

DCAcademy Winter Meeting 2026

Turning Data into Impact

Date: 24 - 28 February, 2026

Venue: DFDS Oslo Ferry & Norefjell, Norway

Tuesday, 10 February

Mandatory pre-meeting

15:30 Online Webinar to prepare for the Winter Meeting

Tuesday, 24 February

Meeting point

11:30 CPH Dampfærgevej 30, 2100 København Ø

Session I

Grand Opening

Chairs: **Organising Committee** and **DCA Secretariat**

11:30 - 11:45 Arrival and board ferry

11:45 - 12:00 **Welcome!**
Professor **Thomas Jespersen**, Executive Managing Director, DCAcademy

Keynote session

Chair: Professor **Alicia Lundby**, University of Copenhagen

12:00 - 12:30 **Life-long trajectories of multimorbidity – from description to prediction**
Professor **Søren Brunak**, University of Copenhagen

12:30 - 12:45 Discussion

12:45 - 13:00 **Computerome in Action: How Users Can Leverage Supercomputing for Science, AI, and Scalable Computing**
Søren Jensen & Chris Kaae, Technical University of Denmark

13:00 - 13:05 Discussion

13:05 - 13:20 **Cardiovascular research project using AI**
Postdoc. **John Mulvey**, University of Copenhagen

13:20 - 13:25 Discussion

13:30 - 14:30 Lunch



Session II

Workshop: How to create research with impact and impact with research

Chair: Associate Professor **Lasse Gliemann**, University of Copenhagen

14:30 - 14:40 **Setting the stage: Curiosity and frustrations!**
Associate Professor **Lasse Gliemann**, University of Copenhagen

14:40 - 15:30 **Part 1: Expected change**
Impact Manager **Katrine Iversen**, Novo Nordisk Foundation

15:30 - 15:45 Peer feedback presentations

15:45 - 16:20 **Part 2: Effect chains**
Impact Manager **Katrine Iversen**, Novo Nordisk Foundation

16:20 - 16:30 **Summary and wrap up in plenum**

16:30 - 17:00 Break

Oral Presentations (parallel)

Session III

Chairs: Professor **Nicole Schmitt**, University of Copenhagen,
Postdoc. **Magda Rita Hamczyk**, Aarhus University

17:00 - 18:00 **Group 1**
Venue: Room 1

Group 2
Venue: Room 2

18:00 - 19:00 Check-in and free time

19:00 - 20:30 Dinner

20:30 - 22:30 Socialising at Navigators Bar (Optional)

Wednesday, February 25

07:00 - 08:30 Breakfast

08:30 - 08:40 **Introduction to today's programme**

Oral Presentations continued

Session IV

Chairs: Professor **Nicole Schmitt**, University of Copenhagen,
Postdoc. **Magda Rita Hamczyk**, Aarhus University

08:45 - 09:45 **Group 3**
Venue: Room 1

Group 4
Venue: Room 2

10:00 - 12:30 Bus to Norefjell Conference Hotel

12:30 - 13:30 Lunch

13:30 - 13:45 Welcome to Norefjell!



Session V

Masterclass I + II (parallel)

Masterclass I: Purposeful research: Getting a meaningful answer to the right question

Facilitators: Assistant Professor **Hannah Caldwell**, University of Copenhagen, Postdoc. **Cody Durrer**, Rigshospitalet, MD. PhD **Grit Elster Legård**, Rigshospitalet

13:45 - 15:30

Masterclass II: Receiving and Providing Peer-Review

Facilitators: Postdoc. **Anita Dittrich**, Aarhus University, Associate Professor **Morten B. Thomsen**, University of Copenhagen

15:30 - 17:45 Mount posters, check-in, and free time

17:45 - 19:15 **Poster session**

19:15 - 19:30 Break

19:30 - 21:00 Dinner

21:00 - 21:30 **Understanding the heartbeat at the nanoscale**
Professor **William Louch**, Oslo University Hospital

Thursday, February 26

07:30 - 08:30 Breakfast

08:30 - 08:40 **Introduction to today's programme**

Session VI

Data Driven Healthcare: Is it for Everyone?

Chairs: Professor **Gunnar Gislason**, the Danish Heart Foundation

08:40 - 08:55 **Data-Driven Care in Daily Practice: Promise or Pitfall?**
Professor **Eske Kvanner Aasvang**, University of Copenhagen

08:55 - 09:10 **Building a Data-Driven Hospital: From Vision to Patient Flow**
TBA

08:55 - 09:10 **The patient perspective**
Associate Professor **Alexandra Jønsson**, Roskilde University

09:10 - 09:20 Reflections

09:20 - 10:15 **Panel debate: Cohort vs. Individual**

10:15 - 14:30 Free time
Sandwiches at 12:00 in conference room



Session VII

Masterclass III + IV (parallel)

Masterclass III: Many Roads, One Mission: Building a Fulfilling Career in Cardiovascular Research

Facilitator: Postdoc. **Maithily Nanadikar**, University of Copenhagen

Panelists: Professor **Gunnar Gislason**, The Danish Heart Foundation, Senior Research Scientist **Julia Krause**, Novo Nordisk A/S, Field Medical Adviser **Terje Kolstad**, Johnson & Johnson Innovative Medicine

14:30 - 16:15

Masterclass IV: Grant Writing and Grant Processing

Facilitators: Postdoc. **Magda Rita Hamczyk**, Aarhus University, Professor **Rikke Buhl**, University of Copenhagen, Professor **Jørgen Frøkiær**, Aarhus University

16:15 - 17:00 Break

Session VIII

Workshop

Chair: Professor **Nicole Schmitt**, University of Copenhagen

Lost in AI translation? Finding the right words, tools, and uses.

From gAI to LLMs to "AI as method": Clear up the confusion and explore how to use AI productively and ethically in our projects.

Facilitators: Special consultant **Martin Rykov Ibsen** & Professor **Nicole Schmitt**, University of Copenhagen

17:00 - 18:30

18:30 - 20:00 Dinner

20:00 - 21:30 Social activity

Friday, February 27

07:30 - 08:30 Breakfast and check-out

Lactate and Exercise

Session IX

Chairs: Associate Professor **Ulrik Winning Iepsen**, Copenhagen University Hospitals, Assistant Professor **Hannah Caldwell**, University of Copenhagen, PhD Student **Frederik Føergemann Lau**, Rigshospitalet

08:30 - 08:55 Understanding lactate in a historical context

Postdoc. **Mette Glavind Bülow Pedersen**, Aarhus University

08:55 - 09:05 Discussion

09:05 - 09:30 Lactate and exercise

Assistant Professor **Hannah Caldwell**, University of Copenhagen

09:30 - 09:40 Discussion

09:40 - 10:05 Lactate metabolism and its role in (patho)physiology

Professor **Olav Rooyackers**, Karolinska Institute

10:05 - 10:15 Discussion

10:15 - 10:30 Joined discussions



Session X

Closing session

10:35 - 11:00 **Joint exercise**

11:00 - 11:15 **Final remarks**

Departure to Copenhagen	Departure to Aalborg & Aarhus
11:30 Lunch to-go and bus to Oslo	12:00 Lunch in restaurant
14:00 Check-in and free time	14:30 Bus to Larvik
18:00 Farewell dinner	18:30 Arrival at ferry and free time
20:00 Socialising at Navigators Bar (optional)	19:30 Farewell dinner
	22:45 Arrival in Hirtshals and bus to Aalborg and Aarhus
	23:45 Arrival Th. Sauers vej, Aalborg
	01:00 Arrival Høegh-Guldbergs Gade, Aarhus

Saturday, February 28

07:00 - 10:00 Breakfast

10:00 - 10:15 Arrival in Copenhagen

