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Born: August 15, 1981.

Nationality: Danish.

Civil status: Cohabiting w. Kresta Munkholt Sørensen, two children aged 8 and 5.

Academic Positions and Affiliations:

Feb. 2019 - present Associate Professor, Department of Economics, University of Copenhagen – Denmark

July 2014-Jan. 2019 Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, University of Copenhagen – Denmark

May 2013-July 2014 Assistant Research Professor (post-doc), Department of Economics, University of Copenhagen – Denmark

July 2012-May 2013 Researcher (post doc), SFI – The Danish National Centre for Social Research

Nov. 2007- Dec. 2008 Research Assistant, SFI – The Danish National Centre for Social Research

Education:

2012 Ph.D. Economics University of Copenhagen

2008 M.A. Economics University of Copenhagen

2005 B.A. Economics University of Copenhagen

Leave:

March 2012-June 2012: Paternity Leave

August 2015-October 2015: Paternity Leave

July 2019: Paternity Leave

Fields of Specialization:

Health Economics, Public Economics, Applied Microeconometrics.

Network activities

Member of Center for Economic Behavior and Inequality and Center for Health Economics and Policy.

Grants and Awards:

- 2020 Sapere Aude: DFF-Starting Grant (Independent Research Fund of Denmark) (DKK 6,188,568) Skill Formation in the Labor Market for Physicians (PI)**
- 2017 Novo Nordisk Foundation (DKK 10,000,000) Behavioral Responses to Health Innovations and the Consequences for Socioeconomic outcomes (PI: Mette Gørtz). Torben is leader of a work package on inequalities in life expectancy. The work package studies how inequality in life expectancy is measured, taking social mobility into account and how the inequality over time is shaped by skill biased technologies vs. competing risks.
- 2016 EPRN grant (DKK 348,688) The Role of primary Care Physicians in Health and Wellbeing (PI)**
- 2016 TIAA-CREF Paul A. Samuelson Award for Outstanding Scholarly Writing on Lifelong Financial Security
- 2015 EPRN grant (DKK 86,902) The Effect of the Timing of Divorce on Children (PI)**
- 2013 National Bureau of Economic Research – Household Finance Grant Award (\$15,000) (PI: Itzik Fadlon)
- 2012 FSE Post doc grant (DKK 990,324) Saving for Retirement (PI: Søren Leth-Petersen)

Invited and Conference Presentations:

- 2019 Copenhagen Business School, University of Bergen, NBER workshop on Aging, Dansk Selskab for Sundhedsøkonomi, New North Zealand Hospital
- 2018 University of Southern Denmark
- 2017 University of Aarhus, The Rockwool Foundation Research unit
- 2016 NBER Summer Institute, Conference on Human Capital and Health Behavior, University of Bergen, The Danish Economic Society
- 2015 SDU Microeconomic Workshop
- 2013 NETSPAR International workshop January 2013, EALE 2013

Supervision of PhD students:

- Frederik Lyngse Plesner (Currently Ph.D-student at University of Copenhagen)
- Ida Lykke Kristiansen (Currently Ph.D-student at University of Copenhagen)
- Anne Ardila Brenøe (now University of Zürich)

Professional Activities:

Referee: American Economic Review, Quarterly Journal of Economics, Economic Journal, Journal of Human Resources, Health Policy, Journal of Public Economics, International Tax and Public Finance, Social Sciences and Medicine, European Economic Review, Scandinavian Journal of Economics, Journal of Behavioral and Experimental Economics, Kyklos, New Zealand Economics Papers and Swiss National Science Foundation.

List of Publications:

Peer reviewed articles:

“Family Health Behaviors”, Itzik Fadlon and Torben Heien Nielsen, *American Economic Review*, 2019, Vol. 109, No. 9, pp. 3162-92

“Childhood Health Shocks, Comparative Advantages, and Long-term Outcomes: Evidence from the Last Danish Polio Epidemic”, Miriam Gensowski, Torben Heien Nielsen, Nete Munk Nielsen, Maya Rossin-Slater and Miriam Wüst , *Journal of Health Economics*, 2019, Vol. 66, pp. 27-36

“Household Labor Supply and the Gains from Social Insurance”, Itzik Fadlon and Torben Heien Nielsen, *Journal of Public Economics*, 2019, Vol. 171, pp. 18-28

“Role of Income Mobility for the measurement of inequality in life expectancy”, Claus Thustrup Kreiner, Benjamin Ly Serena and Torben Heien Nielsen, *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences (PNAS)*, November, 2018, 115 (46) ,11754-11759

“Do Employer Pension Contributions Reflect Employee Preferences? Evidence from a Retirement Savings Reform in Denmark.” Itzik Fadlon, Jessica Laird and Torben Heien Nielsen, *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics* 2016, 8(3)

“The Relationship between Self-Rated Health and Hospital Records”, Torben Heien Nielsen, *Health Economics*, 2016, Vol. 25, No. 4, p. 497–512.

“Active vs. Passive Decisions and Crowdout in Retirement Savings Accounts: Evidence from Denmark”, Raj Chetty, John Friedman, Søren Leth-Petersen, Torben Heien Nielsen and Tore Olsen. *The Quarterly Journal of Economics*, 2014, 129(3): 1141-1219

Working Papers

“Family Labor Supply Responses to Severe Health Shocks”, Itzik Fadlon and Torben Heien Nielsen.

“Economic resources, Mortality and Inequality”, Orazio Attanasio and Torben Heien Nielsen.

“The Effects of Physician Prescribing Behaviors on Prescription Drugs Use and Labor Supply: Evidence from Movers in Denmark”, Jessica Laird and Torben Heien Nielsen

“Differential Effects of the Timing of Divorce on Children's outcomes: Evidence from Denmark”, Jessica Laird, Nick Fabrin Nielsen and Torben Heien Nielsen

Non-peer reviewed

”Aktive og Passive Valg I Pensionsopsparingen”, Torben Heien Nielsen, *Nationaløkonomisk Tidsskrift*, Vol. 1, 2017, P.1-6.

Book chapters:

Torben Heien Nielsen, Margherita Borella and Orazio Attanasio: “*Characterizing income shocks and their transmission to household consumption*” in “Longer-term consequences on income distribution of the Great Recession” edited by Agar Brugiavini and Guglielmo Weber. Oxford University Press, 2014.

Torben Heien Nielsen and Anna Amilon: *How does the possibility to defer pension payments affect the labour supply of elderly Danish workers?* In: CEDEFOP - European Centre for the Development of Vocational Training (Editor): Working and ageing: emerging theories and empirical perspectives, pages 190-209, CEDEFOP, Luxembourg 2010.

Commissioned publications and Non-Academic Publications:

Torben Heien Nielsen and Søren Leth-Petersen: “*Pension. Fradrag på frivillig opsparing uden effekt*” Politiken, December 11 2012.

Torben Heien Nielsen and Torben Tranæs: *Risikoen for at flygtninge og indvandrere sættes ud af deres bolig*. SFI Memorandum. 2009

Anna Amilon, Paul Bingley, Torben Heien Nielsen: *Opsat folkepension - øger den arbejdsudbuddet?*. SFI rapport 08:29. 2008.

Torben Heien Nielsen, Gunvor Christensen: *Hvorfor lejere bliver sat ud af deres bolig - og konsekvenserne af en udsættelse*. SFI rapport 08:09. 2008