DYRK1A Family Meetup Conference

August 31, 2019
Gdańsk, Poland
Dear Colleagues and Participants!

We are pleased to present a conference program for the DYRK1A Family Meetup Conference in Gdansk, Poland. The program is divided into two sessions. The first one is dedicated to professionals and therapists who will present us current knowledge on DYRK1A syndrome and introduce us into therapies aiming into various problems linked with DYRK1A syndrome like feeding problems, autism spectrum disorders and sensory integration disorders. The latter session will be devoted to DYRK1A influenced children and their families. The session will be led by parents and therapists who will describe their daily struggles with our kids. It should be emphasized that the conference program is flexible! Thus, if you are willing to share with us your personal experiences on DYRK1A related topics, please contact us.

Hope to see you in Gdansk!

Szymon and Ania Dziomba

DYRK1A Family Meetup Conference 2019 organizers
Important dates

Registration deadline        July 31, 2019

The conference is free of charge for DYRK1A influenced children and their families as well as invited guests. If you are not fulfilling this terms and you would like to participate, please contact us. However, all participants are obliged to announce their coming.

City tour                  August 30, 2019

All participants are invited to join us during city tour on Friday. For details please contact us by email (contact information can be found at the end of the brochure).

Conference                August 31, 2019

During the conference day kids will have opportunity to spend time at the entertainment room or at the playground in Hotel’s gardens under the supervision of personal carer. The “booking” of personal carer should be reported until the end of June 2019 to conference organizers.
Conference schedule

8.45 Opening of the conference

**Professionals session**

9.00 DYRK1A syndrome: Update on current clinical knowledge and sharing first experiences of DYRK1A outpatient clinic – Bregje van Bon

9.45 When the child does not want or cannot eat... – Marta Baj-Lieder

10.30 Coffee break

11.00 How to recognize if my child suffer from sensory integration disorders?
   – Renata Kurowska

11.40 Non-directive methods of working with children with autism spectrum disorders – Milena Ostasz

12.20 Therapy for the development of linguistic thinking and speech based on the assumptions of the Cracow Method – Joanna Sowula

13.00 Lunch break

**Children session**

14.00 Wojtek – Ewa Masiejczyk-Daniel, Dorota Gach

14.45 Antoni – Agata Iwańska-Janiak

15.30 Coffee break

16.00 Anders – Linda Klindrup Mejer

16.45 Alexandros – Yiola Charalambous

17.30 Closing of the conference

18.00 Dinner at the hotel’s restaurant
Meet our speakers

**Bregje van Bon**  
Dr. Bregje van Bon, M.D., Ph.D. is a clinical geneticist in Nijmegen, Netherlands at Radboud Medical Center. She combines clinical work in the hospital with teaching medical students and conducting research. In 2010 she first met an adult female with DYRK1A syndrome. At that time there were no other individuals known. A couple of years later she published the clinical and molecular details from numerous individuals with DYRK1A syndrome. In 2019 she started a DYRK1A outpatient clinic.

**Marta Baj-Lieder**  
Early intervention speech therapist, sensory integration therapist, feeding therapist, hand therapist, Shantal’s massage instructor. Her work focuses mainly on broadly understood feeding therapy, including food selectivity, food neophobia and ARFID. She constantly broadens her knowledge of feeding therapy at numerous domestic and foreign trainings. Author and co-author of numerous publications and books, including two items for children with food neophobia "I'm afraid of fruits" and "At the common table". Owner of the Logop Therapy Center in Gdansk. Co-founder of the Feeding Therapy School "From the drupel to the core" operating in Gdansk and Warsaw. Co-founder of the “Pestka i Ogryzek Publishing House” (Drupel and Core Publishing House). Lecturer and trainer. Privately, the mother of 5-year-old Marika.

**Renata Kurowska**  
Physiotherapist, NDT-Bobath therapist, sensoric integration therapist, hand therapist, oligophrenopedagogue. She has twenty years of experience in working with disabled children. Currently employed in the Special Educational Center in Żuków (near Gdansk) in the Early Child Development Support Team and in the "Zakątek Agi" Children’s Development Center in Gdynia.
Milena Ostasz
Tylopedagogue, oligophrenopedagogues, non-directive metod therapist of children with autism spectrum disorders. She gained her experience working with Method 3i and The Son - Rise Program with children with autism under the coordination of Autism Treatment Center of America. In her work she focuses primarily on development stimulation through fun and play. She uses the motivation to get into the best possible contact with child. Currently, she works as a therapist for the Son - Rise Method in Gdansk and in the Psychological and Pedagogical Outpatient 'Zakatek Agi' in Gdynia, where she conducts a non-directive therapy for children with autism.

Joanna Sowula

Ewa Masiejczyk-Daniel and Dorota Gach
The former one is a speech therapist, kindergarten teacher, the director of "Kolorowa Ciuchcia" kindergarten. The latter is a child psychologist, therapist of development disorders, sociotherapist, hand therapist. Both are Wojtek’s therapists, working with him every day in kindergarten for a year and a half. In their speech they will focus on the course of therapy, emerging difficulties and successes as well as Wojtek’s functioning in the peer group. Thus, about the daily life of a wonderful, unharmoniously developing small person.
Accommodation

The conference is organized in Hotel Orle in Sobieszewo District. The booking of the room might be done using a Hotel website or by using the Booking.com service.

Hotel Orle

Address: 8 Lazurowa Street
          80-680 Gdansk

Website: www.orle.com.pl/en

Phone: +48 58 308 07 91

Email: rezerwacja@orle.com.pl
Transport

Lech Walesa Airport in Gdansk
Gdansk has its own airport (GDN code) that is communicated with a number of big European airports like London, Munich or Amsterdam. From the airport you can get to the Hotel Orle by cab (taxi). It will cost you about 20 Euro. You can also let us know and we will do our best to pick you up from the airport!
http://www.airport.gdansk.pl/

Warsaw Chopin Airport
You can also land in Warsaw. There are two airports. The bigger one, located near the city center is Warsaw Chopin Airport (WAW code).

Warsaw Modlin Airport
The second airport near Warsaw is Modlin. This airport is located at the rear of Warsaw.
https://en.modlinairport.pl/

To get to the city center from Modlin you can take a cost-effective bus:
https://www.modlinbus.com/

Train
From Warsaw (as well as other cities of Poland) you can get to Gdansk by train. There is also a direct train to Gdansk from Berlin (Germany). From the train station the best transport are cabs (taxi). You can also let us know when you are coming and will try to pick you up!
Taxi
If needed you can use one of many cabs available in Gdansk. The ones you can find directly at the airport are usually rather expensive. Alternatively you can order a taxi using our recommendation:

Dajan Taxi
+48 58 19 628

You can also download MyTaxi app. Using this application you can order a cab with no language difficulties and the driver will find you!

In case of any problems with booking of tickets, do not hesitate to contact us!
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