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## Dermato-Venereological Research in the Nordic Countries

In this issue we start an interesting new series of summaries of ongoing dermatovenereological research in the Nordic countries. The first of these is the Swedish presentation. This provides a good overview of the present status of dermatovenereology research in seven universities in Sweden, and some historical information about the universities, how long they have had dermatovenereological specialties, etc. The presentation is arranged in geographical order from north to south. Similar presentations on the other Nordic countries will be included in subsequent issues.

Guidelines for herpes simplex are published in this issue. We invite you to comment on these guidelines on our website (<http://forum.medicaljournals.se/guidelines.php>). All of the earlier guidelines are also available online.

Two dissertations are presented in this issue, as well as highlights chosen by each country editor from their respective countries. Take a look – perhaps your article has been selected!

You will also find three meeting reports in this issue: Kristian Thestrup-Pedersen visited a congress in St John's, Canada; Joanna Wallengren reports from the Swedish Medical Association; and Maria Brodin from the annual meeting of doctors in training in dermatovenereology.

Don't forget to test your skills in the CME test and learn about how to treat juvenile bullous pemphigoid in a case report from Denmark.

I hope that you enjoy reading the present issue.

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*The photo on the front cover shows Sweden with the university cities that are presented in this issue.*