

6th NorPEN meeting
Karolinska Institutet, Stockholm
25-26 October 2012

Preliminary agenda
Thursday 25 October

Venue: Eugeniahemmet, T3, Karolinska University Hospital, Solna

9.30-14.00 (NorPEN-members only) Welcome and Pharma-Epi Sprint

- 09.30-09.45 Welcome *Helle Kieler*
- 9.45-13.00 Pharma-Epi Sprint – methods workshop
Gabriella Bröms and Annica Bergendal (chair)
- 09.45 - 10.45 8-10 short presentations of methodological challenges
10.45 - 11.15 Coffee
- 11.15 - 12.15 Group discussions, problem solving
- 12.15 - 13.00 Plenary assembly, presentation of solutions

13.00 - 14.00 Lunch

14.00- 17.45 (All attendees) NorPEN – achievements and future strategies

Shahram Bahmanyar and Rickard Ljung (chair)

- 14.00 - 14.30 Different approaches to analyze Nordic data – examples from the Nordic study on SSRIs in pregnancy
Bengt Haglund
- 14.30 - 15.30 Information on drugs administered at hospitals, Nordic initiatives
Michael Due, Thomas Cars, Milada Mahic, Anna-Birna Almarsdóttir, Leena Saastamoinen
- 15.30 - 16.00 Coffee
- 16.00 - 16.30 Screening for adverse events using the national registers – a potential for Nordic collaboration
Morten Andersen
- 16.30 - 17.00 Nordic register collaborations, experiences and visions
Magnus Stenbeck
- 17.00 - 17.45 NorPEN – the way forward
Helle Kieler (chair)
- Anna-Birna Almarsdóttir, Björn Wettermark, Kari Furu, Jesper Hallas, Sirpa Hartikainen, Max Petzold and Henrik Toft-Sørensen*

18.15- Boule and dinner at Boulebar Vasastan, Surbrunnsgatan 46, Stockholm

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Research on drug safety and effectiveness using pharmacoepidemiological databases

- 09.00-09.15** Welcome *Morten Andersen*

Morten Andersen & Helle Kieler (chair)
- 09.15-10.00** The General Practice Research Database
Tjeerd-Pieter van Staa, Head of GPRD Research, The General Practice Research Database Group, The Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency, London, England
- 10.00-10.45** Disease-specific databases in pharmacoepidemiology – rheumatoid arthritis registries
Johan Askling, Associate Professor, Clinical Epidemiology, Karolinska Institutet, Stockholm, Sweden
- 10.45-11.00** Coffee
- 11.00-11.45** Network databases for drug surveillance – the European perspective
Miriam Sturkenboom, Professor of Pharmacoepidemiology, Department of Epidemiology, Erasmus Medical Centre, Rotterdam, the Netherlands
- 11.45-12.00** Discussion
- 12.00-13.00** Lunch
- 13.00-13.45** Self-controlled designs in pharmacoepidemiology
Jesper Hallas, Professor, Research Unit of Clinical Pharmacology, Institute of Public Health, University of Southern Denmark
- 13.45-14.30** Propensity scores for confounder adjustment
Til Stürmer, Professor, Epidemiology, UNC Gillings School of Global Public Health University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, USA
- 14.30-14.45** Coffee
- 14.45-15.30** Observational studies of comparative effectiveness (TBA)
- 15.30-16.00** Panel discussion and adjournment
- 16.00-17.00** Closing the meeting