



Two worlds of work under one roof. Medical practice, Düsseldorf (GER)

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The two-storey, open-plan studio complex with gallery in Düsseldorf-Gerresheim was converted in 2003 into a dual-purpose medical practice for both ENT and psychotherapy practitioners. The conceptual aim was to retain the openness of the rooms inside and also the view onto the private garden, thereby creating the necessary boundary between the various functional zones and also with respect to the apartment block opposite. The reception and waiting area on the ground floor, the social rooms in the basement and the gallery level are used both by the ear, nose and throat doctor and the psychologist. The three storeys are interlinked by a corkscrew (newel) staircase which, owing to its position at the centre of the building, literally forms the fulcrum of the medical practice. The two interior

designers Uta Cossmann and Claudia de Bruyn utilised all their architectural skills in order to create a psychological environment that engenders trust and eliminates fear. Rather than sterile white, they combined white with an array of green, orange and yellow tones for a warm and friendly colour concept. The interior fittings have been complemented by classic furniture with unusual upholstery materials enhanced by pieces from the client's private collection. Plain materials such as timber, aluminium and satinised acrylic glass in combination with white surfaces and accentuating colours impart to this joint medical practice a cosy and uplifting mood. And the MANET glass sliding door system from DORMA further underlines the individual character of this house of therapy.

Project

Combined ENT and psychotherapy practice, Düsseldorf, Germany

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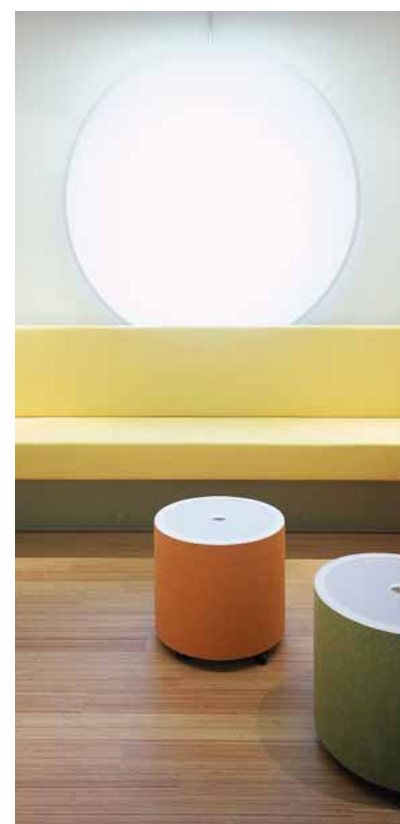
MANET sliding door system

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The therapy area: the well of the central stairway is enveloped by a curtain which also serves as a light source. Located around the staircase is a semi-circular desk with cupboards below and pull-out workboards.



The underlying theme of the interior design is one of understated elegance.



The MANET sliding door system from DORMA provides a transparent entrance solution characterised by easy, effortless operation.



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