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Emma Ahlqvist obtained her PhD at Lund University in 2007, studying the genetics of autoimmune disease in animal models. In 2009, she joined the Genomics, Diabetes and Endocrinology group at Lund University Diabetes Centre, where she is now an Associate Professor.

Her research interests include the genetics of diabetes, diabetic complications, incretin biology and different diabetes subtypes, and she has been a contributor to GWAS studies of numerous diabetes related traits. She has also been involved in several international consortia, including the IMI-funded SUMMIT and Rhapsody. In 2018 she published a suggestion for a new subclassification of type 2 diabetes together with Professor Leif Groop (Ahlqvist et al., *Lancet Diabetes & Endocrinol*, 2018) that gained world-wide attention and recognition. She has since coauthored several follow-up studies that replicate and further characterize these novel diabetes groups.