

Academic degrees and positions

- Bachelor of Arts 1976 (Scandinavian languages, History) Umeå university (UmU)
- PhD 1985 in Scandinavian Languages, UmU. *Studier över nordsvenska Ortsböcknamn*. Supervisor: Sigurd Fries
- Junior research fellow 1986–91
- Senior lecturer (50%) 1989–91
- Senior lecturer 1991–95
- Associate professor (“docent”) in Scandinavian languages 1989
- Full professor of Scandinavian languages at UmU 1995– (temporary post 1993–95)

Awards and special commissions (selected)

Member of academies

- Working member in Kungl. Vitterhets Historie och Antikvitets Akademien (‘The Royal Academy of Letters, History and Antiquities’) 2001–
- Working member in Kungl. Gustav Adolfs akademien (‘Royal Gustavus Adolphus Academy’) 1994– (and member of the board since 1999)
- Working member in Kungl. Skytteanska samfundet (‘Royal Skyttean Society’) 1988– (and president (“preses”) of the Society since 2003)
- Working member in the Svensk-Österbottniska samfundet 1998–
- Working member in De Kongelige Norske Videnskabers Selskab (‘The Royal Norwegian Society of Sciences and Letters’) 2009–
- Working member in Agder Vitenskapsakademi 2009–

Awards

- Award from the Swedish academy 2010
- Jöran Sahlgren's award from the Royal Gustavus Adolphus Academy 1995
- Awards from Royal Skyttean Society 1984, 1995
- Uppsala University's Umefond award 1993
- Umeå University's award for popular science contribution 1986
- Award from the Royal Gustavus Adolphus Academy 1985 (thesis)
- Beskowska stipendiet (scholarship from The Royal Academy of Letters, History and Antiquities) 1982
- Other awards: i.a. ”Arthur Hazelius-medaljen” (Nordiska museet) and ”Olof Högberg plaketten” (Norrlandsförbundet)

Assignments: International

- President of The International Society for Dialectology and Geolinguistics 2003–06
- At two occasions (2003, 2008) member of an international panel evaluating Portuguese research units; responsible for geolinguistics (Fundação para a Ciência e a Tecnologia, Lisboa)
- Member of a research panel at the Academy of Finland 2011, 2012
- Referee for the Estonian Research Council 2011
- Responsible for the international IPY conference ”Human dimensions” in October 2008 with 117 lectures and 169 participants

Assignments: National and Scandinavian

- Member of the governmental working commission on research led by the Minister of Education 1992–94.
- Appointed by the Government as member of Svensk-isländska samarbetsfonden 2007–
- Appointed by the Government as member of the board of Riksantikvarieämbetet ('The Swedish National Heritage Board') 2004–07 and member of its Committee for research strategies 2008–2011
- Appointed by the Parliament of Sweden as member of the board of The Bank of Sweden Tercentenary Foundation 2006–10, member and later chair of the research panel for languages, literature, art, design etc.
- Member of the board of Svenska Fornskriftsällskapet
- Member of Menota (Medieval Nordic Text Archive)
- Member of the board of The Swedish Collegium for Advanced Study (SCAS, Uppsala)
- Swedish member (chair) of Atlas linguistique d'Europe 2011–
- With professor Östen Dahl, Stockholm, responsible for a volume on languages in the Swedish National Atlas (2005–10)
- Responsible for the Atlas of Swedish dialects and place-names 2010–2014 (the Royal Gustavus Adolphus Academy)
- Deputy in the Place-name council (Lantmäteriet)
- External expert for numerous personal chairs, promotions to professorship, evaluations of lecturers and associate professors; member of several academic expert committees, assessment panels in Scandinavia; frequently appointed as faculty examiner, examining committees

Assignments: Local – regional

- Dean, Faculty of Arts, UmU 1999–2005 (with all commitments connected with the assignment)
- A large number of commissions at the department, faculty and university, UmU (not further specified here)
- Working member of Stiftelsen Språk och kultur (a prize awarding foundation within the field of language and culture)
- Member of the steering committee for Umeå's application to be EU's Capital of Culture 2006–2010. The application was inspired by the Sami calendar.

Editorial duties

- Editor-in-chief and founder of the international refereed Journal of Northern Studies, Umeå, 2007–
- Editor-in-chief for Anthroponymica Suecana (Uppsala & Umeå)
- Co-editor (with Astrid van Nahl) of Dialectologia et Geolinguistica 2003–06.
- Editorial board of Nowele: North-Western European language evolution (Odense, Denmark)
- Editorial board of Arkiv för nordisk filologi (Lund)
- Editorial board of Svenska landsmål och svenskt folkliv (Uppsala)

- Editorial board of *Namn och bygd* (Uppsala)
- During 1992–1996 editor-in-chief for the four-volume encyclopedia of Northern Sweden, which describes the area in a broad cultural and historical perspective.

Research projects (financed by the Swedish Research Council or The Bank of Sweden Tercentenary Foundation)

- Active in several cross-disciplinary dialect and place-name projects, e.g. during the 80s *Luleälvprojektet* and the project "Northern Sweden in a language geographic light – computer supported dialectography", which gave rise to the database *Diabas*.
- Directed a cross-disciplinary project *Kulturgräns norr: Förändringsprocesser i tid och rum* ('Cultural Boundaries in northern Scandinavia: Temporal and Spatial Processes') 1996–2005, a project involving eight disciplines. 56 volumes from the project were published in the series *Kulturens frontlinjer*.
- Director of the etymological project *Svensk etymologisk databas* and the philological project *Vadstenaklostret som text- och handskriftsproducerande miljö – produktion, tradition och reception*.
- Engaged (20%) in "Recalling the past. Cultural heritage, landscapes and identity processes in northern Fennoscandia", directed by associate professor Ingela Bergman 2013–17.

Other commissions

- Chairman of Västerbottens läns hembygdsförbund (1990–2003)
- Chairman of Stiftelsen folkuniversitetet, Umeå, and member of the National Board for Folkuniversitet (an adult educational association connected with the universities) 2005–
- Chairman (2000–) and one of the two initiators of Johan Nordlander-sällskapet, Umeå, 1979

Persons who have completed their doctoral degree for which the applicant has been the main supervisor (all UmU)

- Staffan Wiklund 1992 (PhD)
- Asbjørg Westum 1999 (PhD)
- Linnea Gustafsson 2002 (PhD)
- Susanne Haugen 2007 (PhD)
- Solbritt Hellström 2008 (PhD)
- Anna Greggas Bäckström 2011 (PhD)
- Ola Wennstedt 1995 (licentiate thesis)
- Rune Westerlund 2010 (licentiate thesis)

Persons who have completed their doctoral degree for which the applicant has been deputy supervisor

- Daniel Andersson (Scandinavian languages) 2009 (PhD, UmU)
- Ingela Bolton-Hedström, 2009 (PhD, Oslo University)
- Nils Dverstorp, 2010 (PhD, Oslo University)
- Marianne Lönn (archaeology) 1999 (PhD, UmU)

Post-doctoral students who collaborate or have collaborated with the applicant in the research group

- Within “Cultural Boundaries in northern Scandinavia: Temporal and Spatial Processes” (see above) collaboration with researchers on forest history, history, ethnology, economic history etcetera
- Post-doctoral students within the department are Susanne Haugen, Daniel Andersson and Konstantin Zhukov (from Yaroslav the Wise Novgorod State University, Russia, now working in Umeå)

Experiences of communicating results with stakeholders/end users

During 30 years I have given more than 600 popular science public lectures in different contexts, primarily on place-names and dialects. I have also presented place-names in radio and television since the 1980s. I have collaborated with municipal authorities and politicians, e.g. the municipality of Umeå’s bid to become the European Union’s European Capital 2014. I have been a member of the Swedish National Heritage Board, and chairman of Västerbottens läns hembydsförbund. During these assignments I have worked closely with people in local communities.

List of Publications 2004–2011

1. Peer reviewed articles in international journals. Articles in books with international coverage

1.1. Chapters in books

Mapping of the North Germanic Languages. In *Language and Space. An International Handbook of Linguistic Variation*, vol 2 [a], Language mapping. Ed by A. Lameli, R. Kehrein, S. Rabanus. De Gruyter Mouton, NY & Berlin 2011, pp. 203–237.

– *ibid.*, vol 2 [b], pp. 1001–1006.

Ortsnamn i alten Sprachberührungsgebieten – am Beispiel Nordskandinaviens. In *NOWELE* vol 46/47 (*Papers on Scandinavian and Germanic Language and Culture. Published in Honour of Michael Barnes on his Sixty-Fifth Birthday 28 June 2005*), pp. 41–52.

Rödån, Rödåsel och Rödålund. Kring ett nordligt namnkomplex. In *Namenwelten. Orts- und Personennamen in historischer Sicht. Ergänzungsbände zum Reallexikon der Germanischen Altertumskunde*, Bd. 44, 2004, pp. 22–32.

1.2. Articles in encyclopedias

Rentier [aus samischer Sicht]. In *Reallexikon der Germanischen Altertumskunde*. [---] Hrsgg. von H. Beck et al., Bd 24, 2003, pp. 510–512.

Schrittfinnen. In *Reallexikon der Germanischen Altertumskunde*. [---] Hrsgg. von H. Beck et al., Bd. 27, 2004, pp. 330–334.

Ski [Zur Geschichte der Skier]. In *Reallexikon der Germanischen Altertumskunde*. [---] Hrsgg. von H. Beck et al., Bd. 28, 2005, pp. 636–639.

2. Articles in regional or national journals

Språkgeografisk kartering av de nordiska språken. In *Svenska landsmål* 2011, pp. 7–58.

Språken i Sverige. In *Kungl. Vitterhets Historie och Antikvitets Akademiens Årsbok* 2011, pp. 187–214.

Aktuell litteratur om svenska dialekter. En krönika sammanställd av Lars-Erik Edlund i samverkan med medarbetare [---]. In *Svenska landsmål* 2011, pp. 179–196.

Om *valv* i nordiska ortnamn. In *Namn och bygd* 98, 2010, pp. 21–37.

Siken i folklig tradition och dialekt. En studie av folkliga taxonomier och språk i möten. In *Svenska landsmål* 2010, pp. 49–80.

Några avläggare av *hvel* 'hjul' i nordiska dialekter. In *Svenska landsmål* 2010, pp. 81–84.

Aktuell litteratur om svenska dialekter. En krönika sammanställd av Lars-Erik Edlund i samverkan med medarbetare [---]. In *Svenska landsmål* 2010, pp.157–171.

Om *valv* och det ångermanländska *Valto*. In *Meijerbergs arkiv för svensk ordforskning* (Bo65. Festskrift till Bo Ralph) 39, pp. 281–291.

Minnesord. Oskar Bandle 1926–2009. In *Thule. Kungl. Skytteanska samfundets Årsbok* 2010, pp. 263–265.

Peter Artedis samtid och vetenskapliga gärning. Några tankar från ett symposium. In *Thule ...* 2010, pp. 167–174. (With Pär Eiasson.)

Aktuell litteratur om svenska dialekter. En krönika sammanställd av L.-E. Edlund i samverkan [---]. In *Svenska landsmål* 2009, pp. 129–138.

Aktuell litteratur om svenska dialekter. En krönika sammanställd av Lars-Erik Edlund i samverkan med medarbetare [---]. In *Svenska landsmål* 2008, pp. 125–137.

Aktuell litteratur om svenska dialekter (with E. Thelin & A.Westerberg). In *Svenska landsmål* 2007, pp. 125–133.

Aktuell litteratur om svenska dialekter (with E. Thelin & A. Westerberg). In *Svenska landsmål* 2006, pp. 127–138.

Aktuell litteratur om svenska dialekter (with E. Thelin & A. Westerberg). In *Svenska landsmål* 2005, pp. 161–168.

Aktuell litteratur om svenska dialekter (with E. Thelin). In *Svenska landsmål* 2004, pp. 119–126.

Frans Bergvalls "Edseles folkliga flora". Några språkliga iakttagelser. In *Oknytt. Johan Nordlander-sällskapets tidskrift* 3–4, 2004, pp. 72-80.

3. Proceedings and other reports in languages of common international currency

The story of Nils and Anders: some historical perspectives on reflection and writing development. In *The 28th Session of the International Standing Conference for the History of Education (ISCHE 28)* (with K. P.H. Sullivan & E. Lindgren).

4. Reports solely in Swedish

4.1. Books

Lånord i svenskan. Om språkförändringar i tid och rum. (With B. Hene.) 2nd ed., Stockholm 2004. 184 pp.

Språken i Sverige. (Edited with Ö. Dahl; Dahl and Edlund main authors), Stockholm 2010. 176 pp.

4.2. Edited books and journals

Proceedings of the 21st International Congress of Onomastic Sciences, 2 (E. Brylla & M. Wahlberg in collaboration with Lars-Erik Edlund), Uppsala 2006. 332 pp.

Kartan i forskningens tjänst. (With A.-S. Gräslund & B. Svensson.) Uppsala 2008, 206 pp.

Namn i flerspråkiga och mångkulturella miljöer [---] (with S. Haugen), Umeå 2009. 184 pp.

Studier i dialektologi och lingvistik. Föredrag vid Nionde nordiska dialektologkonferensen i Uppsala 18–20 augusti 2010 (with L. Elmevik och M. Renhammar). Uppsala 2011, 366 s..

Dialectologia et Geolinguistica (with A. van Nahl) 13–15 (2004–2006)

Journal of Northern Studies (editor-in-chief) 1–, 2007–

Kulturens frontlinjer (editor-in-chief), vol. 1–56. Umeå 1996–2008.

4.3. Articles in Festschriften etc.

Mellan väst och öst. Det jämtska språkområdet över tid ur ett nordiskt perspektiv. In *Jämtland och den jämtländska världen 1000–1645* (Kungl. Vitterhetsakademiens Konferenser 75), Stockholm 2011, pp. 43–90.

Johan Nordlander. I: *Svenska etnologer och folklorister*. Red. M. Hellspong & F. Skott, Uppsala 2010, s. 25–32.

Språklig mångfald i södra lappmarken. In *Samtal i rörelse. Elva essäer om mänskliga möten och språkets kraft*, Stockholm, pp. 149–159.

Dialekterna och folkkulturen – några perspektiv. In *Folkkultur i fokus* (ed. M. Reinhammar), Uppsala 2009, pp. 127–138.

Inledning. In *Namn i flerspråkiga och mångkulturella miljöer* (se above), pp. 7–10.

Kartor – några reflektioner utifrån morfars karta. In *Kartan i forskningens tjänst* (se above), Uppsala 2008, pp. 11–22.

Carl Linnæus - en smålänning på resa i Lappland för 275 år sedan. In *Med Linné i norr: Förändringar i natur och kultur från 1700-tal till våra dagar*, Umeå 2007, pp. 31–39.

Tankar om regional språkhistoria. In *Regional språkhistorie*, Trondheim 2006, pp. 6–19, 94.

Kartor – mentala och andra. In *Gränslöst. Forskning i Sverige och i världen*, Stockholm 2006, pp. 175–191 + 12 maps.

Från Håxåsen till Sapientia Duce. Nils Jönsson och hans skrivande 1877–1882. In *Språk i tid. Studier tillägnade Mats Thelander på 60-årsdagen*, Uppsala 2005, pp. 352–335.

Frontespiser i äldre svenska ordböcker – ett bidrag till svensk lexikografisk forskning. In *Från Närpesdialekt till EU-svenska. Festskrift till Kristina Nikula*, Tampere 2003, pp. 33–40.

4.4. Reviews

Ca. 160 reviews in *Arkiv för nordisk filologi* (in Swedish) and ca. 100 in *Journal of Northern Studies* 2004–2011 (in English). 3 reviews in *Svenska landsmål*, 3 reviews in *Namn och bygd*, 2 reviews in *Språk och stil*, 1 review in *Namn og nemne* and 1 in *Norsk lingvistisk tidsskrift*.

5. Popular science articles/presentations

Inledning. In *Vilhelmina. En lappmarksbygd* 1944–47, 1948–49, Umeå 2011, pp. 9–14.

Morfars karta – som jag minns den. In *Nycklar till kunskap. Om människans bruk av naturen*, Uppsala 2010, s. 273–283.

De norrbottniska dialekterna – några nordiska perspektiv. In *Norrbottnen. Norrbottens läns hembygdsförbund* 2009, pp 186–201.

Inledning. In *Vilhelmina. En lappmarksbygd 1937–1940, 1941–1943*, Umeå 2009, pp. 9–14.

Dialektala terrängord. I: *Biodeverse*, 4, (14), 2009, s. 12–13.

Terrängord – en spegel av forna tiders kunskapssamhällen. In *Ju förr desto bättre. Kulturarvet som resurs för en hållbar utveckling*, Uppsala 2009, pp. 47–56.

Nyckelpigor. In *Människan och faunan: etnobiologi i Sverige*, 3, Stockholm 2008, p. 187.

Trollsländor: odonata. In *Människan och faunan* (see above), 3, Stockholm 2008, 3, p. 401.

Ångermanlandskråkor och andra. In *Människan och faunan* (see above), 3, Stockholm 2008, p. 197.

Svenska dialekter in *Nationalencyklopedin* (electronic)

Dialekt in *Nationalencyklopedin* (electronic)

Twelve articles on place-names in *Västerbottens folkblad* in 2004–2005.

6. Personally developed computer programs

(With Fredrik Palm) *Diabas* – North Germanic geolexical database. [Online database to explore, visualize words in North Germanic dialects with dynamic maps, tables etc.]; urn:nbn:se:umu:diva-51228.