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Curriculum

1. Timeline:

- a. 2009-present: Associate professor, Neurobiology Unit at the Institute of Molecular Medicine, University of Southern Denmark (SDU), Odense, Denmark.
- b. 2008: Docent: Uppsala University, Sweden.
- c. 2003-2008: Assistant professor, funded by the Swedish Research Council-M (VR-M), first at the Dept. of Physiology, Lund University, then at the Dept. of Neuroscience, Uppsala University (2004-2008).
- d. 1999-2003: Post-doctoral fellow, Mt Sinai School of Medicine, New York, NY, USA. Mentor: Professor David Colman.
- e. 1999: PhD, Dept of Animal Physiology, Lund University, Sweden. Thesis: "Regulation of injury induced Schwann cell proliferation", Supervisor: Professor Martin Kanje (12th May 1999).

2. Honors and commissions of trust:

A. Awards:

- i. "The Limbic prize 2008" annually awarded pedagogical prize, nominated by the students in biomedicine in Uppsala.
- ii. Swedish Brain Foundation 2000 (postdoctoral grant for 2000-2001).
- iii. Swedish Institute, June 1999 (postdoctoral grant for 1999-2000)
- iv. Fulbright Grant for Scholars, May 1999 (postdoctoral grant for 1999-2000).

B. Invited Speaker

- i. Dys-Spas-Bot 2013, Middelfar, Denmark, June 7-9, 2013.
- ii. University of Bergen, Norway: 12 December 2012
- iii. Psykiatrifonden, Psykiatri-Uge i Odense, 28 November 2012
- iv. Conference: Peripheral Nerve 2012, Middelfart, Denmark 8-10 June 2012
- v. Department of Pharmaceutical Biosciences, Uppsala University, Sweden 30 May 2012
- vi. Bilkent University, 2 Day symposium, Ankara, Turkey, 21-22 April 2012
- vii. Bogazici University, Istanbul, Turkey May 2010
- viii. Danish Stem Cell Research Doctoral School (DASCDOC) and Danish Society for Stem Cell ix. Research, Sandbjerg, Sønderborg, Danmark Nov 2008.
- x. "Understanding biomolecule interactions at interfaces", Stockholm, Sweden (2007).
- xi. "At the surface of biotechnology". Biophysical Society symposium, Baltimore, USA (2007).

C. Peer-Review:

1. Member of the interdisciplinary panel of the Swedish Foundation for Strategic Research, SSF (2006-2007: The panel was put together to lay out a new strategy for SSF's funding of proposals in translational research (now implemented).
2. Evaluator of education programs in Biomedicine in Sweden for The Swedish National Agency for Higher Education, Universitetskanslerämbetet (2009 and 2013) (www.uk-ambetet.se).
3. Grant reviewer for the Swedish Foundation for Strategic Research (2010) (www.stratresearch.se).
4. Grant reviewer for, the Swedish foundation for Research without animal experiments (Forska utan djurförsök) 2007-2012 (www.forskautandjurforsok.se).
5. Grant reviewer for The German Research Foundation 2012 (<http://www.dfg.de/en/>).
6. Journal Review: Journal of Neuroscience Res. (2003-2012), Neuron Glia Biology (2008-2011), Cellular and Molecular Biochemistry, Journal of Neuroscience Res. 2010, British Journal of Nutrition 2011, Neuroscience letters 2012.
7. PhD committee member and external reviewer: Ph.D. Thesis, University of Oulu, Finland (2008), Ph.D. Thesis at Århus Univ. Denmark, 2010 & 2012, Ph.D thesis Rome TRE Univ. Italy, 10 Ph.D thesis at Univ Uppsala, Sweden, 2007-2012, Ph.D thesis, Karolinska Institute, Stockholm Sweden, 2011, PhD thesis Lund Univ. Sweden 2012, Univ. of Gothenburg 2013.

D. Leadership:

- i. Selected as head of one of the evaluation groups evaluating the quality of biomedical educations in Sweden during 2013 by The Swedish National Agency for Higher Education, Universitetskanslerämbetet (www.uk-ambetet.se)

- ii. Project leading course 2013, University of Southern Denmark
- iii. Course leader: 5Ects masters course in Neurobiology, 5Ects Bachelor course Anatomy and Neurobiology.
- iv. Study director (2007-2009), Biomedical education program at Uppsala University, Sweden
- v. Leadership Courses: 2003 Lund university, 2008 Uppsala university, Sweden
- vi. Initiator and leader of Uppsala University's Junior Faculty organization for the Faculties of Medicine and Pharmacy (2004-2008).
- vii. Member of the Swedish Foundation for Strategic Research (SSF) Interdisciplinary Panel 2006-2007.
- viii. Secretary and member of the board of SULF Uppsala (Swedish Association for University Teachers 2006-2008).
- ix. Member of the Uppsala University's Faculties of Medicine and Pharmacy Gender Equality Committee (2007-2008).
- x. Convener of Junior Faculty Uppsala Founding Conference and Workshop (Sept 2005).
- xi. Organizer and moderator of the panel debate "How to design a predictable, functional and fair academic career track in Swedish academia" (SULF and Uppsala University, Dec 2006).
- xii. Organizer and panel member of the SULF conference "Ways and Visions; the academic career in Sweden" at Uppsala university (2008).
- xiii. Board member of ESTIV, European Society of Toxicology in Vitro, 2010-2013.

D. Public science policy debate:

- i. Debate articles in newspaper Expressen (2005), and in Tentakel, (magazine of the Swedish Science Council (2005 and 2006), Uppsala Nya Tidning (UNT) 2006 and 2008.
- ii. Invited panelist at the SACO (The Swedish Confederation of Professional Associations)/Swedish Association of Scientists' Conference "The Future of Scientific Research", 2006.

3. Graduate and postgraduate supervisor:

PhD students, Uppsala University:

- 1. Nadine Rabe (PhD 26th February, 2010)
- 2. Mikael Corell (PhD 14th October 2011)
- 3. Jimmy Sunblom (PhD 13th January 2012)

PhD students, University of Southern Denmark:

- 4. Katja Hvid Christensen (co-supervisor)
- 5. Solveig Beck Nielsen (co-supervisor)
- 6. Nellie Ann Martin (co-supervisor)

Postdocs, Uppsala University:

- 1. Grzegorz Wicher (2007-2009).
- 2. Marcus Sjööblom: (2006-2008).

4. Teaching experience:

- Lecturer at Univ. Southern Denmark: 300 hours (2009-2012).
- Approx: 250 h lecturer in Lund and Uppsala Sweden (1998-2009).
- Total of 600 h lab teaching (labs at all levels), at Lund University (1992-1999).
- Total of 100 h as a PBL (problem based learning) "tutor"/supervisor at Uppsala and Lund Universities (2003-2009).

Employment

Associate Professor

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