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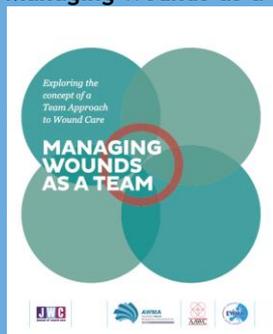
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Find the final programme for the EWMA-GNEAUPP Conference [here](#).

NEW PUBLICATIONS

By AAWC, AWMA, & EWMA:
Managing Wounds as a Team



This document provides a universal model for the adoption of a team approach to wound care.

Don't miss out on the key session: "Managing Wounds as a Team - Interdisciplinary Perspectives on Wound Management" at the EWMA-GNEAUPP Conference. The session will include a presentation

EWMA-GNEAUPP 2014 Conference in Madrid

The 24th Conference of the European Wound Management Association is organised in cooperation with the Spanish Group for the Study and Advice on Pressure Ulcers and Chronic Wounds (GNEAUPP).

The conference this year will be remarkable in many ways. The number of abstracts submitted is the highest in the history of EWMA, a record high number of conference participants are expected, and the exhibition is likely to be the largest in the history of EWMA.

Register for the conference [here](#).

Building on the success of previous EWMA conferences, the conference programme has been extended and offers an exciting mix of scientific key sessions, workshops, guest sessions, lectures, full-day streams, and satellite symposia. The full-day symposia this year will be: The *Diabetic Foot Day/Pie Diabetico*, an *eHealth symposium*, and a *Veterinary Wound Healing symposium*. In addition, a full-day Spanish Symposium will be offered during the conference.

Diabetic Foot Day/Pie Diabetico Symposium

The objective of this symposium is to discuss diagnostic and interventional strategies for diabetic foot ulcers and amputation prevention. The symposium offers the opportunity to review state-of-the-art concepts and techniques on the topic of saving the diabetic foot. Furthermore, the symposium will highlight the current status of the diabetic foot in Spain.

The Diabetic Foot Day will take place Thursday 15 May, 08.00-17.55

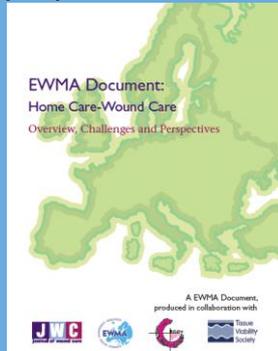
eHealth Symposium

This symposium will review current trends and developments at the policy level, the current implementation status of telemedicine in wound care, and recent technologic developments. The symposium will conclude with a key session aiming to explore the barriers and facilitators related to large-scale implementation of eHealth solutions.

The eHealth Symposium will take place Friday 16 May 2014, 08.00-15.00

of the above document.
Time and place: Thursday 15 May
from 16.55-17.55 in room N104.

EWMA Document:
Home Care-Wound Care
- Overview, challenges and
perspectives



The document uncovers the preconditions that are necessary to provide safe, high-quality care for wound patients in a home care setting.

The document will be presented at a key session during the EWMA-GNEAUPP Conference.

Time and place: Friday 16 May
from 08.00-09.30 in room
N101/N102

The documents are published by the Journal of Wound Care and are now available for download free of charge. Please visit www.journalofwoundcare.com to download the documents.

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UPCOMING PUBLICATION
Study recommendations for
clinical investigations in leg

Veterinary Wound Management and Antimicrobial Resistance Symposium

This symposium aims to provide a unique platform where scientists and other experts within veterinary and human wound management, as well as the public health area, can meet. The symposium will offer an opportunity to share new knowledge, to identify interfaces between veterinary and human wound research and management, and to create a basis for achieving synergies.

The symposium will take place Wednesday 14 May 2014, 13.00-17.30.

For further information about the different sessions and workshops, please visit: www.ewma2014.org.

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The Annual General Meeting and Council Election

The EWMA Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held on Friday, 16 May at 09.45 in room N114 at the EWMA-GNEAUPP Conference at IFEMA, Madrid.

We hope to see many members of EWMA at this meeting!

The candidates for the EWMA Council Election 2014 have been nominated. Read about the nominees for the EWMA Council election [here](#).

The election will be held by online ballot. Current EWMA members (members registered by 1 January 2014) are entitled to vote in the election.

Read more about the election, the nomination requirements, and the obligations of the EWMA Council members [here](#).

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Get the conference app on your smart phone or tablet and gain direct access to the full conference at all times - download the app here: www.ddut.ch/EWMA14

EWMA Journal April 2014 issue

The April issue of the EWMA Journal is now available online. This issue reflects the upcoming EWMA-GNEAUPP Conference, focusing on the theme *Innovation, Know-how, and Technology*. In addition to this, you will find several scientific articles on other wound care-related topics, as well as updates on EWMA activities and projects.

The complete April issue is available [here](#).

[Download previous issues of the EWMA Journal.](#)

The next issue will be published in October 2014. If you wish to contribute with an article or advertise in this issue, please

ulcers and wound care

Publication: May 2014

An easy-to-use guidance document for the novice researcher in wound care

[More information about the new publications can be found here.](#)

contact the EWMA Secretariat at ewma@ewma.org. The deadline for contributions to the October issue of the EWMA Journal is 15 August 2014.

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Invitation from the Association for the Advancement of Wound Care (AAWC) to EWMA

The AAWC and EWMA have collaborated since 2009. For 2014-2015, AAWC invited EWMA to appoint a member of the EWMA Council to join the board of AAWC directors. The EWMA Council has appointed Jan Apelqvist, EWMA Immediate Past President, for this position. EWMA looks forward to another fruitful year of collaboration with AAWC.

EWMA training activities: "Taking the users on board"

To encourage and support the active involvement of users when innovating, designing, and implementing new products and service delivery models, EWMA and the Danish Technological Institute are this year launching two training activities focusing on user-driven innovation. The activities target both clinicians and industry representatives and consist of the following:

- [2-day course, Autumn 2014, Copenhagen](#)
- [Workshop, EWMA conference May 2014, Madrid](#)

Both activities include contributions from Peter Vowden, Clinical Director, NIHR Bradford Wound Prevention HTC and Rod Hulme, Customer Insights Specialist, Smith & Nephew. The activities can be joined independently of each other.

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2nd practical course in biofilm procedures, Copenhagen, 4-5 June 2014

The first practical course on biofilm procedures was held in Copenhagen in 2013. The participant feedback showed great satisfaction with both the lectures and the hands-on work in the laboratories. In 2014, the course will include more individual hands-on experiments in the laboratories and ready-to-use protocols for simple and realistic biofilm procedures. More information available at www.biofilmcourses.eu.

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New EWMA projects in 2014-2015

EWMA is currently working on the following projects, which we aim to initiate in 2014-2015:

EWMA leg ulcer recommendations

The objective of this project is to produce a practical guidance document on leg ulcer treatment that may be

applicable within the different clinical settings for leg ulcer treatment in Europe.

EWMA recommendations on Negative Pressure Wound Therapy (NPWT)

These recommendations will describe the available NPWT devices (including their application and use), the health economic aspects of the use of NPWT technology, and the eHealth perspectives on the use of NPWT technology.

Promoting appropriate use of antibiotics and non-antibiotic antimicrobial agents in wound care

The goal of this project is to develop a clinical decision support tool that will facilitate appropriate use of antibiotics and non-antibiotic antimicrobial agents in wound management.

Home Care-Wound Care UK

A guideline for wound care within the UK home care services will be developed based on the recommendations provided by the EWMA Home Care-Wound Care document. This will be achieved in collaboration with relevant organisations in the UK.

Please contact the EWMA Secretariat (ewma@ewma.org) if you are interested in learning more about, or in supporting, these projects.

I look forward to seeing you at the EWMA-GNEAUPP 2014 Conference in Madrid!

Kind regards,
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EWMA President