other Variables in Biography)

3. Key Finding
Each adoptee had a varied racial identity. However, all had gone through a similar process of having to negotiate racialised similarities and differences in order to settle on a racial identity that (i) they felt comfortable with, and (ii) which best represented how they saw themselves. The racial identity that emerged was one that was based on a multi layered *hybrid* identity, created in an alternative space. This constituted a new racial category, that of the multi-racial identity.