Thematic session - Tuesday 9.30-12.35

Pharmacoepidemiology II
Chair: Anders Ekbom

09.30 Using pharmacy databases to define continuous drug exposure: How to fill gaps between treatment periods
Lars Houggard Nielsen, Department of Biostatistics, University of Copenhagen, Denmark

09.45 Cholesterol level and subsequent use of statins: a prospective study of 6700 men and women aged 59-61 years
Randi Selmer, Norwegian Institute of Public Health, Oslo, Norway.

10.00 Smoking and alcohol consumption and subsequent use of psychotropic medications - a prospective study of 10 513 adolescents in Norway
Kari Furu, Norwegian Institute of Public Health, Oslo, Norway.

10.15 Coffee

10.45 Prevalence of asthma/COPD in Sweden as determined from the sales volumes of anti-asthmatic drugs
Lars G Nilsson, Department of Health Sciences, NEPI foundation, Stockholm, Sweden

11.00 Contextual determinants of physicians propensity to early adopt and prescribe a new statin (Rosuvastatin) – a multilevel analysis using GEE ALR methodology
Henrik Ohlsson, Social Epidemiology and Health Economics, Department of Clinical Sciences, Lund University, Malmö, Sweden

11.15 Use of medicine during pregnancy: A register-based surveillance system in Finland
Mila Artama, National Research and Development Centre for Welfare and Health, (Stakes), Helsinki, Finland

11.30 The ever increasing use of acid suppressing therapy in Norway
Christian Berg, Department of Pharmacoepidemiology, Norwegian Institute of Public Health, Oslo, Norway

Øystein Karlstad, Norwegian Institute of Public Health, Oslo, Norway

12.00 Traffic accident risks associated with the prescription of medicinal drugs: a registry-based cohort study
Svetlana Skurtveit, Institute of Public Health, Oslo, Norway.

12.15 Traffic accident risks associated with the prescription of antidepressants: a registry-based cohort study
Jørgen G. Bramness, Norwegian Institute of Public Health, Oslo, Norway

12.30 Concluding comments