

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE OF THE VETERINARY WOUND HEALING ASSOCIATION (VWHA) AT EWMA 2-3 MAY 2024, LONDON UK



“FROM EVERYDAY WOUND CARE TO ADVANCED WOUND MANAGEMENT IN HORSES”

IN COLLABORATION WITH BEVA
PROGRAMME THURSDAY 2nd MAY

08.30 – 08.35	Opening through the VWHA President	Jacintha Wilmink
08.35 – 09.00	Key note lecture: 25+ years VWHA: why and where did we start in 1996 and where are we now.	Derek Knottenbelt
Session 1	Biological and physical methods for wound treatment	
09.00 – 09.30	Use of biologics in wound healing – what’s the evidence?	Cathrine Fjordbakk
09.30 – 09.50	Fish skin as wound dressing: are there advantages?	Franziska Remy-Wohlfender
09.50 – 10.20	Laser treatment of equine wounds: what does it add??	Padraig Kelly
10.20 – 10.40	The role of maggots and leeches for wound treatment	Derek Knottenbelt
10.40 – 10.45	Questions/ discussion	All speakers
10.45 – 11.15	Coffee break	
Session 2	When things go wrong	
11.15 – 11.45	Broken down wounds: do’s and don’ts	Padraig Kelly
11.45 – 12.15	Why isn’t the wound healing? Common causes of non-healing wounds	Jacintha Wilmink
12.15 – 12.45	Is it a wound or tumor?	Derek Knottenbelt
12.45 – 13.00	Questions/ discussion	All speakers
13.00 – 14.30	Lunch break	
Session 3	Complicated wounds and research	
14.30 – 14.40	Importance of imaging for evaluation of wounds	Padraig Kelly
14.30 – 15.00	Abstracts	
15.00 – 15.35	Reconstructive surgery: indications and options	Jacintha Wilmink
15.35 – 16.10	Skin grafting: indications and options	Cathrine Fjordbakk
16.10 – 16.15	Questions/ discussion	All speakers
16.15 – 16.45	Coffee break	

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Session 4	The future: advanced wound care available for every horse	
16.45 – 17.15	Equine Wound Centres: what is the idea and why do we need them?	Jacintha Wilmink
17.15 – 17.30	Programme to develop into a recognized wound centre	Jacintha Wilmink
17.30 – 18.45	Complicated cases that would benefit from the EWC pillars KRAC: knowledge, resources, attention, collaboration	All speakers and invited speakers
18.45 – 19.00	AGM VWHA: everyone is welcome	

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“FROM EVERYDAY WOUND CARE TO ADVANCED WOUND MANAGEMENT IN SMALL ANIMALS”

SUPPORTED BY BSAVA
PROGRAMME FRIDAY 3rd MAY

08.30 – 08.35	Opening through the VWHA President	Jacintha Wilmink
Session 1:	Research	
08.35 – 08.45	abstract	
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08.55 – 09.05	abstract	
Session 2:	Prudent use of antibiotics during wound treatment	
09.05 – 09.45	Criteria for prudent use of antibiotics in patients with acute traumatic wounds and with chronic wounds	Mirja Nolf
09.45 – 10.15	Do antibiotics prevent surgical site infections	Mirja Nolf
10.15 – 10.25	Questions	
10.25 – 10.55	Coffee break	
Session 3:	Alternatives to reduce the use of antibiotics	
10.55 – 11.15	The importance of wound debridement	Jacintha Wilmink
11.15 – 11.50	The effect of the choice of wound dressings on bacterial burden in the wound	Georgie Hollis
11.50 – 12.10	When to use topical antiseptics	Jacintha Wilmink
12.10 – 12.30	The dynamics of bandage injuries	Davina Anderson
12.30 – 12.50	Bandaging vs immobilisation - techniques used and their relevant issues	Georgie Hollis
12.50 – 13.00	Questions	All speakers
13.00 – 14.00	Lunch break	

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Session 4:	Wound emergency	
14.00 – 14.20	How to stabilize the patient and when and how to treat the wound	Neeltje Drijfhout
14.20 – 14.40	Car or train accidents: blunt or sharp trauma	Lisanne Bolt
14.40 – 15.15	Bite trauma in general and involving thorax or abdomen	Davina Anderson
15.15 – 15.35	Burn patients	Mirja Nolf
15.35 – 15.50	Coffee break	
15.50 – 16.00	Major skin loss after accidents: options of the Meek technique	Jacintha Wilmink
16.00 – 16.20	Stick trauma	Davina Anderson
16.20 – 16.40	Cases	Neeltje Drijfhout and Lisanne Bolt
16.40 – 16.45	Questions	All speakers
16.45 –	Closure of the conference	