



New publications

So far in 2012 researchers affiliated to CIH have published [about 40 scientific articles](#), covering different aspects of global health. The experience of [disclosing one's HIV status](#), [rapid diagnosing of tuberculosis](#), [risk factors in sexual behavior](#), prioritizing [child health interventions](#), the high burden of [infant deaths in Burkina Faso](#) and [unfulfilled expectations at primary health services](#) are just some of the topics in the publications. *Is your publication missing from [the CIH list](#)? Please notify [Therese Istad](#)*




Health workers prefer public sector – study from Tanzania

In Tanzania, health workers in rural areas prefer to work in the public sector, even though the church-run hospitals mostly provide better patient care and are better equipped. A favourable pension scheme seems to be part of the reason. Read more about this research conducted by PhD Nils Gunnar Songstad [at CIH's web page](#).



Neurology in Africa – free online textbook launched

In Africa neurological disorders are a common cause of disability and death, but standard western textbooks of internal medicine do not cover clinical practice in an African everyday setting. "[Neurology in Africa](#)" is specifically written for Sub-Saharan Africa by Dr. William Howlett, physician and neurologist in Tanzania. Hard copies of the book will be distributed to medical institutions in Africa, and the book is now also [available online for free and can be downloaded here](#).



New Projects; reviving newborns, saving brains, malaria prevention

Several projects are in the pipeline; in Uganda focus will be on finding the best way of reviving newborns in need of ventilation by comparing different kinds of masks; [Laryngeal mask vs. bag-mask ventilation in neonatal resuscitation](#). The [Promise SB; Saving Brains in Uganda and Burkina Faso](#) will try to assess if exclusive breastfeeding promotion can enhance cognitive function, mental and general health. In Ethiopia, the project [Combining indoor residual spraying and long-lasting insecticidal nets for preventing malaria](#) is soon starting up. Read more about our [research at the updated projects web pages](#).



Staff – new employees

[John Cairns](#) and [Elizabeth van der Merwe](#) have both been employed as Adjunct Professors (20 % positions), and will be attached to the Child Health and Nutrition Research Group. CIH has also got two newly employed PhDs; [Jörn Blume](#) and [Catherine Kaulfuss](#). We wish them a warm welcome!



New PhDs and Dr. Philos!

[Nicola Barsdorf](#) and [Nils Gunnar Songstad](#) have both defended their PhD theses successfully. Their topics were South Africa's duty to support health research for the global poor, and health worker's motivation in rural Tanzania. In addition to this, [Chen Yuan Chiang](#) has defended the degree of Dr. Philos, his thesis was focused on integration of tuberculosis services in Taiwan. CIH congratulates! More PhD research at [the CIH Phd Theses web page](#)



Research Funding – NORHED seed funding & info meeting

The call for [NORHED seed funding](#) is now open, deadline: 5 Nov. UiB hosts an [information meeting on the application process](#) 15 Oct.at 10:00. [Joint degrees call](#); support to develop international joint degree programmes at Masters and PhD-level, deadline: 10.Dec. [NORGLOBAL; Norwegian research collaboration with India](#) deadline 17 Oct. More information about this, and other funding opportunities at [CIH's research funding web site](#).



Upcoming: Defence, trial lecture and seminars

12. Oct 10:15 Trial lecture Marte Jürgensen; [Home-based voluntary HIV counselling and testing](#)
12. Oct 12:15 Defence, Marte Jürgensen; [HIV testing and HIV-related stigma in Zambia](#)
15. Oct 10:00 [UiB information meeting about launch of the NORHED programme](#)
16-17 Oct Seminar: [Food and Fury](#); **16 Oct** 14:30: Jan v.d. Broeck; [You Are What You Eat! Food and Diet in an Evolutionary Perspective](#)
1. Nov 10:00 [Research Dissemination Seminar \(in Norwegian\)](#); "Ut med Språket!"
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