

Clinical Professor and Chair in Gastrointestinal Surgery

The Department of Clinical Medicine at Faculty of Health at Aarhus University invites applications for a position as Clinical Professor and chair in the field of **Gastrointestinal Surgery** as per **1 June 2026** or as soon as possible thereafter. The position is a combined position at Aarhus University and Aarhus University Hospital and is a permanent full-time position.

As a clinical professor and chair at the Department of Clinical Medicine, you will be part of what is probably the largest health science research department in Denmark. Our clinical research covers all the medical specialties and takes place in close collaboration with the university hospital and the regional hospitals in the Central Denmark Region. We have approx. 30,000 square meters of modern research facilities for experimental surgery and medicine, animal facilities and also advanced scanners at our disposal. The department has overall responsibility for the Master's degree programs in medicine and in molecular medicine. At the department we are approx. 425 academic employees and the same number of PhD students cooperating across disciplines. As a clinical professor and chair, you will be working on Aarhus University Hospital in the Central Denmark Region. You can read more about the department [here](#) and about the faculty [here](#).

The Department of **Surgery** employs **53** medical doctors of which 34 are specialists in **gastrointestinal surgery** and cover all significant subspecialties. The staff includes 2 clinical professors, and **5** associate professors. Between **2** and **5** Ph.D.-students. The department publishes approximately 55 scientific papers in international medical and specialized journals each year.

Your job responsibilities

As Clinical Professor and chair in the field of **Gastrointestinal Surgery**, you will have joint responsibility for the maintenance and development of the department's research and teaching environment, and you will contribute to the implementation of the faculty's overall research strategy. You are expected to contribute – both independently and in collaboration with others – to the development of the department by leading research of high international quality and contributing to ensuring a high academic and didactic standard in the teaching. Qua your excellent collaborative skills and a broad academic network, you contribute to the academic development at Aarhus University and to the university's profile both nationally and internationally.

As Clinical Professor and chair in the field of **Gastrointestinal Surgery**, you have the overall responsibility for the theoretical and practical education in **Gastrointestinal Surgery**, in the whole of Central Denmark Region Midtjylland. It will be expected that you participate and lead all aspects of providing a state-of-the-art pre-graduate education such as lectures, developing learning goals, organise examination and clinical training. Your job is described in detail and regulated by the "Agreement on clinical professors between Aarhus University and The Central Denmark Region (the agreement can be obtained from [this webpage](#)). You will together with the head physician and the head nurse constitute the hospital department leadership. The team members have equal and shared responsibilities and decision influence for all aspects of leading the department, each making use of their different professional competences.

Your main tasks will consist of:

- Participation in and equal contribution to the department leader team.
- Further development of the diverse research activities at the department. The success of the department should be the driving force rather than the success of individuals.
- Leadership for teaching of medical students.
- Driving force of the development of Gastrointestinal Surgery in The Central Denmark Region.
- Research-based collaboration with private and public-sector stakeholders as well as research-based consultancy.
- Ability to influence regional and governmental regulatory authorities.

Application Deadline:
05 January 2026

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Department of Clinical
Medicine

Faculty:
Faculty of Health

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Vacant positions:
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Hours per week:
18,5

Expected date of accession:
01/06/2026

- Technique-, Technology- and infrastructure development in a medical field with rapidly increasing caseload.
- To contribute to the external research funding.
- Assessment and committee work at Aarhus University.
- Research of high international quality, including publication in top international journals and the communicating your research in national and international academic networks.
- Dissemination of your research to the outside world.

During your employment at Aarhus University, you will report to the Head of Department, Jørgen Frøkiær.

Appointment as Clinical Professor and chair requires simultaneous employment as consultant at Aarhus University Hospital department of **Surgery**. **All** applicants must also apply for the position as Chief consultant at the department of **Surgery** at Aarhus University Hospital: <https://midtjob.dk/ad/ledende-overlaege-i-tilknytning-til-laerestolsprofessorat-ved-mave-og-tarmkirurgi/blssou>. This **also** concerns for applicants who already have a position at Aarhus University Hospital department of **Surgery**

Obtaining a child certificate is a prerequisite for employment in the position.

Your competences

You have established yourself as a prominent clinical researcher within **Gastrointestinal Surgery**, and you possess solid research and teaching qualifications at a high international level. You have shown the ability to initiate and develop ways of improving and expanding the research within broad parts of the speciality. You have solid experience as main PhD-student supervisor and has shown strong abilities towards career development for colleagues on all academic levels from junior- to senior-level. You have broad international cooperative partnerships and great experience of research partnerships with private and public-sector stakeholders. You have also documented ability to attract external funding.

You are ready to take co-responsibility for the development of the department's research and education at the highest international level and for ensuring that we maintain a good work environment. You naturally involve yourself in interdisciplinary collaboration at departmental, faculty and university level as well as nationally and internationally.

We expect you to be fluent in oral and written English. International applicants are expected to learn Danish, and Aarhus University arranges Danish teaching. Spoken language is Danish.

As a person, you are a helpful, innovative and motivational leader who inspires other researchers and builds trusting relationships with students, colleagues and partners. As a lecturer you communicate the newest and relevant knowledge in a committed, clear and comprehensible manner. As a supervisor you are competent, inspiring, supportive and responsible.

As a leader you value a clear and involving leadership style. Because of your central position in leadership of all aspects of the department life you are expected to possess or acquire a relevant level of administration and collaboration skills. We expect the acquisition of insight into Danish culture.

In order to be assessed as qualified for a Clinical Professor position, you must meet [these academic criteria](#).

Questions about the position

If you have any questions about the position, please contact Head of Department Jørgen Frøkiær tel.: (+45 [20234527](tel:+4520234527)).

Your place of work will be the Department of **Surgery** Palle Juul-Jensens Boulevard 99 - 8200 Aarhus N, Denmark.

Terms of employment

- In making the appointment, emphasis will be placed on a high degree of original production at an internal level and experience from teaching at different levels as well as contributions to the development of teaching activities and teaching material, hereby documenting that the applicant has developed the academic discipline from a research and teaching perspective.
- Moreover, there will be an assessment of the applicant's ability to perform research and teaching management tasks.
- Further information on the appointment procedure can be found in the [Ministerial Order on the Appointment of Academic Staff at Universities](#).
- The appointment is in accordance with the [Danish Confederation of Professional Associations](#) (Akademikerne).
- Remuneration is in accordance with the above, and the [Salary agreement catalogue for staff at Health](#).
- Further information on qualification requirements and job description can be found in the [Ministerial Order on Job Structure for Academic Staff at Universities](#).

Application

Your application must include the following:

- Motivated application
- Curriculum Vitae
- Diploma
- [Template for applicant - professor](#)
- A list of publications
- A teaching portfolio. We refer to [Guideline on the use of teaching portfolios](#)
- The ten publications stated as the most important in the 'Template for applicant - professor' must be submitted
- Research plan, which is part of the 'Template to applicant - professor' can be uploaded separately (optional)
- Coauthor statement(s) can be uploaded (optional)
- References/recommendations can be uploaded separately in the e-recruitment system (optional)

We refer to the faculty's [Guidelines for applicants](#).

Aarhus University's ambition is to be an attractive and inspiring workplace for all and to foster a culture in which each individual has opportunities to thrive, achieve and develop. We view equality and diversity as assets, and we welcome all applicants.

International applicant?

Aarhus University offers a broad variety of services for international researchers and accompanying families, including relocation service and career counselling to expat partners. Please find more information about entering and working in Denmark [here](#).

The application must be submitted via Aarhus University's recruitment system, which can be accessed under the job advertisement on Aarhus University's website.

Aarhus University

Aarhus University is an academically diverse and research-intensive university with a strong commitment to high-quality research and education and the development of society nationally and globally. The university offers an inspiring research and teaching environment to its 38,000 students (FTEs) and 8,300 employees, and has an annual revenues of EUR 935 million. Learn more at www.international.au.dk/