

Bridging the Baltic



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



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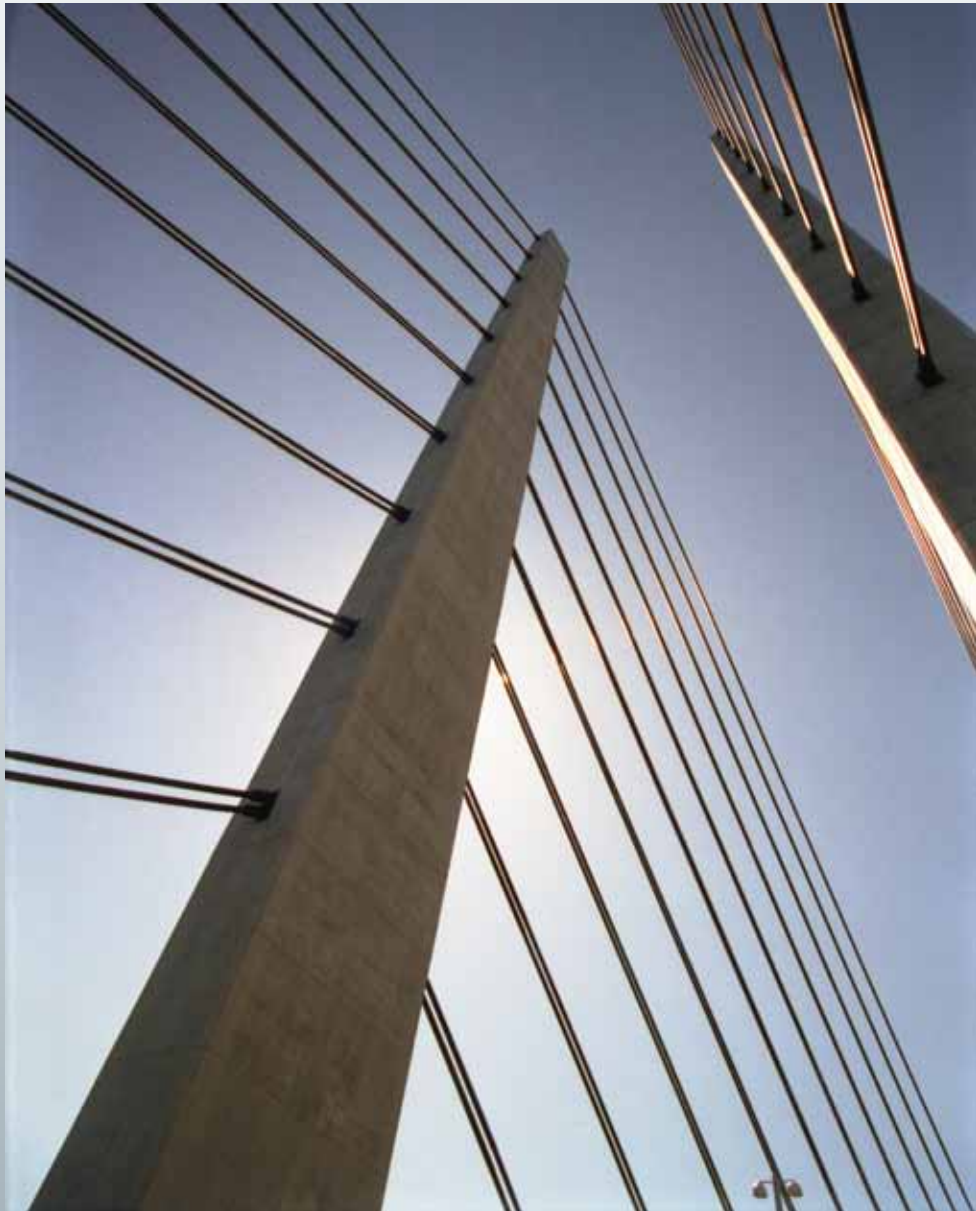
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Welcome to an Interdisciplinary Symposium in Medical History

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 transfers 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, but most likely also 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

11.00–12.45 Registration. Participants who arrive later may register during the afternoon.

13.00–13.30 Welcome message and introduction

Nils Danielsen, Pro-vice-chancellor of Lund University

Peter M Nilsson, Dept. of the History of Medicine, Lund

Nils Hansson, Dept. 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

14.10–14.30 Coffee break

14.30–16.30 **Session I.**

Medical and political aspects on contagious diseases in the Baltic Sea region. Chair: Jonatan Wistrand, Lund.

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

Björn Felder, Munich: *“Syphilis is a medical and not a pedagogical problem”. The Baltic Provinces and their role in transfer of medical Knowledge and Debates to Tsarist Russia 1880–1914.*

Motzi Eklöf, Växjö: *Smallpox – A Travelling Threat to National Public Health. Defeating contagion with vaccination and isolation in the Baltic Sea Region in the 20th Century.*

Katharina Kreuder-Sonnen, Giessen/Bonn: *Fighting epidemics and building a modern state in an entangled Baltic Sea region: The port of Gdynia and its doctors in the interwar period.*

19.15 *Museum of Life*, guided tour by Berndt Ehinger. Meeting point: Lund University Main Building



Lund University Main Building

Thursday 9 October 2014

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

09.10–09.30 Coffee break

09.30–11.00 **Session II. Disease and illness portrayal around the Baltic Sea.**
Chair: Peter Nilsson, Lund.

Hilde Bondevik, Oslo: *The patient as text – decoding hysteria in Norway*.

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*.

11.00–11.20 Coffee break

11.20–12.50 **Session III. The voice of the patient takes shape.** Chair: Motzi Eklöf, Växjö.

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

Jonatan Wistrand, Lund: *Dream factories on the verge of death – Sanatorium narratives from the Baltic Sea region and early signs of the pathographical genre*.

Rolf Ahlzén, Karlstad: *Making sense of medicine – The introduction of Medical Humanities at the medical faculty in Stockholm and Helsinki*.

12.50–14.15 Lunch



Thursday 9 October 2014

14.15–15.45 **Session IV. Transbaltic bridges of researchers – science and melancholy.**

Chair: Ylva Söderfeldt, Aachen.

Florian G. Mildenerger, Frankfurt an der Oder: *Dorpat – Hamburg – Stockholm. Jakob von Uexküll (1864–1944), his „Umweltlehre“ and trans-baltic (sea) bridges of science.*

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

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

15.45–16.00 Coffee break

16.00–17:30 **Session V. Baltic networks in medicine.** Chair: Nils-Otto Sjöberg, Lund.

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

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

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

19.30 Conference dinner at the Grand Hotel in Lund



The Grand Hotel, Lund

Friday 10 October 2014

08.30–10.30 Session VI. Four case studies of medical transfer across the Baltic Sea.

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.*

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

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

10.30–11.00 Coffee break

11.00–12.30 Session VII. Contact and conflict zones in Baltic medicine.

Chair: Susanne Michl, Mainz.

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.*

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



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