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Christian Vestergaard is clinical chair professor at Aarhus University Hospital's Department of Dermatology in Aarhus, Denmark. His research focuses on the inflammatory reaction in the skin and its influence on skin-barrier

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Dr. Vestergaard graduated from Aarhus University in 1998, after which he started his studies in atopic dermatitis and inflammation at the University of Tokyo. He completed the studies as part of his PhD in the Dermatological Research Laboratory at the Department of Dermatology, Aarhus University Hospital. He was awarded a 2-year postdoctoral position from the Danish National Research council, which lead to the completion of the Danish doctoral thesis with focus on inflammation. Dr. Vestergaard achieved his board certification in dermatology after training at the departments of dermatology in Aarhus and Odense.