## DONOR CHILD Emma Grønbæk



## ABOUT ME

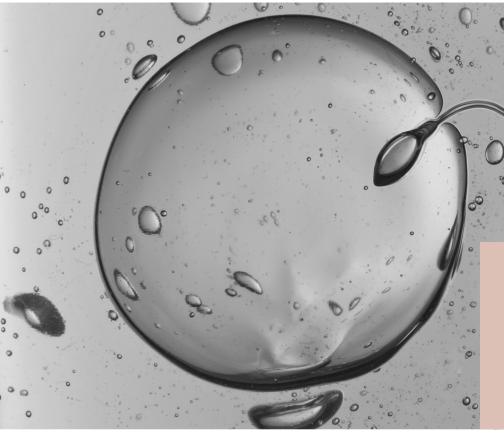


Emma Grønbæk @DONORCHILD

1996

From Denmark Donor Conceived Anonymous sperm donor

Trained as a Nurse – Working at Cryos



## The advice

1996: There is no reason telling the child about donor conception

"For a long time, the wound continued to burn. Many a traveller

Siddhartha had to ferry across the river who was accompanied by a

son or a daughter, and he saw none of them without envying him,

without thinking: "So many, so many thousands possess this

sweetest of good fortunes – why don't I? Even bad people, even

thieves and robbers have children and love them, and are being

loved by them, all except for me."

Siddhartha, by Hermann Hesse

### **Beloved Emma**

This book was created to tell you the story of how you came to be, of our many years of childlessness and the sometimes very difficult decisions this demanded. Our wish is that this book should help to navigate these problems while you are still a small child and make the questions that it will create easier to ask. You may never doubt that you were the most wanted child in the world.



## Emma's book

About the dream of creating a family

Read as nighttime story from I was 3 years old

## Why telling is beneficial





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Parents

A way to start the conversation and practice telling their story

### Children

The child gets to understand gradually and ask questions Relationship No feeling of secrecy or betrayal if discovered later in life

### The Impact on my life

### Child

Proud of being special as I felt wanted and loved.

Thoughts about the donor's physical appearance.

Teen

Felt left out with the twins - triggered negative feelings.

Thoughts about telling my dad that he was not my father while arguing Discovered primary lactase deficiency

Adult

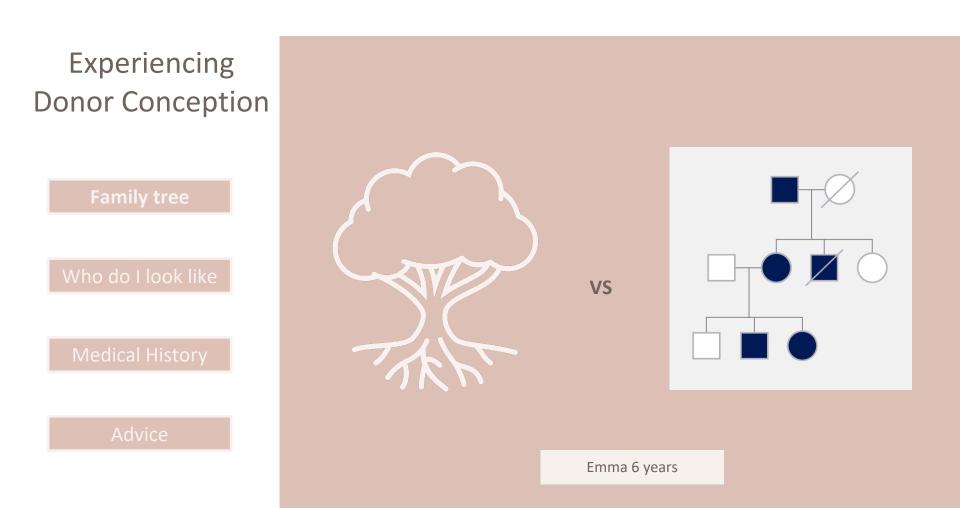
Started my blog, and sharing my experience publicly

Wrote a book

Future

Feelings might change with big life events

We talk about It, andI have their support



# Why I share

my donor conception story

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### DONOR CHILD - A CHILD OF LOVE

A story about my life as donor conceived and what it has meant to me and my family. Advice from fertility experts, psychologists, couples' therapist, and doctors.

### -On Amazon



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# Thank you!

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EMMA GRØNBÆK

### DONOR CHILD

Welcome to my website My name is Emma Groenbaek and I am conceived with donor sperm. I was born in Denmark in 1996 after my parents had gone through 6 years of fertility treatment. My two younger sisters are twins and were conceived with the use of ICSI without a donor. I have always known about the help my parents received to have me and want to communicate the importance of early disclosure.

I also wrote a book: Donor child – a child of love.



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