

## CCS

### **Annual Highlights**

The Center for Chromosome Stability (CCS) has now been operational for two years. In the inaugural year, two new research group leaders were recruited from overseas to the CCS. These groups, headed by Professor Eva Hoffmann and Associate Professor Andrés Lopez-Contreras, are now established in the CCS and in our host Department (Cellular and Molecular Medicine) at the University of Copenhagen. In the current reporting year, another new group has been recruited to the CCS, headed by Associate Professor Luis Toledo. Luis previously worked at the Spanish National Cancer Institute (CNIO) and then in Professor Jiri Lukas's group at the Novo Nordisk Foundation Center for Protein Research. Luis's group will focus on the analysis of how DNA replication is regulated and how abnormalities during replication in cancer cells can be exploited therapeutically.

The CCS has had another very successful year. A number of key research articles were published in high profile international journals in 2016. There was also notable success for the CCS's group leaders in obtaining external grant funding from within Denmark and from the European Union. Of particular note, Eva Hoffmann and Luis Toledo each obtained highly prestigious grants from the European Research Council (ERC) for the development of their research teams. Eva obtained a Consolidator Grant and Luis a Starting Grant, bringing to six the number of ERC grants held by the CCS. In addition, Eva secured major grants for the purchase of essential items of equipment.