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EWMA 2017 Conference in Amsterdam 3 - 5 May

The 27th conference of the European Wound Management Association will be a great event. The scientific programme has extended significantly and will consist of various key sessions, workshops, lectures, full-day streams, and satellite symposia. A new format that will be introduced this year is the focus session - one hour educational sessions that will cover one particular topic in depth.

This year’s conference theme is: CHANGE, OPPORTUNITIES AND CHALLENGES - WOUND MANAGEMENT IN CHANGING HEALTHCARE SYSTEMS

National healthcare systems in Europe are continuously changing, reorganising and adapting to respond to changing demographics and budget restrictions. This sets the context in which wound healing and wound carers must navigate to provide the best possible treatment for the individual patient. At the same time, technology is rapidly developing, providing new methods and means of treatment and organisation. The 27th EWMA Conference will have its focus on the changes, opportunities and challenges provided by these continuous processes for wound management across Europe and beyond.

Stay informed by visiting the conference website, www.ewma2017.org for information about the programme. You can also get updates on EWMA’s social media platforms.

World Hand Hygiene Day 2017 - Joint EWMA & ICN campaign programme

EWMA has joined forces with the International Council of Nurses (ICN) to support the World Health Organization’s Hand Hygiene campaign in 2017. This campaign aims at raising awareness among healthcare professionals about the critical importance of hand hygiene in improving patient outcomes.

A campaign programme including dissemination of guidance materials
and a workshop on hand hygiene in wound management will take place during the EWMA 2017 Conference.

Read more [here](#)

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**EWMA Annual General Meeting**

The Annual General Meeting (AGM) of EWMA will be held on Friday 5 May at 12.45 during the EWMA 2017 Conference. We hope to see many members of EWMA at this meeting!

**EWMA Council election 2017**

Due to a high number of vacancies in the EWMA Council this year (6 vacancies for individual members and 2 vacancies for representatives of the cooperating organisations), the number of candidates this year matches the number of vacancies.

EWMA looks forward to welcoming the new members of the EWMA Council at the AGM on 5 May 2017. The new members of Council will be announced on the EWMA website and at the AGM on 5 May 2017.

**EWMA Journal**

The April issue of EWMA Journal includes three scientific papers along with news from EWMA, the EWMA cooperating organisations and international partners.

Read the latest and previous issues of the EWMA journal [here](#)
Interested in submitting an article? [Read more about the author guidelines here](#).

Interested in advertising in the EWMA Journal? [Find more information here](#).

Deadline for submissions for the Spring 2017 issue of EWMA Journal is 1 August 2017.

**EWMA Projects & Activities**

**New EWMA Publications in 2017**

**Negative Pressure Wound Therapy - Overview, Challenges and Perspectives**
Published as an online supplement to the Journal of Wound Care in March 2017
Download and read more here

The document will also be presented in a key session during the EWMA 2017 Conference.

Use of oxygen therapies in wound healing - with focus on topical and hyperbaric oxygen treatment

Will be published as an online supplement to the Journal of Wound Care in May 2017
Read more here

The document will be published primo May 2017 and will be launched during the EWMA 2017 Conference in Amsterdam.

Antimicrobial stewardship in wound care: non-antibiotic antimicrobial interventions

Expected publication by the Journal of Antimicrobial Chemotherapy in Summer 2017

This paper aims to review the possible threat related to the emergence of non-antimicrobial resistance, and to investigate opportunities for developing alternative remedies for wound infection.
Read more here
EWMA Partner Activities

New international partner organisations
In 2016 EWMA concluded agreements with two new international partner organisations, namely with the International Federation of Podiatrists, FIP-IFP, and the Alliance of Wound Care Stakeholders.

Read more about these organisations:

International Federation of Podiatrists - Fédération Internationale des Podologues

Alliance of Wound Care Stakeholders

EWMA Cooperating Organisations Board meeting and Cooperating Organisations Workshop 2017

The Cooperating Organisation’s Board meeting is scheduled to take place during the EWMA Conference in Amsterdam on Thursday 4 May, between 15.15-18.00. This year the meeting is focused on education in wound care. Each of the 53 Cooperating Organisations have been invited to Amsterdam to participate.

EWMA 2018 in Krakow, Poland

It is a great pleasure to announce the 28th Conference of the European Wound Management Association, EWMA 2018. The conference theme is: Krakow: New Frontiers in Wound Management.

The EWMA 2018 Conference will focus on the importance of improved and continued education of physicians, nurses, physical therapists and other healthcare professionals engaged in wound management.

The EWMA Conference will be held in Poland for the first time. It will
take place in the historic city of Krakow. With its long history of intellectual heritage and modern dynamic development, Krakow offers the ideal venue for the EWMA 2018 Conference to gather the European and international wound management communities with the common goal of improving the care of wound patients.

Abstracts: The abstract submission system will open on 2nd October 2017, submission deadline is 1st December 2017, 23:59 (CET)

Registration: Registration system opens in November 2017.

Conference dates: 9 - 11 May 2018
Read more and stay updated here

I look forward to seeing you at the EWMA 2017 Conference in Amsterdam!

Kind regards,
Severin Laüchli,
EWMA President

News from Corporate Sponsors

**COLOPLAST**
Strengthen your clinical foundation of wound assessment and management with this EWMA endorsed course. You will learn how to assess and devise a management plan using the Triangle of Wound Assessment framework.
Coloplast HEAL Wound Assessment e-learning course is now available for you

**FLEN PHARMA**
Flen Pharma expands its European coverage with the opening of Flen Health, a new company in the UK.
Read more here

**HARTMANN**
HydroClean® plus named ‘Most Innovative New Dressing’ at Journal of Wound Care Awards 2017.
Read more here

**URGO MEDICAL**
Urgo Medical is proud to announce the publication of its analysis REALITY in the Journal of Wound Care. REALITY is a pooled data analysis conducted on more than 10 000 patients in which we observe that UrgoStart reduces healing time of chronic wounds by 100 days on average.
The full publication can be accessed on Urgo Medical’s website here
COVALON TECHNOLOGIES Ltd.
Covalon Technologies Ltd. is an established Advanced Wound Dressings supplier, already launched in the UK and expanding throughout Europe.
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MiMedx
MiMedx is the leading biopharmaceutical company developing and marketing regenerative biologics utilizing human placental tissue allografts and patent-protected processes for multiple sectors of healthcare. Learn more about the published clinical and scientific data supporting use of MiMedx product in acute and chronic wound healing applications.
Read more here

SastoMed GmbH
Happy Birthday, Granulox! - SastoMed celebrates the 5th birthday of their innovative wound oxygenizer
Read more here

STRYKER RHQ Amsterdam
Masterclass - Pressure ulcer risk & prevention on 2 May 2017 at the Stryker regional headquarters in Amsterdam
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WELCARE INDUSTRIES SPA
Stop nosocomial infection: one way or another
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