

# PVCFreeBloodBag Life+ project FINAL SEMINAR 27–28 SEPT. 2016

## SPEAKERS

**Anna Longueville** is a researcher and lecturer at the Ecotechnology Department at Mid Sweden University. Her research focus is on how environmental impact assessment can serve decision-making from a sustainable point of view. Anna has a business background and worked ten years as an advisor on sustainable public procurement before she started her academic journey.

**Lena Stig:** With an MSC in Organic Chemistry, Lena has been working in R&D for more than 12 years, mainly with biochemistry and polymer chemistry in the private sector. In 2007 she started working at Jegrelius Institute for Applied Green Chemistry focusing on stimulating both demand and production of non-toxic products. One of the tasks has been conducting environmental assessments of products. Lena is the project manager of PVCfreeBloodBag and she also managed the pre-study, leading to the Life+ project.

**Stefano Lorenzetti** is the project manager of the Life+ project EDESIA. He is working at ISS – Istituto Superiore di Sanità at the Dpt. of Food Safety and Veterinary Public Health in Rome. Stefano has been nominated by the Italian Ministry of Health, REACH Competent Authority, as Italian expert for Endocrine Disruptors at ECHA.

**Hans Gulliksson** is a PhD and Associate Professor in Experimental Transfusion Medicine of Karolinska Institutet, Stockholm, Sweden. The title of his thesis (1985) was “Preservation of Red Blood Cells and Platelets; Some aspects on the Storage of Erythrocytes in Protein Poor Media and the Application of Luminescens analysis in Studies of Erythrocyte and Platelet Metabolism”. The scientific work during the following decades focused on the preparation and storage of platelets and red blood cells for transfusion and has resulted in about 70 scientific publications. Hans has since 1999 been a scientific member and since a few years honorary scientific member of an international group of experts in transfusion medicine “The BEST Collaborative”.

**Åke Åkerblom:** Chemist at the Hospital of Östersund, Region Jämtland Härjedalen. Åke is responsible for the user tests.

**Axel Robertsson:** Medical Laboratory scientist at the Hospital of Östersund, Region Jämtland Härjedalen.

**Petter Höglund:** MD and PhD, works at Karolinska University hospital as a Professor of Basal Immunology, especially clinically applied Cell Therapy and Transplantation at the Department of Medicine, Huddinge. He shares his time between research and clinical work, specialising in clinical immunology and transfusion medicine. Within the PVCfreeBloodBag project, together with Hans Gulliksson, he is responsible for the in vitro evaluation and his group has performed the in vitro studies of the blood bags.

**Chantal van den Bossche** was the project manager of the Life+ project ChildProtect and is the communications manager at WECF – Women in Europe for a Common Future. She studied Eastern European Studies and Sociology at the University of Amsterdam and Russian at Herzen University in Leningrad. During her studies, she ran a half year internship for the NOS and BRT journal in Moscow. Chantal also has a degree in Journalism and as a Senior Communications Adviser.

For Chantal politics became personal and led to a deep commitment to WECF’s Project Nesting; providing the means for creating a healthy environment for pregnant women and small children.

**Josefin Sjons** has a broad environmental interest with an extra focus on issues concerning sustainability and consumption. With a transdisciplinary background she believes in meeting the environmental issues with a holistic approach. Josefin did her master thesis with the LCA-experts at SP Technical Research Institute of Sweden and is currently working as an LCA-analysist at Miljögiraff.

**Gustav Eriksson:** Head of Environmental Department at Karolinska University Hospital, responsible for managing Karolinskas environmental strategies.