

NSCMID 2025 Preliminary programme

Pre-course

27.8, 16.00 -19.00 and
28.8, 8.30 – 12.00- lunch- 13.00- 14.00

Thursday 28.8.2025

14.30-16.00	Registration open (coffee)
16.00-16.10	Opening words
16.10-17.00	Session 1: Climate change – a medical and infectious disease threat also in the Nordics Chair: Asko Järvinen (FIN, ID) and Annika Ljung (SWE, CM) Lecture 1: Climate change Petteri Taalas (FIN) Lecture 2: Climate change and Infectious Diseases Jan C. Semenza (SWE)
17.00-17.30	Exhibition with coffee
17.30-18.30	Session 2: Emerging environmental health risks Chair: Harri Marttila (FIN, ID) and Hans Linde Nielsen (DEN, CM) Lecture 1: Overview of epidemiology and current trends of Legionnaires' disease in the Nordics Silja Mentula (FIN) Lecture 2: Cryptosporidiosis Kurt Hanevik (NO)
19.00-21.00	Welcome reception

Friday 29.8.2025

8.00-9.30	<p>Session 3: Antibiotics – choice, administration and dosing Chair: Harri Marttila (FIN, ID) and Mette Damkjær Bartels (DEN, CM)</p> <p>Lecture 1: Therapeutic drug monitoring in critically ill patients / Anna-Karin Smekal (SWE)</p> <p>Lecture 2: Continuous antibiotic therapy in the outpatient setting – practical considerations / Niklas Broman (FIN)</p> <p>Lecture 3: Overestimating of mild and neglecting serious antibiotic reactions / Sigurdur Kristjansson (IS)</p>
9.30-10.00	Exhibition with coffee
10.00-11.00	GOLD SPONSOR SYMPOSIUM (To be announced)
11.00-12.00	<p>Session 4: AMR surveillance Chair: Marjaana Pitkääpaasi (FIN, ID) and Antti Hakanen (FIN, CM)</p> <p>Lecture 1: Is it time for AMR surveillance 2.0? Gunnar Skov Simonsen, Tromsø (NO) Comments: Reetta Huttunen (FIN) and Anders Johansson (SWE)</p> <p>Panel discussion / Gunnar Skov Simonsen, Tromsø (NO), Reetta Huttunen (FIN) and Anders Johansson (SWE)</p>
12.00-13.00	Exhibition with lunch
13.00-14.00	Poster session
14.00-14.30	SILVER SPONSOR SYMPOSIUM (To be announced)
14.30- 15.30	<p>Session 5: Complications of hematogenously spreading infections Chair: Paula Tähtinen (FIN, CID) and Truls Michael Leegaard (NOR, CM)</p> <p>Lecture 1: Treatment of Children’s bone infections, when do we need intravenous antibiotics? / Allan Nielsen (DEN)</p> <p>Lecture 2: Hematological spread of oral microbiota – empyema and brain abscesses as part of the same entity. Øyvind Kommedal (NO)</p>
15.30-16.00	Exhibition with coffee
16.00-16.45	<p>Session 6: Tick borne diseases Chair: Marika Nordberg (FIN, ID) and Valtýr Stefánsson Thors (IS, CID)</p> <p>Lecture 1: Tick-borne diseases in the Nordics – epidemiology Jukka Hytönen (FIN)</p> <p>Lecture 2: Clinical picture and diagnostics of emerging tick-borne diseases in the Nordics Johanna Sjöwall (SWE)</p>
16.45-17.30	<p>Honorary lecture Chair: Antti Hakanen (FIN, CM) Jaana Vuopio (FIN)</p>

Saturday 30.8.2025

- 8.00-8.30 NSCMID General assembly
- 8.30-10.00 **Session 7: Diagnostic stewardship in the battle of AMR**
in collaboration with NordicAST
Chair: Antti Hakanen (FIN, CM) and Lena Rós Ásmundsdóttir (IS,CM)
Lecture 1: How can the microbiological laboratories play a key role in the work against AMR / Anna-Karin Smekal (SWE)
Lecture 2: (When do we need) rapid antimicrobial susceptibility testing in Nordics? / Oskar Ekelund (SWE)
Lecture 3: How does reporting practices of wound swap cultures effect antibiotic use in the clinic. Different practices in the Nordics / Anu Pätäri-Sampo (FIN)
- 10.00-10.30 Exhibition with coffee
- 10.30-11.30 **GOLD SPONSOR SYMPOSIUM, Pfizer**
The burden of RSV in infants and overview of the current situation
Chair: Harri Marttila, MD, PhD, Turku University Hospital, FIN
Current status of RSV in infants / Terho Heikkinen, Professor of Pediatrics, University of Turku, FIN
Pediatric RSV insights across the Nordic countries – a panel discussion
Thea Kølsen Fischer, Research director, Professor, Nordsjællands Hospital, DEN
Samuel Rhedin, MD, Associate professor, Department of Medical Epidemiology and Biostatistics, Karolinska Institutet, Sweden and Sachs' Children and Youth Hospital Stockholm, SWE
Terho Heikkinen, Professor of Pediatrics, University of Turku, FIN
- 11.30-12.00 **Session: Covid**
Chair: Asko Järvinen (FIN, ID)
Lecture: Origin of SARS-CoV-2 / Thea Kølsen Fischer (DEN)
- 12.00-13.00 Exhibition with lunch
- 13.00-13.30 **SILVER SPONSOR SYMPOSIUM (To be announced)**
- 13.30- 14.45 **Session 9: Invited early career scientists 15 min x 5**
Chair: Jukka Hytönen (FIN, CM) and Valtýr Stefánsson Thors (IS, CID)?
Lecture 1 (DK): Chosen from abstracts
Lecture 2 (FIN): Chosen from abstracts
Lecture 3 (IS): Chosen from abstracts
Lecture 4 (NO): Chosen from abstracts
Lecture 5 (SWE): Chosen from abstracts
- 14.45-15.15 Exhibition and coffee
- 15.15-16.45 **Session 10: Preparedness for new pandemics**
(in collaboration with NSCMID High level isolation group)
Chair: Olli-Pekka Lehtonen (FIN, CM) and Ole Schmeltz Søgaard (DEN, ID)
Lecture 1: High Consequence Infectious Diseases - What are they? / Jake Dunning (UK)

Lecture 2: High level isolation collaboration in the Nordics /Arne Broch Brantsæter (NO) and David Ekqvist (SWE)

20.00-

Congress dinner

Sunday 31.8.2025

9.00-10.30

Session 11: Recent epidemics

Chair: Paula Tähtinen (FIN, CID) and Ingrid Hoff (NOR, ID)

Lecture 1: Severe adenovirus 7 infection outbreak in the Finnish military / Marjaana Pitkäpaasi (FIN)

Lecture 2: Parvovirus B19 epidemic in pregnant women / Maria Wessman (DEN)

Lecture 3: Bordetella Pertussis / Qiushui He (FIN)

10.30-11.00

Exhibition with coffee

11.00-13.00

Session 12: HOT TOPICS

Chair: Asko Järvinen (FIN, ID) and Magnus Rasmussen (SWE, ID)

Lecture 1: What is hot in FMT and gut microbiota / Eveliina Munukka (FIN)

Lecture 2: Is flucloxacillin out – toxic and less effective? / Thomas Benfield (DEN)

Lecture 3: Viral health threats / Heli Harvala (FIN)

Lecture 4: Long-covid / Judith Bruchfeld (SWE)

13.00-13.10

Closing remarks and welcome to NSCMID 2026 / Antti Hakanen and Mette Damkjær Bartels

13.10

TAKE AWAY LUNCH