

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES

Mrs Marianne Ek graduated in chemistry from the University of Uppsala, Sweden 1983. After graduation, she joined the Medical Products Agency (MPA) in Uppsala where she has held several positions such as the Head of the Chemistry section, the Head of the Division of Standardisation and now Deputy Head of the Laboratory (the Swedish OMCL). She is responsible for Pharmacopoeia work in Sweden since 1993 and is a member of the Swedish Pharmacopoeia Commission since 1990. She has held the Chair of the Swedish Pharmacopoeia Commission since 2002. In 1995 she became a member of the Swedish Delegation to the European Pharmacopoeia Commission and Head of that Delegation in 1996. She has also been an expert in group 9 and is an expert in groups 10B, P4 and the Working party "Rules of Procedure". She also gives lectures at the University of Uppsala and has been supervisor of students doing their undergraduate thesis at the University of Uppsala.

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