

Invitation to seminar

Early predictors and later determinants of sick leave and disability pension – what we know and what should be studied further

Thursday 21st March, 2019 at 14:00-15:00

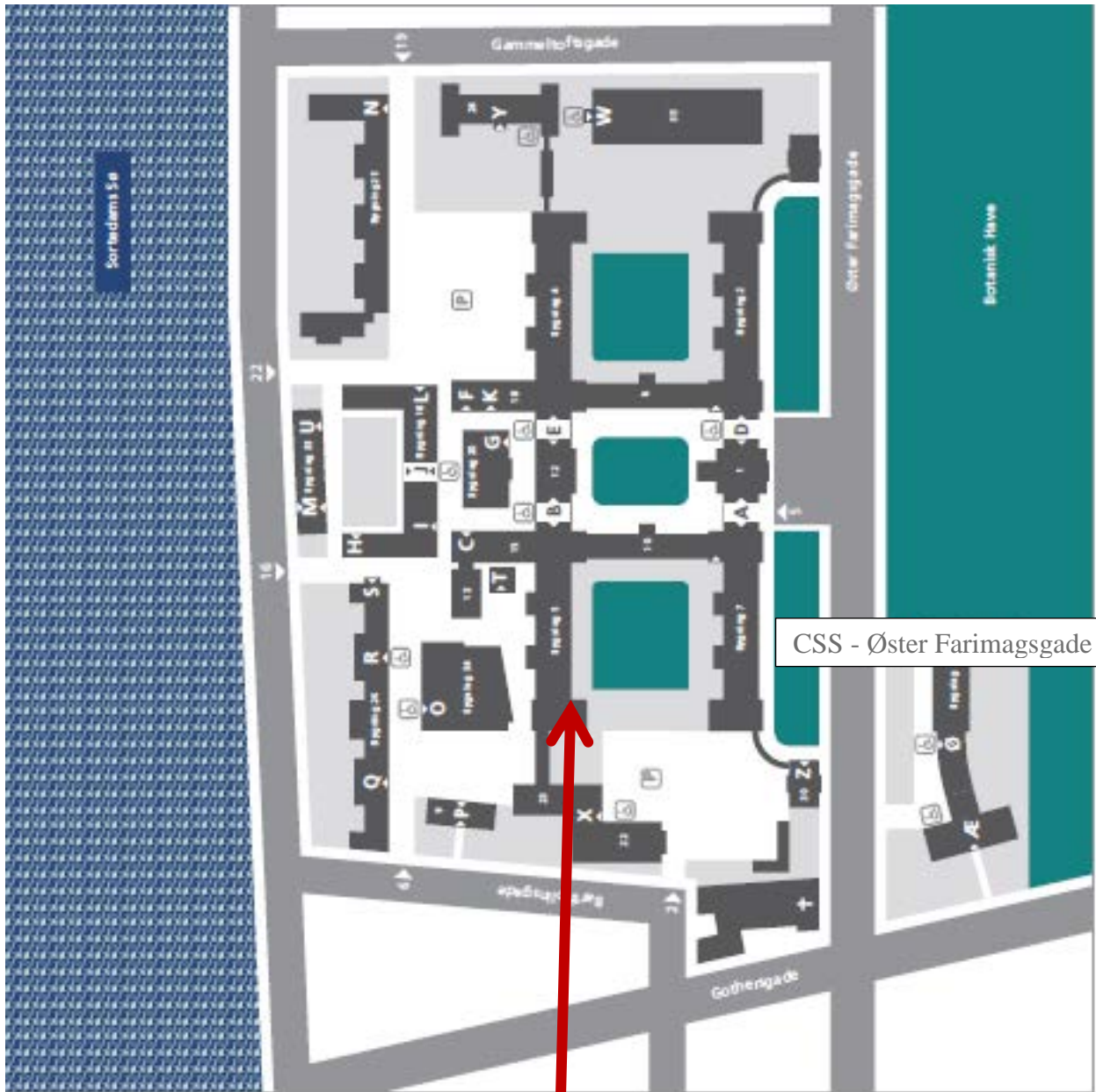
Venue: CSS (Øster Farimagsgade 5), room 5.0.22

Annina Ropponen, adjunct professor, Finnish Institute of Occupational Health (FIOH), adjunct professor of public health in University of Helsinki and research manager at Karolinska Institutet (KI), Stockholm, Sweden,

Non-participation in labour market in terms of sick leave and disability pension (DP) have serious consequences for individuals, their families, and the society, and is also associated with negative relational, financial and psychological effects. Annina Ropponen present an overview of DP and highlight some of the important mediating factors while studying sociodemographic, health- or work-related risk factors. Drawing on her experiences with twin studies, the role of familial confounding (i.e. genetics and family background including shared environment in families) in associations between different risk factors and DP due to different diagnoses.

Annina Ropponen has during her postdoctoral career worked in two main research projects, namely TwinKela in Finland and Swedish Twin Study Of DP and Sickness Absence (STODS) in Sweden. She has published over 35 peer-reviewed articles from these two projects with over 140 000 individuals, showing that the risk factors for disability pensions vary considerably depending on the diagnosis for DP grant, but also depending on the confounding factors. Since 2013, Annina has worked at the FIOH, which has provided a fantastic venue for studies of work ability (sick leave/DP).





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