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A new book about Søren Kierkegaard's illness and death shows that he died from tuberculosis and that he to the end was fighting for his life.

The author and philosopher Søren Kierkegaard died on the 11th of November 1855. He was 42 years old and died after having been ill for almost eight weeks. He died at Frederiks Hospital in Copenhagen. In the book there is a short mention of Søren Kierkegaard's work and fundamental view of religion, of Frederiks Hospital, of the doctors who treated him and – something never done before – a textual criticism, interpretation and commentary on his case-book. From the research on the case-book it is explained which illnesses he definitely did not suffer from, and a suggestion is made about the probable cause of his death.

About the book (in English and Danish): Jens Staubrand: Søren Kierkegaard's Illness and Death, Copenhagen 2009, 144 sider, price in shops: 149,00 DKK, ISBN 978 87 92259 92 9. Plan to be on sale from the 9th of March 2009.

Contact: Philosophen Jens Staubrand staubrand@gmail.com, www.staubrand.dk, +45 40 59 22 83. Jens Staubrand has dramatized Søren Kierkegaard and Regine Olsen's love-story and produced and directed readings with musical accompaniment of Søren Kierkegaard's *The Seducer's Diary* in Denmark and a number of European countries. He has written about Kierkegaard and opera, edited texts for a number of Søren Kierkegaard musical works, has produced the CDs *Søren Kierkegaard Set to Music*, *The Seducer's Diary with music by Sofia Gubaidulina*, as well as *The Seducer's Diary with music by Mozart* in Greek. Furthermore he has published, apart from *Søren Kirkegaard's Illness and Death*, the English-Danish *Søren Kierkegaard International Bibliography: Music Works and Plays, New Edition* as well as the Søren Kierkegaard works *Johannes the Seducer's Diary*, *Listen. listen, listen to Mozart's Don Giovanni*, *Repetition Repetition*, *In vino veritas (In wine there is the truth)*, *Søren Kierkegaard: Letters from Berlin* and *Søren Kierkegaard: On Drama*.

Yours Vibeke Hinge Jensen og Jens Staubrand

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