

Curriculum vitae Christian von Plessen, 21.04.1965

Present employment

- Director, Centre for Quality, Region of Southern Denmark
- Research Lead/Associate professor, Institute for Regional Health Research, University of Southern Denmark

Education

- 1994 MD, University of Witten/Herdecke, Germany, 2003 Specialist internal medicine, 2005 Specialist pulmonary medicine
- 1996 Dr. Med. Germany: Krankheitserfahrungen von krebskranken Kindern und ihren Familien. 1996. Dissertation. Dr.med. Universitet Witten/Herdecke, Tyskland, Haensel-Hohenhausen, ISBN 3-8267-2394-5
- 2008 Ph.D. at University of Bergen: Improving Chemotherapy for Patients with Advanced Non-small Cell Lung Cancer. Evidence, Particular Context and Outcomes
- 2011 Improvement Advisor, Institute of Health Care Improvement, Boston, USA

PhD supervision

Main; 4 ongoing; Co-supervisor: 2 ongoing, 1 finished

Publications

27 peer reviewed articles, H-index 16, citations 990 (Google scholar)

1. **Plessen von C**, Aslaksen A. Improving the quality of palliative care for ambulatory patients with lung cancer. *BMJ* 2005;330 (7503):1309-1313
2. **Plessen von C**, Bergman B, Andresen O. Palliative chemotherapy beyond three courses conveys no survival or consistent quality-of-life benefits in advanced non-small-cell lung cancer. *Br J Cancer* 2006; 95:966-973
3. **Plessen von C**, Strand TE, Wentzel-Larsen T, Omenaas E, Wilking N, Sörenson S. Survival of patients with advanced non-small cell lung cancer before and after the general introduction of palliative chemotherapy in Norway – a population based study. *Thorax* 2008; 63:866-71
4. Grønberg BH, Bremnes RM, Fløtten O, Amundsen T, Brunsvig PF, Hjelde HH, Kaasa S, **Plessen von C**, Stornes F, Tollåli T, Wammer F, Aasebø U, Sundstrøm S. J. Phase III study by the Norwegian lung cancer study group: pemetrexed plus carboplatin compared with gemcitabine plus carboplatin as first-line chemotherapy in advanced non-small-cell lung cancer. *Clin Oncol.* 2009; 27:3217-24.
5. Strand TE, Rostad H, Wentzel-Larsen T, **Plessen von C**. A population-based evaluation of the seventh edition of the TNM system for lung cancer. *Eur Respir J.* 2010; 36:401-7.
6. Fløtten O, Grønberg BH, Bremnes R, Amundsen T, Sundstrøm S, Rolke H, Hornslien K, Wentzel-Larsen T, Aasebø U, **Plessen von C**. Vinorelbine and gemcitabine vs vinorelbine and carboplatin as first-line treatment of advanced NSCLC. A phase III randomised controlled trial by the Norwegian Lung Cancer Study Group. *Br J Cancer* 2012; 107:442-7.
7. Hovlid, E, Bukve, O, Haug K, Aslaksen AB, **Plessen von C**. A new pathway for elective surgery to reduce cancellation rates. *BMC Health Services Research* 2012; 12:154
8. Hovlid, E, Bukve, O, Haug K, Aslaksen AB, **Plessen von C**. Sustainability of healthcare improvement: what can we learn from learning theory? *BMC Health Services Research* 2012; 12:235
9. **Plessen von C**, Kodal AM, Anhøj J. Experiences with the Global Trigger Tool in Denmark-an implementation study. *BMJ Open* 2012;
10. Hovlid E, **Plessen von C**, Haug K, Aslaksen AB and Bukve O. Patient Experiences with Interventions to Reduce Surgery Cancellations: a Qualitative Study. *BMC Surgery* 2013,13:30

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11. Rossi A, Chiodini P, Sun JM, O'Brien ME, **von Plessen C**, Barata F, Park K, Popat S, Bergman B, Parente B, Gallo C, Gridelli C, Perrone F, Di Maio M. Six versus fewer planned cycles of first-line platinum-based chemotherapy for non-small-cell lung cancer: a systematic review and meta-analysis of individual patient data. *Lancet Oncol.* 2014 Oct;15(11):1254-62.
12. Wiig S, Aase K, **Plessen von C**, Burnett S, Nunes F, Weggelaar AM, Anderson-Gare B, Calltorp J, Fulop N, for QUASER team. Talking about quality: exploring how 'quality' is conceptualized in European hospitals and healthcare systems. *BMC Health Services Research* 2014, 14:478
13. Morsø, L, Sall Jensen M, **von Plessen C**, Qvist P. Rehabilitation of Patients with Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease. 2016. In print in *Health Services Research and Managerial Epidemiology*
14. Bjørn, B., Anhøj, J., Kodal, A. M., Østergaard, M. **von Plessen, C**. Test-retest reliability of the Global Trigger Tool 2017. Accepted for publication in the *Journal of Patient Safety*.

Prices

26.2.2010 Western Health Authority Quality improvement price, Solstrand Hotel, Os, Norway

Project leadership

VG study, a national multicenter RCT

Project lead "Patientsikkert Sygehus", a large scale quality improvement project

Various projects in my role as research lead at Centre for quality

International collaborators

Professor Paul Batalden The Dartmouth Institute, Geisel School of Medicine, Prof. Jeffrey Braithwaite, Australian Institute of Health Innovation, Macquarie University, Sydney

Courses-development and teaching

- 2013-14 "Patient safety and implementation for middle managers, Hillerød mellemlæderprogram". Team and experience based teaching program over 27 weeks. Five teams each with 12 participants completed, North Zealand Hospital, Hillerød, Denmark
- 2012-14 "Patientforløb, patientsikkerhed, patienternes hospital, Sundhedsfaglig diplomuddannelse" Nordsjællands Hospital and Professionshøjskolen UCC. Contribution to development of module on patient safety and implementation, North Zealand Hospital, Hillerød, Denmark
- 2016-17 Master i offentlig kvalitet og ledelse. SDU: modul kvalitetsudvikling
- Over 70 lectures on quality improvement and patient safety

Committees/boards

- 2011- Member of the board of Presencing Institute, Boston, MA, USA
- 2014- Member of the advisory board for the Norwegian national safety campaign "In safe hands" Oslo, Norway
- 2014- Member of the program committee for "Scientific Day", International Forum on Quality and Safety
- 2016- Leader "Forskningsnetværk for Patientsikkerhed og Kvalitet i Sundhedsvæsenet"
- 2017- Member of the board of the Danish society for quality in health care (DSKS)