



ARCTIC RESEARCH CENTRE

Welcome to The Arctic-Health Workshop, 17-18 April 2013

Background and Purpose of the workshop &
Introduction for day 1

Centre for Arctic Health (CAH)

Background for Arctic Health Research at Aarhus University

- In 2001 the Centre for Environmental Medicine (today Centre for Arctic Health) was founded as a formal research Centre to draw attention to the scientific activities of Arctic environmental medicine, which had taken place at Aarhus University since the end of the 1970's.
- The Centre is located at the *Department of Public Health*, and has cooperation with representatives in Nuuk at
 - *the Queen Ingrid Hospital*
 - *the Institute for Nurses and Health Research, Ilisimatusarfik*
 - *the Greenland Institute of National Resources*
- In 2012 the cross-faculty Arctic Research Centre (ARC) was established at Aarhus University as Jesper Madsen already introduced





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Health faculty key researchers at AU have provided their expertise's to the Arctic Health Research under ARC

- Coordinator, Professor Eva C. Bonefeld-Jørgensen, Centre for Arctic Health, Department for Public Health; *Expertise in Human Toxicology*
- Professor Jørn Olsen, Section for Epidemiology, Department for Public Health; *Expertise in reproduction, birth cohort studies and register-based research*
- Professor Torsten Lauritzen, Section for General Medicine, Department for Public Health; *Expertise in diabetes and prevention of lifestyle diseases, especial coronary diseases*
- Professor Kim Overvad, Section for Epidemiology, Department for Public Health; *Expertise in diet and lifestyle related diseases*
- Professor Anders Børglum, Department of Biomedicine; *Expertise in human genetics*
- Senior Consultant Endocrinologist Stig Andersen, Head of Arctic Health Research Centre, & Professor Peter Laurberg Department of Endocrinology, Aalborg Hospital; *Expertise in Endocrinology & Internal Medicine and Innovation*
- Professor Lars Østergaard, Clinical Institute, Aarhus University Hospital, Skejby, Aarhus, Department of Clinical Medicine, Aarhus University; *Expertise in infectious diseases and global Health;*
- Associated Professor Christian Wejse, MD, Department of Public Health, Aarhus University/ Dep. of Infectious Diseases, Aarhus University Hospital; *Expertise in infectious diseases and global Health*
- Professor Mogens Kilian & Professor Jens Christian Jensenius, Institute for Biomedicin; *Expertise in Medical Microbiology and Immunology*
- Associated Professor, Ulrika Enemark, Department for Public Health, Section for Health Service Research; *Expertise in in Health Economy*

The Theme and Purpose of the Arctic Health Workshop

- **Theme:**

”Arctic Health Research: past, present and future challenges and perspectives”.

- Present at the Arctic-Health Workshop today are Arctic Health experts from Greenland, Canada, Norway, Finland and Denmark

- ***Purpose:***

That Arctic Health experts from the circumpolar countries, key health researcher and associates as well as representatives from different Arctic Health Societies *meets, present and discuss their research experiences to consolidate work efforts and identify areas for potential collaboration*

Introduction to Day 1

- The program is divided into themes such as
 - Cohort Studies & Reproduction
 - Endocrinology & Diabetes
 - Health Research & Organization in the Arctic
 - Discussion in the afternoon
- Each speaker has as maximum 15 min including time for questions.
- For each theme a chair and a moderator of the thematic group is given with a *
- The task of the moderator * is to catch and present topics for the discussion in the afternoon 4 to 4.30 PM