


**International Seminar on
Social determinants of health
and Policy Making: Is there any role
for researcher and academic?**

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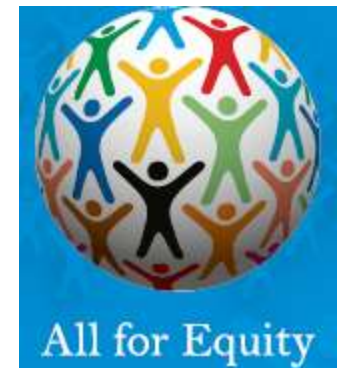
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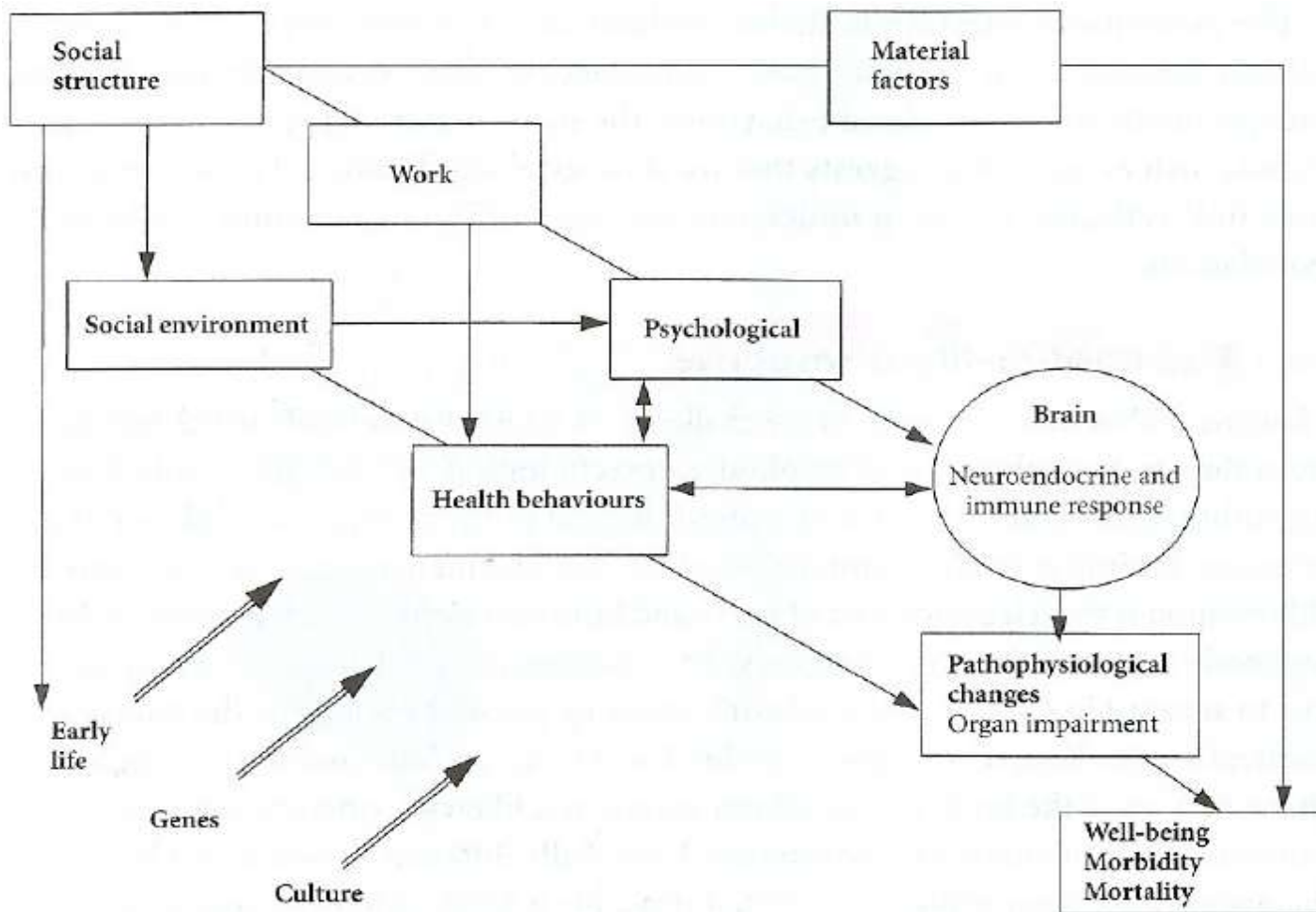
**Welcome to UGM
and Yogyakarta**

Social determinants of health (SDH)

- The causes of the causes
- Health inequities
- The WHO Commission on SDH (2008)
 - Governments → multi-sectoral action
 - Timely and region-specific evidence
- The World Conference on SDH (2011)
 - Rio Declaration




Background



The Commission on Social Determinants of Health

- has called on the World Health Organisation (WHO) and all governments to lead global action on the social determinants of health with the aim of achieving health equity.

For Governments

- **need to have setting-specific, timely and relevant evidence on the relationship between determinants and outcomes.**
- **Such information is limited, especially in low- and middle-income countries (LMICs).** 
- calls for more research on social determinants of health and demands capacity-building activities to enable such research.

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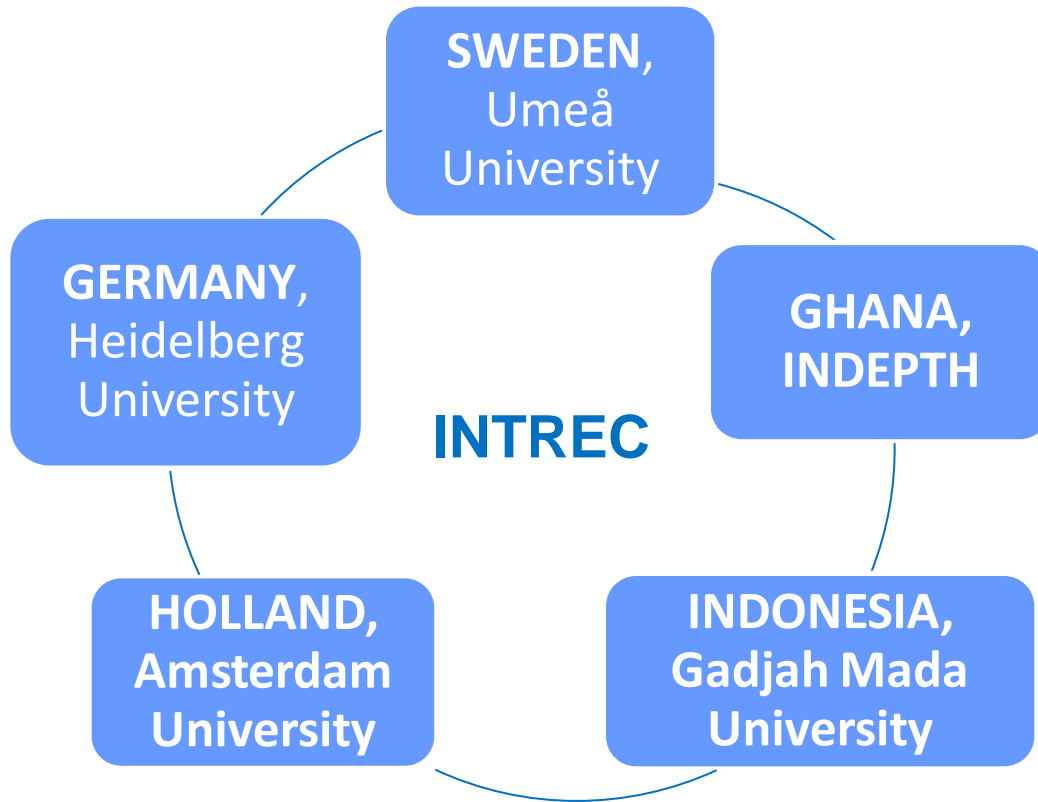
is envisioned to address health inequities in LMICs of Africa and Asia by:

1. Developing sustainable capacity for research for health and its social determinants, and
2. Facilitating translation of research findings into policy and practice in both regions.

Informing policies and action

- Evidence:
 - to inform policies
 - to hold governments accountable
 1. Ask the "right" questions
 2. Collect data (timely, region-specific)
 3. Communicate evidence
- Capacity
 - Education of researchers
 - Education of decision-makers

INTREC Consortium



Aims:

- to address health inequities in LMICs of Africa and Asia
- to develop a sustainable capacity for research on SDH
- to facilitate translation of research into policy/practice

Outreach

- LMICs in Asia and Africa
- Countries with available comparable data (SAGE)

- Identify the gaps (SDH)
 - Epidemiological situation
 - Conducted/ongoing studies
 - Curricula
 - Policies

Desk-reviews
Interviews

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INTREC approach

- Focus: SDH and NCDs
- Region- and country-specific state-of-the-art training
- Accessibility of research training
- Flexibility of the training
- Promotion of women in research
- Direct link between training and research
- Involving decision-makers and other stakeholder in INTREC activities
 - Education
 - Translation of research into policy and practice

After EC Contribution

- INTREC - successful approach to building sustainable capacity:
 - Further development of INTREC centres
 - Expand to other countries

First Step: Develop INTREC Social Scientists (ISS)

Some of the tasks:

- Conduct a review of the epidemiological and public health situation in their own country
- Identify and summarise all relevant country policies regarding the social determinants of health, including dates for, and key actors in any likely policy reviews
- Identify and summarise all relevant curricula regarding the social determinants of health in institutions of post-graduate education in the country

Aims of today international seminar

1. To bring together researchers, academics, decision-makers and other stakeholders for discussing:
 - Social Determinants of Health in policy making,
 - Social Determinants of Health development in international setting.
 - The Indonesian context of the role of researcher and academic in Social Determinants of Health policy making.
2. The opening of INTREC Social Scientists (ISS) training

Thank-you