

Conference Program (Version 14.05.07)  
June 7-11, 2007

**MaxnetAging  
Conference V**

**Stockholm, Sweden  
Karolinska Institute  
Hotel Högberga Gard**

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## June 7-11, 2007

Day 1  
Thursday, June 7

### Arrival and Opening

morning Arrival at Conference Hotel (Högberga Gård, Grindstigen 5-6, 181 62 Lidingö)  
please take a taxi to the hotel

The Conference Hotel is located on the island Lidingö, around 40 minutes away from downtown Stockholm. The opening will be held at the Nobel Forum on the campus of the Karolinska Institute.

There will be bus transfer to and from the Nobel Forum (see below).

14.00 *Bus transfer from the hotel to Nobel Forum (Nobels väg 1, 171 77 Stockholm)*

14.30 Coffee

15.00 **Opening and Introduction of MaxnetAging and Network Members**  
**Lars Bäckman**, Steering Committee MaxnetAging  
**Hans Forssberg**, Vice President, Karolinska Institute, Stockholm  
**Ulman Lindenberger**, Director, MPI for Human Development, Berlin

Session Chair: **Lars Bäckman**, Karolinska Institute, Stockholm

15.30 **Special Topic I:**  
**Drug Treatment in Dementia: New Approaches and Health-Economical Implications**

**Bengt Winblad**, Karolinska Institute, Stockholm

Commentary: **Axel Börsch-Supan**, Mannheim Research Institute for the Economics of Aging

17.00 Reception & Finger Food

### Images of Aging

Session Chair: **Ursula M. Staudinger**, Jacobs University Bremen

17.30 **Older Persons on the Screen**  
**Suzanne Osten**  
University College of Film, Radio, Television, and Theatre, Stockholm

20.30 *Bus transfer to Conference Hotel*

21.00 Dinner

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Day 2  
Friday, June 8

Session Chair: **Laura Fratiglioni**, Karolinska Institute, Stockholm

9.00 **Junior Fellow Projects (part I)**

**Ute Kunzmann**, Jacobs University Bremen &  
**Caroline Schuster Cordone**, Museum of Art and History Fribourg  
**Stuart W.S. MacDonald**, Karolinska Institute & **Michael Rapp**, Charité University Hospital  
Berlin  
**Shigehiro Oishi**, University of Virginia

10.30 Coffee

11.00 **Junior Fellow Projects (part II)**

**Katie Palmer**, Karolinska Institute  
**Bethany A. Teachman**, University of Virginia  
**Sebastian Jessberger**, The Salk Institute for Biological Studies  
**Stefan Ruppert**, Max Planck Institute for European Legal History

13.00 Lunch

Session Chair: **Jacqui Smith**, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

14.30 **Special Topic II:**

**The Stanford Center for Longevity: Planning Perspectives**  
**Laura L. Carstensen**, Stanford University

15.30 Coffee

**Social Policy, Politics, and Law**

Session Chair: **Richard J. Bonnie**, University of Virginia, Charlottesville

16.00 **Advanced Care Planning in Persons with Mild Alzheimer's Disease**

**Jason H. T. Karlawish**, University of Pennsylvania

Commentary: **Leora Friedberg**, University of Virginia, Charlottesville

17.00 **The Grey Vote: Voting Participation and Party Choice at Old Age**

**Achim Goerres**, MPI for the Study of Societies, Cologne

Commentary: **Alexander Graser**, Hertie School of Governance, Berlin

18.30 Break

19.00 *Bus transfer to Nobel Museum (Börshuset, Stortorget 2, 111 29 Stockholm)*

19.30 Guided Tour & Dinner at Nobel Museum

22.30 *Bus transfer to the Conference Hotel*

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Day 3  
Saturday, June 9

**Genes, Health, and Longevity**

Session Chair: **Timothy A. Salthouse**, University of Virginia, Charlottesville

9.00 **A Life-Span Perspective on Longevity**  
**Ian J. Deary**, University of Edinburgh

Commentary: **Ilona Koupil**, Stockholm University

10.30 Coffee

11.00 **Longevity Genes**  
**Claudio Franceschi**, University of Bologna

Commentary: **Jonathan A. Prince**, Karolinska Institute, Stockholm

12.30 Lunch

14.00 **Genetic and Environmental Influences on Morbidity and Mortality**  
**Laura Fratiglioni**, Karolinska Institute, Stockholm

Commentary: **Marc Luy**, University Rostock

15.30 Coffee

Session Chair: **James W. Vaupel**, MPI for Demographic Research, Rostock

16.00 **Telomeres and Human Longevity**  
**Göran Roos**, Umea University, Stockholm

Commentaries: **Sebastian Jessberger**, The Salk Institute, La Jolla  
**Markus Ullsperger**, MPI for Neurological Research, Cologne

17.30 Coffee

**Images of Aging**

Session Chair: **Sigrun-Heide Filipp**, University of Trier

18.00 **Art Historical Perspectives**  
**Philip Sohm**, University of Toronto

Commentaries: **Gerhard Wolf**, Art History Institute in Florence, MPI  
**Hartwin Brandt: Old Age, Suicide, and the Hippocratic Oath**  
Brown University, Providence

19.30 **Organizational Planning Meeting: MaxnetAging Members only**

**The Future of MaxnetAging**  
**James W. Vaupel**, MPI for Demographic Research, Rostock

20.00 Dinner

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Day 4  
Sunday, June 10

**Cognitive and Neural Plasticity**

Session Chair: **Ulman Lindenberger**, MPI for Human Development, Berlin

9.00 **Dopamine and Cognitive Aging**

**Lars Bäckman**, Karolinska Institute, Stockholm

Commentaries: **Shu-Chen Li: Neurocomputational Perspectives**  
MPI for Human Development, Berlin

**Hauke Heekeren: Neuroeconomical Perspectives**  
MPI for Human Development, Berlin

10.30 Coffee

11.00 **The Biological Evidence of Brain Plasticity**

**Lars Olson**, Karolinska Institute, Stockholm

Commentary: **Gerd Kempermann**, Max Delbrück Centre for Molecular Medicine, Berlin

12.30 Lunch

Session Chair: **Shu-Chen Li**, MPI for Human Development, Berlin

14.30 **Aging: Lessons from the Age-Associated Propensity to Neuro-Degenerative Diseases**

**Johannes Dichgans**, University Hospital Tübingen

Commentary: **Karl M. Einhäupl**, Charité University Hospital Berlin

16.00 Coffee

16.30 **Manipulating Aging through Mitochondrial Alterations**

**Nils-Göran Larsson**, Karolinska Institute, Stockholm

Commentary: **W. Davis Parker Jr.**, University of Virginia, Charlottesville

18.00 Break

19.00 *Bus transfer to Vasa Museum (Galärvarvsvägen 14, 102 52 Stockholm)*

19.45 Guided Tour

20.15 Conference Dinner

23.00 *Bus transfer to the Conference Hotel*

Day 5  
Monday, June 11: Departure