



NEWSLETTER

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EWMA CONFERENCE KNOWLEDGE

You can access all e-posters, abstracts and a number of webcasts from EWMA 2016 in the new EWMA Conference Knowledge, which is available for free [here](#)



Join the Pisa International Diabetic Foot Course, 12-15 October 2016

- 10% Discount for EWMA Members
- Register before 1 July for additional savings



EWMA Secretary Alberto Piaggese hosts the 8th edition of the Pisa International Diabetic Foot Course. Please see the course [website](#) for more information

EWMA CONFERENCE IN BREMEN, GERMANY

The European Wound Management Association thanks the speakers, contributors, participants, industry representatives and all others who helped to make this year's conference, the most successful so far.

More than 6,000 participants from 84 countries took part in the conference including a large number of international key opinion leaders and senior industry executives. There was a significant influence and participation from the host country Germany as well as a substantial international representation.

The session streams covering Phlebology and Diabetic Foot Ulcers, as well as the Veterinary Wound Healing Symposium and the joint EWMA-BSAC (British Society for Antimicrobial Chemotherapy) Antimicrobial Stewardship Symposium also attracted a large number of participants.

The EWMA 2016 Scientific programme in numbers

- Almost 900 scientific and clinical practice presentations
- 440 invited speakers; including 340 international speakers and 100 German speakers
- 13 organisations hosted 17 guest sessions and international partner sessions
- ICW and WundD.A.CH offered 45 sessions in German, some with simultaneous translation into English
- 20 satellite symposia organised by the industry offered the participants new knowledge about wound care technologies

The conference was organised with the excellent cooperation of the Initiative Chronische Wunden e.V. (ICW) and the collaboration of German-speaking wound associations (WundD.A.CH.).

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Join the biennial
Wounds Australia conference
"State of Play"

On the 9-12 November 2016, Wounds Australia is organising its biennial conference in Melbourne with the theme 'The State of Play'.

All EWMA members have the opportunity to register for a discounted registration fee.

For more info click [here](#)

Knowledge forum, which is available for free [here](#).

RESULTS OF THE COUNCIL ELECTION 2016 AND CHANGE OF HONORARY POSITIONS

This year, four new members of the EWMA Council were elected by individual EWMA members and the Cooperating Organisations Board.

New Members

Individually elected members of Council

Julie Jordan O'Brien, Ireland

Sara Rowan, Italy

Elected by the Cooperating Organisations' Board

Selcuk Baktiroglu, Turkey

Kirsi Isoherranen, Finland

Leaving Members

Elected by the Cooperating Organisations' Board:

Arkadiusz Jawien, Poland

Knut Kröger, Germany

The CVs and photos of all EWMA Council members are available [here](#)

International representatives on the EWMA Council

Since May 2015, EWMA has offered a seat on the EWMA Council to a representative from Wounds Australia and a representative from the Association for Advancement of Wound Care (AAWC, US). The representatives in 2016-2017 are Gregory Bohn (Current Chairman of the AAWC) and Kylie Sandy-Hodgetts (Deputy Chair of Wounds Australia).

New EWMA President Elect

Sue Bale, founding member of EWMA and current editor of the EWMA Journal, has been elected *President Elect* by the EWMA Council. Sue Bale will take over the role as EWMA President in May 2017.

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EWMA ACTIVITIES

Roundtable in Berlin

On 10 May 2016, a breakfast meeting for specially invited politicians and healthcare decision-makers took place in Berlin.

This was a joint initiative of EWMA, the German Chronic Wounds Initiative (ICW) and the German-Austrian-Swiss wound care umbrella organisation WundD-A-CH. The topic of the meeting was "Care in times of demographic changes". Read more [here](#)

Collaboration of EWMA and FIP

EWMA is now collaborating with the International Federation of Podiatrists (FIP). As part of this collaboration a joint session on podiatry will be organised as part of the EWMA 2017 conference.

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EWMA DOCUMENTS AND PROJECTS

New EWMA Focus topics for 2017-2018

In 2017-2018 EWMA will focus on the following topics with the objective of producing guidance materials to support clinical practice and decision-making:

- Advanced Therapies in Wound Management
- Surgical Site Infections (SSI) – Management in hospitals and community care settings

Read more [here](#)

New document published by EWMA and Wounds Australia: Management of patients with Venous Leg Ulcer

The document is published as an online supplement by the Journal of Wound Care in June 2016.

More information and free download [here](#)

Negative Pressure Wound Therapy (NPWT): Overview, Challenges and Perspectives

The EWMA document on NPWT will be published in the summer of 2016. The document describes the present knowledge with regard to NPWT and provides overview of its implications for organisation of care, documentation, communication and patient safety, as well as health economic aspects.

Read more [here](#).

Antimicrobial Stewardship in Wound Care Programme

The EWMA/BSAC Antimicrobial Stewardship Programme continues in 2016-2017 with the objective to advocate for the prudent use of antibiotics. The next publication will provide a review of the current non-antibiotic antimicrobial technologies for wound management.

Read more information about the project and publications [here](#).

Oxygen Therapies guidance document

EWMA is currently working on a document focusing on Oxygen Therapies. This document will provide practice-oriented guidance on the current use of various forms of oxygen therapies for wound treatment.

Expected publication: Spring 2017

Read more [here](#)

EWMA contribution to the CHRODIS Joint Action programme

EWMA has contributed to the recently published analysis “Overview of national or sub-national policies and programs on prevention and management of diabetes”. The analysis in the Strength-Weaknesses-Opportunities-Threats (SWOT) form is available [here](#). The part elaborated by EWMA focuses on the prevention and treatment of diabetic foot ulcers across European countries.

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EWMA 2017 IN AMSTERDAM, THE NETHERLANDS



The 27th Conference of the European Wound Management Association will take place 3 - 5 May 2017 in Amsterdam, the Netherlands and will be held in collaboration with the Dutch wound association, WCS.

Important dates

Registration and abstract submission open: November 2016

Deadline for abstract submission: 1 December 2016

Early registration deadline: 1 March 2017

For important updates and more information about the conference, please visit the conference [website](#)

FUTURE EWMA CONFERENCES

In 2018 the 28th EWMA Conference will be held in Krakow, Poland from 9 – 11 May in cooperation with the Polish Wound Management Association (PWMA)



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I would like to thank all of you for your great commitment and participation in the EWMA Conference in Bremen. It is highly appreciated.

On behalf of the EWMA Council I welcome all the new members of the Council. I am convinced that they will contribute and bring positive energy to the work of the EWMA Council.

Furthermore, I would like to use this opportunity to thank those who have now left the EWMA Council for their great contributions over the past years.

I wish you all a great summer holiday.
Kind regards,

Severin Läuchli
EWMA President

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NEWS FROM THE INDUSTRY

B Braun

[New RCT-Study: Prontosan® shows higher efficacy vs. Saline](#)

Coloplast

[A new medical education programme for healthcare professionals. All courses are developed for clinicians by clinicians and they have been reviewed and endorsed by EWMA.](#)

Lohmann & Rauscher

[L&R acquires Dutch compression stocking manufacturer Varitex N.V. and expands its product portfolio for phlebological and lymphological treatment as well as strengthening its market position in the Netherlands](#)

Mölnlycke

[Mölnlycke Health Care evidence review published in Journal of Wound Care, showing efficacy of multilayer silicone dressings in pressure ulcer prevention](#)

Sastomed

[SastoMed introduces Granudacyn, a remarkable Wound Irrigation Solution for the cleaning, moistening and rinsing of acute, chronic and contaminated wounds and 1st and 2nd degree burns, at this year's EWMA conference in Bremen](#)

URGO

[Do you know that the healing time of leg ulcers can be reduced from 210 days down to 112 days? To learn more about how to achieve this, read the Urgo Medical Symposium Conference Report by JWC "Setting a new clinical pathway for faster healing of chronic wounds"](#)

Wacker

[The strongest adhesion – with a value of 7.5 newton per inch, measured by the 90 degree peel test for peeling from a stainless steel test plate – is achieved by SILPURAN® 2142. In the uncrosslinked state, this product is as viscous as honey. It is especially suitable for manufacturing stoma care products.](#)

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