



# 4<sup>th</sup> Gabriele Possanner Lecture

ZPH Science Lunch

October 3, 2023, 12:00

HYBRID EVENT (WEBEX)

Location: ZPH, Seminarraum 2

Host: Eva Schernhammer



## A. Heather Eliassen, ScD

Professor of Nutrition and Epidemiology  
Harvard TH Chan School of Public Health

Professor of Medicine  
Harvard Medical School

“Leveraging biomarkers in breast cancer epidemiology: etiology, prevention, and risk prediction”

### Dr. Heather Eliassen

Dr. Eliassen research focuses on the etiology of breast cancer, examining associations between lifestyle factors, biomarkers of lifestyle and hormones, and breast cancer risk. Her work also encompasses the role of lifestyle factors in breast cancer survival. She investigates ways in which women may alter their lifestyle to reduce breast cancer risk, and much of her work has been conducted within the Nurses' Health Study (NHS) and Nurses' Health Study II (NHSII). She is co-PI of the NHS, founded in 1976 with 121,000 women, and the NHSII, founded in 1989 with 116,000 women. She also is Director of the BWH/Harvard Cohort Biorepository, which houses more than three million biospecimens from 200,000 cohort participants, and co-lead of the Cancer Epidemiology Program at the Dana Farber/Harvard Cancer Center. Dr. Eliassen is actively involved in the teaching and mentoring of graduate students at the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health, and mentoring of postdoctoral fellows and junior faculty members at Harvard and Brigham and Women's Hospital.

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