

The Ancestry is the new 4-track EP by Jemek Jemowit and a direct continuation of his video work *The Poles of Berlin* (31.05.2024–26.01.2026, BERLIN GLOBAL, Stiftung Stadtmuseum Berlin). While the video features interviews with Berliners of Polish descent about their experiences with racism, Jemowit's latest release tackles European racism more broadly and examines racist patterns in supposedly left-wing circles, such as the "White Savior Syndrome." He also addresses the term "race," which is enshrined in Germany's Basic Law to protect people of different "races" but remains a taboo when used to describe individuals. This contradiction, coupled with his own experiences with active and passive racism and the growing shift to the political right in Germany, motivated Jemowit to create this project.

Tracklist

1. Biodeutsch
2. Infab (*involuntary fabulous*)
3. Races of Europe
4. White Guilty Pleasure

First Single: *Biodeutsch*

The first single, *Biodeutsch*, explores the theme of racial identity in a striking video directed by Jakob Faber (*jashka.xyz*). In the video, Jemek Jemowit uses a VR simulator to transform into an "Aryan German." As he becomes increasingly whiter, blonder, and blue-eyed, his transformation culminates in a pale, almost otherworldly creature with glowing blue eyes.

About the Contributors

Unlike his previous releases, which he produced single-handedly—from music production to cover design and music video editing—*The Ancestry* is a collaborative project. The lyrics were written by tango-rock'n'roll legend Tav Falco, researcher and artist Krzysztof Honowski, and dystopian synth punk artist V. The music was produced by Krakow-based techno DJ Katrin Wolke.

Anthropologist and racism expert Ivan Kalmar from the University of Toronto contributed essays on the individual tracks, offering deeper insights into the themes of the project.

The Ancestry will be released by the Berlin-based label **aufnahme + wiedergabe**, a key force in the post-punk and EBM revival of this century, uniting Industrial roots with futuristic techno sounds and fostering a vibrant underground music culture. Jemek Jemowit's 10th release was made possible with support from the Governing Mayor of Berlin as part of the Oder Partnership.

Events

Thursday, 20.02.2025, 8 PM - Video Premiere of *Biodeutsch*

The location (in Berlin) will be announced on the day of the event via the Telegram group.
<https://t.me/jemowit>

Thursday, 17.04.2025, 9 PM - *The Ancestry Record Release Party*

Urban Spree, Revaler Str. 99, 10245 Berlin

feat. DJ Paulina Panik, Choke Chain *live*, DJ Katrin Wolke, Jemek Jemowit *live*, DJ Philipp Strobel

Links

Artist: www.jemek.net

Label: <http://aufnahmeundwiedergabe.de/>

EP: <https://aufnahmeundwiedergabe.bandcamp.com/album/the-ancestry>

Biodeutsch musicvideo: <https://youtu.be/6LYgMveEu-0>

Event:

Resident Advisor: <https://de.ra.co/events/2109031>

facebook event: <https://www.facebook.com/events/594258180110796>

Shotgun (Tickets): <https://shotgun.live/en/events/jemek-jemowit-choke-chain-live-urban-spree-berlin>

Internal Links:

EP: <https://on.soundcloud.com/Er5wqsFiN2w1GM1A8>

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<https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fo/wr18ign8h4ekvhfp9d5sf/AHZ4DUjwO12ZmV0yeYfwzbU?rlkey=490v8pba7u4ul5sfshateqdz3&dl=0>