

A photograph of a historic building in Lund, Sweden, with a magnolia tree in the foreground. The building has a prominent tower with a conical roof and a Swedish flag flying. A black lamppost with two white lamps stands in the middle ground. The sky is clear blue.

Dyspnea Society's 8th Conference

June 10 - 12, 2026, Lund

Scientific Program



Wednesday, June 10th

19:00-22:00

Dyspnea 2026 - Welcome Reception

Grand Hotel, Lund

Thursday, June 11th

08:15-09:00

Registration

09:00-09:10

Dyspnea 2026 - Welcome & Opening Remarks

Magnus Ekström & Andrew Binks

09:10-09:40

Patient's experiences living with breathlessness

Theme 1 - Mechanisms of Dyspnea

09:45 -10:30

Respiratory pathophysiology of dyspnea

Keynote speaker: *Dennis Jensen, McGill University, Canada*

10:25-10:45

Discussion

10:45-11:15

Coffee Break & Networking

11.15-12:00

Neuroscience of experiences

Keynote Speaker: *Micah Allen, Aarhus University, Denmark*

12:00-12:20

The neurobiological model of dyspnea

Plenary speaker: *Kyle Pattinson, Oxford University, UK*

12:20-12:45

Discussion

12:45-13:45

Lunch & Networking

Thursday, June 11th

Theme 2 - Measurement of Dyspnea

13:45-14:15

Do we really need more dyspnea measures? Why? When?
Keynote Speaker: *Hayley Lewthwaite, University of Newcastle, Newcastle, Australia*

14:15-14:25

Discussion

14:25-14:45

Emerging Dyspnea Scientist

14:45-14:55

Short break

14:55-15:15

Presentation

15:15-15:20

Closing Remarks
Magnus Ekström

15:30-17:00

Scientific posters ans snack

19:30 -

Conference Dinner

Friday, June 12th

Theme 2 - Management of Dyspnea

09:00-09:30 **Dyspnea in the Intensive Care Unit**
Keynote Speaker: *Martin J. Tobin, Loyola University, Chicago, USA*

09:30-09:40 **Discussion**

09:40-10:10 **L-Menthol to alleviate Dyspnea**
Keynote speaker: *Andreas von Leupoldt, University of Leuven, Belgium*

10:10-10:20 **Discussion**

10:20-10:40 **Emerging Dyspnea Scientist**

10:40-11:10 **Coffee Break & Networking**

11:10-11:30 **Presentation**

11:30-12:00 **Dyspnea in Heart Failure - Mechanisms, Treatments and Knowledge Gaps.**
Keynote speaker: *Tony Babb, University of Texas, USA*

12:00-12:10 **Discussion**

12:10-12:30 **Presentation**

13:30-13:30 **Lunch & Networking**

13:30-14:00 **Presentation**

14:00-14:30 **Plenary speaker**

14:30-14:40 **Discussion**

14:40-15:00 **Global burden of breathlessness**
Emerging Dyspnea Scientist
Slavica Kochovska, Flinders University, Adelaide, Australia

15:00-15:30 **Coffee Break**

15:30-16:00 **The Dyspnea Society Business Meeting and Future Directions**
Andrew Binks, President

16:00-16:20 **Dyspnea 2026 Awards**
The Sara Booth Breathlessness Research Prize
Andrew Binks & Magnus Ekström

16:20-16:30 **Dyspnea 2026 Closing Remarks**
Magnus Ekström