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Thank you for joining us at EWMA 2017 in Amsterdam

The European Wound Management Association thanks the speakers, contributors, participants, industry representatives and all others who helped to make this year's conference a great success. 4,519 participants from 81 countries took part in the conference including a large number of international key opinion leaders and senior industry executives.

The conference was organised with the excellent collaboration of the WCS Knowledge Centre Wound Care.

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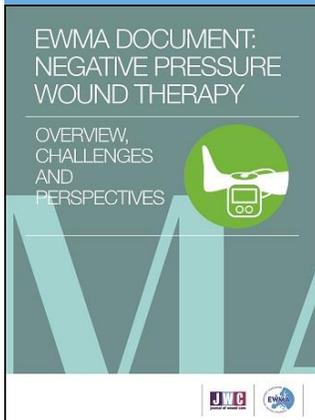
EWMA Council election 2017 and change of honorary Positions

The terms of office of many EWMA Council members came to an end in May this year. EWMA warmly thanks all these leaving members for their hard work and enthusiasm in the work of EWMA during their time on Council. The leaving members included:

- Luc Gryson, Previous EWMA Treasurer

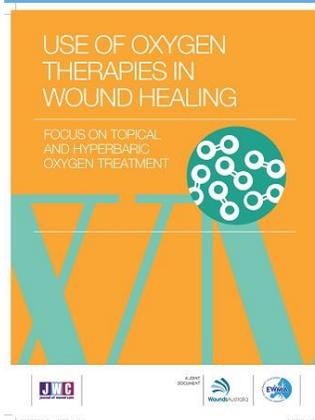
New publications in 2017

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



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Use of Oxygen Therapies in wound healing: Focus on topical and hyperbaric oxygen treatment



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- Andrea Pokorná, Previous member of the Cooperating Organisations Liaisons Group
- Salla Seppänen, Previous EWMA President
- José Verdu Soriano, Previous EWMA Scientific Recorder
- Robert Strohal, Previous EWMA Liaisons Officer
- Hubert Vuagnat, Previous member of the Cooperating Organisations Liaisons Group

It is highly appreciated that many of the leaving Council members will continue their engagement in EWMA working groups.

EWMA Council election

The following members were elected or re-elected for the EWMA Council in May 2017

Individually elected members of Council

Edward Jude, UK (Re-Election)
Samantha Holloway, UK
Alberto Piaggese, Italy , (Re-Election)
Jan Stryja, Czech Republic, (Re-Election)
Luc Teot, France
Evelien Touriany, Belgium

Elected by the Co-operating Organisations' Board

Pedro Pancorbo-Hidalgo, GNEAUPP, Spain
Massimo Rivolo, AiSLEC, Italy

The CVs and photos of all members of the EWMA Council are available [here](#) EWMA welcomes all the new members and looks forward to the collaboration in the next three years.

Changes in EWMA Honorary Positions

Many positions in the EWMA Executive Committee changed owners in May 2017.

- Sue Bale began her two year period as EWMA President.
- Severin Läuchli will continue his engagement in the EWMA Executive Committee as Immediate Past President. He will among other things take the role as chair of the Cooperating Organisations Board.
- Georgina Gethin succeeded Alberto Piaggese as Honorary Secretary.
- Alberto Piaggese succeeded José Verdu Soriano as Scientific Recorder.
- Jan Stryja succeeded Luc Gryson as EWMA Treasurer.

EWMA sincerely thanks all the previous members of the Executive Committee for their great contributions to the continuous development of EWMA.

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News from EWMA Committees and groups

EWMA Education Committee

EWMA Curricula: Post registration qualification of nurses

EWMA has finalised the first curriculum in a series of several curricula intended for use in levels 5-7 of the European Qualifications Framework (EQF). The aim of these is to support a common approach to post-registration qualification in wound management for nurses across Europe.

The first Curriculum (EQF level 5) is expected to be published in Summer 2017.

Read more [here](#)

The EWMA Teacher Network: online survey on undergraduate nurse education

The survey aims to understand the current provision of Skin Health and Wound Management teaching as part of the current standard curriculum for undergraduate nurses across Europe. This survey is the first part of a wider European research project into Skin Health and Wound Management education for undergraduate nurses that is being undertaken by members of the network, led by Samantha Holloway. The results of the survey are expected to be available in Autumn 2017.

Read more about the EWMA Teacher Network and survey [here](#)

EWMA Wound centre endorsements

EWMA working group responsible for the development of a wound centre endorsement programme is now approaching the national organisations in Europe to establish a collaboration on the endorsement of centres across Europe.

EWMA aims to offer the first course for education of auditors during the EWMA 2018 Conference in Krakow, Poland.

Read more [here](#)

Centre managers who are interested in applying for endorsement, are welcome to contact the EWMA Secretariat ewma@ewma.org for further information.

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EWMA Documents and Projects

New focus topics for 2018-2019

- *Atypical wounds:*

With this project, EWMA aims to provide an overview on the wounds typically considered atypical, presenting the diagnostic criteria, comorbidities and diagnostic tools for these wounds as well as the available best documented treatment options. The project will also address the challenges and recommendations related to organisation of treatment and care as well as health economy aspects.

- *Wounds across the life span:*

Not all wounds are the same and not all people respond to wounds in a similar manner. EWMA has therefore decided to publish a document providing recommendations on the management of individuals with wounds in the two extremities of life:

- Neonatal/paediatric wound management
- Management of geriatric wound patients

EWMA Documents in progress:

EWMA is currently working on two new documents with planned publication in Spring 2018:

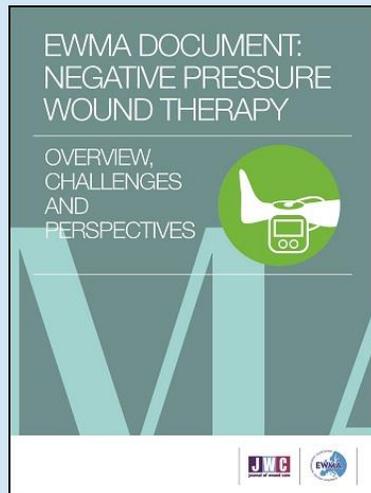
- Advanced Therapies in Wound Management
- Surgical Site Infections (SSI) – Management in hospitals and community care settings

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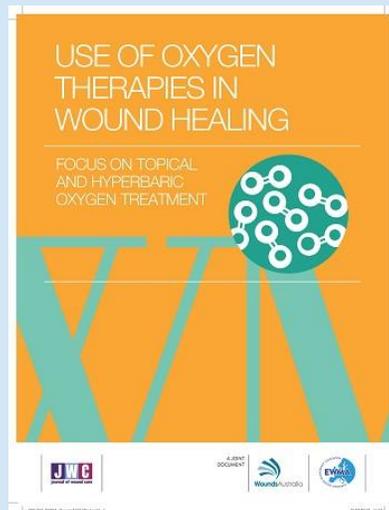
Two new EWMA Documents were published in May 2017. These, and other EWMA Documents, can be downloaded free of charge via the EWMA website:

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



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- Use of Oxygen Therapies in wound healing: Focus on topical and hyperbaric oxygen treatment



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Antimicrobial Stewardship in Wound Care Programme

The EWMA/BSAC Antimicrobial Stewardship Programme continues with the objective to advocate for the prudent use of antibiotics. The next publication, which will provide a review of the current non-antibiotic antimicrobial technologies for wound management, is expected to be published early Autumn 2017.

Read more [here](#)

Meeting with the European Commission (DG-SANTE) policy officer in charge of patient safety

As part of the awareness raising activities of the Joint EPUAP-EWMA Pressure Ulcer Prevention and Patient Safety project, Prof. Zena Moore (representing EPUAP) and Dr Hubert Vuagnat (representing EWMA) met on the 15 June in Luxemburg with the European Commission (DG-SANTE) policy officer in charge of patient safety, Mr Matthias Schuppe.

The overall meeting objective was to call upon the European Commission to look at the patient safety agenda from a wound care perspective and discuss how the project group may support the European Commission's work on patient safety.

Read more [here](#)

EWMA Journal

Interested in submitting an article or advertising in the EWMA Journal?

Deadline for contributing to the October issue is 1 August 2017.

For the April 2018 issue, the deadline is 1 January 2018.

Read more about the author guidelines [here](#)

Find previous issues of the EWMA journal [here](#)

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EWMA 2018 Conference in Krakow, Poland

The 28th Conference of the European Wound Management Association (EWMA 2018) will take place 9-11 May 2018 in the city of Krakow, Poland, and will be organised in cooperation with the Polish Wound Management Association (PWMA).

This will be the first time that the EWMA conference takes place in Poland. The historical city of Krakow, with its long history of intellectual heritage and modern dynamic development, offers the ideal venue for the EWMA 2018 Conference.

Sessions will be in English with simultaneous translation of a large number of sessions into Polish. The conference will also include a two day stream in Polish.

The theme of the EWMA 2018 Conference is: "Krakow: New Frontiers in Wound Management". Given rapid developments in wound care technologies, the importance of up-to-date and continued education in an interdisciplinary

environment is of huge interest. The conference will, among other things, focus on the importance of improved and continued education of healthcare professionals engaged in wound management.

Important dates:

Abstract submission opens

2 October 2017

Registration opens

November 2017

Deadline for abstracts

1 December 2017

Early registration deadline

14 March 2018

Conference dates

9 - 11 May 2018

For important updates and more information about the conference, please visit: <http://ewma.org/ewma-conference/2018/>



EWMA Conference in 2019

In 2019 the 29th EWMA Conference will be held in Gothenburg, Sweden from 5 – 7 June in cooperation with the Swedish Wound Care Nurses Association (SSiS).



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Greetings from the EWMA president

I would like to end this Summer issue of the EWMA newsletter by thanking all our collaboration partners, sponsors, members and stakeholders for the great commitment and participation in the EWMA Conference in Amsterdam. It is highly appreciated.

I am honoured to take over the position as President of EWMA, and I look forward to continuing the work of previous presidents and EWMA Council members in collaboration with all of our partners.

I wish you all a great Summer holiday.

Kind regards,

Sue Bale
EWMA President

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News from the Industry

BSN medical's Therapy Solution for Chronic Venous Disease

BSN medical, a global leader in the worldwide healthcare market has become part of the Essity group

Coloplast wins Red Dot design award for high quality design of Biatain® Silicone

Mölnlycke: The Mepilex® dressings range continues to expand, delivering innovative design and technology in many shapes and forms, to advance performance in treatment and prevention.

Smith & Nephew signs exclusive worldwide distribution agreement for the revolutionary MolecuLight i:XTM imaging device

Smith & Nephew invites you to watch its biofilm webcast series.

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