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There was large number of free papers and posters from all over the UK, Ireland and Europe, which demonstrated how far we have come as a speciality. The variety of topics covered was excellent and all the authors/researchers should be congratulated.

As always the Gala Dinner was a huge success with over 1000 people in attendance enjoying an excellent meal with some very conservative dancing until 11pm.

Roger Black rounded off an excellent 3 days with an inspirational presentation which brought home his personal motivation for his achievements in athletics over the years.

This year there was an excellent attendance at the conference, with numbers in excess of 800. It is without doubt the delegates who make a conference a success, with the level of debate and participation in all sessions demonstrating unrelenting enthusiasm for the subject matter. Wounds UK would like to extend a huge thank you to all the delegates and industry sponsors for helping to make this event such a success.

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#### ➤ **Wounds Essentials Roadshows**

Following on from the success of the Wounds Essentials Journal, Wounds UK are launching Wounds Essentials Roadshows. These roadshows have been developed by the Wounds UK Team in association with Madeleine Flanagan and are aimed at providing education in the key aspects of wound, leg ulcer and pressure ulcer care. Wounds UK will provide the

speakers if you and/or your trust provide a suitable venue. Numbers and the length of the day can be altered to suit local need.

The presentations for the road show follow closely the content of the journal. The first presentations are Wound assessment, Surgical and Trauma wounds, Pressure Ulcers and Leg Ulcers. The presentations can be tailored to support local guidelines and formularies.

Further presentations will be developed in future and from future issues of the journal creating a library of presentations for the road shows adding to the flexibility of the format.

#### ✎ **Wounds UK Book Offer**



The Wounds UK book of the month is the recently published 'A Pocket Guide to Clinical Decision-making in Wound Management' edited by Sue Bale and David Gray. This text provides nurses working at the bedside with a framework for making clinical decisions and taking a structured approach to wound care. The flow diagrams and case scenarios help the reader to identify appropriate treatment/ management options in their day to day practice. Order your copy today at the special price of £15.00, plus p&p (usual retail price £24.99).

#### ✎ **Writing for publication competition**

Have you never written for publication, are too nervous to try or had a previous of-putting experience?

Wounds UK is seeking four health-care professionals working in wound healing/management who we can mentor through all stages of the writing process from article idea to submission for blind peer-review in Wounds UK. One of the editorial team will provide feedback and guidance at all stages to help you gain writing confidence in your own time and at your own pace.

Closing date for entrants is 22 December. The winners will be selected by the Editor and Managing editor and will be judged on article suggestion and writing circumstance. Winners will be informed in early January and mentoring will begin in late January or at the winner's convenience.

If you are interested in entering the competition, please **[Complete this form](#)** and return to the Wounds UK team.

#### ➤ **Bandage Agreement reached in Greater Manchester Area**

Spend in the NHS has increased year on year on items such as dressings and bandages and there has been much effort expended to ensure the development of cost-effective strategies without compromising on quality to ensure optimal patient care.

The Greater Manchester Collaborative Procurement Hub (GMCPH) is a pathfinder hub set up to undertake the procurement of nonpay expenditure on behalf of the constituent stakeholders, including Primary Care Trusts (PCT) and Acute Hospital Trusts.

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#### ➤ **3M announce new 2 layer compression bandage system bandage**

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