This talk describes an interdisciplinary, medical humanities research project on the discursive contours of the aging prostate, funded by the Swedish Research Council. I will talk about some of the practicalities of leading such a project – securing funding, producing and recruiting to academic positions, supervising PhD students, publication strategies – as well as some of the epistemological challenges/opportunities the research offered. The title refers to a common way of describing the aging prostate. We can discuss if it also applies to interdisciplinary research projects.

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