

IN MEMORIAM

## Professor Bo A. G. Jönsson (1960-2016)

Sad message from the Editors of the scientific journal *Roczniki Panstwowego Zakladu Higieny – Annals of the National Institute of Hygiene.* 

In November 2016 we lost Professor Bo A.G. Jönsson, Member of the International Scientific Board of our journal. Bo A.G. Jönsson held the position of the Professor at Lund University in Sweden.

Below there is 'In memory' note written by his friends and colleagues.

## IN MEMORY OF BO A.G. JÖNSSON



We were shocked, when we on Friday 25 November 2016 received the unexpected and sad message that professor Bo Jönsson, Bosse, had passed away without any warnings at all.

The work and life-long commitment to research of Bosse has been of tremendous importance for environmental medicine and public health. He built together with his dedicated team laboratory facilities for high quality analyses of environmental contaminants and has through the years contributed strongly to innovative research on health risk related to chemicals in our environment. Bosse has always been on the forefront in setting up new methods for analysis of chemicals. For instance his team found ways to measure phthalates in blood – a great challenge that paved the way for new insight using biobanked blood samples. Bosse has been contributing to the development of numerous national and international research projects and has as principle investigator got research funding to his department. In addition to be an excellent scientist, Bosse was a warm and very positive person. At meetings Bosse did perhaps not speak up very much, but when he

did, people were listening seriously. At the late post meeting hours, it was Bosse, who entertained and with his deep voice song old Swedish folk songs. Thus, his skills were to a high degree facilitating creation of highly productive scientific environments based on top research skills combined with friendly social atmosphere. Bosse leaves behind his wife and 3 children. We will miss an excellent researcher and a good friend.

In honoring Bosse's memory, on behalf of friends, colleagues and collaborators from the ReproUnion, CLEAR and Inuendo research networks,

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