

Inneklimat och hälsa



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Dagsprogram

Vad vet vi om inneklimat och hälsa-egentligen?

Hur hanterar vi inneklimatproblem?

Är mögel så farligt som folk tror?

Praktiska fall / frågor / diskussion

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Fjällglimten stängs – drabbat av mögel

De "sjuka gränslägarna" hade rätt. Fjällglimten är ett mögelhus. Det visade sig när det varit tiden att pröva som tagits. Facket bestod att omkring 1000 förtigga värdenheterna. Boende och personal ska så fort som möjligt flyttas över till Åsana.

Sköt ut vi intingen fick sitt. Vi har inte örtillstånd, säger Åsana. Men nu är de åtta kvartser som arbetar på fjällglimten borta.

Sjö har hundratusentals lätt svamp och förfuktade köksfläckar.

Är det alltid allergi- och mögelproblem, som man misstänker? Sjö har också mögelbakterier i luften.

Känner sig krävda?

Men det är inte särskilt förtigas arbetare som har blivit mörkbladade och skräckta. Det är också barnen som har sitt näbbfulla i mögelbakte-

Rena fältetongen i kommunhus:
Mögelplåga i Gällivare

Sjuk-huset



Avdelen på Astrid Lindgrens barnsjukhus stängs efter allergalarmar



Ett visst tids här någon längre sedan. Tröghet är det så att man inte kan få svar från den enskilda myndigheten, vilket verksamheten Jarl Beckman.

Ring till körerna väster
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AFTONBLADET

"Hälften av småhusen kan vara fuktksadade"

Det visar ny undersökning från Årström och Anticimex. Berörda är inte heller i huvudsak äldre personer, utan även unga familjer.

Årströms rapport visar att nästan hälften av de omkring 100 000 bostäderna i landet är fuktksadade. Det är en deltagande som är betydligt högre än vad man tidigare har berört.

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Perwin Aziz som mår dåligt på förskolan Lärkan

Dagisbarnen blir sjuka av möglet

Forskare dömer ut miljön på förskolan som obalanserad.

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Stockholmshem hävdar att husen inte är sjuka

Ingen sanering trots giftlarmet

Grannarna oroar sig för giftiga gaser i inomhusluften

Sjuka hyresgäster nekas sanering

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Indoor Climate and Health – What do we **really** know?



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The International Academy of Indoor Air Sciences. Deadly Household Pollution: A call for Action

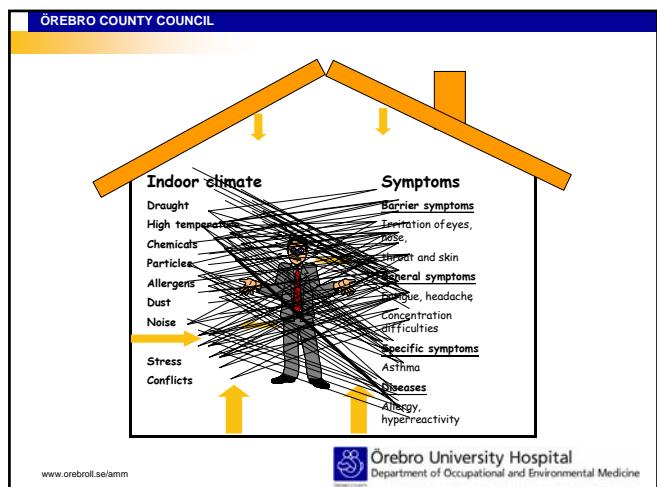


Premature deaths
Respiratory diseases
TB
Cancer
Poisoning
etc.

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A lot of statistical associations have been published !!!

Moisture/mould damaged environments – health effects ...
Insufficient ventilation – symptoms ...
Women report more symptoms than men do ...
Those with allergic diseases report more symptoms from the mucous membrane and skin ...
BUT

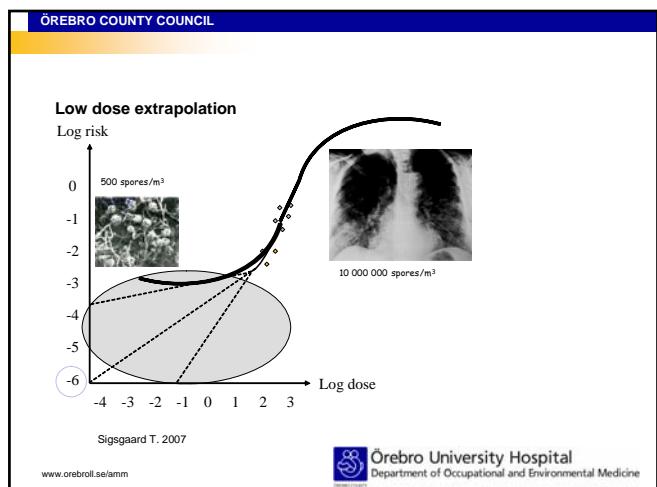
We do not usually

- know the agents of cause ...
- know the mechanisms ...
- understand why some people react the way they do



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Case I

Restoring cost 100 million US\$

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Chemical pathway diagram:

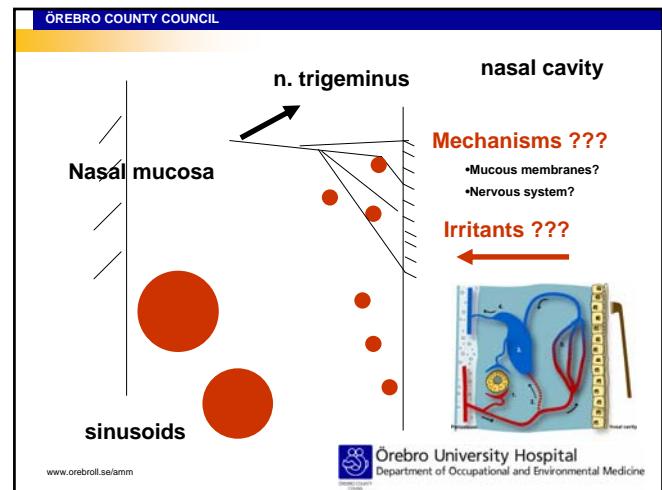
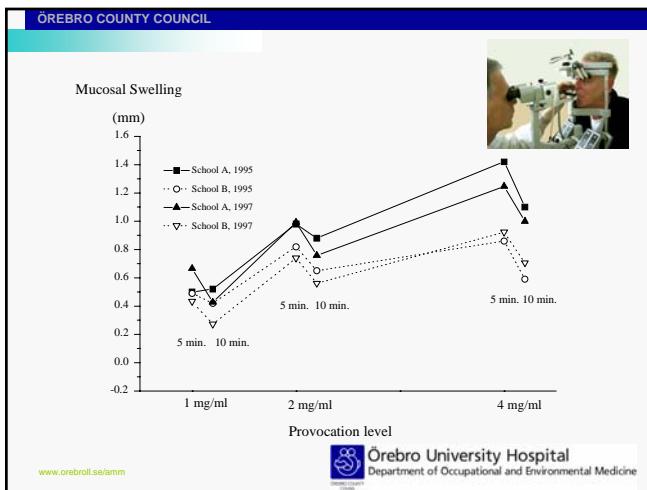
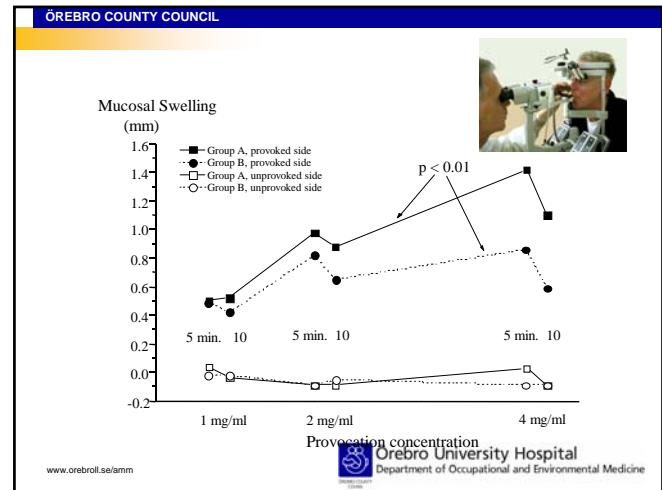
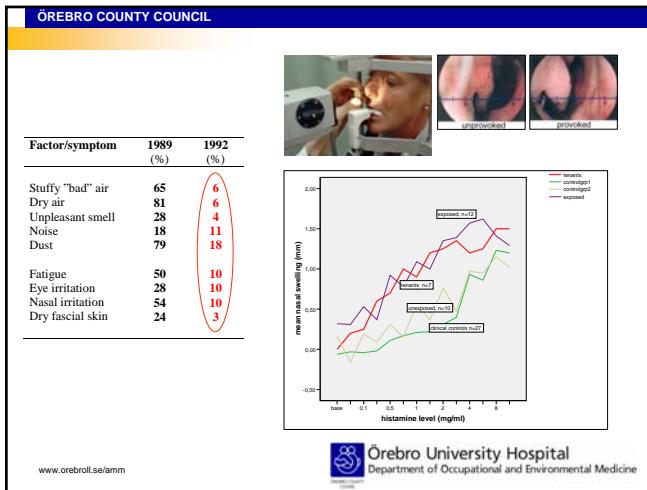
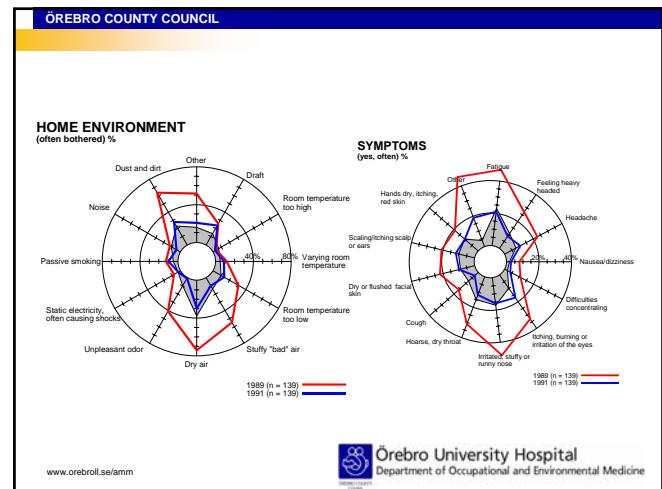
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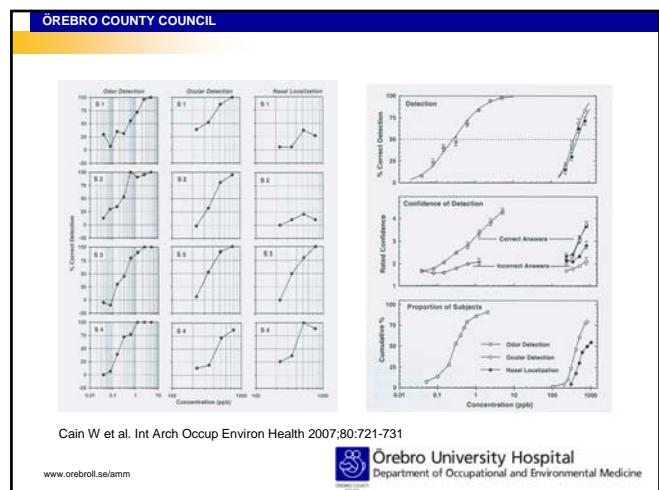
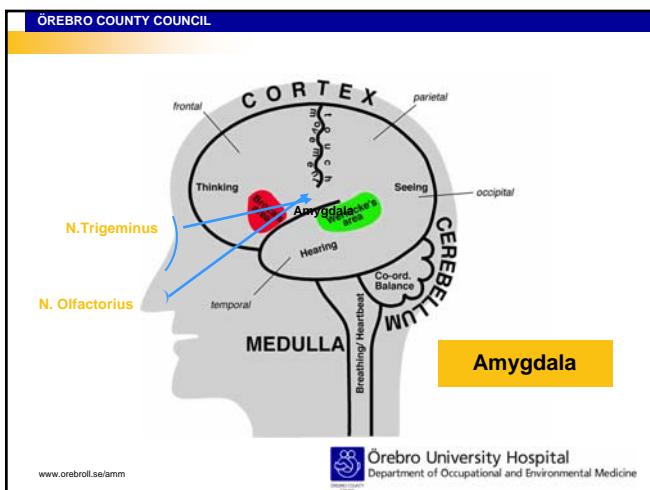
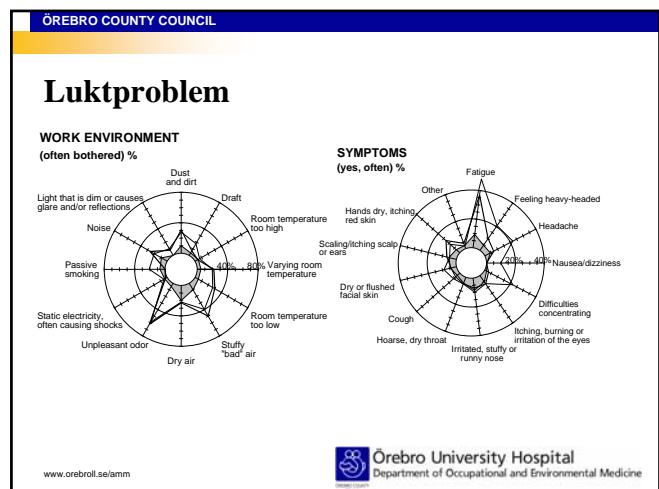
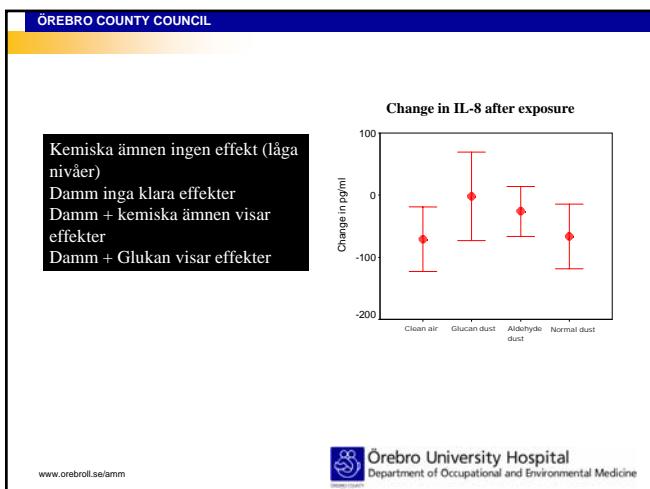
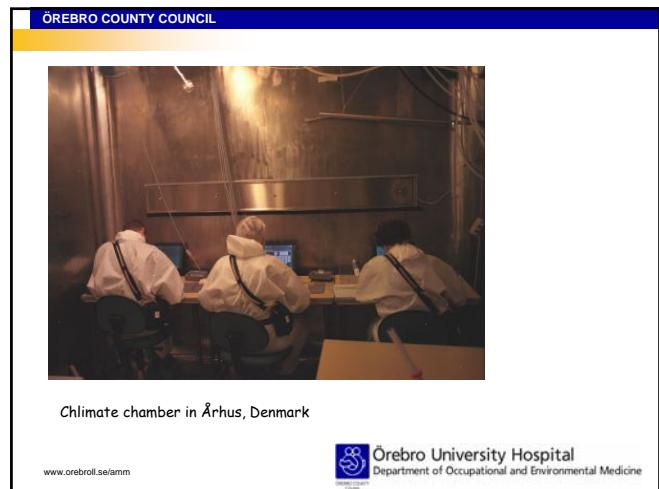
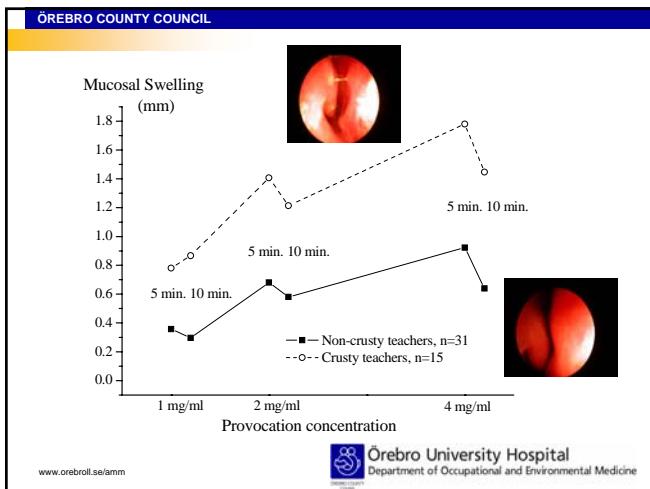
    protein → moisture, high pH → amino acids → products
    amino acids → ammonia
    ammonia → plasticizers
    ammonia → discolorred oak
    plasticizers → alcohols
  
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Indoor air quality data:

- TVOC_{mean} 127 µg/m³
- NH₃ < 1 ppm in the indoor air

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Flytten tillbaka till Presidenten oroar

Experiences:

"As soon as I enter the building, my nose starts running"

Some people cannot go back to work despite successful restoration

WHY?

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EDDA in front of the food

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Conditioning

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Ur: van den Bergh et al., Scan J of Psych, 2002

Fig. 1. Schema of the experimental set-up for an odor-CO₂ inhalation paradigm.

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Factors	Symptoms
smells	negative → positive →
mental pictures	negative → positive, neutral →
status	worry, anxiety →

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The Museum of Modern Art in Stockholm

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Case II Mould at the Museum of Modern Art in Stockholm (2001)

"sniffer dog findings"

Scared, stressed people
Strange allergy tests (75 % pos SPT)
The personnel had not noticed this "allergy"

"Mold misery"

Costs: 65 million US\$

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Result:

Symptom reduction (within months)

Normalised allergy tests (SPT and RAST)

Frozen samples showed normal RAST-test, no positive mould test (2004)

Why this outcome in allergy tests?

Exposures???

Stress??

Mood?? (Zacharei B, Aarhus University)

Nervous system? Histamine sensitivity?

Body and brain are interacting !!!

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The main characteristics of the human brain

- extreme work distribution
- integrating associative cortex areas

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Terje Lømo
Tim Bliss

LTP

A responds weakly to W before pairing

A responds strongly to S before pairing

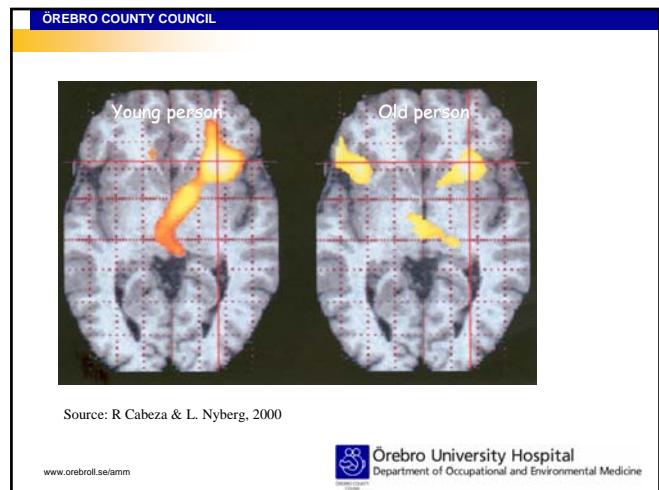
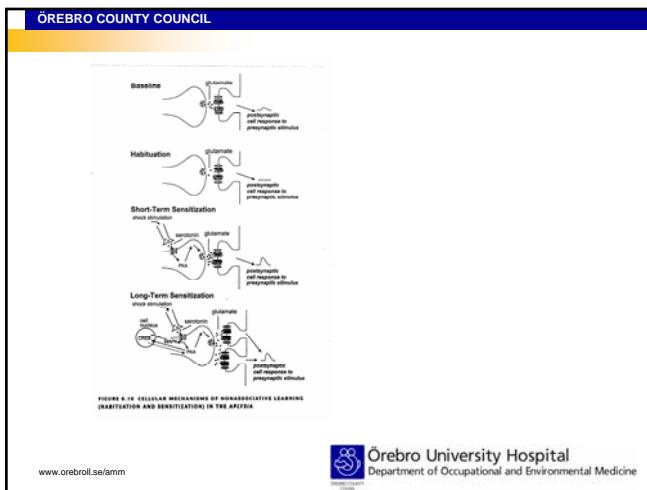
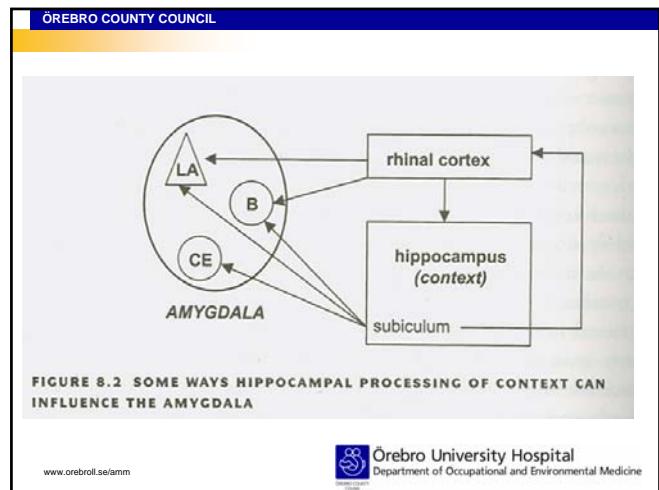
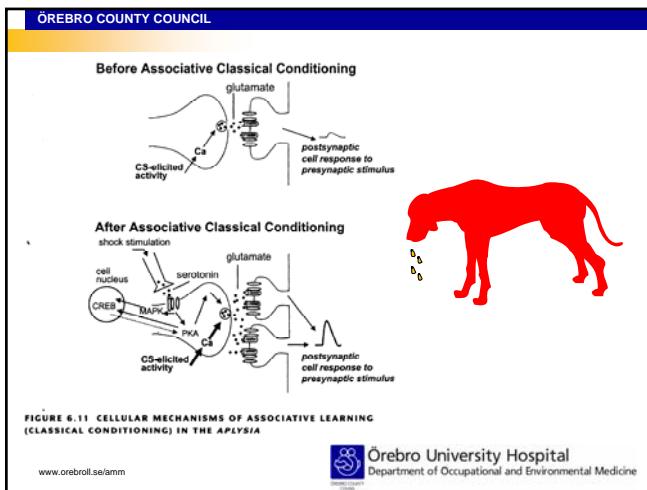
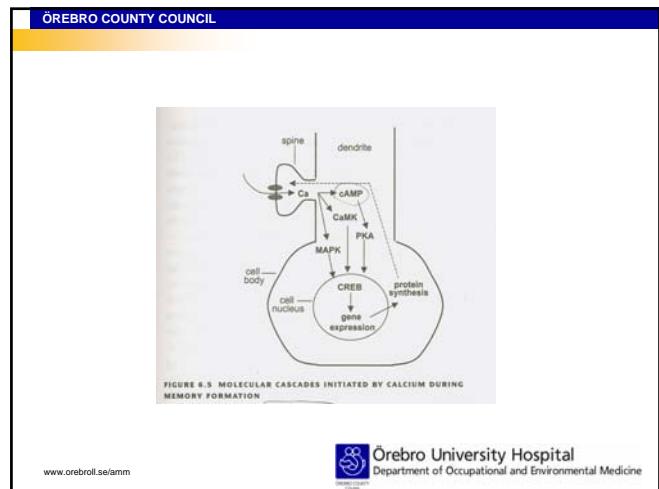
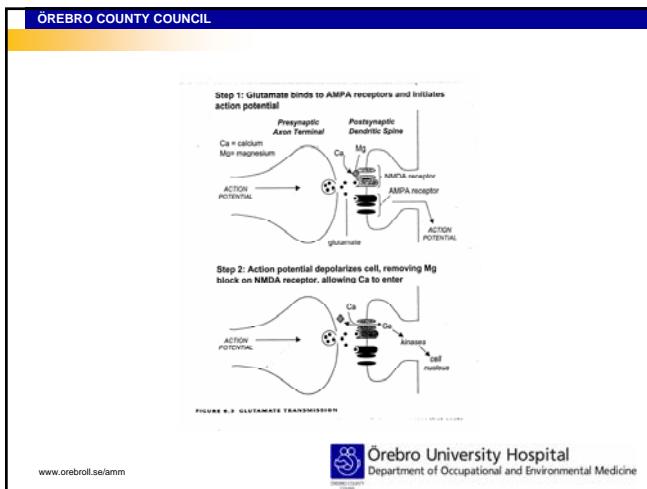
Pairing of W and S

A responds strongly to W after pairing

HEBBIAN PLASTICITY

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Life has changed – but we still have the "same" body and brain

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Regulatory systems – hypothalamus etc.
Immunological system
macrophages – first line defence
innate system
adaptive system – IgE, IgG etc.

Psychoneurological mechanisms
"Stress" systems
HPA-axis (Hypothalamic-Pituitary-Adrenal)
sympathetic nervous system (adrenalin etc.)

PSYCHONEUROIMMUNOENDOCRINOLOGY

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Symptom perception

Fig. 1. Symptom perception model.

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Final conclusions I

We know many associations between indoor exposures and health effects but a few causal relations between specific exposures and specific health effects, mainly because we do not know the mechanisms
It is necessary to have a holistic view and to realise that the body and brain interact
We need a more "real" multidisciplinary approach

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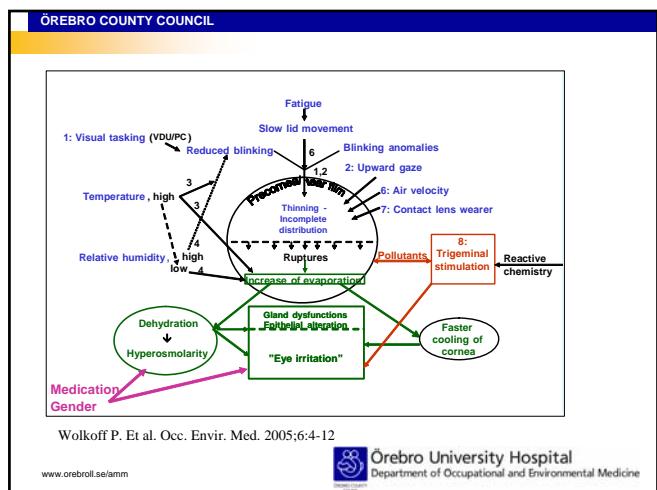
WE NEED MORE ...

- Experimental studies
- Objective measures
- Clinical studies (ind. susceptibility)
- Causing agents

Reactive agents???

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Who will do the research ?

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Final conclusions II

Despite our lack of "real" knowledge, most practical situations can be handled, using basic strategies and efficient risk communication and - by putting in financial resources

Risk communication
Information
Involvement
Respect

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