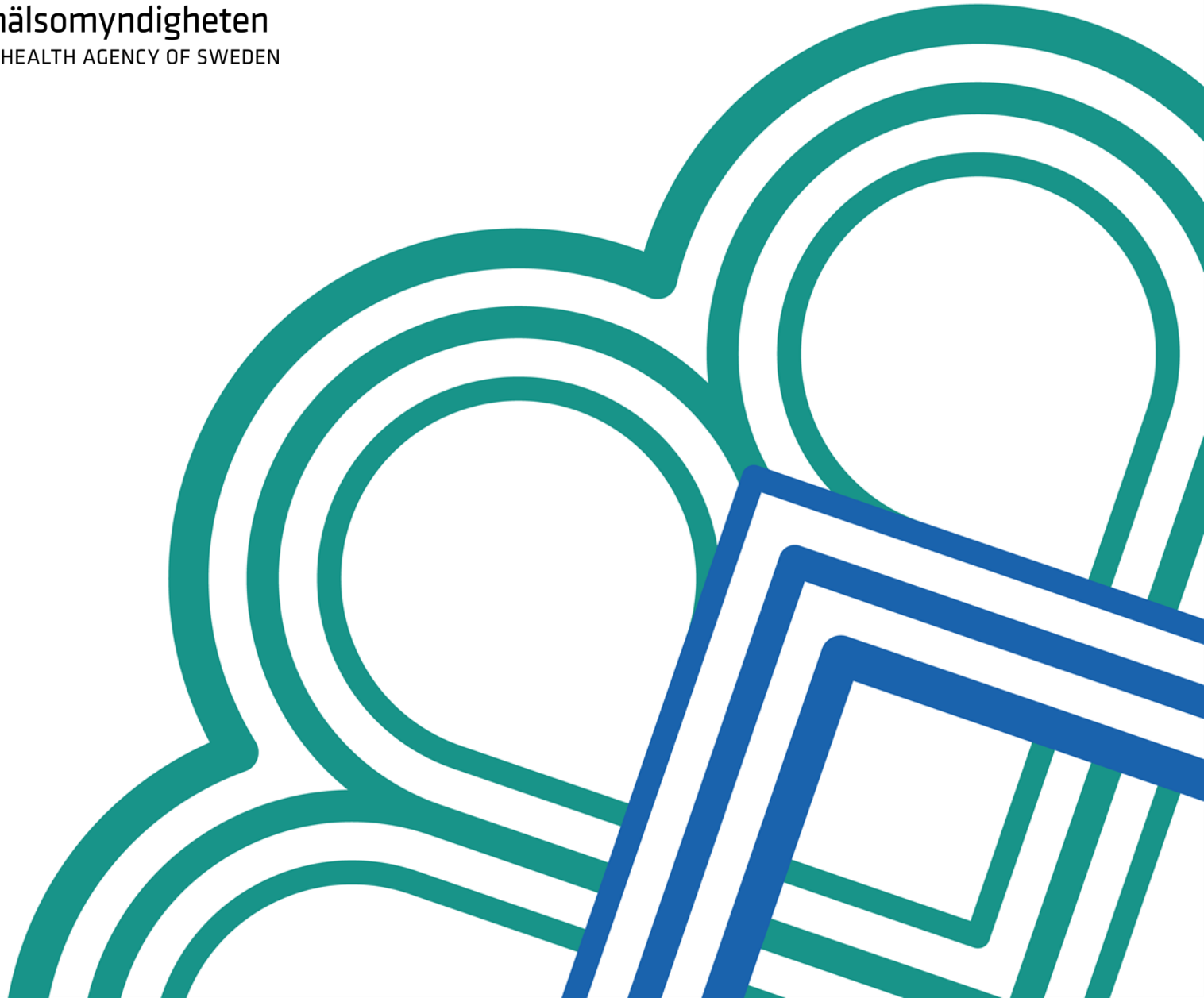




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Swedish Public Health Agency`s perspective and work related to NPS

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The Public Health Agency of Sweden

The Public Health Agency of Sweden has overall responsibility for public health issues at a national level.

Our mission is to promote health, prevent illness and contribute to a sustainable society.



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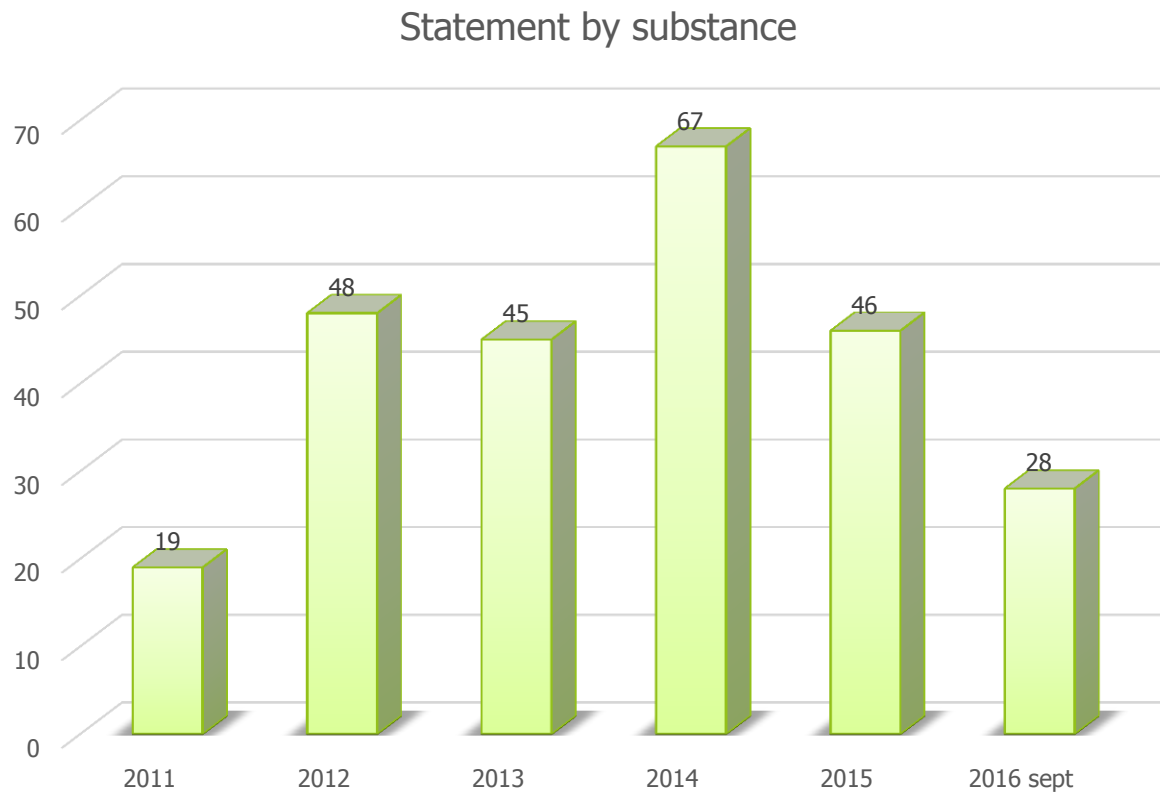
Public Health Agency of Sweden

- The Agency shall monitor and investigate the need for regulation of new substances as narcotics or under the Act on the Prohibition of Certain Goods Dangerous to Health.
- The Agency shall be a national unity (so-called Focal Point) for the European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction (EMCDDA)

Legal system

- Penal Law on Narcotics (SFS 1968:64)
- The Act on the Prohibition of Certain Goods Dangerous to Health (SFS 1999:42)
- Act on the Destruction of Certain Substances of Abuse Dangerous to Health (SFS 2011:111)

The Destruction Act-Statements



NADiS and NADiS-PORTAL

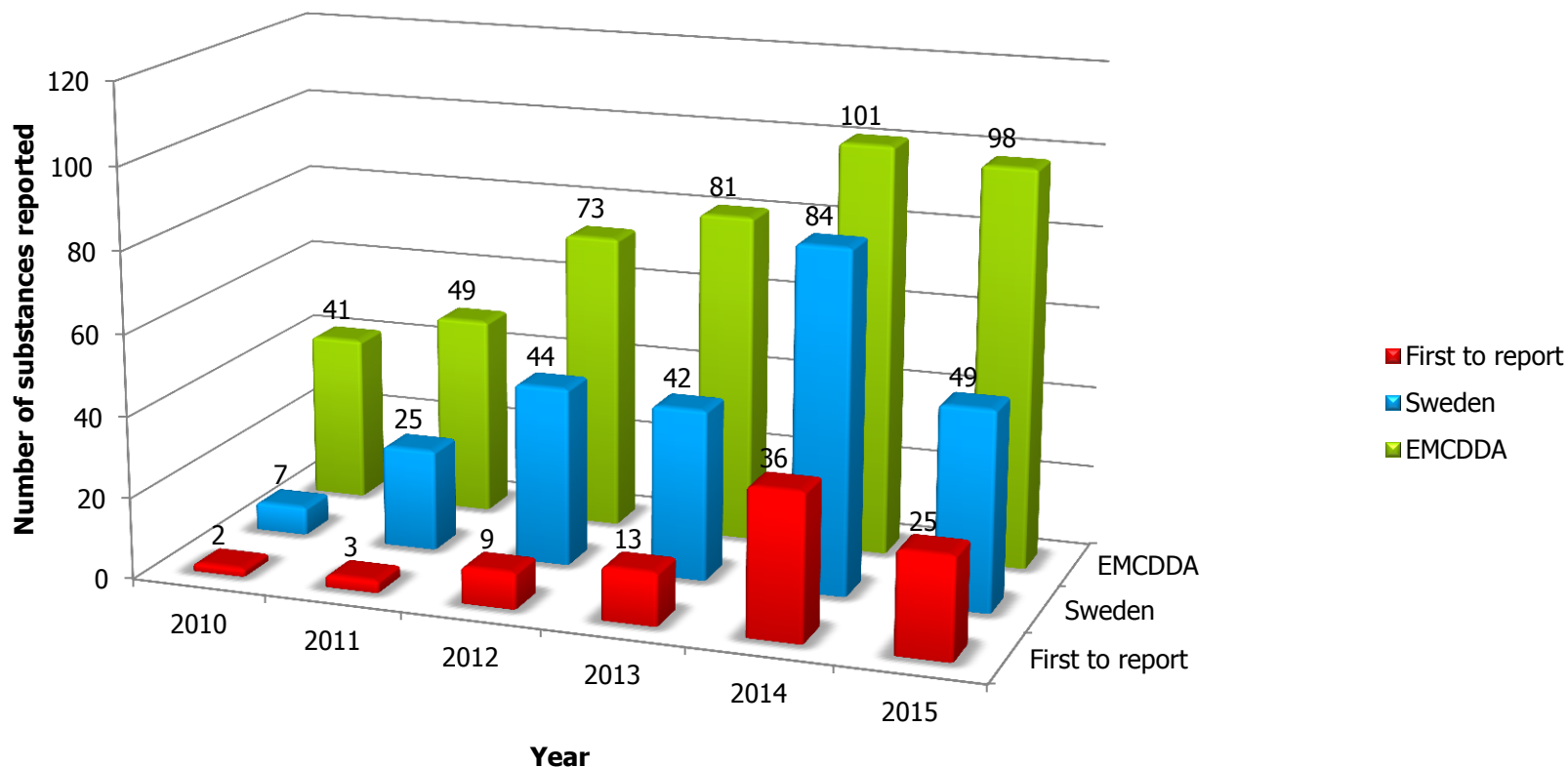
- Since 2000 we have a national collaboration called The Network for the Current Situation of Drugs in Sweden (NADiS)
- NADiS is a network for sharing information between agency's and other governs bodies and research.
- It's a reference group to Public Health Agency of Sweden and Medical Product Agency.
- The NADiS members have access to a closed internet webpage were you can enter information about seizers and serious adverse events. The NADiS-PORTAL .
- There is also a special email address for information regarding new psychoactive substances.

Contributing authorities in NADiS

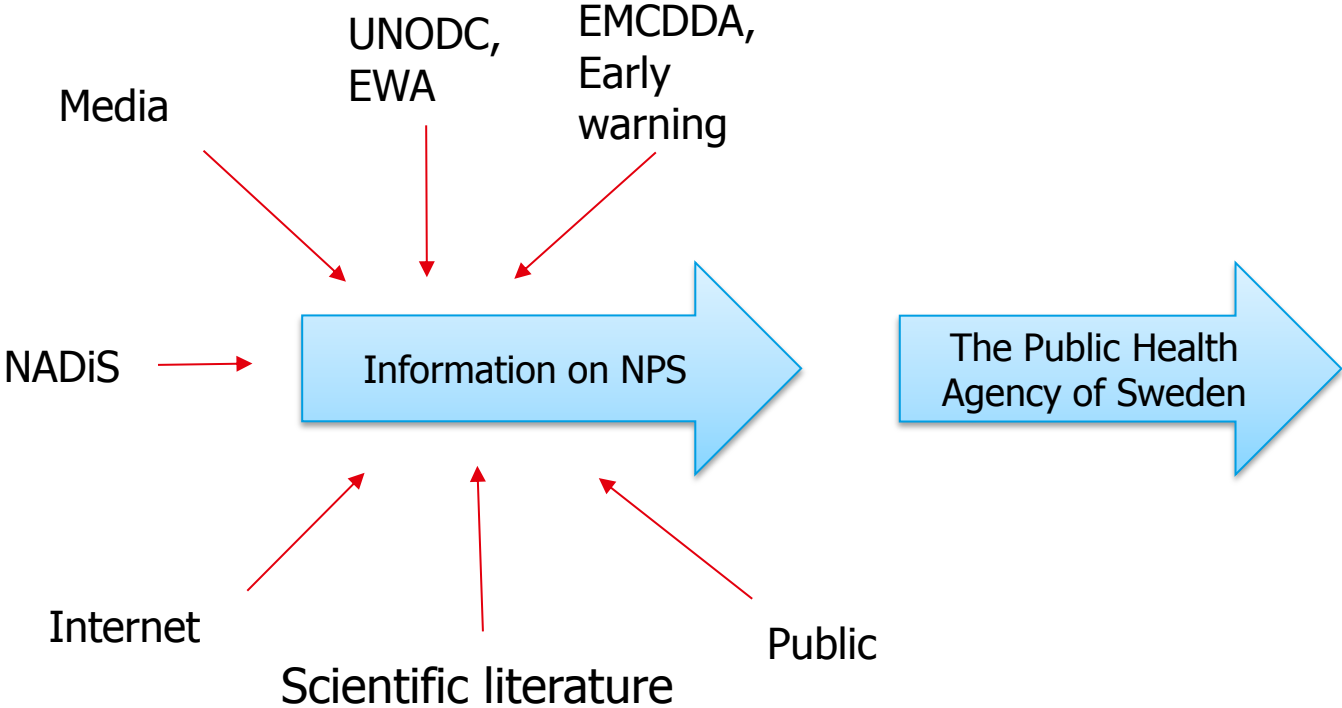
- Public Health Agency of Sweden
- Medical Products Agency
- Swedish Customs
- [Swedish custom laboratory](#)
- Swedish National Bureau of Investigation (NBI)
- Council for Information on Alcohol and Other Drugs
- [The National Board of Forensic Medicine](#)
- [Swedish National Laboratory of Forensic Science](#)
- [Swedish Poison Information Centre](#)
- The Swedish Prosecution Authority
- National Food Agency
- [Karolinska University laboratory, STRIDA](#)

Reporting of new psychoactive substances

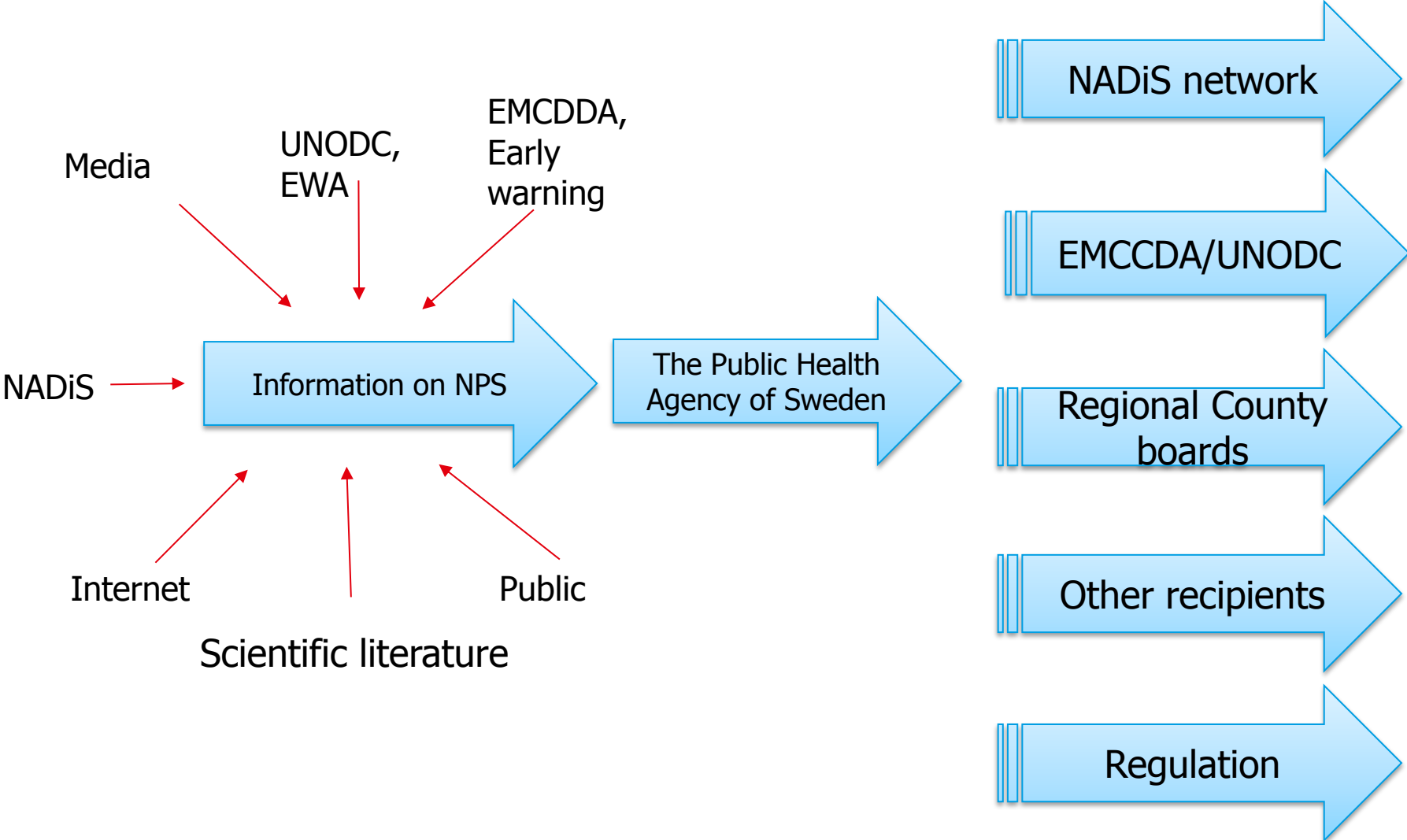
(from Sweden to the EMCDDA)



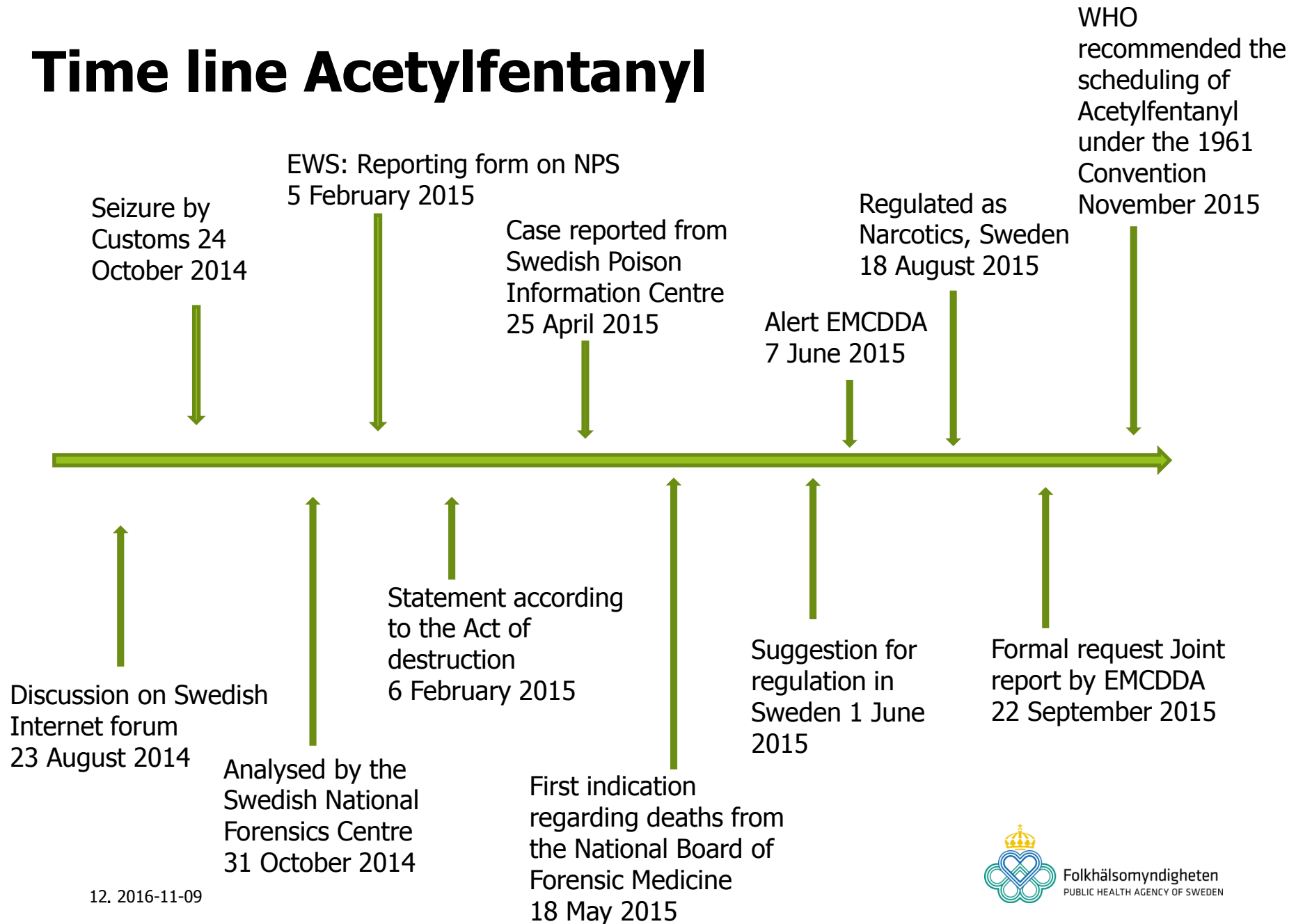
Swedish Early Warning System



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Time line Acetylfentanyl



Challenges

- The hospitals do not always take samples and send them for analyses.
- We might lack reference to validate a method
- Scientific literature
- It is sometimes hard to connect cases with each other because the excess information is not given
- To further develop the NADiS-PORTAL
- Differences between agencies and research

Priority areas for development

- Continue to develop the NADiS-portal
- Continue to work with the collaboration between public health, law enforcements, laboratories, research and other governmental bodies
- Possibly evolve the information dissemination

Thank you!

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