

# Bridging the Baltic



**Transfers of medical knowledge  
in the Baltic Sea region 1850 – 2000**



*A Marcus Wallenberg symposium*

**8-10 October 2014**

**Lund University Main Building  
Lund  
Sweden**



## Programme



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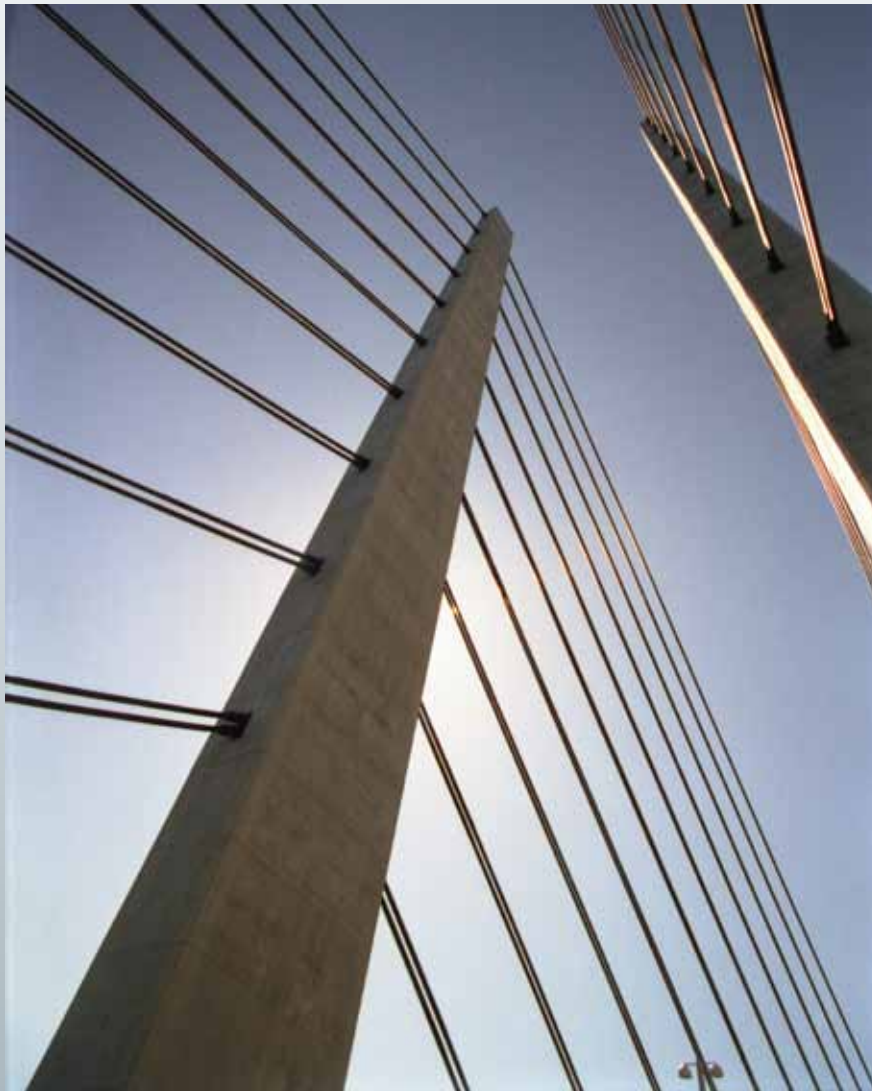
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# Welcome to an Interdisciplinary Symposium in Medical History

The medical faculties of Lund and Göttingen jointly welcome you to a medical history-symposium with the Baltic Sea as geographical domicile. With participants from Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Italy, Norway, Poland, and Sweden the symposium not only constitutes a thematic but also symbolic and unique transnational bridge across the Baltic Sea.

A key question to be considered at the symposium is:

How has circulation of medical knowledge in the Baltic Sea region influenced medicine as a discipline and disease as an experience during the 19th and 20th centuries?

Through seven sessions a multifaceted answer to this question will emerge during the symposium. An answer deepening our mutual understanding as well as generating new questions and stimulating future debates.

The medical faculties of Lund and Göttingen want to thank Marcus Wallenberg Foundation for International Scientific Collaboration, Grace and Philip Sandblom's Foundation, and Bengt Lindskog's Foundation for their financial support of the symposium.

The doors of Lund University Main Building will be held open for academics, students and the public audience, from 8–10 October 2014.

You are warmly welcome.

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**Wednesday 8 October 2014**

13.00 – 13.30 Welcome message and introduction

Nils Danielsen, Pro-vice-chancellor of Lund University

Peter M Nilsson, Department of the History of Medicine, Lund

Nils Hansson, Department of Medical Ethics and History of Medicine, Göttingen

13.30 – 14.10 Susanne Michl, Mainz: *From Braudel's „Méditerranée“ to the Baltic area. Making and meaning of the „spatial turn“ in historiography.* Introduction: Nils Hansson

14.10 – 14.40 Coffee break

14.40 – 16.10 **Session I. Contact and conflict zones in Baltic medicine.**

Chair: Jonatan Wistrand, Lund

Axel C. Hüntelmann, Mainz: *Paul Ehrlich and German-Scandinavian scientific relationships around 1900.*

Tomas Bro, Lund: *Motives, structure and transfer of knowledge for the Swedish healthcare participation in Finland during the Second World War.*

Nils Hansson, Göttingen: *Baltic medicine and the Nobel Prize for Physiology or Medicine 1901–1950.*



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**Thursday 9 October 2014**

**09.00 – 10.30 Session II. Disease and illness portrayal around the Baltic Sea.**

Chair: Peter Nilsson, Lund.

Motzi Eklöf, Växjö: *Smallpox in Malmö 1932 – Disputed medical knowledge of infection, contagion and vaccination in the Baltic Sea region.*

Martin Gunnarson, Södertörn Stockholm: *Human Interaction in Swedish and Latvian Haemodialysis Care: A Historically Informed Analysis of National Differences.*

Matilda Svensson, Ylva Söderfeldt, Lund/Aachen: *Victims of Fate, Victims of the State: (A-)Political Interpretations of Disability in Interwar Sweden and Germany.*

10.30 – 11.00 Coffee break

**11.00 – 12.30 Session III. The voice of the patient takes shape.**

Chair: Motzi Eklöf, Växjö.

Louise Bergström, Florence: *The political consequences of patient stories of contagious diseases around the Baltic Sea.*

Jens Lohfert Jørgensen, Aalborg: *August Strindberg and the alchemy of writing.*

Jonatan Wistrand, Lund: *Sanatorium narratives from the Baltic Sea region and early signs of the pathographical genre – the case of Harriet Löwenhjelm.*

12.30 – 14.00 Lunch



14.00 – 15.30 **Session IV. Baltic networks of clinical medicine.**

Chair: Susanne Michl, Mainz.

Susanne Kreutzer, Münster: *Transnational Networks in Nursing Care – Deaconesses in Germany and Sweden in the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> Centuries.*

Nils-Otto Sjöberg, Lund: *The Story of the Baltic Conference on Obstetrics and Gynecology.*

Anja K. Peters, Greifswald: *Rödtness, Conti, Pardu-Lindman, Erup – Midwives, friends and colleagues around the Baltic Sea.*

15.30 – 16.00 Coffee break

16.00 – 17.00 **Session V. Spreading physical therapy methods in the Baltic sea region.**

Chair: Erki Tammiksaar, Tartu.

Michaela Malmberg, Gothenburg: *Massaging the female: Interactions in discourse of femininity, pathology and cure – intimate massage as a professional treatment in the Baltic Sea region during the 19th century.*

Anders Ottosson, Gothenburg: *The machine cure: The impact of Dr. Gustaf Zander in relation to the discourse of European mechanical medicine.*



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## ***Friday 10 October 2014***

08.30 – 09.10 Öivind Larsen, Oslo: *Baltic health joining the West: Challenges and opportunities in the 1990's*. Introduction: Nils Hansson.

### **09.10 – 10.40 Session VI. Transbaltic bridges of research.**

Chair: Ylva Söderfeldt, Aachen.

Katharina Beier, Göttingen: *Biobanking at the Baltic Sea: Common grounds and divergent paths*.

Pieter Dhondt, University of Eastern Finland: *Nordic conferences of child health care (1945–1985): exchanging information or convincing each other?*

Frank Grüner, Heidelberg: *The Baltic Sea region as a Contact Zone: The Circulation of Medical Knowledge and Concepts of Melancholy between Germany and Russia*.

10.40 – 11.10 Coffee break

### **11.10 – 12.40 Session VII.**

**Junctions of knowledge: Three case studies of medical transfer across the Baltic Sea.**

Chair: Anja K. Peters, Greifswald.

Maike Rotzoll, Heidelberg: *A transit space for psychiatric knowledge? Emil Kraepelin (1856–1926), the University of Dorpat (Tartu) and the fate of melancholy*.

Joanna Nieznanowska, Szczecin: *The unexplored world of medical Stettin, 1850s – 1945*.

Ken Kalling, Erki Tammiksaar, Tartu: *Links of Estonian medicine to Scandinavia: Abstinence movement and eugenics*.

Joanna Nieznanowska, Szczecin: *The unexplored world of medical Stettin, 1850s – 1945*.

12.40 Jonatan Wistrand, Lund: *Concluding remarks, farewell*.



*The Öresund Bridge*

# Participants

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Tomas Bro	Lund
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