

Biographical sketch Christoffer Johansen

Born February 15, 1955

Address 8 Otto Brandenburg Vej, 2450 Copenhagen SV, Denmark.

Education 1986, MD; 1994, PhD; and 2004, Doctor of Medical Sciences – all degrees from University of Copenhagen, Denmark.

Current Position Since 2018, Professor in Cancer Late Effects, Rigshospitalet, University of Copenhagen.

Current honorary Positions

2020 Member of the Editorial Board of British Journal of Cancer

2019 Honorary Professor, Deakin University, Melbourne, Australia

2018 Member, Research Council, The Tryg Foundation

2017 Honorary Professor (5yrs, 2nd term), The Medical Faculty, University of Hamburg, Germany

2016 Honorary Professor (5yrs), University of Leipzig, Germany

2010 co-Editor of the Acta Oncologica

2004 Member of the Editorial Board of European Journal of Cancer

2003 Member of the Editorial Board of PsychoOncology

Major achievements

I initiated, established and headed the first department of psychosocial oncology applying epidemiological methods at the Danish Cancer Society Research Centre. The research aimed at evaluating how the mind may cause cancer, the effect of a cancer disease on psychosocial outcomes and interventions to improve psychosocial outcomes in cancer survivors. The main focus has been on depression in cancer. In parallel I worked within electromagnetic fields and health risks as well as genetics in glioma. We applied epidemiological methods and combined such data with clinical studies and RCT's aiming at preventing or treating psychosocial effects of a cancer disease. More than 350 publications have been published in this program.

In parallel I headed the first and until now only national research program on the association between exposure to electromagnetic fields from power lines, transformer stations, home appliances and disease. We later went into the area of use of mobile phones and disease. The program resulted in more than 75 publications.

Based on this program I entered a large international collaboration (GLIOGENE) in the search for genetic risk factors for glioma. In two international studies I served as the Danish PI. The outcome was an identification of novel genetic risk factors in the more than 50 publications coming out of this area of research.

I have supervised close to 60 PhD students and besides peer reviewed publications, I have published books on Religious belief and health, Personality and disease, Living with cancer, and Cancer late effects.

I am currently heading the CASTLE project (granted 2018 – 2022) affiliated with the oncology department at Rigshospitalet focusing on cancer late effect research, opening a clinic in 2020.

Education and employment

2018- Professor in Cancer Late Effects, Oncology Dept., Rigshospitalet and The University of Copenhagen

2013-2018 Research Council Professor, Oncology Dept., Finsen Center, Rigshospitalet and The University of Copenhagen

2012 Visiting Professor, Dept. Epidemiology and Biostatistics, Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, New York, New York, USA (6 months in 2012).

2001–2018 Head, Unit of Survivorship, The Danish Cancer Society Research Center

1999-2000 Professor, The National Center for Cancer Rehabilitation Research, Southern Danish University, Institute of Public Health

1998-1999 Associate Professor, Institute of Public Health, University of Copenhagen, Denmark. Head of Dept. of Psychosocial Research, Institute of Cancer Epidemiology, The Danish Cancer Society, Copenhagen, Denmark

1992-2020 Advisor to The National Board of Health on health risks associated with non-ionizing radiation

1989-1992 Research Fellow, Bispebjerg Hospital and The Danish Cancer Registry

1986-1989 Clinical work

For the AI project I base my contribution on this 30 year long lasting experience in handling and interpretation of big data sets. My experience fits into the group of applicants by my contribution with large amounts of data organization, analysis and interpretation illustrated by my participation in large international research collaboration focusing on genetic risk factors.

I have been teaching since I was a medical student (1978 to 1986) mainly in anatomy, physiology and social medicine for pre-graduate students and later in epidemiology and academic writing in post-graduate education. Based on my experiences as a chairman of the union of medical students (FADL) in the early 1980'es, I also have taught negotiation skills.

List of publications

All 511 (March 2020) peer reviewed publications may be seen at My Bibliography, NCBI – at this URL: <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/sites/myncbi/1HozijlyO-BQx/bibliography/48107638/public/?sort=date&direction=ascending>

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