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**Professor** of Social Insurance, Division of Insurance Medicine,  
Department of Clinical Neuroscience, Karolinska Institutet (KI), since 2003

### Previous longer appointments:

- Teacher/senior lecturer, Department of Social Medicine and Public Health Science, Faculty of Health Sciences, Linköping University; 1986-2003
- Researcher (50%) at the National Center for Insurance Medicine, the Social Insurance Agency of the region Östergötland; 2000-2003
- Hospital social worker 1978-1986 (University hospitals of Malmö and of Linköping)

### Academic exams:

- Batch. of Social Work 1977, Lund University
- PhD in Social Medicine 1995, Linköping University
- Ass Prof (docent) in Community Medicine 1999, Linköping University

Licensed healthcare counselor

**Research:** Since more than 30 years conduct interdisciplinary and multi-professional research within the area of insurance medicine. Most of my research concerns different aspects of sickness absence and disability pension such as:

- 1) risk factors for sick leave or disability pension
- 2) consequences of being sickness absent or disability pensioned
- 3) factors that hinder and promote return to work
- 4) sickness certification practises, and
- 5) methods and theories within this research area

- This is studied in general
- for different diagnoses (e.g., mental, musculoskeletal, cancer, MS, and CVD)
- for different occupational groups, or
- for different life situations, e.g., giving birth or being in paid work past 65 years.

I use both quantitative and qualitative analytical methods. The traditional perspective of social medicine with its focus on marginalisation, social inequalities, and factors at different structural levels is combined with a gender perspective and a health perspective. Both observational and intervention studies are done, using data from large register databases, questionnaires, and interviews. Have established some unique and large databases, to take this research area forward.

**Number of publications, since 1993:** 357 articles in international scientific journals, 17 in Swedish scientific journals, 40 book chapters (16 in English), 5 books, 108 reports.

### **International research cooperation**

With researchers from universities in Monarch, Australia; Copenhagen, Denmark; Helsinki & Turku, Finland; Inserm Paris, France; and London, the UK.

**Supervision:** Supervised 24 PhDs to dissertation (10 of them as a main-supervisor).  
Supervised one licentiate to dissertation, as co supervisor.  
Have mentored several postdocs.

**External funding** in the last years from e.g., the Swedish Research Council for Health, Working Life and Welfare (Forte), the Swedish Research Council (VR), Swedish Cancer Society, Region Stockholm, AFA Insurance, Alecta Insurance, Folksam Research Council, The Ministry of Health and Social Affairs, Biogen, the Swedish Transport Administration, the Swedish Social Insurance Agency, Swedish Association of Local Authorities and Regions (SKR), The Board of Health and Welfare, The Swedish Social Insurance Inspectorate, the European Commission.

### **Some current commissions:**

- Project leader of several research projects
- Member of the management group of the Division of Insurance Medicine, The Department of Clinical Neuroscience, Karolinska Institutet (2003- )
- Member of the steering committee of REWHARD, a research infrastructure financed by the Swedish Research Council (2018- )
- Member of the Executive Board of the European Public Health Conference Foundation. (2013- )
- Member of the Scientific Committee of the European Public Health Conference Foundation (2013- )
- Expert of the Lennmalm's Award, The Swedish Medical Association (1997- )

### **Some previous commissions:**

- Research group leader (1999-2021)
- Member of the Department Board of the Department of Clinical Neuroscience, KI (2003-2018)
- Member of the Board of the Swedish Authority for Knowledge on Work Environment (2018-2021)
- Member of the Scientific Committee of EUMASS (2012-2021)
- Deputy Head of the Department of Clinical Neuroscience, KI (2008-2018)
- Head of the Division of Insurance Medicine, Department of Clinical Neuroscience, KI (2003-2018)
- Member of the steering committee of the Stockholm Stress Center (A Forte Centre of Excellence for: Working life: Interdisciplinary research on job-related stress and health), Stockholm University (2009-2021)
- Member of the Scientific Advisory Board of the Finish TITA project (2016-2017)
- President of the Section for Social Security, Work and Health of the European Public Health Association (EUPHA) (2000-2016)
- Member of the Executive Council of EUPHA (2008-2016)
- Chair of the Section Council of EUPHA (2008-2016)
- Co-Chair of a group within the Council for Research Infrastructure within the Swedish Research Council (2011-2014)

- Member of a review group of research applications at the Swedish Cancer Society (2010-2013)
- On the management committee of the European network CANWON (research on cancer and work) (2014-2017)
- Chair of the Scientific Committee of the European Public Health Foundation (2016-2017)
- Expert in the investigation of the Ministry of Finance regarding Statistics Sweden and statistic systems (Fi 2011:05) (2011-2012)
- Member of the steering group of the initiative for the Vårdförälsakademien, initiated by the Swedish Social Insurance Agency (2014-2015)
- Member of the Scientific Advisory Board of asim (Swiss Academy of Insurance Medicine/Universitätsspital Basel) (2013-2016)
- Assessed research application for the European organization COST
- Chair of the Social Council; the research council of the Swedish Ministry of Health and Social Affairs (2008-2010)
- Member of the Board of Cochrane Insurance Medicine (2014-2016)
- Member of the panel for a State of the Science-Conference regarding the mental health of children and teenagers, arranged by The Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences (2010)
- Member of the Scientific Committee of the SparbanksAkademien (a federation of Swedish banks) (2008-2010)
- Leader of the first Master Programme on Insurance Medicine, in Sweden, for physicians, (2007-2010)
- Leader of the first Swedish academic 15-week course (22,5 ECTs over 3 semesters) in insurance medicine for physicians (2011-2020)
- Chair of the project on sickness absence of the Swedish Council on Technology Assessment in Health Care (SBU) (2000-2003)
- Member of the steering committee of the KI Strategic Research Programme of Caring Sciences (SFO-V) (2010-2016)
- Expert in a governmental investigation of the concepts of disease and work capacity and uniform assessment of work capacity (Ministry of Health and Social Affairs) (2008-2009).
- Coordinator, together with Professor M Brommels, of the 'Stockholm Network for Research on Sick Leave' (2003-2013)
- Member of the reference group of the working group on Oncology within the Rehabilitation Council (SOU 2011:15) (2010)
- Member of the Board of the Swedish National Institute for Working Life 2003-2007, as deputy chair 2006-2007
- Member of the Board of the KI Public and International Health Research Network (2007-2008)
- One of 7 PIs within the FAS center at KI; "Hearing Disabilities in Working Life and Society" (2009-2012)
- Member of the KI Board of the School of Public Health
- Member of the Governing Council of EUPHA (1999-2008)
- Member of the Board of the KI Osher Centre for Integrative Medicine (2005-2007)
- Coordinator of a Scandinavian network of sickness-absence research groups (1996-2009)
- By the Swedish government appointed project leader of an investigation to identify problems in healthcare regarding handling of sickness certification of patients (2004-2005)
- Board member of the following 2 scientific journals: Scandinavian Journal of Public Health and Socialmedicinsk tidskrift
- Board member of the Swedish Association of Social Medicine 1989-2003; as Board Secretary 1996-2003

- Member of the Swedish National Board of Health and Welfare's editing group for the National Public Health Report 2005 (2003-2005)
- Member of the Research Committee of the Federation of Social Insurance Offices in Sweden (2000-2004)
- On the scientific committee of several international scientific conferences
- Member of a committee with the commission to evaluate the Norwegian government's 12-year financing of academic research on social insurance (2004-2005)
- Several faculty commissions at the Faculty of Health Sciences in Linköping 1986-2003; Director of Education of the 11<sup>th</sup> semester of the medical programme for several years, member of the Board of the medical programme, Head of strands of public health in the medical programme, etcetera

### Award

Awarded Karolinska Institutet's Silver Medal, 2020.

### Publications

 chronically, by type:

- A = in international peer-reviewed scientific journals
- B = in Swedish peer-reviewed scientific journals
- C.1-3 = books/book chapters
- D = scientific reports
- E-G = others

### A. Articles in international peer-reviewed scientific journals

357. Baecklund F, Alexanderson K, Mittendorfer-Rutz E, Chen L. Sickness absence and disability pension trajectories in childhood cancer survivors and references- a Swedish prospective cohort study. *Plos One*. 2022 17(4): e0265827. doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0265827.
356. Karampampa K, Gyllensten H, Murley C, Alexanderson K, Kavaliunas A, Olsson T, Manouchehrinia A, Hillert J, Friberg E. Early vs. late treatment initiation in multiple sclerosis and its impact on cost of illness: a register-based prospective cohort study in Sweden. *Multiple Sclerosis Journal: Experimental, Translational and Clinical*. 2022, April-June 2022 (1-12). DOI: 10.1177/ 20552173221092411
355. Sørensen J, Framke E, Pedersen J, Alexanderson K, Bonde J, Farrants K, Flachs E, Magnusson Hanson L, Nyberg S, Kivimäki M, Madsen I, Rugulies R. Work stress and loss of years lived without chronic disease: An 18-year follow-up of 1.5 million employees in Denmark. *European Journal of Epidemiology*. 2022. Published online 21 March. Doi: 10.1007/s10654-022-00852-x.
354. Virtanen M, Lallukka T, Alexanderson K, Helgesson M, Heikkilä K, Ervasti J, Pentti J, Vahtera J, Kivimäki M, Mittendorfer-Rutz E. Clustering of social disadvantage with attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder in young adults: a register-based study in Sweden. *Scandinavian Journal of Psychology*. 2022. E-published ahead of print. doi.org/10.1111/sjop.12814
353. Serra L, Alexanderson K, Ubalde M, Farrants K, Lallukka T. Trajectory analyses in insurance medicine studies: examples and key methodological aspects and pitfalls. *PlosOne*. Accepted 2022.
352. Farrants K, Head J, Alexanderson K. Trends in associations between sickness absence before the age of 65 and being in paid work after the age of 65: prospective study of

- three total population cohorts. *Journal of Aging & Social Policy*. 2022 Feb 3;1-24. doi: 10.1080/08959420.2021.2022950. Online ahead of print.
351. Martikainen A, Svensson Alavi A, Alexanderson K, Farrants K. Associations of sickness absence and disability pension due to mental and somatic diagnoses when aged 60-64 with paid work after the standard retirement age; a prospective population-based cohort study in Sweden. *BMC Public Health*. 2021 Dec 30;21(1):2322. doi: 10.1186/s12889-021-12382-4.
350. Svärd V, Alexanderson K. Physician's use of sickness certification guidelines: a nationwide survey of 13 750 physicians in different types of clinics in Sweden. *BMJ open*. 2021;11(12):e051555. doi:10.1136/bmjopen-2021-051555.
349. Kjeldgård L, Stigson H, Klingegård M, Alexanderson K, Friberg E. Sickness absence and disability pension among injured working-aged pedestrians - A population-based Swedish register study. *BMC Public Health*. 2021, Dec 14;21(1):2279. doi: 10.1186/s12889-021-12312-4.
348. Framke E, Sørensen JK, Alexanderson K, Farrants K, Kivimäki M, Nyberg S, Pedersen J, Madsen I, Rugulies R. Emotional demands at work and risk of long-term sickness absence in 1.5 million employees in Denmark: a prospective cohort study on effect modifiers. *The Lancet Public Health*. 2021;6(10) E752-E759. Doi:/10.1016/S2468-2667(21)00185-7.
347. Söderman M, Wennman-Larsen A, Hoving J, Alexanderson K, Friberg E. Interventions regarding Physicians' Sickness certification practice – a systematic literature review with meta-analyses. *Scandinavian Journal of Primary Health Care*. 2022. Published online ahead of print 7 March. Doi:10.1080/ 02813432.2022. 2036420
346. Nordling P, Alexanderson K, Hensing G, Lytsy P. Factors associated with general practitioners' contacts with sick-listed patients' employers - a Swedish nationwide questionnaire study. *Scandinavian Journal of Public Health*. 2021 (1-9) <https://doi.org/10.1177/14034948211053141> Online ahead of print.
345. Bosma A, Murley C, Aspling J, Hillert J, Schaafsma F, Anema J, Boot C, Alexanderson K, Machado A, Friberg E. Trajectories of sickness absence and disability pension days among people with multiple sclerosis by type of occupation. *Multiple Sclerosis Journal*. 2021. Epublished ahead of print 6 October. Page 1-2. Published ahead of print. Doi: 10.1177/13524585211048759.
344. Wennman-Larsen A, Svärd V, Alexanderson K, Friberg E. Factors of decisive importance for being in work or not during two years after breast cancer surgery: content analysis of 462 women's open answers. *BMC Women's Health*. 2021;21, 332 (2-11). <https://doi.org/10.1186/s12905-021-01468-1>.
343. Beermann L, Alexanderson K, Chen L. Healthcare use, sickness absence, and disability pension among colorectal cancer survivors and population references in Sweden. *Acta Oncologica*. 2021;60(12)1643-1650. DOI: 10.1080/0284186X.2021.1974551.
342. Elrud R, Friberg E, Alexanderson K, Stigson H. Sickness absence and disability pension among injured car occupants, and associations with injury and car safety factors: a prospective cohort study. *Accident Analysis and Prevention*. 2021;159:106262. doi:10.1016/j.aap.2021.106262.
341. Holm J, Frumento P, Almondo G, Gémes K, Bottai M, Alexanderson K, Friberg E, Farrants K. Predicting the duration of sickness absence due to knee osteoarthritis: A prognostic model developed in a population-based cohort in Sweden. *BMC Musculoskeletal Disorders*. 2021;22(1):603. Doi:10.1186/s12891-021-04400-8.
340. Heikkila K, Mittendorfer-Rutz E, Alexanderson K, Virtanen M. Work Participation among Women and Men in Sweden: A Register Study of 8.5 Million Individuals.



- International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health. 2021;18, 4642.  
<https://doi.org/10.3390/ijerph18094642>.
339. Farrants K, Head J, Framke E, Rugulies R, Alexanderson K. Associations between combinations of job demands and job control among 616,818 people aged 55-64 in paid work with their labour market status 11 years later: a prospective cohort study. *International Archives of Occupational and Environmental Health*. 2021;95(1):169-85. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s00420-021-01717-8>.
338. Murley C, Tinghög, P, Alexanderson K, Hillert J, Friberg E, Karampampa K. Cost of illness progression before and after diagnosis of multiple sclerosis: a nationwide register-based cohort study in Sweden of people newly diagnosed with multiple sclerosis and a population-based matched reference group. *PharmacoEconomics*, 2021, published ahead online. Doi.org/10.1007/s40273-021-01035-4.
337. Kvillemo P, Chen L, Bottai M, Frumento P, Almondo G, Mittendorfer-Rutz E, Friberg E, Alexanderson K. Sickness absence and disability pension among women with breast cancer: a population-based cohort study from Sweden. *BMC Public Health*. 2021(21):697. doi.org/10.1186/s12889-021-10703-1.
336. Beermann L, Alexanderson K, Martling A, Chen L. Overall and diagnosis-specific sickness absence and disability pension in colorectal cancer survivors and references in Sweden. *Journal of Cancer Survivorship*. 2021, Mar 16. doi: 10.1007/s11764-021-01017-7. Online ahead of print.
335. Lallukka T, Shiri R, Alexanderson K, Ervasti J, Mittendorfer-Rutz E, Virtanen M. Sickness absence and disability pension after carpal tunnel syndrome diagnosis: a register-based study of patients and matched references in Sweden. *Scandinavian Journal of Public Health*. 2021. Published online 12 April. Doi:10.1177/14034948211002729.
334. Söderman M, Wennman-Larsen A, Alexanderson K, Svärd V, Friberg E. Oncologists' experiences of, and prerequisites for sickness certification tasks: a nationwide questionnaire study. *European Journal of Cancer Care*. 2021. Jul;30(4):e13414. doi: 10.1111/ecc.13414. Epub 2021 Feb 2.
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328. Kjeldgård L, Stigson H, Alexanderson K, Friberg E. Sequence analysis of sickness absence and disability pension in the year before and the three years following a bicycle crash; a nationwide longitudinal cohort study of 6353 injured individuals. *BMC Public Health*. 2020;20:1710. Doi:10.1186/s12889-020-09788-x.

327. Wang M, László K, Svedberg P, Nylén L, Alexanderson K. Childbirth, morbidity, sickness absence, and disability pension: a population-based longitudinal cohort study in Sweden. *BMJ Open*. 2020; 10(11):e037726.
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324. Jakobsson S, Alexanderson K, Wennman-Larsen A, Charles T, Ringsberg K. Self-rated health over a two-year period after breast cancer surgery: prospective ratings and retrospective rating by means of a health-line. *Scandinavian Journal of Caring Sciences*. 2021(35):833-43. Doi: 10.1111/scs.12899.
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321. Salonen L, Alexanderson K, Rugulies R, Framke E, Niemelä M, Farrants K. Combinations of job demands and job control and future trajectories of sickness absence and disability pension: An 11-year follow up of 2 million employees in Sweden. *JOEM*. 2020 Oct;62(10):795-802. doi: 10.1097/JOM.0000000000001919.
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- employees. *JOEM*. 2020;62(6):403-11. doi: 10.1097/JOM.0000000000001859. PMID: 32502083
314. Virtanen M, Lallukka T, Kivimäki M, Alexanderson K, Ervasti J, Mittendorfer-Rutz E. Neurodevelopmental disorders among young adults and subsequent risk of work disability and mortality: a nationwide register linkage study. *Scandinavian Journal of Work, Environment and Health*. 2020;46(4):410-16 DOI:10.5271/sjweh.3888
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