

I am a paediatric anaesthetist at the Department of Anaesthesiology and Intensive Care, Uppsala University Hospital, Sweden. I was head of the Paediatric Anaesthesia unit from 2013 to the beginning of 2016 and formerly head of the unit for ENT and Plastic Surgery. Presently I hold a part time senior research position, which is combined with clinical work at the paediatric unit. Uppsala is a small town but the University Hospital is a tertiary referral centre covering about 2 million people from mid- and northern Sweden. It is also a national centre for e.g. craniostomosis surgery, endocrine oncology, burns and pelvic trauma.

In 2004, I was the PICU fellow at Starship, Auckland, New Zealand. That year was a landmark for me professionally as well as for my family in so many ways.

My key research interests are improving outcome and perioperative care related to paediatric anaesthesia. Special focus has been on finding evidence for the safety of more lenient fasting rules. I have also put some effort into airway management and vascular access, having co-authored national guidelines on these topics.

My two year term as a member of the ESPA EXBO is coming to an end. It has been a great learning experience for me, and I have enjoyed working with this team of amazing experienced paediatric anaesthetists from around Europe with their strong individual and united commitments to organizing the annual meetings and other projects to improve paediatric anaesthesia in Europe. It would be an honour and a pleasure to serve a second term during which I would hope that I would be able to contribute to the work towards creating an educational platform and facilitating research networks for paediatric anaesthesia.

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