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The present issue of Forum is devoted to the speciality of Venereology. Often Forum includes only a few presentations on this speciality, but this issue describes what is going on in the Nordic countries, as well as referring to the situation in Eastern Europe and Africa. As you can see on the following pages (pp. 70–98) a great deal of work has been done and is ongoing within this speciality, and I believe you will find this issue of great interest. In my work producing this issue I have had great help from Professor Harald Moi, who has also written the summary paper that begins this issue (p. 69). I would like to thank Harald sincerely, both for this work and for his longstanding support as our Venereological Editor, a position he has held since 2003, but now has decided to step down from.

As the Nordic Congress of Dermato-Venereology is fast-approaching (August 2013), the Organizing Committee provide some updated information on p. 99. Please note this congress in your diary; it will be the highlight of the year for Nordic Dermato-Venereology.

In this issue you will also find some dissertations: two papers on wound healing (pp. 104–105), and one on the mechanisms of allergic diseases (pp. 106–107).

The 50th anniversary of the Sven Hellerström Memorial Lecture was celebrated in Stockholm this autumn. The lecture by Inger Rosdahl was highly appreciated. You can read about this event on pp. 109–111.

Wish you all a pleasant reading!

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