

Modern statistical methods in exposure assessment and its implication for research and practice

25–29 September 2006, Edsåsdalen (Sweden)

The first international course on Modern Statistical Methods in Exposure Assessment and Its Implication for Research and Practice is being organized by the Nordic Institute for Advanced Training in Occupational Health (NIVA), and it will be held on 25–29 September 2006 in Edsåsdalen, Sweden.

The purpose of the course is to provide the background information needed to perform modern statistical analyses and to introduce statistical methods used for estimating intra- and interindividual exposure, to give examples of exposure to chemicals and physical load and to create discussion on the consequences of variability in epidemiologic studies, clinical work, and regulation.

The course is for graduate students, researchers, occupational health personnel and regulatory authority officials.

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Indoor air quality—link between indoor air pollution, sensory effects and psychological factors

25–28 September 2006, Copenhagen (Denmark)

Indoor Air Quality—Link Between Indoor Air Pollution, Sensory Effects and Psychological Factors is the sixth international course on this topic, and it will be held on 25–28 September 2006 in Vilvorde (Copenhagen), Denmark.

The objective of the course is to present state-of-the-art models on cause–effect relationships of indoor complaints using natural, medical, and psychological approaches and to create discussion on the topic. Olfaction and sensory irritation symptoms of the eyes and upper airways will be a special focus. The participants will gain an understanding on the multidisciplinary nature of indoor air symptomatology.

NIVA invites occupational safety and health professionals, industrial hygienists, and indoor air researchers working in the field of indoor air quality and health to participate. Knowledge of chemistry, biology or physiology, industrial hygiene, or occupational health is required.

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The Attractive Workplace

2–5 October 2006, Ludvika (Sweden)

The first international course on the topic “The Attractive Workplace” is being organized on 2–5 October 2006 in Ludvika, Sweden.

The course aims to provide a deep understanding of the concept of attractive workplaces, and means with which to organize local and regional processes with the aim of improving job attractiveness. The topics include defining an attractive workplace, providing project examples, tools to measure attractiveness and methods to improve motivation for changes in the workplace, as well as an interactive approach.

Researchers, occupational health professionals, actors in trade and industry, and others with an interest in workplace improvement are welcome to participate.

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Modern trends and needs in occupational safety and health

23–27 October 2006, Saint Petersburg (Russia)

The Russian course on Modern Trends and Needs in Occupational Safety and Health is being organized by the Nordic Institute for Advanced Training in Occupational Health (NIVA), and it will be held on 23–27 October 2006 in Saint Petersburg, Russia.

The course will be held in English and interpreted into Russian and it aims to highlight the different elements of risk management in a modern enterprise and to create a dialogue between academics and practitioners. The newest research findings and best practices will be introduced and interactive workshops will be organized.

Russian experts and authorities in the field of occupational health and risk assessment and management and from industry and labor market organizations are welcome to participate in the course. Extra places are available for participants from abroad.

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Surveillance and diagnosis of hand-arm vibration syndrome according to the EU directive

5 September 2006, Göteborg (Sweden)

A 1-day course is being arranged on 5 September 2006 by the Sahlgrenska Academy at the Göteborg University in Göteborg, Sweden, and a project of the European Union (EU) called VI-BRISKS. It will cover pathophysiology, health surveillance,

risk assessment, clinical assessment, quantitative tests, case management, cost-benefit for occupational health care, and examples of checklists and protocols from EU countries. There will also be an exhibition and demonstration of equipment used for the surveillance and diagnosis of vibration-exposed workers.

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