# Experiences of engaging with the Swedish population.

The Swedish National Stroke campaign
October 7<sup>th</sup> 2011 to December 31<sup>th</sup> 2013



# Swedish National Stroke Campaign

- Sweden has close to 10 million inhabitants
- Approximately 25 000 strokes occur every year
- The cost of the campaign was 5.4 million € corresponding to the cost of 60 stroke patients
- Campaign main purposes:
  - Increase public awareness of stroke and stroke symptoms
  - decrease patient s delay
  - Increase stroke alarms and reperfusion treatments

# Campaign message

Recognize stroke symptoms

Call **112** immediately Don't wait

AKUT = FAST <u>Face</u>, <u>Arm</u>, <u>Speech</u>, <u>Time</u>

#### **UPPTÄCK STROKE I TID**

Misstänker du att en person nära dig har fått en stroke? Kontrollera följande:



**ANSIKTE** Kan personen le och visa tänderna? Om mungipan hänger - ring 112!



**KROPPSDEL ARM/BEN** Kan personen lyfta armarna och hålla kvar dem i 10 sekunder? Om en arm faller - ring 112!



**UTTAL** Kan personen upprepa en enkel mening som "Det är vackert väder idag"? Om personen sluddrar eller inte hittar rätt ord - ring 112!



**TID** Varje sekund räknas.

Tveka aldrig. Ring 112 direkt.

Gör AKUT-testet på www.strokekampanjen.se. Tillsammans kan vi rädda liv

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# Design

#### TV commercials



#### Advertisements



#### Cards and banners

Upptäck stroke i tid



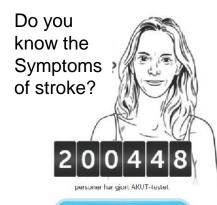
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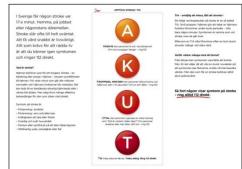
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#### Homepage





#### **Brochures**



#### Sports



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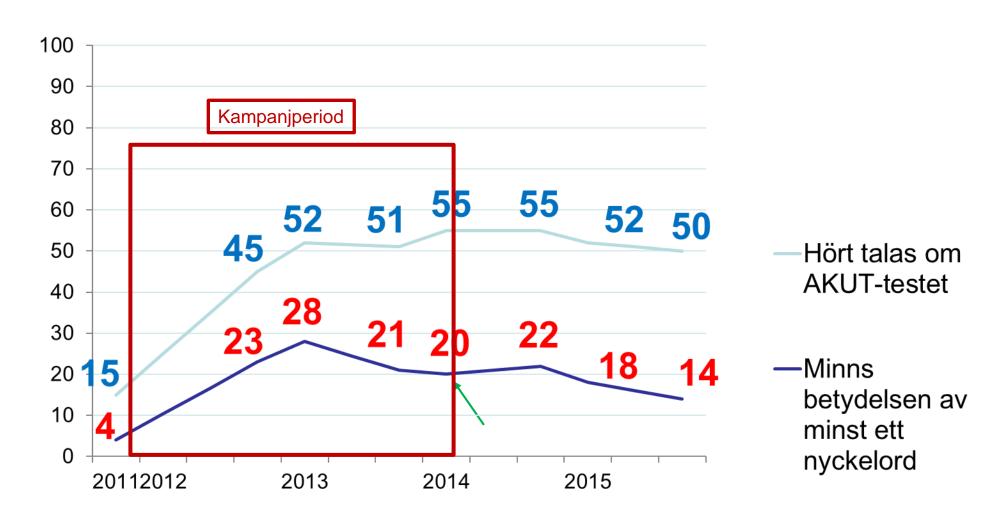
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### Results

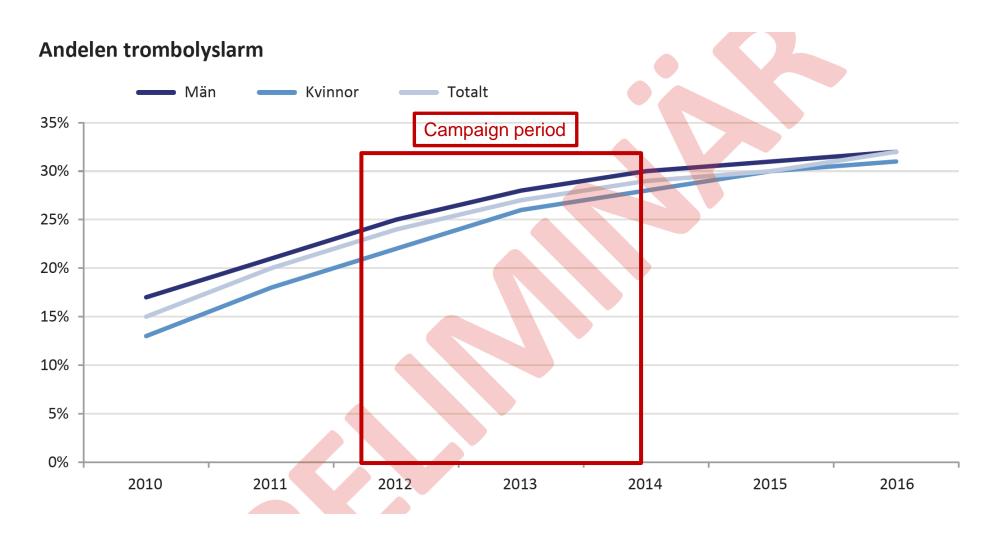
The number of gross contacts in the target group of the television part of the campaign was 150 million and in the printed media part 40 million, respectively. The digital media generated almost 360 million visitors

- After the campaign, 50 % of the Swedish population had heard about the AKUT test compared with 15 % before the campaign started
- Intent to call 112 when experiencing or observing stroke symptoms increased from 65 % to 73 %

# Andel intervjuade som känner till AKUT-testet eller kan redogöra för betydelsen av minst ett ord

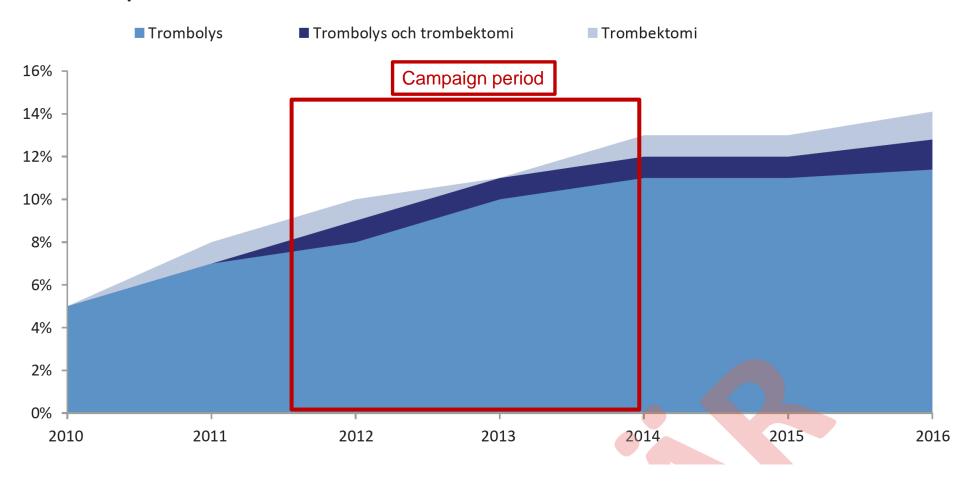


# Proportion with thrombolysis alarm



# Proportion treated with reperfusion

#### Andelen reperfusionsbehandlade 2010–2016



Time from symptom start to arrival to hospital decreased 15 minutes

# Conclusion

- Carefully designed, with metrics on exposure, population awarness and knowledge, and medical outcome data (Riksstroke)
- Acute stroke knowledge was increased, but "booster" campaigns appear to be needed
- It is uncertain if the campaign by itself increased earlier arrival to hospital or number of reperfusion treatments, but metrics improved substantially
- Positive trends were observed before and after, but increases were most prominent during and early after the campaign
- PhD work ongoing analyzing the campaign effects
- Swedish Campaign received WSO gold medal award 2014