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Education:

1981 M.Sc., Marine Ecology, Univ. Aarhus
1984 Ph.D., Marine Ecology, Univ. Aarhus
1996 Dr.Sc., Biogeochemistry, Odense Univ.

Employment:

1982-1984 Stipendiary, Institute of Ecology and Genetics, Univ. Aarhus
1984 Assistant Lecturer, Institute of Ecology and Genetics, Univ. Aarhus
1985-1989 Assistant Professor, Institute of Biology, Odense Univ.
1989-2009 Associate Professor, Institute of Biology, Univ. S. Denmark
2009-2017 Associate Professor MSK, Institute of Biology, Univ. S. Denmark
2017-date Full Professor, department of Biology, Univ. S. Denmark

Administration:

1991 Institute Chairman, Institute of Biology, Odense Univ.
1993-1999 Member of the board of directors, Institute of Biology, Odense Univ.
1999-date Member of the board of directors, Wadden Sea Center, Ribe, DK.
1999-2010 Member of the Science study board, Univ. S. Denmark
2006-2010 Member of the board of directors, Institute of Biology, Univ. S. Denmark
2013-date Member of the board of directors, Terrariet i Vissenbjerg, DK
2014-2017 Member of steering committee, International Brainstormers, Univ. S. Denmark
2014-2017 Member of the stipend committee, Univ S. Denmark

Research:

1979-1981 M.Sc. Thesis, "Ecological studies of three species of Nereis in Kysing Fjord and Vellerup Vig".
1982-1984 Ph.D. Thesis, "Life in burrows; physiological and ecological implications of Nereis spp. ventilation activity".
1984-1996 Dr.Sc. Thesis, "The impact of bioturbating benthic fauna on biogeochemical carbon and nitrogen transformations in marine sediments".
1996-date Biogeochemical processes and species interactions in bioturbated and vegetated intertidal sediments.

Long expeditions and visits:

1981-2008 Phuket Marine Biological Center, Phuket, Thailand (11 visits).
1988 Marine Sciences Research Center, State Univ. of New York, New York, USA.
1990 National Institute of Oceanography, Karachi, Pakistan.
1993-1994 School of Oceanography, University of Washington, Seattle, USA.
2002-2003 Australian Institute of Marine Science, Townsville, Australia
2005-2008 University of Dar es Salaam, Tanzania (6 visits).
2013 Australian Rivers Institute, Griffith University, Brisbane, Australia
2014 Institute of Oceanography, University of Sao Paulo, Brazil
2018 Australian Rivers Institute, Griffith University, Brisbane, Australia

Major International Collaborators:

Professor Robert C. Aller, School of Marine and Atmospheric Sciences, Stony Brook University, New York, USA
Professor Daniel M. Alongi, Australian Institute of Marine Science, Townsville, Australia
Assoc. Professor Steve Bouillon, Division of Soil and Water Management, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Leuven, Belgium
Senior Scientist Nalinee Thongtham, Phuket Marine Biological Center, Phuket Thailand
Professor Joe Shing Yip Lee, Australian Rivers Institute, Griffith University, Brisbane, Australia
Professor Jack J. Middelburg, Utrecht University, Holland

Major External Projects:

1990-1995 SWAP (German Research Ministry). Danish coordinator, 2.7 mill. Dkr

1993-1996 SMP (Strategic Environmental Research Program). Partner, 1.9 mill. Dkr.
1995-2003 SCP (Scientific Cooperation Program, DANIDA). Partner, 2.0 mill. Dkr.
1998-2001 ISLED (EU-project). Danish coordinator, 2.1 mill. Dkr.
2003-2005 Frame-grant (Danish Science Research Council). Coordinator, 0.9 mill. Dkr.
2005-2008 PUMPSEA (EU-project). Danish coordinator, 1.6 mill. Dkr.
2006-2008 Frame-grant (Danish Council for Independent Res.). Coordinator, 1.4 mill. Dkr.
2008-2011 REELGRASS (Danish Council for Strategic Res.). Partner, 3.5 mill. Dkr.
2009-2011 MARINVA (Danish Council for Independent Res.). Partner, 0.1 mill. Dkr.
2010-2012 Large project (Danish Council for Independent Res.). Coordinator, 5.5 mill. Dkr.
2013-2018 NOVAGRASS (Danish Council for Strategic Res.). Coordinator, 14.1 mill. Dkr.
2013-2015 Research project (Danish Council for Independent Res.). Partner, 2.1 mill. Dkr.
2013-2022 Research project (Aage V. Jensen Foundation). Partner, 9.3 mill. Dkr.
2017-2019 SANDCAP & TRANSPLANT (Danish Nature Agency). Partner, 7 mill. Dkr.

Editorial:

1995-2006 Review editor, "Aquatic Microbial Ecology"
2003-2005 Editor of AGU book "Interactions between macro-and microorganisms in marine sediments"
2007-2012 Review editor, "Marine Ecology Progress Series"
2012-date Contributing editor, Marine Ecology Progress Series"
2008-2015 Member of Editorial Board , "Wetlands Ecology and Management"
2010-2012 Member of Editorial Board, "International Journal of Oceanography"
2010 Awarded L&O outstanding reviewer in ASLO Bulletin, Vol. 19
2012 Awarded outstanding reviewer by Coastal and Estuarine Research Foundation