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Title of Project: A website for the Swedish corneal surgeon's society and the Swedish corneal register

The Swedish corneal surgeon society is an informal association for the corneal surgeons in Sweden. We meet once a year to discuss latest developments of the field, patients and results arising from the Swedish corneal register.

There are three corneal registers in the world of which the Swedish corneal register is the only one with a web based follow up of results from corneal surgery. This gives a high degree of coverage and accessibility for the involved surgeons. The register started in 1996 with the purpose to be a tool for quality control.

For many years the corneal surgeons have discussed a construction of an "own" website. This would be connected to the Swedish corneal register but also serve as a source of information concerning corneal diseases, treatments, surgery as well as upcoming meetings and other information involving the society and the register. The website aim to serve a wide range of people; ophthalmic surgeons, other colleagues, nurses, the patients and their relatives.

I adopted this task for my EuLDP project, contacted a web bureau and supervised two residents to search for information, facts and photos in order to create a relevant and informative homepage addressing the different groups. We involved the steering group of the corneal society to review all material before releasing the website. Last summer we presented the project and the website at a meeting for all the corneal surgeons and got their approval. In June 2012 the website was launched under the address www.cornea.nu.