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Due to imperfect legislation, many donor children unaware that they have inherited a serious illness from their biological father. It writes Berlingske.

newspaper tells the story of a 18-year-old girl who by chance discovered that she has inherited her father's rare disorder that makes the risk of osteoporosis, visual disorders and cancer.

man was the sperm bank Cryos known as donor 45 and the author of 64 pregnancies in Denmark. A hole legislation that was first amended in 2012, was to blame for the sperm bank be able to wear the same donor for such a large number of pregnancies.

And far from all his biological children have been traced.

Thousands of donor children can not be traced

– I think it's scary. I think a lot of those who do not know out there, says the girl told Berlingske.

She is just one of a generation of thousands of donor children who can not be traced through the official channels. Only in 2007, sperm banks required to ensure traceability in case of diseases.

And only in 2012 did they share responsibility for ensuring that a donor was not so much as in the above case.

Board of Health recognizes that the law was too lax. Although Cryos not break the rules, so criticized by the Anne-Marie Vangsted, unit chief of the National Board of Health.

– 64 pregnancies are not within the target range of 25 That's a lot when disaster strikes, says she told Berlingske.

sperm bank Cryos is concerned and trying to track down the sick donor children.

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