New publications
Several of our latest publications have been on child health issues, such as timeliness of childhood vaccinations, risk factors for extended diarrhea and effect of multiple micronutrient supplementation. Two articles shed light on the topic of birth asphyxia, and in a BMJ article the effect of the Indian Integrated Management of Neonatal and Childhood Illness programme is evaluated. In Zambia focus has been on the geographical and socio-demographic differences in the decline in HIV prevalence among young women.
Any publications missing from the CIH list? Please notify Therese Istad

Zinc treatment for infections in children – Lancet article
Serious bacterial infections are a major cause of death in early infancy in developing countries. A recent study in India focuses on the effect of zinc as a supplement to antibiotics in infants. The researchers found that zinc reduced treatment failure by 40%, and the findings are now published in the Lancet. Read more about the research at our web page.

Centres of Excellence – CISMAC in final selection round
The top research groups in Norway are now competing for status as Centres of Excellence (SFF centres). Centre for Intervention Science in International Maternal and Child Health (CISMAC) which is anchored at CIH/UIB, is one of the 29 applicants that have been selected for the final round. More info at RCN’s SFF web page

Staff – new Professors
Sven Gudmund Hinderaker and Bjarne Robberstad have both been promoted to the position of professors! Congratulations from CIH!
Other news from CIH

New PhDs!
Lungiswa Nkonki and Lumbwe Chola have both defended their theses successfully. Their topics were: health system challenges for improving infant feeding and reducing mother to child transmission of HIV in South Africa, and the economics of promoting exclusive breastfeeding in sub-Saharan Africa. More PhD research at the CIH Phd Theses web page

Global Health at the Christie Conference
This conference is one of the most important meeting points between academia and civil society in the west of Norway. Both Thorkild Tylleskår and Marte Jürgensen presented their research, and CIH was also involved in both the opening video and in the video about young UiB researchers.

Upcoming: Seminars and Research School
6 June: Graduation Ceremony Master candidates at CIH
12 June: Research Seminar - Physical Disability & Assistive Devices
12 June: Research Seminar – Reintegration after fistula repair, Tanzania
22 June: CIH Research School – Student presentation
See the entire CIH Calendar here.