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Date of birth & country	12 th May 1967, Sweden
Languages	Fluent in Swedish and English.

Education

1991 **M.Sc.Pharm**, Uppsala University, Sweden. 300 ECTS.
2018 Advanced Training Program (ATP), Jönköping University
Completed academic courses in ethics, qualitative methods, biostatistics, epidemiology, clinical trials, critical drug evaluation, pedagogics and health economy.

Present position

2020 - **Professor** of pharmacoepidemiology, Uppsala University, Sweden
2020- Affiliated to Vilnius University, Lithuania, as **visiting professor**

Doctoral degree & previous academic position

2004 PhD-thesis in clinical pharmacology, "Drug Utilization 90% - Using aggregate drug statistics for the quality assessment of prescribing." Karolinska Institutet (KI), Department of Laboratory Medicine, Division of Clinical pharmacology
2011-2020 Associate professor in pharmacoepidemiology, Karolinska Institutet
Affiliated to the Division of Clinical Pharmacology and the unit for Clinical epidemiology as a senior researcher in the Centre for Pharmacoepidemiology.

Previous positions and periods of appointment

2017-2019 **Project leader**, Region Stockholm, responsible for restructuring knowledge management in the healthcare system of Stockholm & Gotland
2015-2017 **Head of Department**, Public Healthcare Services Committee, Stockholm County Council, Sweden. The department was responsible for statistics & informatics, reimbursement models in healthcare, analyses and healthcare quality registries
2010-2015 **Head of analysis unit**, Centre for Medical Knowledge/Department of Healthcare development, Stockholm County Council
2007-2010 **Analyst**, Division of Medical Management, Stockholm County Council
2003-2007 **Pharmacist**, National Corporation of Swedish Pharmacies (Apoteket AB), responsible for Drug and Therapeutics committee (DTC) services in the country
2000-2003 **Consultant**, National Corporation of Swedish Pharmacies, responsible for drug utilization analyses in Stockholm region
1991-2000 **Hospital pharmacist**, Karolinska University hospital Huddinge, responsible for drug utilization analyses & clinical trials, PhD-student from 1998

Teaching merits

Examiner and teacher in pharmacoepidemiology & pharmacoeconomics at Uppsala university. Previous teaching in courses in health policy, pharmacoepidemiology and rational use of drugs at Karolinska Institutet and other universities as well as professional organizations as the International society for pharmacoepidemiology (ISPE).

Member of the educational committee for the faculty of pharmacy in Uppsala university.

Scientific merits

Supervision of PhD candidates, serving as main supervisor

In total 7; 5 completed (Miriam Qvarnström (KI 2017), Elin Dahlén (KI 2019), Irene Eriksson (KI 2019), Desiree Loikas (KI 2021) & Johanna Villén (Uppsala University), 3 ongoing (Marie Ekenberg & Marmar Nekoro, UU & Rokas Bartuška, Vilnius University)

Supervision of PhD candidates, serving as co-supervisor

In total 9; 7 completed (Tomas Forslund, Linnea Karlsson & Katharina Schmidt-Mende, KI. Thomas Cars & Pia Frisk, Uppsala University and Joris Komen, University of Utrecht, the Netherlands) and 3 ongoing (Fredrik Wallentin, KI, Salar Mousa, Örebro & Paraskevopoulos Alexandros, University of Crete, Greece).

Postdoc supervision

Tatiana Chama Borges Luz from René Rachou Research Center, Oswaldo Cruz Foundation, Brazil, postdoc at Karolinska Institutet April 2014-June 2015. Per-Jostein Samuelsen from University of Tromsø, Norway, Sep 2022-June 2023

Thesis evaluation

Serving as opponent or examination committee for more than 30 theses, presented at Swedish universities in Uppsala, Kalmar, Gothenburg, Linköping, Lund, Umeå and Stockholm (KI) as well as Trondheim & Tromsø in Norway, Odense & Copenhagen in Denmark, Kuopio, Finland, Strathclyde university, Glasgow, Scotland, University Autònoma de Barcelona, Spain, KU Leuven & Ghent university, Belgium, Utrecht & Groningen, Netherlands and university of Manitoba, Canada.

Scientific publications

A total of 231 original scientific publications (Nov 2025) in pharmacoepidemiology, drug utilization research, health policy, primary care and disease epidemiology. One of the chief editors for the teaching book “Drug Utilization Research – methods and applications”, Wiley 2016/2024. Author of more than 40 other publications in teaching books and reports.

Leadership

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| 2020- | Research group leader and deputy head of department at Uppsala university. |
| 2010-2020 | Various managerial positions in the health system of Region Stockholm. In parallel and previously, also chair of professional networks and scientific groups including the European Drug Utilization Research group (EuroDURG). |
| 2017-2019 | Project leader for a large project in the region of Stockholm-Gotland involving all caregivers, regional experts as well as politicians, payers, patient organizations and some national authorities, with the aim to improve knowledge management (kunskapsstyrning) in the Swedish health system. |

2010-2017, Head of unit and department, respectively, in Stockholm County council. Member of the management group led by the healthcare director for the regional health board administration, the payer organization for the healthcare system. Also member of several steering committees on, e.g.:

- Contracting of healthcare
- E-health and it-infrastructure
- Development of primary care
- Coordination of care in the elderly
- Introduction of new medicines
- Medicines strategy
- Re-organization of highly specialized care

Received grants last 5 years

- **Nordforsk**; Nordic Coherence (Nordic Collaborative Health Register Network for COVID-19 Epidemiology) project, 2020-2022 (co-applicant)
- **Formas**; SCIFI-PEARL Swedish Covid-19 Investigation for Future Insights – a Population Epidemiology Approach using Register Linkage, 2020-2022 (co-applicant),
- **EU COST**; European Network to Advance Best practices & technology on medication adherence (ENABLE), 2021-2024 (co-applicant)
- **Wennergren foundation**; Funding for Ukrainian researcher, 2022-2023 (main applicant)
- **EU Horizon**; More Effective and ethical Use of Registry data to support Patient-centered regulatory and health technology assessment decision-making (MORE-Europa), 2022- (co-applicant)
- **Swedish Institute**. Reducing pharmaceutical pollution in the Baltic Sea region – analysing use patterns and measures to reduce pollution from human and veterinary use. (RPP Baltic Sea) 2025-2026 (main applicant)

Selected academic distinctions and positions

Current positions

- Board member of the educational committee of the faculty of pharmacy in Uppsala (Grundutbildningskommittén för Farmaceutiska Fakulteten, GRUFF), 2020-
- Scientific advisor to the Swedish regulatory Agency “Medical Products Agency” 2014-
- Chair of the board of Swedish Network for Drug Epidemiology (Nepi), 2020-
- Board member Swedish Society for Epidemiology, 2020-
- Board member of the European Drug Utilization Research group (EuroDurg), the European chapter of the International Society for Pharmacoepidemiology since 2004, Chairman 2010-2017.
- Appointed as Fellow of ISPE (FISPE) 2021
- Board member of The Centre for Environment and Development Studies (CEMUS), Uppsala University, 2024-
- Board member of WHO Uppsala Monitoring Centre, 2025-

Previous positions

- Member of research grant evaluation panel “Public Health” for the Swedish Research Council, 2020. Vice chair of the panel 2022 & 2023
- Member of Uppsala university strategic committee for Campus Gotland, 2020-2023
- Scientific advisor to the Dental and Pharmaceutical Benefits Agency (TLV) 2013-2016
- Board member, Swedish Pharmaceutical Society, 2020-2024
- Board member Swedish Network for Drug Epidemiology (Nepi), 2009-2011
- Board member of the Swedish Society for Pharmacopidemiology (SLEF) 2004-2014, secretary 2004-2007, chair 2007-2012.
- Associated to the Central Drug & Therapeutics Committee (DTC) in Region Stockholm 2004-2019, Board member 2004-2007 and 2013-2018. Member of Stockholm DTC expert group on cardiovascular drugs, 1998-2016
- Member of the NLT Group for strategic guidance to Swedish regions on how to manage the introduction of new medicines, Swedish Association of Local Authorities and Regions (SALAR), 2009-2012
- Regional representative for Stockholm-Gotland in the Swedish national committee for knowledge management (NSK), 2017-2019
- Member of the strategic working group for collaboration between Stockholm County Council and Stockholm University, 2015-2019
- Senior communication manager and work package leader for the European Network to Advance Best practices & technoLOGY on medication adherencE (ENABLE), focusing on digital health and medication adherence. 2020-2024

Other merits

- One of the initiators and board member of the international network "Piperska group" that works to promote rational medication use and improved the introduction of new medicines in Europe.
- Chairman of the scientific committee for the European Drug Utilization Research (EuroDurg) conferences in Antwerp, Belgium 2011 and Groningen, the Netherlands 2014. Member of the scientific committees for the EuroDurg conferences in Glasgow, Scotland 2017, Szeged, Hungary 2020 and Bologna, Italy 2023
- Invited speaker for scientific meetings arranged by, e.g., the WHO, European Association of Clinical Pharmacology & Therapeutics, International Society for Pharmacoepidemiology and various national societies in, e.g. the Nordic and Baltic states, Germany, France, Greece, Poland, Romania, Italy, Spain, United Kingdom, United States, Brazil, Egypt, Malaysia, Indonesia and Colombia.
- Member of the editorial board of the European Journal of Clinical Pharmacology, regular peer assignments for many other journals.
- Appointed as “pharmacist of the year” in Sweden 2013
- Received student union’s award “teacher with the best treatment of students” 2023
- Inspector for the pharmacy students union in Uppsala, 2025-