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This week, Joe gets carried away.

To use that tired old music journalist standby - the tortured and overly complicated simile - **Jeans Team** sound like Kraftwerk getting touched up by Felix Da Housecat in a sleazy burlesque house... on acid. But seriously, this Berlin four-piece harness the pure neon power of old skool synthesizers in a way that nobody's come close to since the last Ladytron album. And if it's glistening, slightly camp and fully Teutonic funk you're after then look no further than their new Muzik Von Oben album. For a taster of said heady opus, head for the factory production-line boogie of the single **Oh Bauer (Louisville)**, which features a killer robo-remix from Christopher Just, whom long-serving electro cats may remember from I'm A Disco Dancer (And A Sweet Romancer), his genius single of a few years back.

Staying in Synthsville, we move on to **Just Let Go (EMI)**, the who-ever-thought-they'd-attempt-a-comeback single from **Fischerspooner**. This fabulously flouncing duo were crucified by the mainstream music press a couple of years back for committing the twin crimes of "appearing to have fun" and "not being as successful as some people thought they'd be". But they've put aside the tidal wave of mockery that greeted them first time around, dusted off their too-tight PVC wear and got right back on their horses, returning with a single that should hush their many detractors right up. Ridicule is nothing to be scared of, as somebody very wise once said.

If you like your music with a bit more rawk to it then why not give **Pink Grease's Peaches (Mute)** a quick chew? It's super-sleazy gutter rock in the finest tradition of the genre and comes complete with a rattling remix from none other than, er, Peaches. Whether they planned said remix before naming said tune we cannot, at this early stage, confirm.

Elsewhere, **Morrissey**, whom you may recall from 80s rock

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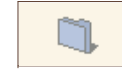
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