Curriculum Vitae – Bente Aagaard Lomstein

Personal Born May 21, 1959 (Gladsaxe); Danish citizen; Married, 2

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Degrees MSc July 3,1985 and PhD Sept. 11, 1989, Aarhus University

Positions held Assistant Professor (1991-1994) **at Aarhus** Associate Professor (1994-2009)

University Associate Professor with special qualifications (2009-2013)

Called Professor MSO of Geomicrobiology (2013-present)

Scientific Leader of the organic geochemistry group in the Center for qualifications Geomicrobiology (CfG) where we study the balance between

burial of organic matter in the deep sub sea-floor and the slow microbial degradation of buried organic matter over geological

time scales

Leaderships Director of the Center for Strategic Environmental Research in **(selected)** Marine Environments (1994-1997)

Working package coordinator in the ROBUST project funded by the European Environment and Climate programme (1997-1999) Chariman for the nanoscience panel that developed the Danish MSc eduction in nanoscience (2001; appointed by the Danish

Ministry of Education)

Director of the international PhD School of Aquatic Sciences –

SOAS (2001-2011)

Group leader of the Organic Geochemistry Lab, CfG, AU (2012-

present)

Services for Research

councils and foundations (selected) Member of the Danish National Research Council (SNF; 1996-

2001)

Vice-Chairman of SNF (1999-2000), Chairman of SNF (2000-

2001)

Chairman for the national panel "Large interdisciplinary research

groups) for the Danish Research Agency (2001)

Member of the board of the Independent Danish Research

Council (2004-2009)

Member of the Danish Expedition Foundation that planned and

equipped the Danish Galathea 3 expedition (2005-2011)

Member of the board of the Danish Center for Marine Research

(2009-2017)

Member of the LS-8 panel awarding Advanced Grant proposals on "Evolutionary, population and environmental biology" for the

European Research Council (ERC 2010-2017).

Other activities (selected)

Participation in numerous research cruises world-wide since

1984

Chief-scientist on board Galathea3 (1 month in 2007),

Main organizer or co-organizer of seven international/national

meetings

Teaching University courses for biology (and geology) students in

Microbial Element Cycling (BSc), Geomicrobiology (MSc) and Benthic Research at Sea (PhD). Invited to teach PhD courses in

France and Italy.

Supervision 31 MSc and 12 PhD degrees completed under my supervision.

Mentor for 6 Postdocs and at present I am mentoring 1 PhD

student from Brazil

Present international collaboration

Alex Enrich-Prast, Federal University of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil,

Mark A. Lever, ETH Zürich, Switzerland.

Present national collaboration

Bo Barker Jørgensen and members of the Center for

Geomicrobiology, AU

Research interests

Organic biogeochemistry and microbial ecology:

Microbial biomass and necromass turnover times in the sea floor and permafrost; Microbial activity under extreme energy or temperature limitations; Deep sub-seafloor biosphere; Use of diagnostic biomolecules as culture independent tool for quantification of microorganisms; Endospore dispersal

Funding

Own funding (2004-2011) 4.3 mio dkk, funding as co-applicant (2005-2010) 2.2 mio dkk, funding for the SOAS PhD school (2001-2011) ca. 16 mio dkk. Part of B.B. Jørgensen's Center for Geomicrobiology and ERC AdvG, AU, since 2012 (total funding

76 mio dkk).

Publications

57 peer reviewed research articles (one in Nature, one in PLOS

ONE and one in Nature Scientific Reports), editor of one book with peer review, author of several scientific reports, cruise reports and proceedings. H-index = 32, i10-index = 51, 3380

citations (Google Scholar).

Public outreach

Several newspaper articles during the Galathea3 expedition Multiple international and national references to the Nature publication in 2012 – e.g. Astrobiology Magazine (March 20, 2012) "Life in the slow lane and Weekendavisen (March 23, 2012) "Det langsomme liv på havets bund"; TV2 East Jutland broadcasted a TV programme "IQ – tæt på de kloge hoveder" entitled "Mud research – The slow life" (November 7, 2012).