INTRODUCTION
EWMA strongly encourages teaching institutions and students from all countries to benefit from the possibilities of international networking and access to lectures by many of the most experienced wound management experts in the world.

The EWMA Conference offers a unique setting for learning, which international wound care specialists, studying post-graduate qualifications in wound management at universities all over Europe use each year as part of the curriculum while engaging in a network of peers.

THE CONCEPT
Since 2007, the EWMA UCM programme offers groups of post-graduate wound management students from institutes of higher education across Europe the opportunity to take part of their academic studies whilst participating in the EWMA Conference. Following the intense 3-day EWMA conference, EWMA UCM participants will engage in additional interactive learning activities that complement the main EWMA scientific programme.

Participation in the EWMA UCM is available to all teaching institutions with wound management courses for health professionals. The initiative has proven to be an immensely successful way for universities to utilise the EWMA conference programme as a supplement to their curriculum.

THE OPPORTUNITIES
At the EWMA 2016 Conference in Bremen the programme will offer UCM Lectures as well as assignments and workshops arranged specifically for the EWMA UCM participants and excellent networking opportunities between current and future wound specialists from various, international groups; all with the aim to learn. The EWMA UCM has also provided some students with the opportunity to present in the free paper sessions, which facilitates their ability to gain confidence as active participants and establish their own expertise in wound management.

THE BENEFITS
The EWMA UCM activities are designed to develop an independent attitude to the information presented at the conference and critically assess innovations, new products, and recent recommendations in wound healing.

Feedback from participants mentioned the professional yield, networking opportunities, knowledge exchange, and presentation of new information and tools as highlights.

In the words of one participant: “These experienced speakers presented a ‘real life’ view of best practice, current opinion, debate, and evidence base which was both inspiring and challenging, and reinforced my drive, motivation, and determination to develop my practice and local wound management services.”

We hope to see you in Bremen May 2016
Chair of the EWMA Education Committee

Luc Gryson