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Otsuka is also the creator of popular manga, such as *Multiple Personality Detective Psycho*, *Leviathan*, and *The Kurosagi Corpse Delivery Service*, and the author of a number of novels. For reference, *MPD Psycho* absolutely lives up to its name. There's a scene where a package marked 'fragile' is delivered to an office, and when they open the box, it's a big drink cooler, about two feet by three feet. They take off the lid, and inside is a woman with all of her limbs severed – only her head and torso remain. The cooler is full of a solution of gatorade and some other liquid, which is keeping her alive (and conscious). Do not read this manga if you are not comfortable with these sorts of images.