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Nordic Congress in Dermato-Venereology

Now it is soon time for the Nordic Congress in Dermato-Venereology. I do hope that many of you will be able to attend this event. All the Nordic colleagues have much in common and I am confident that also this year's meeting in Tampere, Finland will be a great success with a lot of "take home" messages.

In this issue you will find all the abstracts for this congress. If you haven't yet decided whether to go or not, perhaps the content will help you to decide.

Also in this issue you can read about a course in Ethiopia where Emilie Stenhammar has described her experiences. It seems that this course is very valuable and interesting!

The dermatological information from Norway has for some years now been a little bit scanty. However, in this issue you will find no less than 3 dissertations from Norway and one from Sweden. Thus learn more about both "Persistent inflammation in HIP infection", "Contact allergy to textile dyes", "Prognostic biomarkers in cutaneous melanoma" and "Basal cell carcinoma and photodynamic therapy". Also a Highlight paper covers a dissertation. This paper from Finland deals with Toll-like receptor ligands in relation to atopy and asthma.

I am also happy to be able to publish a description of the Danish Association of Dermatological Residents. In this paper the Chairman Kasper Fjellhaugen Hjuler gives information about the association, their goals and the board.

An obituary is written by Kristian Thestrup-Pedersen regarding Georg Rajka who passed away in March this year.

Last but not least we have during this spring collected some impressions and memories from earlier Nordic Congresses. This was initiated by Joanna Wallengren in view of the 100 year anniversary of the Nordic Dermatological Association. Everyone has been invited via the NDA website (www.nordicdermatology.com) to contribute and furthermore some special invitations have been sent. In this issue we have thus published the papers so far received. However, on the website we will continue to publish the contributions coming from now on. So please send in your impressions and memories to us. As one of the author in this collection says: It is important to write down the memories, soon they are forgotten!"

Wish you all a pleasant reading!

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