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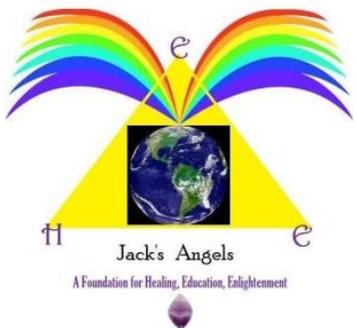


*"Honoring the
Preciousness
of Life"*



**AWARENESS, SUPPORT, AND RESEARCH
for Diffuse Intrinsic Pontine Glioma (D.I.P.G.)**

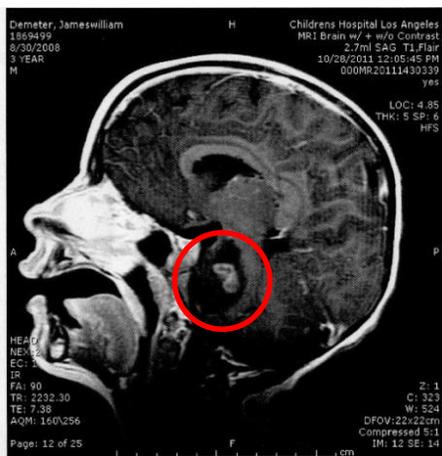
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About Pediatric Cancer, Brain Tumors, and **DIPG** (Diffuse Intrinsic Pontine Glioma)

In children, brain tumors are the leading cause of cancer-related death. DIPG accounts for 80% of pediatric brain tumor deaths, and roughly 12% of pediatric brain tumor incidence. DIPG is the most devastating of pediatric malignancies; almost all children with this disease die within 2 years of diagnosis. Median survival time is 9 months; without treatment, they have weeks.*



- *Because the tumor is in the **pons** area of the brainstem, and diffuse in nature, surgical removal is not possible.*
- *No chemotherapy to date has affected the terminal prognosis.*
- *Radiation can provide short-term relief.*
- *Long-term survival rate is less than 1%.*
- *The causes are unknown.*
- *Little progress has been made in 30 years.*
- *Genomic testing of samples for research is urgently needed.*

*Statistical Sources:

<http://www.acco.org> AMERICAN CHILDHOOD CANCER ORGANIZATION; <http://www.curesearch.org> CureSearch; <http://www.stjudes.org> St. Jude's Research Center

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The Lyla Nsouli Foundation for DIPG Research, www.lylansoulifoundation.org

Our Mission: Hope for Survival. DIPG affects approximately 300 children a year in the US; the pharmaceutical corporations and our government lack the same commitment to research for pediatric brain tumors as for other cancers. We would like to see a DIPG research fund for pediatric brain tumors at every children's research institution in the U.S.; funding for personnel infrastructure at our research hospitals is heavily dependent upon philanthropic contributions. ***This urgency remains: roughly 300 families a year in the U.S. will receive a literal death sentence for a beloved child;*** the quality of life for these families, and helping them deal with the realities of the transition in a way that allows the possibility for joy and new hope, is part of our mission.

We remain committed to the fund for DIPG research, in Jack's honor, at Children's Hospital Los Angeles, and to the idea that DIPG research invariably benefits all of neuro-oncology and represents an important contribution to advances in medicine. Equally we are committed to affecting change in the experience of a family receiving a DIPG diagnosis for their beloved child, that there be active research and hope for survival.