

Curriculum Vitae

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• **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Death understanding, existentialism, memory, concept development, experimental research, child development, infancy.

• **EDUCATION**

2023 - 2026 Enrolled as a master's student in Psychology, Aarhus University,
Denmark
2019 - 2022 BSc in Psychology, Aarhus University, Denmark

• **CURRENT POSITION**

2024 – 2028 Enrolled as a Ph.D.-student in Psychology, Aarhus University, Denmark

• **PREVIOUS HELD POSITIONS (SELECTED)**

2021 – 2024 Student assistant, Cogito/Babylab, Department of Psychology and
Behavioral Sciences, Aarhus University, Denmark.
2023 Research intern, CON AMORE, Department of Psychology and
Behavioral Sciences, Aarhus University, Denmark.
2022 Research assistant, Nationalt Center for Autoimmune Sygdomme,
Aarhus University Hospital, Denmark.

2020 - 2021 Research assistant, Center of Functionally Integrative Neuroscience (CFIN), Cognitive Science, Aarhus University, Denmark.

- **PUBLICATIONS**

Kingo, S. O., **Gaïni, L.**, Sonne, T., & Krøjgaard, P. (2025). Memory for complex dynamic events across two weeks in early infancy. *Journal of Experimental Child Psychology*.

Hjuler, K. F., Møller, L., Elgaard, C., **Gaïni, L.**, Iversen, L., & Hjuler, T. (2024). On the Interdisciplinary Treatment and Management of Patients with Immune-Mediated Inflammatory Diseases. A Study on Patients' Personal Experiences and Perspectives. *Journal of Multidisciplinary Healthcare, Volume 17*, 2635–2646.

<https://doi.org/10.2147/jmdh.s432820>

Fjaeldstad, A. W., Konieczny, D. T., Fernandes, H., **Gaini, L. M.**, Vejlø, M., & Sandberg, K. (2022). The relationship between individual significance of olfaction and measured olfactory function. *Current Research in Behavioral Sciences*, 3, 100076.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.crbeha.2022.100076>

- **POSTER PUBLICATIONS**

Kingo, S. O., **Gaïni, L.**, Sonne, T., & Krøjgaard, P. (2025, May). Six-month-olds but not four-month-olds remember complex dynamic events across two weeks. Poster presented at the SRCF conference, Minneapolis, USA.

Gaïni, L., Sonne, T., Krøjgaard, P., & Kingo, O.S. (2022, September). Remembering dynamic events in infancy: Manipulating the amount of encoding. Poster presented at the conference Autobiographical Memory in Ageing and Dementia, Aarhus, Denmark. 27-28 September 2022.

- **PUBLICATIONS IN PREPARATION**

Lytje, M., Rosbjerg, R., **Gaïni, L.** (2026). From Subjects to Experts: Methodological Reflections on Interviewing Preschool-Aged Children about Sensitive Topics. Manuscript in preparation.

Gaini, L., & Kingo, O. (2026). Children's understanding of death: A Scoping Review on Methodology and Task Characteristics. Manuscript in preparation.

- **DEPARTMENTAL ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

2025 - current Board member, Local Cooperation Committee (Lokalt Samarbejdsudvalg), Department of Psychology and Behavioral Sciences, Aarhus University, Denmark

2025 – current Member, Social Committee, Con Amore, Aarhus University, Denmark.

2025 – 2026 Board member, PhD association at BSS (PHABUSS), representing the Department of Psychology and Behavioral Sciences, Aarhus University, Denmark.

2025 – 2026 Board member, PhD Committee, BSS, Aarhus University, Denmark.

2024 Board member, SMASK, Department of Psychology and Behavioral Sciences, Aarhus University, Denmark.

2020 – current Member, Local Ethics Committee, CON AMORE, Aarhus University, Denmark.

- **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

My teaching experience includes three years of sexual education for children and young people aged 10-25 years at Sex & Samfund (Danish NGO), instructor for undergraduate students in Developmental Psychology, seminar classes on existentialism and children's understanding of death for Danish and international undergraduate and master's students in Psychology. I have also taught undergraduate students in Psychology about disseminating knowledge.

- **OTHER RELEVANT ACADEMIC SKILLS**

Methodologies: Looking-time studies, diary studies, behavioral testing in the somatosensory, olfactory, and gustatory domain, qualitative interviews, timeline task, scoping review.

Tools: Tobii studios (eye-tracking), REDCap, SurveyXact, SPSS, Whisper, Transcriber.

- **LANGUAGES**

Fluent in Danish, English, and Faroese.

- **SELECTED TALKS**

February 25, 2025. Memory and Lunch, CON AMORE, Aarhus University, Denmark. Title of presentation: *Young Children's Concept of Death*.

June 20, 2025. Internal Research Conference, Department of Psychology and Behavioral Sciences, Aarhus University, Denmark. Title of presentation: *Understanding of Death in Childhood*.

February 8, 2024. Sorgmöte, University of Bergen, Norway. Title of (online) presentation: *Children's Understanding of Death*.

- **MEMBERSHIP OF SCIENTIFIC SOCIETIES**

2024-2025 The Society for Research in Child Development