

## Biography

### Professor Thomas Sinkjær

M.Sc.E.E. and Ph.D. degrees from Aalborg University and a Dr. Med. Sci. degree from University of Copenhagen, DK

Married, two adult children  
Date of birth: 9 March 1958



#### EXECUTIVE (selected)

Secretary General, The Royal Danish Society of Sciences and Letters 2021-  
Senior Vice President Grant&Prizes, Director of Science followed by Program Director Lundbeck Foundation 2018-21  
Director of Science, VILLUM Fonden, 2015-2017  
Director, Danish National Research Foundation, 2007-2015  
Director, Center of Excellence for Sensory-Motor Interaction (SMI), Aalborg University, 1993-2006  
Professor, Department of Health Science and Technology, Aalborg University, 1993-

Board member of The Royal Danish Society of Sciences and Letters 2020-  
Board member of The Danish Council for Research and Innovation Policy, 2017-  
Board member of Elsass Foundation 2021-  
Chair of Bevica Foundation, 2021- (Board member since 2005)  
Chair of Siemens Foundation, 2017-  
Chair of Bevica Innovation A/S, 2021- (Board member since 2005)

Chair of Advanced Grant Panel, European Research Council (ERC) 2013-2015  
Board member Borean Innovation, 2014-18  
Vice-chair of Board, Sundheds CVU Nordjylland (University College in Health), 2002-07  
President and co-founder of the International Functional Electrical Stimulation Society (2002-05)  
Head of Program Committee for Young Scientists, Danish Strategic Research Council  
Head of Academy Council, Danish Academy of Technical Sciences (ATV), 2001-2003  
Head of Department of Medical Informatics and Image Analysis, Aalborg University, 1992-1993

Thomas Sinkjær is an elected member of several professional organizations, including The Royal Danish Academy of Sciences and Letters and The Danish Academy of Technical Sciences.  
He has been awarded the Royal Order of Chivalry; Knight of the Order of Dannebrog (Ridder af Dannebrog) Denmark.

Thomas Sinkjær's research interests are in the basic and clinical aspects of human sensory-motor interaction and the development of new neuro-diagnostic and therapeutic technologies. He has received a number of international awards for his research, including the prestigious Villum Kann Rasmussen Annual Award in Science and Technology (the highest personal research award in Denmark), and the International Steven Hoogendijk Award in Medical Engineering, among others.

Thomas Sinkjær has a great interest and experiences in promoting curiosity-driven research, in developing instruments to increase excellence in research and academic leadership, and to increase the societal impact of research. He is involved in evaluating international and national research funding schemes, research institutions, and research management performance and in developing research and innovation policy recommendations. Thomas Sinkjær holds positions of trust in both Danish and foreign research organizations, including the Norwegian, the Flemish Research Councils, NSF and the European Research Council. He serves on the boards of several knowledge companies and pricing committees and is the co-founder of four technology companies.

For a full list of publications including citations see WoS or Google Scholar:

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