

# Public Health & Epi News

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## Nordic PhD collaboration

I know that it is sometimes difficult to find relevant and sufficiently specialized courses within your research area. The main reason is that the more specialized the course gets, the fewer students are interested in the same area, making it difficult to offer such specialized courses.

But I have very good news! SUND has joined a Nordic network of doctoral education in health sciences called NorDoc. This network provides free (yes I said free!) access to doctoral courses arranged by all members of the network, which includes all major universities in the Nordic countries.

This also means that we can start developing more specialized courses as cross-border collaborations between doctoral schools in the Nordic countries. Please go ahead and have a look at the many opportunities at the NorDoc webpage: [www.nordohealth.net](http://www.nordohealth.net)

It has been an active year in the Graduate program for Public Health and Epidemiology and I have enjoyed meeting many of you at our epidemiological seminar series, public health seminars and courses. We will be hosting the next GRASPH summer school in May 2019 and I am hoping to catch up with you again in the new year.

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!



### Naja Hulvej Rod

Professor, Head of the Graduate Program in Public Health & Epidemiology

## Conference calendar

### Society for Epidemiologic Research (SER) annual meeting

18-21 June 2019, Minneapolis, MN, USA

<https://epiresearch.org/annual-meeting/>

### 2019 SLLS International Conference

25-27 September, 2019, Germany

<https://www.slls.org.uk/2019-conference>

### 11<sup>th</sup> International Conference of Epidemiology & Public Health, 26-27

September, 2019, Copenhagen, Denmark

<https://epidemiology.expertconferences.org/>

### World Congress of Epidemiology

2020, 13-17 September, Melbourne, Australia

[https://www.iipc-se.org/documents/2020\\_IEA\\_WCE\\_AU\\_STRALIA\\_announcement.pdf](https://www.iipc-se.org/documents/2020_IEA_WCE_AU_STRALIA_announcement.pdf)

### GRASPH Summer School 2019

7-8 May, 2019 at Comwell

Klarskovgaard (close to Korsør)

Tentative program on p. 9-10.

Registration deadline: 1<sup>st</sup> of March

More info at

<https://phd-pubhealthepi.ku.dk/summer-school/>

### Editorial info

Public Health & Epi News is distributed to PhD students and supervisors affiliated with the graduate program in Public Health and Epidemiology.

The newsletter is published three times a year (around May, September and December) and is meant to be a dynamic platform for exchanging information within the graduate program.

Any inputs on events, new books, international courses, writing groups etc. are very welcome.

Please send your input in an e-mail to Lisbeth Lyng Hansen, [llh@sund.ku.dk](mailto:llh@sund.ku.dk).

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Deadline for next issue of Public Health & Epi News is **15<sup>th</sup> of April, 2019**.

## PhDs of the Month

### Laura Aviaja Rudkjøbing, MD

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Bispebjerg Hospital



*What does the psychosocial work environment and the individual vulnerability mean for reporting bullying in the workplace?*

Workplace bullying is considered a serious and widespread occupational health problem. Research has shown that people exposed to bullying have an increased risk of depression, depressive symptoms, sleep difficulties, higher levels of sickness absence and increased drug consumption.

But how do we prevent bullying? And does bullying hit randomly or does personality play a role?

Only a few studies have investigated factors involved in the development of workplace bullying. Most of the studies rely on self-reported data. Working environment in general and the relationship with managers and colleagues are thereby colored by the mental state of the bullied persons, making it difficult to distinguish risk factors for being bullied from the actual effect of being bullied.

The aim of my project is to get a better understanding of the processes that over time can lead to bullying at the workplace. I want to explore whether different psychosocial work environment characteristics and personal traits predict later reports of bullying.

My study is longitudinal and includes data from self-administered questionnaires with a time span of two years. I will describe the work environment characteristics independently of the individual employee by using a work-unit approach. People who report themselves as being bullied at baseline will be excluded, and an overall score for the work-unit will be calculated based on the

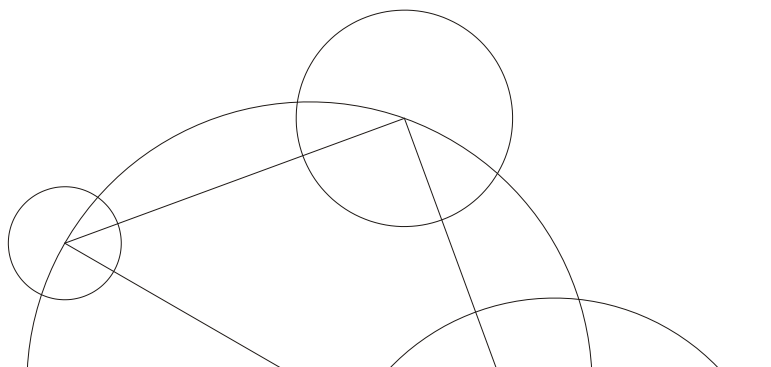
replies of the other employees. To measure the psychosocial work environment, I will use different scales looking at job demands, influence, development opportunities, leadership quality, effort-reward imbalance, organizational justice, emotional requirements, role conflicts and job insecurity.

I hope that my project will help to differentiate between more and less important psychosocial working environmental characteristics for development of workplace bullying to improve prevention strategies.

**My Background:**

I obtained my medical degree from the University of Copenhagen in May 2013. After completing my internship, I have been working with occupational medicine. I am especially interested in the psychosocial working environment, how we treat each other while we are on work, and how we react to imbalances in the work environment. I was enrolled as a PhD student in September 2017.

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**Julie Andersen**, MSc Public health

The research unit of the Danish Heart Foundation



*Gaps in the Organization of Heart Failure Care in Denmark: Focus on social and geographical inequality and lack of implementation of advanced therapy and medical adherence*

An estimated 10.000 Danish residents are hospitalized each year with first-time heart failure and approximately 30% of these patients die within the first year. In recent years great advances have been made in implementation of new treatment strategies, however mortality rates remain high.

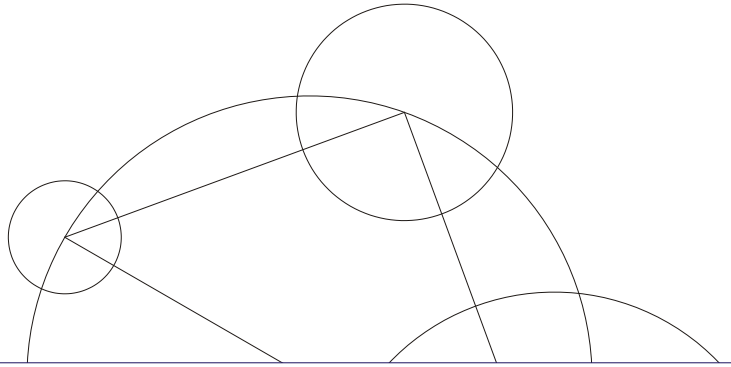
Heart failure often occurs as a consequence of surviving other cardiovascular diseases, such as myocardial infarction. Although a socioeconomic gradient in incidence, treatment and survival has been found among patients with myocardial infarction, little is known about how socioeconomic position affects incidence and survival of heart failure. It is also unknown if there are differences in health care utilizations, offered treatment and adherence to therapy among heart failure patients in different socioeconomic groups.

The aim of my Ph.D. project is to investigate socioeconomic and geographical differences in survival of heart failure and to study causal pathways such as the use of medical treatment and device therapy. The project uses national registers to identify heart failure patients and to measure their health care utilizations and prognosis. Use of advanced treatments and adherence to evidence-based medicine will be investigated in relation to socioeconomic position. Further, the project will evaluate geographical patterns in heart failure survival. The results from this Ph.D.-project will help target secondary prevention strategies and thereby hopefully improve survival.

My background

I have a master's degree in public health science from the University of Copenhagen, 2017. During my time as a student I worked as a student assistant at the Danish Heart Foundation. This awoke my interest in register-based research and the endless possibilities to use big data in health research. Since graduating from UCPH I have been working as a Ph.D. student at the Danish Heart Foundation.

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## International PhD of the Month

**Clara Helene Glazer**

**Research stay at the Department of Urology, Stanford University, USA**

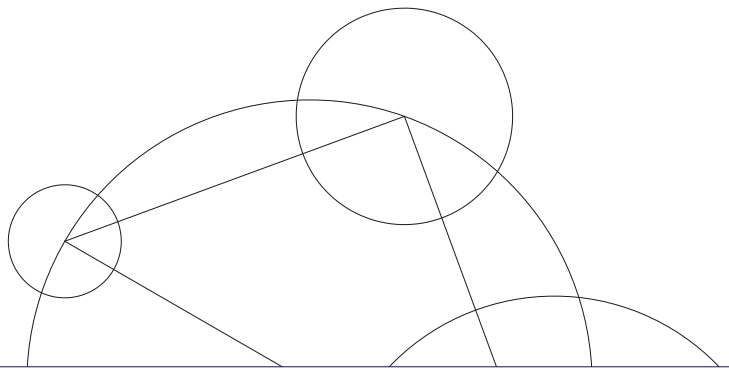


I am a PhD student from the Department of occupational and environmental medicine at Bispebjerg Hospital in Copenhagen. As part of my PhD, I am investigating whether male factor infertility is associated with an increased risk of certain chronic non-malignant diseases and mortality. These studies are national register-based cohort studies and include all men whose partner has undergone fertility treatment in Denmark since 1994. The PhD project is part of ReproUnion, a European reproductive health collaboration in the Øresund Region in Denmark and Sweden, involving 13 hospitals and fertility clinics.

As part of my PhD, I spent three months at Stanford University working with Dr. Michael Eisenberg who is an expert within the field of male infertility and comorbidity. During the protocol-writing stage of my PhD, I decided that my goal was to collaborate with Dr. Eisenberg as he has paved the way for most studies within in this field. So, three months into my PhD, I contacted Dr. Eisenberg about my research interests and the possibility of arranging a research stay at his

department. Dr. Eisenberg was very keen and positive about this research stay and the possibility of a collaboration. In fact, our department invited Dr. Eisenberg to a conference in Denmark where he presented some of his work. We also initiated a systematic review on male infertility and comorbidities which meant that we had the opportunity to work together before I arrived at Stanford. The administrative staff at Stanford was very helpful with initiating the required paperwork prior to my arrival.

At Stanford, we worked closely together on a study on male infertility and mortality where Dr. Eisenberg supervised me with weekly meetings and fruitful discussions. I also had the privilege to present the preliminary data at the American Society of Reproductive Medicine in Denver this fall where the



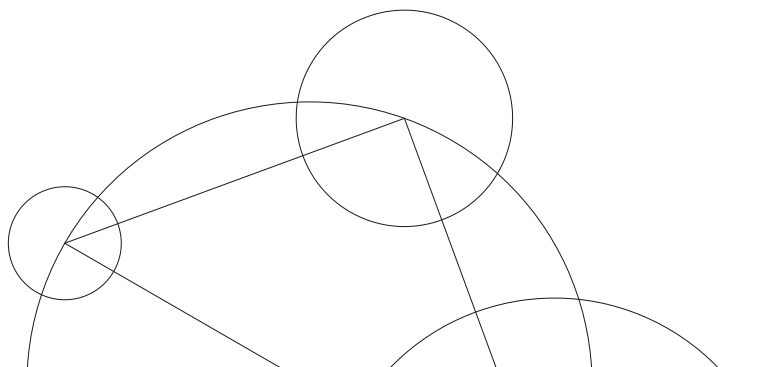
abstract was selected as a prize candidate in an oral session.

As a side project, I had the opportunity to work with US data extracted from insurance claims. Based on administrative data from over 7000 men, I looked at sociodemographic differences in semen parameters among US men that provided a semen sample. It was a great learning experience to work with US data as I worked closely with two statisticians from Stanford that helped me prepare and simplify these data. The scientific paper is in press in Urology and will be published this fall. I was very impressed by the academic staff at the Department and the complexity of the US data.

Stanford University is a beautiful campus surrounded by palm trees in near proximity of Silicon Valley and ranked one of the top Universities in the World. My family joined me during the research stay as my husband was on parental leave with our son. We rented a small old house in College Terrace, which is a historic district located in a neighborhood behind the campus. I was able to bike through campus to the Hospital. Palo Alto is a green city with many parks and activities for young families. My family had an amazing time joining me on this research adventure!

My stay at the Department of Urology at Stanford University was fantastic. A successful research stay abroad requires a lot of work, especially a stay in the United States, as the visa application is quite lengthy. I would highly recommend any PhD student to arrange a stay abroad as it is certainly worth it in the end. My number one advice is to start planning early - at least one year in advance. This is especially important to ensure adequate funding as some of the US cities, especially Palo Alto, has very high costs of living.

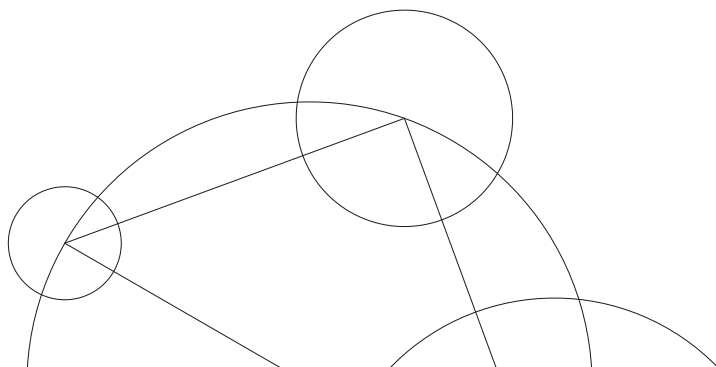
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## Welcome to the new PhD students

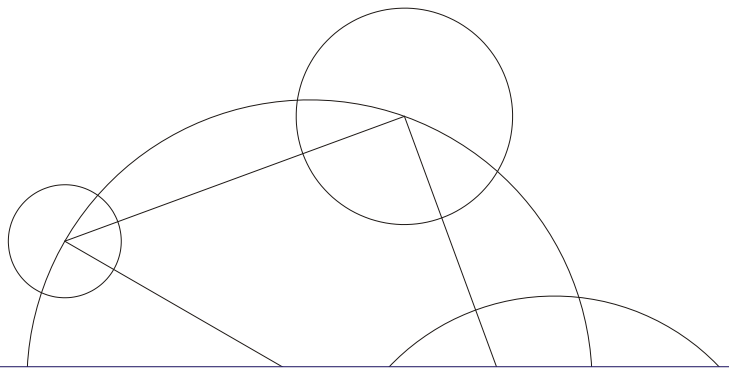
*37 new PhD students have been enrolled between 1<sup>st</sup> of May and 1<sup>st</sup> of December 2018*

| Name                           | Project   | Supervisor                  |
|--------------------------------|---|-----------------------------|
| Aivara Urbute                  | The role of BMI in cervical human papillomavirus infection and cancer   | Susanne Krüger Kjær         |
| Ana Cipric                     | Can We Reduce Symptoms of Anxiety, Depression, and Stress among Recently Divorced Danes?  | Gert Martin Hald            |
| Anne Lærke Spangmose Pedersen  | Short and long term outcomes for children conceived after different assisted reproductive technology methods  | Anja Bisgaard Pinborg       |
| Anne Mette Juul Andersen       | Access to Group-based Diabetes Education among Ethnic Minorities: The Role of Social Relations  | Signe Smith Jervelund       |
| Cecilie Balslev Willert        | Risk-reducing mastectomy and immediate breast reconstruction in women with hereditary breast cancer- impact on quality of life, fear of cancer and breast cancer occurrence and mortality | Lisbet Rosenkrantz Hølmich  |
| Christian Ditlev G Stoltenberg | Danish veterans use of mental health services - barriers, facilitators and early indicators   | Merete Osler                |
| Cæcilie Bachdal Johansen       | Psoriasis and pregnancy   | Simon Francis Thomsen       |
| Didde Høeg                     | Municipal and familial implementation of family intervention research (FAIR).   | Ulla Christensen            |
| Ditte Maria Sivertsen          | Implementation of an alcohol screening and brief intervention: A Cross continuum of targeted efforts  | Ove Andersen                |
| Gitte Færk                     | Coordinated care plan across sectors for patients with allergy and allergic comorbidities   | Susanne Dalsgaard Reventlow |
| Giulia Corn                    | Investigating the increase in diagnoses of serious muscle damage: statins, extreme exercise and genetics.   | Mads Melbye                 |
| Høgner Hammershaimb Andersen   | Breast Cancer Exercise (BREACE)   | Dorte Lisbet Nielsen        |
| Ida Katrine Lundager           | Exercise in older women with breast cancer during systemic therapy: a randomized controlled trial   | Dorte Lisbet Nielsen        |
| Ina Willaing Tapager           | Equity and the Socio-economic Impact of Disease Management Programmes   | Karsten Vrangbæk            |
| Jannie Dressler                | Patient Compliance, Treatment Strategy, Morbidity and Health-Related Resources associated with the Danish Colorectal Cancer Screening Program   | Lars Nannestad Jørgensen    |
| Jonathan Aavang Petersen       | Does repetitive work cause disorders in the neck and upper extremities, and does it lead to change of occupation or early retirement?   | Jane Frølund Thomsen        |
| Karen Christina Walker         | Early life exposure to low vitamin D and risk of congenital heart disease   | Berit Lilienthal Heitmann   |



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| Kristine Henderson Bissenbakker | Measuring needs and expectations in life when living with multimorbidity - Development and validation of the MMQoL scale   | John Brodersen             |
| Laura Deen                      | Adverse health effects following residential high-level exposure to semivolatile biphenyls in indoor air   | Jens Peter Ellekilde Bonde |
| Linda Kahr Andersen             | Physical Activity and Fatigue in Danish patients with Myasthenia Gravis  | John Vissing               |
| Lærke Pinstrup Lidegaard        | Smoke-free working hours in private company. A multi-Methods study.  | Charlotta Holm Pisinger    |
| Manja Dahl Jensen               | Balancing benefits and harms related to medical screening  | John Brodersen             |
| Maria Didriksen                 | The role of host genetic background and environmental factors in restless legs syndrome  | Henrik Ullum               |
| Maria Jul Buhl Borgstrøm        | The role of diet for men in fertility treatment  | Ulrik Schiøler Kesmodel    |
| Maria Louise Veimer Jensen      | Prescription of antibiotics in the elderly population in general practice in Denmark   | Lars Bjerrum               |
| Markus Fally                    | Community-acquired Pneumonia in Denmark  | Pernille Ravn              |
| Mathilde Gottschau              | Cancer preventive and other health consequences of removing the ovaries  | Susanne Krüger Kjær        |
| Mette Petrine Skaaning          | The Guided Self-Determined intervention: a program targeting the psychosocial needs of pregnant women diagnosed with gestational diabetes in preventing excessive gestational weight gain                                    | Vibeke Zoffmann            |
| Monica Ladekarl                 | OBEAT: Beating Obesity: A feasibility trial  | Berit Lilienthal Heitmann  |
| Niels-Christian Reimers Holm    | Comorbidity in marginal periodontitis: Pharmaco-epidemiological studies  | Peter Riis Hansen          |
| Ren Xuan                        | Early exposure (during pregnancy and early childhood) to dietary fatty acids and weight gain during childhood  | Berit Lilienthal Heitmann  |
| Rina So                         | Long-term exposure to fine particles and health in southeastern Denmark  | Zorana Jovanovic Andersen  |
| Sadaf Kamil                     | Effectiveness and safety of non-vitamin K antagonist oral anticoagulants in peripheral artery disease – Pharmaco-epidemiological aspects   | M Helena D. Vall-Lamora    |
| Saud Abdulaziz M Alomairah      | Effects of structured supervised exercise training versus motivational counseling supported by health technology on physical activity level and metabolic and clinical health parameters in healthy inactive pregnant women. | Bente Merete Stallknecht   |
| Shuo Liu                        | Long-term exposure to air pollution and risk of asthma and COPD in Denmark and other European areas with low-levels of air pollution   | Zorana Jovanovic Andersen  |
| Siv-Therese Bøgevik Bjørkedal   | Meaningful Activities and Recovery   | Tom Møller                 |
| Therese Lucia Friis             | Lolland doesn't make you sick; but sick people move to Lolland   | Elsebeth Lyngø             |





## Epidemiological seminar series

### Program for the rest of 2018 and start of 2019

**20<sup>th</sup> of December, room CSS 15.3.15: Causal inference in Epidemiology**

Associate Professor Lorenzo Richiardi, Biostatistics and Epidemiology, University of Turin.

**28<sup>th</sup> of February: Complex system models in public health**

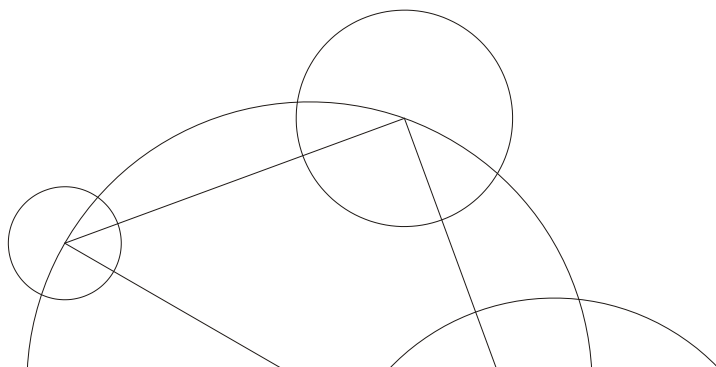
Professor Harry Rutter, University of Bath, UK

**21<sup>st</sup> of March: How to evaluate potential non-specific effects of vaccines: the quest for randomized trials or time for triangulation?**

Professor Christine Stabell Benn, Bandim Health Group, Statens Serum Institute

These seminars are organized in collaboration between the Graduate Program in Epidemiology and Public Health and the Section of Epidemiology at the Department of Public Health, University of Copenhagen. Please **sign up** to the mailing list with updates about location and titles for the upcoming seminars by sending an e-mail to Kathe Jensen ([kje@sund.ku.dk](mailto:kje@sund.ku.dk)).



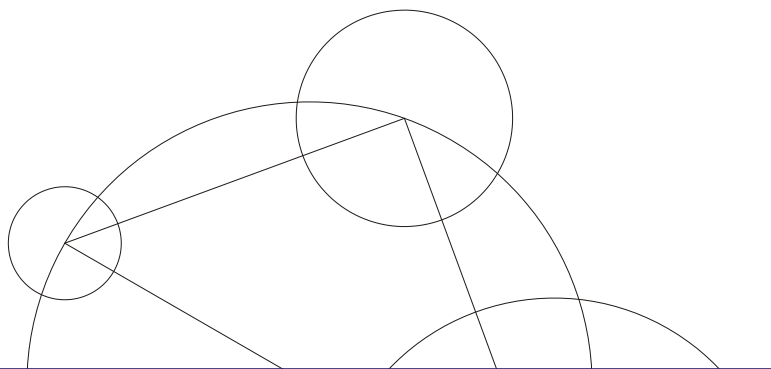


## Tentative Programme for GRASPH Summer School, May 7-8, 2019

The meeting is held at Comwell Klarskovgaard, Korsør Lystskov 30, Korsør

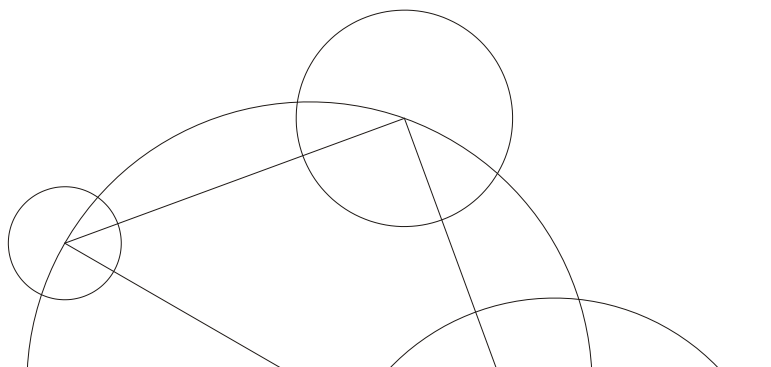
### Tuesday May 7<sup>th</sup>

- 09.15-10.10 Arrival, coffee/ tea and rolls
- 10.10-10.15 Welcome by Head of Research Programme, Professor Naja Hulvej Rod, KU
- 10.15-11.15 **Plenary lecture 1:** "Feedback as a dialogue" by pedagogical consultant Jens Laurs Kærsgaard, CESU – Centre for Health Sciences Education, AU
- 11.20-12.30 **Group session 1:** Groups presentations with 10 min. intro and 2 x PhD project in with comments from supervisors and participants
- 12.30-13.30 Lunch
- 13.30-14.30 **Plenary lecture 2:** "Excess mortality in mental illness disentangled – where to go from here?" by clinical professor Merete Nordentoft, KU
- 14.30-15.00 Break and check-in
- 15.00-16.00 **Group session 2:** Presentations of PhD projects in the groups with comments from supervisors and participants
- 16.00-16.45 Break
- 16.45-18.00 **Thematic workshops:**
- A. *Citizen science* by professor Naja Hulvej Rod, KU
  - B. *The Lolland-Falster Health Study – what it is and how it goes* by project manager Randi Jepsen, Lolland-Falster Undersøgelsen, Region Sjælland
  - C. *How to structure and work efficiently with your PhD thesis* by associate professor Dorte Gilså Hansen, SDU
  - D. *Optimer din ydeevne og få mere tid* by external lecturer Christina Schnohr, KU
  - E. *PhD student/ supervisor dilemmas* by associate professor Sanne Angel, AU
  - F. *Using rhetoric in your presentation* by pedagogical consultant Jens Laurs Kærsgaard, AU
- Change of clothes
- 18.15-19.00 Drinks & snacks on the terrace
- 19:00- 3 course dinner and coffee
- 21:00- **'PhD & Monopolet':** A panel of PhD experts will discuss possible solutions to dilemmas from PhD students or supervisors. *A letterbox will be available in the Auditorium so you can write down your question(s) anonymously during the day*



### Wednesday May 8<sup>th</sup>

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| 8.45-9.45   | <b>Plenary lecture 3:</b> "Mixed methods/ natural experiments" by professor Alex Burdorf, Department of Public Health, Erasmus MC Rotterdam, Netherlands |
| 9.45-10.15  | Coffee/ tea break  |
| 10.15-11.45 | <b>Group session 3:</b> Presentations of PhD projects in the groups with comments from supervisors and participants                                      |
| 11.45-12.45 | Lunch  |
| 12.45-13.45 | <b>Group session 4:</b> Presentations of PhD projects in the groups with comments from supervisors and participants                                      |
| 13.45-14.00 | Break  |
| 14.00-15.00 | <b>Plenary lecture 4:</b> "Transdisciplinary enquiries: medicine, art & life" by professor and science communications director Ken Arnold, KU            |
| 15.00-15.15 | Evaluation and closing remarks   |
| 15.20       | Departure  |



## Up-coming PhD courses

### **Public Health courses at HEALTH-UCPH (SUND)**

Medical Ethics: Theory and Practice

[3770-19-00-00](#)

Start: 22.01.2019

Pregnancy and programming and later risk of obesity

[3213-19-00-00](#)

Start: 28.01.2019

Epidemiological methods in medical research

[3602-19-00-00](#)

Start: 29.01.2019

Questionnaires in clinical and public health research:  
development, validation and evaluation

[3740-19-00-00](#)

Start: 31.01.2019

Introduction to Qualitative Methods in Health Sciences

[3738-19-00-00](#)

Start: 4.03.2019

How to design and conduct your Mixed Method Study

[3763-19-00-00](#)

Start: 27.03.2019

Food, Health and Philosophy in East and West

[3656-19-00-00](#)

Start: 4.04.2019

Advanced Social Epidemiology: A focus on Concepts,  
Context, Life-course and Policy

[3127-19-00-00](#)

Start: 19 August 2019

### **Statistics courses at HEALTH-UCPH (SUND)**

Introduction to medical statistics using SPSS

[3307-18-00-01](#)

Start: 27.11.2018

Programming and statistical modelling in R

[3329-19-00-00](#)

Start: 05.02.2019

Statistical analysis of survival data

[3300-19-00-00](#)

Start: 07.03.2019

Use of SAS statistical software

[3301-19-00-00](#)

Start: 25.04.2019

Introduction to SPSS

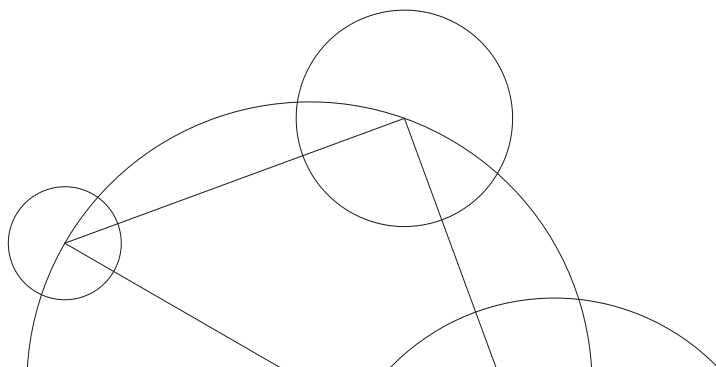
[3303-19-00-00](#)

Start: 26.04.2019

Basic statistics for experimental medical researchers

[3325-19-00-00](#)

Start: 07.05.2019



## PhD defenses

14 December 2018, 14:00-17:00

**Line Lund Kårhus**

Screening for celiac disease in a general adult population

[Read more](#)

24 January 2019, 13:00-16:00

**Rikke Langballe**

Contralateral Breast Cancer - Preventive Therapy and Survival

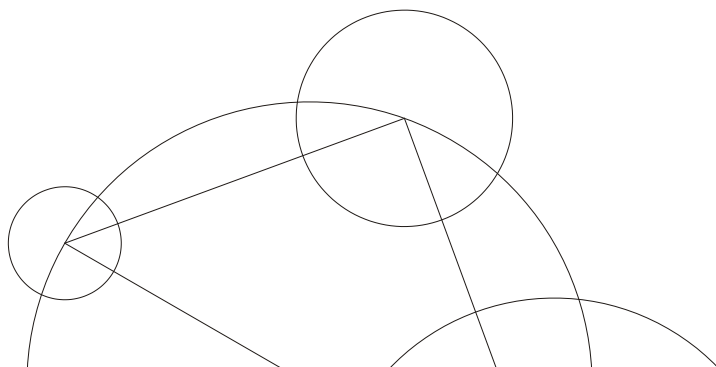
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You can always find an updated list of PhD defenses at <http://phd-pubhealthepi.ku.dk/phd-defenses/>

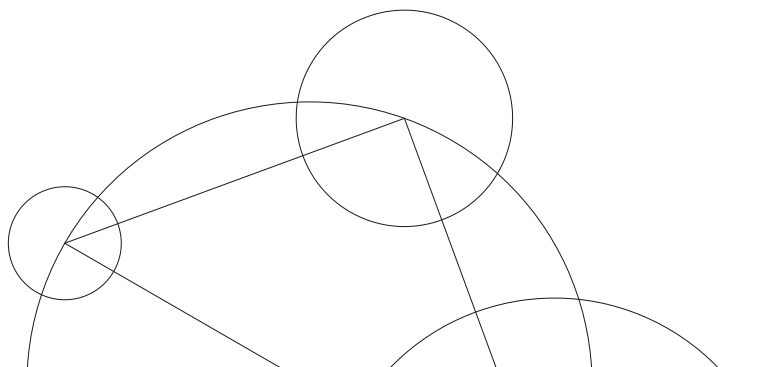
## PhD degrees

*Congratulations to the 19 PhD students who have been awarded their PhD degree between 14<sup>th</sup> of March and 5<sup>th</sup> of September 2018 within the graduate program 'Public Health & Epidemiology'.*

| Name                            | PhD project  | Supervisor               |
|---------------------------------|--|--------------------------|
| Pernille Stemann Larsen         | Epidemiological studies of early-onset disordered eating   | Anne-Marie Nybo Andersen |
| Mathilde Adsersen               | Which cancer patients are admitted to specialized palliative care?   | Mogens Grønvold          |
| Kira Brisson Nielsen Bloomquist | Heavy resistance exercise in breast cancer survivors at risk for lymphedema  | Lis Ørsgaard Adamsen     |
| Maja Schick Sommer              | Perioperative Rehabilitation in Operable Lung Cancer Patients (PROLUCA)  | Henning Langberg         |
| Matthew David Phelps            | Something old, something new: a multi-method analysis of historical cholera epidemics and the implications for cholera transmission in contemporary settings | Peter Kjær Mackie Jensen |
| Jane Brandt Sørensen            | Self-harm in Sri Lanka. Exploring the role of social norms, alcohol practices and media reporting  | Flemming Konradsen       |
| Chalotte Heinsvig Poulsen       | Symptoms of irritable bowel syndrome and mental vulnerability in the general population: consequences for the individual and society                         | Torben Jørgensen         |
| Marie Holm Eliassen             | Somatic symptom profiles in the general Danish population: A step towards a new delimitation of functional somatic syndromes                                 | Torben Jørgensen         |
| Jesper Mortensen                | Informal caregiving, stress-related disease, and sickness absence; and the modifying effect of work life   | Naja Hulvej Rod          |



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| Maria Pedersen                    | Mechanisms of social inequality in cardiac rehabilitation attendance among patients with acute coronary syndrome: A mixed methods study                            | Ingrid Eugenie Egerod       |
| Louise Schreiber Pedersen         | Female urinary incontinence in the Fehmarnbelt Region - A study about prevalence, help-seeking behaviour and health related quality of life                        | Gunnar Lose                 |
| Tarang Sharma                     | Effects of selective serotonin reuptake inhibitors (SSRIs) and serotonin-norepinephrine reuptake inhibitors (SNRIs) on suicidality, violence, and quality of life. | Peter C. Gøtzsche           |
| Mads Aage Toft Kristensen         | Chronic Disease Management Programmes in clinical practice - perspectives of general practitioners and patients with multimorbidity and lowered self-care          | Frans Henrik Boch Waldorff  |
| Vibeke Stenov                     | Person-centered methods in group-based diabetes education: An intervention study investigating, developing, and implementing new approaches                        | Susanne Dalsgaard Reventlow |
| Hanne Winther Frederiksen         | Cardiac Rehabilitation Among Migrants - A Mixed-Methods Study  | Marie Louise Nørredam       |
| Pernille Frederiksen              | Deciding to work in spite of back pain - what makes a difference?  | Tom Bendix                  |
| Asbjørn Kørvel-Hanquist           | Parent-reported otitis media and tympanostomy tube insertion in an epidemiological perspective   | Preben Homøe                |
| Yuki Maria Fukuda Andersen        | Atopic dermatitis and cardiometabolic diseases - Epidemiological studies   | Jacob Pontoppidan Thyssen   |
| Annika Berglind von Heymann-Horan | Integration of Psychological Intervention in Specialized Palliative Care - Effects on Caregiver Distress and Dyadic Coping   | Christoffer Johansen        |



## Allocation of grants from the graduate program, summer 2018

### Research stays abroad:

Mads Nordentoft, 10,000 DKK to stay at Turku University, Finland

Eszter Török, 10,000 DKK to stay at Deakin University, Australia

### One week writing retreat:

Anne Sophie Bech Mikkelsen

## Funding opportunities for research stays abroad in 2019

The Graduate Program in Public Health and Epidemiology will provide up to 10,000 DKK in financial support to research stays abroad of *at least three months duration* in 2019 in order to encourage internationalization.

Please send a brief description of your research stay abroad and a budget to Lisbeth Lyng Hansen ([llh@sund.ku.dk](mailto:llh@sund.ku.dk)) in order to apply for these funds. Everyone who meets the qualifications will be awarded funding up to a maximum of 10.000 DKK depending on their budget.

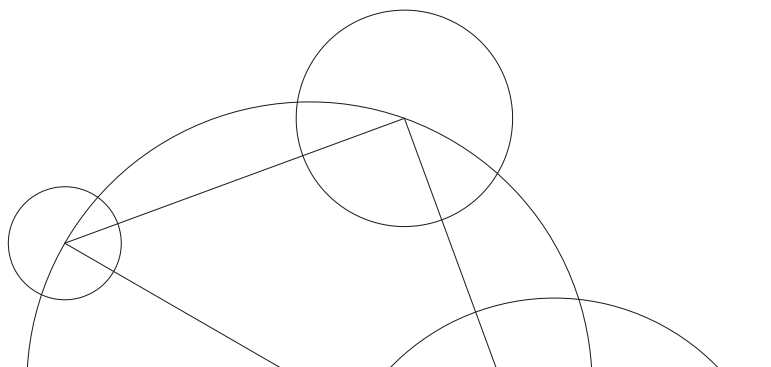
Please be aware that these funds are in addition to the funds you can apply for through the PhD School:

<http://healthsciences.ku.dk/phd/studyabroad/financial-support-for-studying-abroad/>

There is also an excellent 'PhD supervision service' for going abroad handled by International Staff Mobility (ISM) who assists PhD students with practical issues such as visa, insurance, de-registration, social security and funding. More information can be found at: <http://phd.ku.dk/english/abroad/>

## Financial support for seminars

If you wish to organize a seminar, the graduate program in Public Health & Epidemiology has some means to support for instance travel and accommodation for guest lecturers. The only condition is that the seminar is open for PhD students in the program. Please contact Naja Hulvej Rod, [nahuro@sund.ku.dk](mailto:nahuro@sund.ku.dk) or Lisbeth Lyng Hansen, [LLH@sund.ku.dk](mailto:LLH@sund.ku.dk) for more information.



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## Financial support for writing retreats

We offer a number of writing retreats of up to 5 days. Please send a short motivated application to Lisbeth, [LLH@sund.ku.dk](mailto:LLH@sund.ku.dk).

## Coaching sessions

We offer coaching sessions to PhD students that experience challenges in their projects. We have contact to three coaches with specific experience in PhD coaching.

This is an **on-going offer**, so if you feel in need of this kind of support, please contact Lisbeth Lyng Hansen, [llh@sund.ku.dk](mailto:llh@sund.ku.dk). She can mediate the contact to the coaches. All requests will be handled confidentially.

## Courses on supervision for PhD supervisors

### **Supervision of PhD students**

Department of Science Education, University of Copenhagen

This course aims to provide participants with the practical and theoretical basis supervising PhD students - both as principal or supplementary supervisor. The course is designed for new as well as experienced supervisors. For course dates, see [http://www.ind.ku.dk/english/course\\_overview/teacher\\_training/phd\\_supervision/](http://www.ind.ku.dk/english/course_overview/teacher_training/phd_supervision/)