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Examinations and authorisations

1995 Dr. Med. Sci. (Dissertation above PhD level), University of Copenhagen, Denmark
1994 Specialist in Cardiology
1984 MD, Aarhus University, Denmark

Administrative Positions

2002-2004 Ethical committee for Viborg and North Jutland Counties
2001-2004 Head of Research School in Health Technology, Aalborg Hospital and Aalborg University under the Ministry of Education
2000-2002 Adjunct Professor In Clinical Electrophysiology, Center for Sensory-Motor Interaction, Aalborg University
1998-2003 Responsible for research administration at department of Cardiology, Aalborg Hospital
1998-2006 General Assembly, Danish Medical Society
1996-2003 Responsible for postgraduate medical education at department of Cardiology, Aalborg Hospital
1996-1999 Board, Medical Association in the County of North Jutland

Work Positions

2010 Dean, Faculty of Medicine, Aalborg University
2006 Ass. Dean Faculty of Medicine, Aalborg University
2002-2006 Professor in Clinical Electrophysiology, Department of Health Science and Technology, Aalborg University
1996-2006 Consultant, Dept of Cardiology, Aalborg Hospital, Aarhus University Hospitals. Responsible for treatment of tachyarrhythmias

Appointments

Opponent PhD defenses and DMSc defences University of Copenhagen and Aarhus University.
Moderator and opponent PhD defenses Aalborg University, Faculty of Engineering and Science.
Fellow European Society of Cardiology.
Member of guideline committees, Danish Society of Cardiology.
Member of task force for FDA, evaluating new cardiac biomarkers in relation to drug testing.

Awards

Medical Association of North Jutland as the most valuable person for the postgraduate medical training in the County of North Jutland 2000.
Det Obelske Familiefonds Teaching Price for Aalborg University for the year 2004.

Appendix A - Clinical Achievements

I introduced ICD implantations and implemented ablations for tachyarrhythmias at Aalborg University Hospital. Under my management Aalborg University Hospital went from implantation of simple pacemakers to a facility with 2 full time working labs implanting all kinds of pacemakers and ICDs and ablation of all kinds of tachyarrhythmias in adults. This included the projection and funding of the labs, training of the staff and implementing the different technologies used for the invasive treatment of tachyarrhythmias.

Furthermore I have made more than 1500 coronary angiographies and a few PCIs. I was single responsible for approximately 40% of the patients in the cardiology ward and led the hospital from a low national level to an international level in the field.

Appendix B - Journal Articles

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