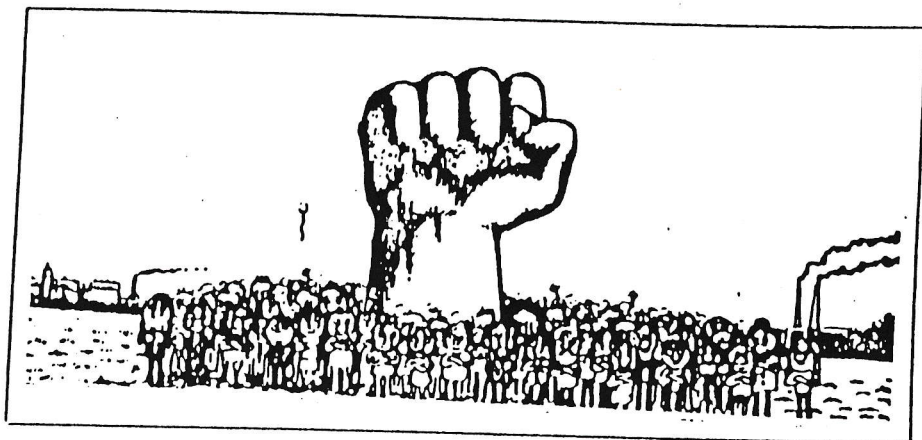
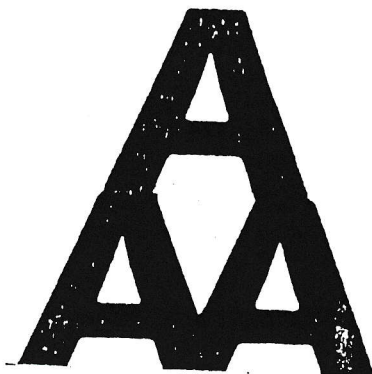


**AAA — The Work Environment
Action-group
of Workers and Academics**

Copenhagen - Denmark



A better work environment!

The action-group fights for a better work environment through the support of trade union activities both in work places and through cooperation with unions.

Workers and Academics united

Our members have very different backgrounds, for instance: carpenters, sociologists, semi-skilled workers, typographers, medical personnel, psychologists, turners, engineers.

The strength lies in our ability to use each others' knowledge and experience.

The history of the action-group

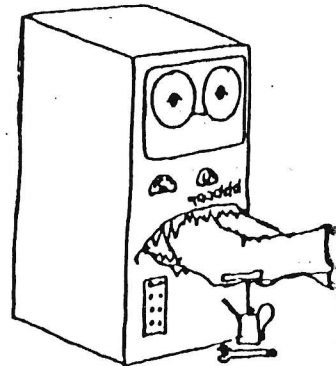
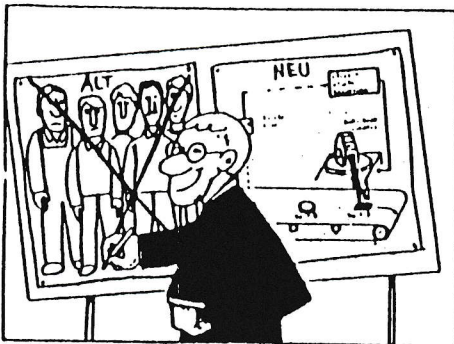
We started out in 1975. The initiative to organize the group was taken by workers and students who had joined in making the first critical and popularized reports on work environment at certain workplaces i Denmark.

In the action-group and the greater Copenhagen area we are today more than 300 individual members, and furthermore the workers of 70 workplaces in Copenhagen are members collectively, as well as more than 60 local and national unions.

In the main industrial centres of Denmark there are similar organisations with whom we cooperate.

Activities

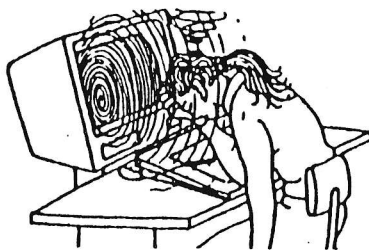
The aim of all of our activities is to supply information about harmful conditions of work and to show how problems can be solved,



technically and by other means. Furthermore we gather and spread information on struggles concerning hazards and conditions of work. This is done in several ways. First of all through meetings in the workplaces and education centres, as well as through public meetings. Secondly we make pamphlets, posters, dias about special topics.

Another channel of information is our magazine, which appears 6 times a year. In this we outline the present activities of the action-group, describe important work environment activities on the shopfloor, legislation and so on.

Now and again we also organize more intensive campaigns on specific problems, for instance: A campaign in 1982 on hazards to the unborn from chemical substances, and another one in 1984 in connection with the election to the EEC, concerning the low standards of EEC work environment regulations.



Structure and organization

The work environment action-group is a grass-root movement. We work independently of the unions, but cooperate with them, and are directly supported by the member unions.

Anyone who will work in unity with workers interests can join. All work of the group is unpaid.

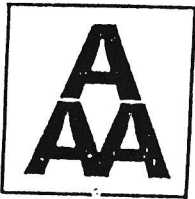
An activity is initiated when members from the shopfloor or unions point out some health hazards or work environment problems. If we have the resources, a smaller group of 5-10 workers and intellectuals is set up, and the group collects information and try to come up with ways to solve the problems. The results of the work are usually communicated to others through meetings, pamphlets and so forth.

The following list of pamphlets illustrates the main topics we have dealt with:

- Trade union activity and work environment.
- The work environment act — how can we use it?
- Occupational health and safety service — in our interest?
- Our comrade died — a case of work injury.
- Work environment of chimney sweepers.
- Handbook of work injuries and compensation.
- Work environment and hazards to the unborn.
- Photo copiers and health hazards.
- Painters and organic solvents.
- Handbook of chemical substances.
- Psycho-social work conditions.
- Work injury — what now?
- Asbestos — shall history be repeated?
- New technology and -education/-industrial agreements/-registration and control/-struggle.

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To British workers and unions

Unhealthy chemical substances, noisy machinery, shift work, monotony and speed-up of the work pace are environmental problems at work which are common to workers in many countries. It is our task to raise demands towards employers and producers of machinery and substances. This work will be strengthened when we spread information and support each other across the boundaries.



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