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Pressure ulcers: THE CLOCK IS TICKING!

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The 24th Annual Meeting of the European Pressure Ulcer Advisory Panel

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WELCOME

Dear Colleagues,

It is a great pleasure to welcome you to the 24th Annual Meeting of the European Pressure Ulcer Advisory Panel (EPUAP). We are delighted to hold our meeting in Lausanne, the Olympic capital, located on the shores of the beautiful Lake Geneva. Lausanne's rich history goes back to 6.000 B.C. and today the city is at the heart of a vibrant conurbation with over 300.000 inhabitants. As the Olympic Capital, Lausanne is home to the headquarters of the International Olympic Committee (IOC) and the seat of numerous international sports federations. Lausanne is also home to EPFL, the École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne campus where we gather today, one of Europe's most vibrant and cosmopolitan science and technology institutions.

This year's theme "Pressure Ulcers - The Clock is Ticking," refers to the urgent need to take proactive measures in prevention, timely intervention, and effective treatment to reduce the incidence and impact of pressure ulcers. We are thrilled to present an extensive scientific programme built around this theme. Over the next three days, 12 key sessions will cover all important topics in pressure ulcer prevention and treatment from diagnosis and aetiology to rehabilitation, the use of artificial intelligence, costs, and innovations. The $\ensuremath{\mathsf{EPUAP}}$ annual meetings also traditionally focus on learner engagement, and we are excited to offer 7 hands-on workshops where you can try different repositioning, debridement, dressing methods, and much more. Other important programme elements like free paper sessions, award presentations, industry sessions and interactive panel debate on healthcare professionals education are waiting for you.

The rich scientific programme will be accompanied by two networking events. We look forward to welcoming you all to the beautiful SwissTech Auditorium for the Welcome Reception on Wednesday. On Thursday, we will have the chance to catch up during the Conference Dinner at the Olympic Museum, with breathtaking views of Lake Geneva.

We hope you fulfill your educational goals during the three conference days, meet new inspiring colleagues, and also enjoy all the sights Lausanne has to offer.

Welcome to Lausanne!

Lucie Charbonneau

EPUAP 2024 Conference Chair

Assistant-lecturer, Advanced nurse practice in wound care, MSc; School of Health Sciences – HES-SO University of Applied Sciences and Arts Western Switzerland; President of the Swiss Association for Wound Care – Swiss French section (SAfW-Romande)

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ABOUT EPUAP

The European Pressure Ulcer Advisory Panel (EPUAP) was established in 1997 with the aim to provide relief for persons suffering from, or at risk of pressure ulcers, through research and education of the public and by influencing pressure ulcer policy in all European countries towards an adequate patient centred and cost-effective pressure ulcer care. Through its conferences, educational events, research funding, networking, patient advocacy, EU wide campaigns with accessible resources for clinicians and the public, EPUAP provides a platform for clinicians, researchers, educators, policy makers, industry, and the public to collaboratively work on improved health outcomes.

An important focus is the development of crosscontinent international clinical guidelines to support practitioners in making informed decisions about interventions for prevention

and treatment. The fourth edition of the International Pressure Ulcer/Injury Guideline is currently in progress, and it is expected to be published in 2025.

THE MISSION

To provide the relief of persons suffering from or at risk of pressure ulcers trough:

- research in prevention and treatment of pressure ulcers
- raising awareness on the importance of prevention and treatment of pressure ulcers
- influencing pressure ulcer policy in all European countries
- working towards an adequate patient-centred and cost-effective pressure ulcer care.

More information on EPUAP projects and activities is available at: **www.epuap.org**

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The EPUAP involves people working in the field as doctors, nurses and other health professionals, but also members working in research and education or in industry. We all have a single goal, and that is to find the best way to prevent and treat pressure ulcers.

WHY BECOME AN EPUAP MEMBER?

- Receive regular information related to pressure ulcer prevention and management.
- Become one of our trustees and be more involved in all our activities.
- Get advice on issues related to the prevention and treatment of pressure ulcers.
- Use the opportunity to join regional or local projects and get support from the EPUAP.
- Apply for EPUAP research funding for collaborative projects and exchange scholarships.
- Benefit of a special EPUAP member registration fee at the annual meeting.

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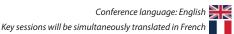
EPUAP 2024 PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

Wednesday | 25 September 2024

	Wednesday 25 September 2024	
	Plenary hall / Swisstech main auditorium	Room 5 / Garden level
08:00-09:00	REGISTRATION + MORNING COFFEE	
09:00-09:25	CONFERENCE OPENING	
09:25-10:40	KEY SESSION 1: TIME TO UNDERTAKE PRESSURE ULCER PREVALENCE AND INCIDENCE AS QUALITY OF CARE AND COST EFFECTIVENESS Chairs: Andrea Pokorná, Lucie Charbonneau ASSESSING PATIENT SAFETY THROUGH MULTIPLE DATA SOURCES FOR BENCHMARKING AT THE INTERNATIONAL LEVEL; Rie Fujisawa, OECD QUANTIFYING SUCCESS: ASSESSING THE IMPACT OF YOUR PRESSURE ULCER PREVENTION PROGRAMME; Dimitri Beeckman, Belgium THE VALUE OF THE EPIDEMIOLOGICAL DATA FOR PRESSURE ULCER MANAGEMENT; Beáta Grešš Halász, Slovakia PRESSURE INJURY INCIDENCE MEASUREMENT AS QUALITY IMPROVEMENT STRATEGY: NATIONAL TRENDS IN SWITZERLAND; Silvia Thomann, Switzerland	
10:40-10:50	SHORT BREAK	
10:50-12:05	KEY SESSION 2: TIME TO INDIVIDUALIZE PRESSURE ULCER PREVENTION: EARLY IDENTIFICATION OF THE RISK FACTORS AND IMPLEMENTATION OF CARE PLANS Chairs: Sebastian Probst, Tom O'Connor PRESSURE ULCER RISK ASSESSMENT AND PREVENTION IN CLINICAL PRACTICE; Susanne Coleman, United Kingdom INDIVIDUALISED NUTRITIONAL ASSESSMENT AND INTERVENTION PLAN FOR PATIENT AT RISK OF PRESSURE ULCER DEVELOPMENT; Ana Lamza, Croatia A MOVE IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION - TECHNOLOGIES TO ENHANCE PRESSURE ULCER RISK ASSESSMENT; Hannah Wilson, Ireland SKIN FAILURE; Joyce Black, United States	FREE PAPER SESSION 1: TECHNOLOGIES TO PROMOTE WOUND HEALING Chairs: Peter Worsley, Amit Gefen (10:50-12:15) EFFECTIVE TREATMENT OF PRESSURE ULCERS WITH THE NPWT IN SPINAL CORD INJURED PATIENTS - FINAL RESULTS OF THE CASE SERIES; Andrea Pokorná, Czech Republic POSTURE, MOBILITY AND PRESSURE SIGNATURES OF COMMUNITY DWELLING INDIVIDUALS WITH PRESSURE ULCERS: STRATIFYING EXPOSURE TO SUPPORT PERSONALISED CARE; Silvia Caggiari, United Kingdom VIRTUAL TECHNOLOGIES IN PRESSURE ULCER/INJURY ASSESSMENT; Abdulaziz Binkanan, Saudi Arabia CONNECT BEDRIDDEN PATIENTS TO WEARABLE, WIRELESS PATIENT ORIENTATION AND ACTIVITY SENSORS TO ENHANCE THE HEALING OF PRESSURE ULCERS THROUGH EFFECTIVE AND MONITORED REPOSITIONING.; Batla Alshammari, Saudi Arabia WHEN SURGICAL DEBRIDEMENT OF A PRESSURE ULCER IS NOT AN OPTION; Amelie Cary, Switzerland TURNING A SMARTPHONE INTO A MEDICAL GRADE DEVICE; A POSITIVE IMPACT UPON PRESSURE ULCERS; Sally-Anne Bradford, United Kingdom INVESTIGATING THE ATTITUDE OF THE MDT TOWARD CURRENT PRESSURE ULCER MANA- GEMENT AND THE INTRODUCTION OF NOVEL TECHNIQUES; Frank Davis, United Kingdom
12:05-13:30	LUNCH BREAK, EXHIBITION VIEWING, POSTER PRESENTATIONS A (12:45–13:30)	
13:30–15:00	KEY SESSION 3: TIME TO INTEGRATE ARTIFFCIAL INTELLIGENCE AND NEW TECHNOLOGIES IN PRESSURE ULCER PREVENTION AND TREATMENT Chairs: Daphne Weihs, Pierre-Yves Rohan INTRODUCTION TO ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE IN WOUND CARE WITH FOCUS ON PRESSURE ULCERS; Daphne Weihs, Israel MULTIMODAL SENSING INTEGRATED INTO GRAPHICAL MODELLING FOR PREVENTION OF PRESSURE ULCERS: LEARNINGS FROM SCI INDIVIDUALS; Diego Paez-Granados, Switzerland COMBINING NEW TECHNOLOGY AND ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE TO MONITOR TISSUE VIABILITY; Pierre-Yves Rohan, France ELEVATING HEALTHCARE: THE PROGRESSIVE IMPACT OF AI ON WOUND IMAGING AND BEYOND; Sofia Zahia, Spain	INDUSTRY SYMPOSIUM 1 + COFFEE AFTER LUNCH
15:00-15:10	SHORT BREAK	
15:10–16:25	KEY SESSION 4: TIME TO MOVE FORWARD AND REHABILITATE (REHABILITATION AND NEUROREHABILITATION) Chairs: Mohamed Bouri, Guido Ciprandi LOWER LIMB EXOSKELETONS TO ASSIST GAIT, FOR DAILY LING ACTIVITIES AND REHABILITATION; Mohamed Bouri, Swizerland ILLNESS DOESN'T MEAN STILLNESS; Matteo di Nardo, Italy ELECTRICAL STIMULATION FOR PREVENTING OR TREATING PRESSURE ULCERS IN INDIVIDUALS WITH SPINAL CORD INJURY: CURRENT KNOWLEDGE.; Boas Wijker; the Netherlands THE ART OF PREVENTION, PREVENTION IS SO MUCH MORE THAN JUST AVOIDING PRESSURE ULCERS: IT IS AN ART TO REPAIR THE VULNERABLE BEFORE THE DAMAGE IS DONE; Menno van Etten, Norway	EPUAP INVESTIGATOR AWARD Chairs: Tom O'Connor, Dimitri Beeckman EXPERIENCED INVESTIGATOR AWARD PRESENTATION: JAN KOTTNER, GERMANY EARLY CAREER INVESTIGATOR AWARD PRESENTATION: SILVIA CAGGIARI, UNITED KINGDOM EPUAP FUNDED PROJECTS
16:25-17:00	COFFEE BREAK, EXHIBITION AND POSTER VIEWING	
17:00-18:30	PANEL DISCUSSION TIME TO EDUCATE HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS moderated by Andrea Pokorná, Czech Republic and Tom O'Connor, Ireland	
18:45	WELCOME RECEPTION, SWISSTECH LOBBY	

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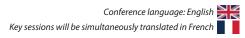
Room 1 / Garden level Room 4 / Garden level **EPUAP WORKSHOP 1: WRITING OF SCIENTIFIC PAPERS**; Jan Kottner, Germany **EPUAP PU CURRICULUM E-LEARNING PRESENTATION** (11:30–12:00); Steven Smet & Beáta Grešš Halász **INDUSTRY WORKSHOP 2** (13:30–14:30) FREE PAPER SESSION 2: PATIENT SAFETY, QUALITY OF CARE AND POLICY **INDUSTRY WORKSHOP 3** Chairs: Zena Moore, Joan-Enric Torra-Bou ■ A DIAGNOSTIC APPROACH TO PRESSURE ULCER IMPROVEMENT; Jacqui Fletcher, United Kingdom ACHIEVING HAPI-NESS BY REDUCING HAPI STAGE 2 AND HIGHER IN THE MEDICAL SURGICAL/ONCOLOGY UNIT.; MaDolor King, United States DEVELOPMENT OF A SPECIALIZED ACTION PLAN TO INCREASE THE DOCUMENTATION OF RISK-ASSESSMENT AND CARE BUNDLE PLANS IN MEDICAL RECORDS; Britt Hansen, Denmark EPIDEMIOLOGY OF PRESSURE ULCERS IN SPAIN. 2001-2022. PREVALENCE AND EPIDEMIOLOGICAL TREND.; Joan Enric Torra-Bou, Spain WORDS4WOUNDS: A COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE TO ADVANCE PRESSURE INJURY PREVENTION AND MANAGEMENT IN AGED CARE.; Suzanne Kapp, Australia ASSESSING NURSES' KNOWLEDGE ON PRESSURE ULCERS USING THE PUKAT 2.0: AN EVIDENCE-BASED WAY TO GUIDE AN INSTITUTIONAL CONTINOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM; Carole Guex, Switzerland

Thursday | 26 September 2024

	Room 2+3/Garden level	Room 5/Garden level		
08:00	REGISTRATION, BADGE AND BAG COLLECTION			
08:30-09:45	KEY SESSION 5: TIME TO UNDERSTAND PRESSURE ULCER AETIOLOGY Chairs: Dominique Sigaudo-Roussel, Daphne Weihs UNDERSTANDING THE VICIOUS CYCLE OF PRESSURE ULCER FORMATION AND ITS PROGRESS WITH TIME; Amit Gefen, Israel LOWER LIMB ULCERATION - MORE THAN MEETS THE EYE; Pauline Wilson, Ireland OVERVIEW OF THE CHANGES IN SOFT TISSUE STRUCTURE AND FUNCTION IMPACTING PU OCCURENCE; Dominique Sigaudo Roussel, France	 KEY SESSION 6: EPUAP EWMA JOINT KEY SESSION Chair: Andrea Pokorná, Kirsi Isoherranen WHEN YOU SHOULD THINK ABOUT OTHER AETIOLOGIES IN PRESSURE ULCERS?; Kirsi Isoherranen, Finland DIFFERENTIAL DIAGNOSTIC IN PUS AND OTHER SKIN INJURIES (MASD, MARSI); Dimitri Beeckman, Belgium PRESSURE ULCERS IN PALLIATIVE CARE (PALLIATIVE PATIENTS); Sebastian Probst, Switzerland HUMAN RESOURCES IN PUS MANAGEMENT; Andrea Pokorná, Czech Republic 		
09:45-10:30	COFFEE BREAK, EXHIBITION AND POSTER VIEWING			
10:30–11:45	REY SESSION 7: TIME TO AVOID MEDICAL DEVICE RELATED PRESSURE ULCERS Chairs: Peter Worsley, Maarit Ahtiala MEDICAL DEVICE RELATED PRESSURE INJURIES (MDRPI)- UPDATE 2024; Elizabeth Ayello, United States OPTIMISING THE DESIGN AND FITTING OF MEDICAL DEVICES TO PREVENT PRESSURE ULCERS'; Peter Worsley, United Kingdom CLINICAL STUDY ON THE RELIEF OF CONTACT PRESSURE BY A NOVEL AIR MATTRESS IN NEONATES; Tino Jucker, Switzerland	INDUSTRY WORKSHOP 4 (10:30–11:30)		
11:45-13:00	LUNCH BREAK, EXHIBITION VIEWING, POSTER PRESENTATIONS B (12:15–13:00)			
13:00-14:30	INDUSTRY SYMPOSIUM 5 + COFFEE AFTER LUNCH	INDUSTRY SYMPOSIUM 6 + COFFEE AFTER LUNCH		
14:30-14:40	SHORT BREAK			
14:40–15:40	KEY SESSION 8: TIME TO INVOLVE PATIENTS, FAMILIES AND CAREGIVERS IN THE PREVENTION OF PRESSURE ULCERS IN THE COMMUNITY Chairs: Sebastian Probst, Paul Bobbink INVOLVING PATIENTS IN THE RESEARCH PROCESS: HOW SMALL THINGS CAN MAKE A BIG IMPACT; Georgina Gethin, Ireland THE PRESSURE ULCER PREVENTION AT HOME STUDY: WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP TO PREVENT PRESSURE ULCERS; Delia Muir, United Kingdom EMPATHY IN ACTION: WHY WE NEED A COMPASSIONATE RESPONSE TO THE CLINICAL MANAGEMENT OF SKIN INTEGRITY; Philip Larkin, Swizerland	 EPUAP INNOVATION IN CARE AWARD Chairs: Tom O'Connor, Steven Smet DEVELOPMENT OF A PRESSURE INJURY PREVENTION ALGORITHM USING NIRS AND ULTRASOUND; Justin Wyss, Canada DEVELOPMENT OF ANTI-PRESSURE ETT HOLDER; Ecem Özdemir, Turkey EPUAP EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION AWARD: TELEMEDICINE IN PREVENTION AND TREATMENT OF PRESSURE INJURY AND PRESSURE INJURY RECURRENCE AFTER FLAP SURGERY; Ingebjørg Irgens and Anne Selsjord, Norway STOP PRESSURE ULCER VIDEOS AS A LEARNING METHOD FOR STUDENTS AND PROFESSIONALS OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH CARE; Salla Seppänen, Finland 		
15:40–16:10	COFFEE BREAK, EXHIBITION AND POSTER VIEWING			
16:10–17:20	KEY SESSION 9: TIME TO CONSIDER PRESSURE ULCERS AS AN ASPECT OF VULNERABLE SKIN AND TISSUE IN OLD AGE Chairs: Jan Kottner, Carina Bååth THE EPIDEMOLOGY AND BURDEN OF SKIN CONDITIONS IN OLDER CARE DEPENDENT PEOPLE; Jan Kottner, Germany SKIN INTEGRITY: CLINICAL, COMPOSITIONAL AND BIOMECHANICAL CONSEQUENCES OF AGEING; Abigail Langton, United Kingdom MYTHS AND REALITIES ABOUT PRESSURE INJURIES IN FRAIL ELDERLY PATIENT; Sylvie Meaume, France	FREE PAPER SESSION 4: BASIC SCIENCE Chairs: Silvia Caggiari, Pierre-Yves Rohan ARE THERE PHYSIOLOGICAL DIFFERENCES IN RESPONSE TO INJURY DEPENDING ON SKIN TONE -A SCOPING REVIEW; Pinar Avsar, Ireland COMPREHENSIVE EVALUATION OF HYBRID PHYSICAL PROCEDURES IN THE TREATMENT OF CHRONIC ULCERS: EFFECTS ON FIBROBLAST PROLIFERATION AND MICROBIAL SURVIVAL; Dominik Dziadek, Poland COMPUTATIONAL MODEL OF THE SKIN: EFFECTS OF DIFFERENCES BETWEEN INDIVIDUALS; Anastasia Simonova, Israel EVALUATING AGE RELATED CHANGES IN MUSCLE PROPERTIES USING B-MODE ULTRASOUND AND SHEAR WAVE ELASTOGRAPHY; Maher Abou Karam, France PORO-ELASTICITY TO CAPTURE THE TIME-DEPENDENT MECHANICAL BEHAVIOR OF IN VIVO HUMAN SKIN DURING AN EXTENSION TEST.; Thomas Lavigne, Luxembourg STANDARDISING SUPPORT SURFACE EVALUATION: EXPLORING METHODS FOR PERFORMANCE AND FUNCTIONALITY ANALYSIS; Jasmine Tolson, United Kingdom		
19:00	CONFERENCE DINNER - OLYMPIC MUSEUM LAUSANNE, Quai d'Ouchy 1, 1006 Lausann	e (metro station: Ouchy-Olympique)		
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EPUAP WORKSHOP 3: IMPACT ON TISSUE ASSOCIATED WITH POSITIONING AND REPOSITIONING: HOW TO REDUCE THE RISK OF TISSUE DAMAGE?; Camilla Leerskov Sorensen and Pia Beck, Denmark	EPUAP WORKSHOP 4: PLAIN LANGUAGE RECOMMENDATIONS IN THE LIGHT OF SCIENTIFIC EVIDENCE; Andrea Pokorná, Czech Republic
EPUAP GENERAL ASSEMBLY (12:15–12:45)	
FREE PAPER SESSION 3: INCONTINENCE ASSOCIATED DERMATITIS	EPUAP WORKSHOP 5: WRITING FOR RESEARCH GRANTS;
 FREE PAPER SESSION 3: INCONTINENCE ASSOCIATED DERMATITIS Chairs: Dimitri Beeckman, Jan Kottner EFFECTS OF CRITICAL PATIENT-CENTERED SKIN CARE ON BARRIER FUNCTIONS OF SKIN; TUĞBA YENİ, Turkey NEW PROTOCOL FOR IAD TREATMENT IN PEDIATRIC PATIENTS: STABLE OZONIDES; Serena Crucianelli, Italy PROGNOSTIC FACTORS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF INCONTINENCE-ASSOCIATED DERMATITIS (IAD): A SYSTEMATIC REVIEW.; Julie Deprez, Sweden and Nils Ohde, Germany DEVELOPMENT AND PSYCHOMETRIC TESTING OF A KNOWLEDGE INSTRUMENT ON INCONTINENCE-ASSOCIATED DERMATITIS FOR CLINICIANS: THE KNOW-IAD; John Stephenson, United Kingdom 	Declan Patton, Ireland and Silvia Caggiari, United Kingdom
FREE PAPER SESSION 5: PRESSURE ULCER PREVENTION AND MANAGEMENT IN SPECIALIST CARE SETTINGS AND POPULATIONS Chairs: Kirsti Ahmajarvi, Knaerke Soegaard EVALUATING EFFECTIVENESS OF CARE BUNDLES ON THE INCIDENCE OF PRESSURE ULCERS IN SURGICAL PATIENTS: A SYSTEMATIC REVIEW; Aglécia Budri, Ireland DEVELOPMENT OF A HOME CARE SKIN BUNDLE FOR NEUROLOGICAL PATIENTS: A MIXEDMETHODS IMPLEMENTATION SCIENCE STUDY PROTOCOL; Aglécia Budri, Ireland PRESSURE ULCERS PREVENTION IN HOSPITAL EMERGENCY SERVICES; Pedro Sardo, Portugal SEAMLESS - INTELLIGENT SENSING TO PROMOTE SELF-MANAGEMENT OF POSTURE AND MOBILITY IN COMMUNITY DWELLING INDIVIDUALS - WORK PACKAGE 1 - REALIST EVALUATION OF THE USE OF CONTINUOUS PRESSURE MONITORING IN THE COMMUNITY SETTING.; Pete Worsley, United Kingdom THE PRESSURE INJURY PREVENTION AND PRACTICE IMPROVEMENTS IN NURSING - INTENSIVE CARE UNIT (PIPPIN-ICU) STUDY; Jenny Sim, Australia UNVEILING THE HIDDEN EPIDEMIC: PRESSURE INJURIES IN NURSING HOME RESIDENTS WITH DARKER SKIN TONES - RESULTS OF A PROSPECTIVE COHORT STUDY; Udeshika Priyadarshani Ravilal Devananda Sugathapala, Australia	EPUAP WORKSHOP 6: DEBRIDEMENT; Lucie Charbonneau, Switzerland; Steven Smet, Belgium

Friday | 27 September 2024

	Room 2+3/Garden level	Room 5/Garden level
09:00-10:00	KEY SESSION 10: TIME TO CONSIDER THE LATEST STATE-OF-ART AND SCIENCE OF INCONTINENCE ASSOCIATED DERMATITIS Chairs: Dimitri Beeckman, Anna Barbara Schlüer EXPLORING CONTEMPORARY PERSPECTIVES ON THE DIAGNOSIS, DIFFERENTIAL DIAGNOSIS, AND CLASSIFICATION OF INCONTINENCE-ASSOCIATED DERMATITIS; Dimitri Beeckman, Belgium PREVENTION OF INCONTINENCE-ASSOCIATED DERMATITIS IN ADULTS: THE STATE OF THE SCIENCE; Jan Kottner, Germany IAD IN PEDIATRIC CARE — TIME FOR A NEW UNDERSTANDING; Anna-Barbara Schlüer, Switzerland	FREE PAPER SESSION 6: FRENCH LANGUAGE STREAM 1 Chairs: Dominique Sigaudo-Roussel, Pierre-Yves Rohan FIABILITÉ ET VALIDITÉ D'UN SYSTÈME D'ANALYSE DE LA POSTURE ASSISE INSTANTANÉE PAR CAMERA DE PROFONDEUR POUR LES PERSONNES EN FAUTEUI ROULANT PERMANENT; Sandrine Robineau, France APPLICATION DU MCPO AU CONTEXTE DE SOINS D'ESCARRES EN EHPAD, UNE NOUVELLE APPROCHE; Jérémy Enez, France UTILISATION DE L'INTERDISCIPLINARITÉ ET DE LA CRÉATIVITÉ AUPRÈS DES ÉQUIPES SOIGNANTES COMME MOYEN DE SENSIBILISATION AUX PLAIES DE PRESSIONS.; Marion Kovacs & Julien Anklin, Switzerland COORDINATION DE LA PRISE EN CHARGE GLOBALE DES PATIENTS PRESENTANT UNE ESCARRE DANS LE CADRE D'UN PROTOCOLE DE COOPÉRATION DE SOINS IDE/MÉDECIN MPR AU SEIN DU CENTRE EXPERT PLAIES CHRONIQUES D'ILLE ET VILAINE; Sandrine Robineau, France
10:00-10:40	COFFEE BREAK, EXHIBITION AND POSTER VIEWING	
10:40-11:40	KEY SESSION 11: TIME TO PREVENT PRESSURE ULCERS IN PATIENTS WITH COMORBIDITIES AND RARE DISEASES Chairs: Guido Ciprandi, Anna Barbara Schlüer CARE FOR RARE: SPOTLIGHT ON SPECIAL CHILDREN FACING BOTH RARE DISEASES AND PRESSURE INJURIES; Guido Ciprandi, Italy GOOD CLINICAL PRACTICE IN PREVENTING PRESSURE ULCERS IN PEOPLE WITH SPINAL CORD INJURIES; Knaerke Soegaard, Denmark PRESSURE INJURIES COMMON IN CHILDREN WITH RARE DISEASE; Anna Barbara Schlüer, Switzerland	FREE PAPER SESSION 8: FRENCH LANGUAGE STREAM 2 Chair: Lucie Charbonneau, Pierre-Yves Rohan UTILISER UNE CHECK LISTE POUR LA PRÉVENTION DES ESCARRES À L'HÔPITAL : UN ENJEU MAJEUR; Sandrine Robineau, France INFIRMIER SPÉCIALISTE CLINIQUE EXPERT EN SOINS DE PLAIES ET INFIRMIER CLINICIEN SPÉCIALISÉ : COMPLÉMENTARITÉ DANS LA PRISE EN CHARGE DES PATIENTS VIVANT AVEC DES ESCARRES DANS LE CONTEXTE DES SOINS À DOMICILE Stéphane Coffre & Paul Brizard, Switzerland MISE EN PLACE D'UNE « SALLE D'ERREUR » POUR AMÉLIORER LES ATTITUDES DE SANTÉ DANS LA PRÉVENTION DES ESCARRES; Gilles Burdet, Switzerland PRÉVENTION DES ESCARRES : PATIENT-ACTEUR; Charlène Roussey, Switzerland
11:40-11:50	SHORT BREAK	
11:50–12:50	KEY SESSION 12: TIME TO CONSIDER THE APPROACH TO UPDATING THE 2025 GUIDELINES Chairs: Zena Moore, Katrin Balzer METHODOLOGY FOR THE 2025 GUIDELINE; Katrin Balzer, Germany GRADE APPRAISAL EXPLAINED; Zena Moore, Ireland ENHANCING PATIENT OUTCOMES THROUGH EFFECTIVE IMPLEMENTATION OF PRESSURE ULCER GUIDELINES; Hannah Wilson, Ireland	FREE PAPER SESSION 10: INNOVATIVE APPROACHES IN CLINICAL RESEARCH (PREVENTION AND TREATMENT) Chairs: Peter Worsley, Silvia Caggiari A REMOTE EXPERT WOUND NURSE CONSULTATION INTERVENTION FOR PRESSURE INJURY PREVENTION AND MANAGEMENT: INTERVENTION DESIGN AND RESULTS OF A FEASIBILITY STUDY AND PILOT RANDOMISED CONTROLLED TRIAL; Suzanne Kapp, Australia COMBINING ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AND A DYNAMIC SITTING SYSTEM TO PROMOTE PRESSURE RELIEF; Silvia Caggiari, United Kingdom EXPLORING THE TIMING OF INFLAMMATORY UPREGULATION AND SKIN TISSUE RECOVERY AFTER ORONASAL MASK APPLICATION; Amanda Feldt, Sweden IMPACT OF LOCALISED SKIN COOLING AT THE SACRUM ON MICROVASCULAR RESPONSES TO SUSTAINED PRESSURE-INDUCED ISCHEMIA; Ralph Gordon, United Kingdom RISK FACTORS RELATED TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF FULL-THICKNESS PRESSURE INJURIES IN HOSPITALIZED PEDIATRIC PATIENTS; Ann Marie Nie, United States
13:00-13:30	EPUAP 2024 BEST PRESENTATION AWARDS AND CLOSING OF THE CONFERENCE Andrea Pokorná, Lucie Charbonneau	
	QUICK LUNCH	

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FREE PAPER SESSION 7: IMPLEMENTATION OF SCIENCE AND EDUCATION Chairs: Andrea Pokorná, Beáta Grešš Halász

- UNDERSTANDING ANATOMY: PRESSURE ULCERS; Jacqui Fletcher, United Kingdom
- NURSING STUDENTS' ATTITUDES TOWARDS PRESSURE ULCERS PREVENTION; Pedro Sardo, Portugal
- PURPOSE T AT A UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL: A QUANTITATIVE RETROSPECTIVE PRE-POST EVALUATION; Lisa Hultin, Sweden
- CONSTRUCTION OF THE CHINESE VERSION SCALE OF PRESSURE INJURY PREVENTION BEHAVIORS FOR ORTHOPEDIC INPATIENTS; Ying Liu, China
- REAL WORLD DATA TO SUPPORT CONTINUOUS QUALITY IMPROVEMENT IN PRESSURE INJURY PREVENTION; Stephanie Constable, United Kingdom

WORKSHOP 7: DRESSING PROPERTIES AND SELECTION;

Amit Gefen, Israel; Lucie Charbonneau, Switzerland; Camilla Leerskov Sorensen, Denmark

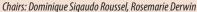
FROM STARTUP TO INDUSTRY LEADER: MEDTECH INSIGHTS (10:40–12:10)

Heiko Visarius, Switzerland

WE'LL BEGIN BY EXPLORING CURRENT TRENDS AND INNOVATION OPPORTUNITIES FOR STARTUPS, PARTICULARLY WITHIN THE HEALTHCARE SECTOR. THE SESSION WILL ALSO EXPLORE THE FOLLOWING TOPICS:

- THE FINANCIAL VIEWPOINT OF AN INVESTOR
- VARIOUS BUSINESS MODELS THAT WORK AND DO NOT WORK
- PRICING OF MEDTECH DEVICES
- MARKETING: FEATURES VERSUS BENEFITS AND THE ROAD TO VALUE
- EXAMPLES OF STARTUPS, SUCCESS AND FAILURE STORIES
- THE VALUE OF NETWORKING AND HOW TO DO IT, INCLUDING LINKEDIN
- 0 & A SESSION
- DISCUSSION OF PARTICIPANTS SPECIFIC CASES.





- INFLUENCE OF LOCALISED COOLING ON REPEATED SHEARING STRESS AND FRICTION AT THE HEEL; Ralph Gordon, United Kingdom
- PILOT STUDY ON THE EFFECTIVENESS OF SULFUROUS THERMAL WATER IN WOUND HYGIENE:
 SPA WOUND CARE.; Serena Crucianelli, Italy
- THE EFFECT OF MUSIC THERAPY ON DRESSING PAIN IN INTENSIVE CARE PATIENTS WITH PRESSURE INJURY; Ayper Önal Alkan, Turkey
- THE SMART SHEET: A SOFT AND SHAPE-CONFORMABLE CAPACITIVE SENSING ARRAY FOR PRESSURE INJURY PREVENTION; Justin Wyss, Canada



EPUAP 2024 AWARDS

EPUAP Experienced Investigator Award 2024: Prof. Jan Kottner

The EPUAP Experienced Investigator Award is bestowed for a significant, internationally-recognized contribution to pressure ulcer research in the basic sciences or clinical investigation.

Key research interests of Prof. Jan Kottner are skin and tissue integrity and preventive skin care with a special focus on skin physiology, skin barrier restoration and maintenance across the life course. He has particular expertise in evidence-based practice including systematic reviews, guideline development, clinical trial design and conduct, and outcome development and validation. He is Associate Editor of the International Journal of Nursing Studies and member of international boards and societies focussing of skin and tissue health.



The EPUAP Scientific Committee has decided to recognize Jan's extensive role in the EPUAP organization that he led from 2021 to 2023 as President and the massive work he has been doing in the Guideline Development Group of the EPUAP for the International Prevention and Treatment of Pressure Ulcers Guideline since 2011. The Committee is awarding Jan for his extensive publication record focusing on skin health, for his demonstrated leadership at local, national and international level and esteems that Jan's work has a huge impact in pressure ulcer research and care worldwide.

Early Career Investigator Award: Dr. Silvia Caggiari

The prestigious EPUAP Early Career Investigator's Award honours young scientists whose work aligns with the research priorities championed by the EPUAP community, making significant strides in promoting excellence in pressure ulcer prevention and management at an international level.

Dr. Caggiari's long-term ambition focuses on the development of predictive tools, integrating intelligent monitoring, support, and feedback for patient self-management of skin health. Her current and past work is fully in line with a research theme of the EPUAP community, involving collaboration with clinicians, industry and academic partners. Her past and current contributions to the pressure ulcer field, with > 10 peer-reviewed paper and 152 citations, promote excellence in research of pressure ulcer prevention and management at both national and international level.



Both laureates will present their work in the award session taking place on 25 September 2024 at 15:10-16:25 in room 5/ Garden level.

EPUAP Excellence in Education Award

This award aims to recognize and acknowledge excellent education strategies and projects relating to all domains of pressure ulcer prevention and treatment.

In 2024, the EPUAP Education Committee has nominated the following projects to receive the award:

- Telemedicine in prevention and treatment of pressure injury and pressure injury recurrence after flap surgery; Hanne Haugland,
 Norway
- Stop pressure ulcer videos as a learning method for students and professionals of social and health care; Salla Seppänen, Finland

EPUAP Innovation in Care Award

This award presented for the first time at EPUAP 2024 aims to recognize and acknowledge innovative projects relating to the prevention of skin breakdown.

In 2024, the following projects have been selected by the EPUAP Scientific Committee for the Innovation in Care Award:

- Development of a pressure injury prevention algorithm using NIRS and ultrasound; Justin Wyss, Canada
- Development of anti-pressure ETT holder; Ecem Özdemir, Turkey

The award winners of both awards will be presenting their projects in the award session taking place on 26 September 2024 at 14:40-15:40 in room 5/ Garden level.

SPECIAL SESSIONS AT EPUAP 2024

Panel debate: Time to educate healthcare professionals

When: Wednesday 25 September 2024, 17:00 – 18:30

Where: SwissTech Auditorium

The panel discussion will provide different perspectives coming from a physician, nurse, physiotherapist, podiatrist, pre-clinical researcher and patient.



Moderators:

Andrea Pokorná, Czech Republic and Tom O'Connor, Ireland

Panelists:

Teresa Gyuriga Perez, Switzerland Ana Lamza, Croatia Pauline Wilson, Ireland Guido Ciprandi, Italy Peter Worsley, United Kingdom Daphne Weihs, Israel Guillaume Sickenberg, Switzerland

The provision of education for health care professionals is considered to be a fundamental aspect in preventing and treating pressure ulcers. Research suggests that by equipping healthcare professionals with the necessary knowledge, skills and attitudes they will gain the necessary competencies. Based on this premise we can significantly reduce the incidence and impact of pressure ulcers, ultimately improving patient outcomes and quality of care. It is reasonable to assume therefore that pressure ulcer prevention and treatment are core curriculum topics across all professions. Indeed, ideally this would take place within an interprofessional education context. We do know however that there is a lot of variation across countries and professional groupings as to how and when PU education is delivered. In resource intensive and content heavy health professional curricula, there can also be barriers to ensuring that PU education is fully included. This panel discussion aims to explore these differences and similarities across the health professions and crucially also aims to include the voice of those who are at risk of, or suffering from, PUs.

From Startup to Industry leader: MedTech insights

When: Friday 27 September 2024, 10:40 – 12:10

Where: Room 1/Garden level

Heiko Visarius has one of the strongest professional networks in medical technology and personifies the ideal mentor/coach for any MedTech entrepreneur.



During this session, we'll begin by exploring current trends and innovation opportunities for startups, particularly within the healthcare sector. This will lead into a discussion on the flow of money in healthcare and how startups can navigate funding options, including how to approach business angels and secure seed or early-stage financing. The session will explore also the following topics:

- The financial viewpoint of an investor
- Various business models that work and do not work
- Pricing of medtech devices
- Marketing: features versus benefits and the road to value
- Examples of startups, success and failure stories
- The value of networking and how to do it, including LinkedIn
- Q & A session
- Discussion of participants specific cases

WORKSHOPS OVERVIEW

Workshop 1 Writing of scientific papers

Jan Kottner (Germany)

When: 25 September 2024, 10:50-12:05

Where: Room 4/ Garden level

The publication of research results in international scientific journals is the cornerstone of scientific communication. The major goal is to share the results with the scientific community and to make results available for all other users. In order to increase the ease of reading, to advance knowledge and to promote knowledge dissemination, scientific publication must follow quality standards. These standards include key principles of manuscript structure but they also depend on the scientific discipline (e.g. social vs. biomedical sciences) and on the type of research. Reporting of a clinical trial is different from reporting a diagnostic accuracy study or qualitative research. Finally, journal requirements also need to be taken into account and the journal should be chosen carefully.

After successful submission manuscripts are reviewed by editors and peer reviewers. Decisions and comment are sent back to authors and a revision and resubmission is required. If the resubmission was successful, further activities are needed to get the manuscript finally published. All these steps are complex and follow a number of explicit but also implicit rules. Especially these informal rules are not known to newcomers but are often crucial for success. The aim of this workshop is to introduce basics about manuscript preparation, submission, revision, and publication. The main focus of this workshop is on epidemiological, clinical research, and reviews, but it is useful for basic scientists as well. It will be interactive with time for questions and group discussion.

For active participation, a notebook and access to the internet is required.

Workshop 2 Repositioning

Menno van Etten (Norway)

When: 26 September 2024, 08:30-09:45

Where: Room 1/ Garden level

When taking in mind the EPUAP definition of pressure ulcers: "a localized injury to the skin and/or underlaying tissue, usually over a bony prominence", the goal for positioning and repositioning an individual should be to reduce the time spent laying directly on bony prominences.

In this workshop participants will practice on the 30 degrees side lying position and get hands on tips how to handle the challenges this position has. For example, how to position the individual stable, comfortable and secure, so they will be able to lay over prolonged periods of time.

The backdrop of being immobile over prolonged periods of time is that patients can develop contractures. At this workshop, we will discuss preventive measures but also how to reduce the consequences of contractures.

Workshop 3

The impact on tissue associated with positioning and repositioning: How to reduce the risk of tissue damage?

Camilla Leerskov Sørensen, Pia Beck (Denmark) When: 26 September 2024, 10:30-11:45

Where: Room 1/ Garden level

Do you know the impact you have on body tissue when repositioning patients? Often the focus is on the positioning aspect and not so much on how we get the patient from one position to another and how much tension and load we put on the tissue during repositioning. For example, we need to consider the load we put on the tissue just by raising the head of the bed and how we can release this load again. In this workshop we will, both on a theoretical level and with practical exercises, take you through how we impact the tissue in repositioning. You will have the opportunity to test it on your own body in order to provide a better understanding of the tissue damage that can occur when repositioning and we will give some tips as to how you can prevent this impact.

Workshop 4 Plain language recommendations in the light of scientific evidence

Andrea Pokorná (Czech Republic) When: 26 September 2024, 10:30-11:45

Where: Room 4/ Garden level

The availability and quantity of information are increasing with the development of information technology and media. We are speaking of the so-called information boom. This applies to all areas and sectors of society, including healthcare. We have access to health information of varying quality from professional and non-professional sources. It can be difficult for many of us to make sense of the wealth of different (and so metimes conflicting) information and assess its quality and credibility. However, it is information sources that influence our healthcare behaviour. This workshop will examine how to choose a quality source for informed decision-making, focusing on Plain Language Recommendations (PLRs). Plain Language Recommendations (PLRs) may be the answer, which we characterize as concisely worded brief statements. They are in line with the recommended practices of professional societies and do not use technical terms (or are immediately explained) or professional jargon. Their text is understandable to patients and the general public and meets the needs of specific target groups (e.g., age, type and stage of disease or other characteristics).

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Workshop 5 Writing for research grants

Declan Patton (Ireland), Silvia Caggiari (United Kingdom)

When: 26 September, 14:40-15:40 Where: Room 4/ Garden level

Writing research grants and attaining funding is central to the generation and dissemination of new evidence. Grant writing is not always straight forward. It requires the targeting of grants, making sure that researcher expertise is aligned with what the funder requires. It also demands attention to detail in ensuring that the researcher meets the requirements of the funders' specifications. It also involves building a team of experts around which the grant can be positioned. The aim of this workshop is to talk about how best to target funders for research money, the best way to build a team and the key steps in writing a successful submission. Finally, what to do with unsuccessful submissions will be talked through. The workshop will be interactive throughout with plenty of time for discussion.

Workshop 6 **Debridement**

Lucie Charbonneau (Switzerland), Steven Smet (Belgium)

When: 26 September 2024: 16:10-17:10

Where: Room 4/ Garden level

Throughout this workshop, the participants will be introduced to various types of debridement and will explore a comprehensive wound assessment methodology to evaluate whether wound debridement is required or not. In the 2nd part the participants can practice their sharp debridement skills to experience the importance of professional accountability and to recognize the possible limitations when performing a sharp debridement in clinical practice.

Workshop 7 **Dressing properties and selection**

Lucie Charbonneau (Switzerland), Camilla Leerskov Sørensen

(Denmark), Amit Gefen (Israel)

When: 27 September 2024, 09:00-10:00

Where: Room 4/ Garden level

Through bioengineering theoretical and experimental inputs, clinical cases and shared discussion with the participants, we will look into how dressings are currently evaluated in laboratory testing for predicting their clinical performance. We will briefly recall the fundamentals of wound care, wound assessment, wound healing stages and factors influencing wound healing. We will explore and discuss the different types of wound dressings available, the indications, contraindications, and appropriate uses of various dressings. The discussions will include the wound characteristics, exudate levels and patient preferences such as both compliance and skin objectives.

Introduction from the bioengineering perspective:

The contemporary bioengineering theory and practice of evaluating the performance of dressings in laboratory settings will be discussed, with focus on the important and clinically relevant engineering structure-function relationships and on advanced testing methods for preclinical quantitative assessments. The effects of key wound dressing material-related and treatment-related physical factors on the performance of dressings, such as the impact of exudate viscosity and temperature, action of external mechanical forces and the dressing microstructure and multifactor interactions, will be described. Overall, participants in the workshop will be able to identify desirable properties of a wound dressing that contribute to optimal performance in clinical settings in the context of pressure ulcer treatments.



POSTER PRESENTATIONS OVERVIEW

Poster session A

Wednesday 25 September, 12:45-13:30

- A.1 THE APPLICATION OF DESIGN THINKING TO THE PREVENTION AND MANAGEMENT OF LOWER LIMB PRESSURE ULCERS; Sharon Neill, United Kingdom
- A.2 AN OBSERVATIONAL STUDY: EVALUATING THE SAFETY AND PERFORMANCE OF A POWERED GEL SUPPORT SURFACE SYSTEM IN REDUCTION OF HOSPITAL ACQUIRED PRESSURE ULCERS IN THE ACUTE CARE SETTING; Hrishiraj Sen, United Kingdom
- A.3 WHAT IS THE IMPACT OF CARE BUNDLES ON THE PREVALENCE OR INCIDENCE OF PRESSURE ULCERS AMONG AT RISK ADULTS IN THE ACUTE CARE SETTING? A SYSTEMATIC REVIEW; Aine Curtis, Ireland
- A.4 PRESSURE ULCERS PREVENTION RELATED TO SURGICAL PROCEDURES WHAT IS IMPORTANT MONITOR.;

 Andrea Pokorná, Czech Republic
- A.5 USING A TURNING PLATFORM SYSTEM TO PREVENT PRESSURE DAMAGE: A SMALL SCALE EVALUATION OF TWO DIFFERENT SYSTEMS, ONE TURNING 30 DEGREES V ONE TURNING 22 DEGREES; Veronica Pollard, United Kingdom
- A.6 THE UNEXPECTED OUTCOMES OF USING A SUB-EPIDERMAL MOISTURE (SEM) DEVICE: REDUCTION IN PRESSURE DAMAGE, REDUCTION IN MOISTURE DAMAGE, INCREASED NURSES' KNOWLEDGE ON PRESSURE ULCER GRADING, PREVENTION AND MANAGEMENT AND REDUCED WORKLOAD.; Veronica Pollard, United Kingdom
- A.7 PRESSURE INJURY PREVENTION WITH A UNIQUE MULTI-LAYER FOAM DRESSING: A SYSTEMATIC REVIEW AND META-ANALYSIS OF RANDOMIZED CONTROLLED TRIALS.; Ben Costa, United Kingdom
- A.8 LOCAL TREATMENT OF PRESSURE ULCERS AT RISK OR WITH CLINICAL SIGNS OF LOCAL INFECTION WITH TLC-AG DRESSINGS EVIDENCE FROM A PROSPECTIVE, MULTICENTRE REAL-LIFE STUDY;

 Laetitia Thomassin, France
- A.9 WOUND HEALING IN PATIENTS WITH PRESSURE ULCERS TREATED WITH TLC-NOSF DRESSINGS EVIDENCE FROM A POOLED ANALYSIS OF TWO PROSPECTIVE, MULTICENTRE REAL-LIFE STUDIES; Laetitia Thomassin, France
- A.10 COST-BENEFIT COMPARISON OF THREE DIFFERENT TREATMENTS FOR INCONTINENCE-ASSOCIATED DERMATITIS IN ITALY; Agnieszka Kopniak, Italy
- A.11 VALIDITY AND RELIABILITY OF BARAKAT-JOHNSON INCONTINENCE-ASSOCIATED DERMATITIS KNOWLEDGE TOOL; Tugba Yeni, Turkey
- A.12 A FIRST IN HUMAN EVALUATION OF CONCURRENT OPTICAL AND MAGNETIC STIMULATION IN SEVERE HARD-TO-HEAL PRESSURE ULCERS.;

 Kim Sarmiento, United Arab Emirates

- A.13 CLINICAL EVALUATION OF POLYABSORBENT FIBRE DRESSING WITH TECHNOLOGY LIPIDO COLLOID AND SILVER IN PATIENTS WITH PRESSURE ULCERS.; Emilio Galea, France
- A.14 SEAMLESS CO-PRODUCTION AND PATIENT AND PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT AND ENGAGEMENT OF A NEW SENSING TECHNOLOGY FOR COMMUNITY USE.;

 Pete Worsley, United Kingdom
- A.15 IMPACT OF WOUND HYGIENE INCORPORATING AN ANTIBIOFILM GELLING FIBER DRESSING ON HARD-TO-HEAL PRESSURE ULCER/INJURIES;

 Rebecca Rodger, United Kingdom
- A.16 ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AND NEW TECHNOLOGIES FOR ASSESSMENT, MEASEREMENTS AND "CORRECT INTERPRETATION" OF PRESSURE ULCERS; Roberto Cassino, Italy
- A.17 COMBINED THERAPY WITH HYALURONATE AND AMINO ACIDS (INJECTABLE, TOPICAL AND ORAL) IN THE TREATMENT OF COMPLEX PRESSURE INJURIES; Roberto Cassino, Italy
- A.18 WHAT ARE THE PSYCHOMETRIC PROPERTIES OF THE TOOLS MEASURING OUTCOMES OF EDUCATIONAL INTERVENTION ON PRESSURE ULCER EDUCATION? SYSTEMATIC REVIEW; Kelly Anne Ocallaghan, Ireland
- A.19 COST-EFFECTIVENESS OF SUB-EPIDERMAL MOISTURE MEASUREMENT: A SYSTEMATIC LITERATURE REVIEW; John Posnett, United Kingdom
- A.20 DISRUPTING THE PRESSURE ULCER (PU) DAMAGE CYCLE AND PREVENTING PUS VIA SUB-EPIDERMAL MOISTURE ASSESSMENT TECHNOLOGY- AN UPDATE TO THE SCIENCE; Vignesh Iyer, United States
- A.21 SUBEPIDERMAL MOISTURE: A TOOL TO CONSIDER IN THE PREVENTION OF PRESSURE ULCERS IN AN INTENSIVE CARE UNIT- PRELIMINARY DATA; Pedro Sardo, Portugal
- A.22 TRENDS IN PRESSURE ULCER MANAGEMENT IN PORTUGUESE INTENSIVE CARE UNITS;

 Sofia Raquel Olim Vieira, Portugal
- A.23 PRESSURE ULCER PREVENTION IN TERMINALLY ILL GERIATRIC PATIENTS UTILIZING SOFT SILICONE MULTI LAYERED DRESSINGS: A TWO CASE STUDYAT MAYAPADA HOSPITAL JAKARTA SELATAN, INDONESIA; Bramastha Rosadi, Indonesia
- A.24 SNOWED BODY MAPPING: CLINICALLY USEFUL OR AN EXPENSIVE NOVELTY?; Frank Davis, United Kingdom
- A.25 PRESSURE ULCER MONITORING APPLICATIONS: INNOVATION, INTRODUCTION AND IMPLEMENTATION.; Frank Davis, United Kingdom
- A.26 WE CAN DO IT BETTER! HOW FOUR MEDICAL STUDENTS TOOK ON MULTI-MILLION POUND COMPANIES TO DELIVER A NOVEL PRESSURE ULCER MONITORING APPLICATION; Frank Davis, United Kingdom

- A.27 REMOVING THE COMPLEXITIES ASSOCIATED WITH TRADITIONAL NEGATIVE PRESSURE WOUND THERAPY WHEN USING A BRIDGING TECHNIQUE;

 Catherine McCarthy, United Kingdom
- A.28 REVALIDATION OF A PERIOPERATIVE SKIN BUNDLE; Catherine McCarthy, United Kingdom
- A.29 THE ROLE OF VALUE ANALYSIS IN PRESSURE INJURY PREVENTION: A QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT; Catherine McCarthy, United Kingdom
- A.30 ENSURING COMPLIANCE: AUTOMATED EVIDENCE OF REPOSITIONING ON ACTIVE MATTRESS;

 Gary Baker, United Kingdom
- A.31 ACTIVE MATTRESS USE SIGNIFICANTLY ENHANCES, ENDOTHELIAL FUNCTION AND RESTING BLOOD FLOW TO THE SKIN.; Gary Baker, United Kingdom
- A.32 WOUND CARA PATIENTS' SATISFACTION ON E-HEALTH; Abdulaziz Binkanan, Saudi Arabia
- A.33 ASSESSMENT OF ORGANISATIONAL COMMITMENT AND TURNOVER INTENTION AMONG WOUND CARE STAFF; Abdulaziz Binkanan, Saudi Arabia
- A.34 A SYSTEMATIC REVIEW OF THE IMPACT OF CARE BUNDLES ON THE INCIDENCE OF PRESSURE ULCER AMONG AT RISK OLDER ADULTS; Queen Edede, Ireland
- A.35 THE IMPACT OF CHEMOTHERAPY ON PRESSURE INJURY HEALING IN SPINAL CORD INJURY PATIENTS;

 Jeong Ran Jeon, Rep. of South Korea
- A.36 THE ROLE OF THE SPECIALIST NURSE THROUGH THE USE OF SPECIAL DRESSINGS, IN THE MANAGEMENT AND TREATMENT OF PRESSURE WOUNDS. THE IMPORTANCE OF BLOODLESS DEBRIDEMENT.; Marios Vasileiou, Cyprus
- A.37 EVALUATING THE IMPACT OF A TRUE FULLY AUTOMATIC DYNAMIC SUPPORT SURFACE ON PRESSURE ULCER MANAGEMENT WITHIN LONG TERM CARE SETTING; Ross Joannides, United Kingdom
- A.38 USE OF FINITE ELEMENT ANALYSIS MODELLING TO ASSESS TISSUE STRAINS ASSOCIATED WITH TWO DIFFERENT NASOGASTRIC TUBE SECUREMENT DEVICES; Helen Thomason, United Kingdom
- A.39 DIMINUTION DU TAUX D'ESCARRES, UNE DÉMARCHE PROACTIVE!; Gwenaelle Hamonic, Switzerland (French)

Poster session B

Thursday 26th September, 12:45–13:30

- B.1 EVALUATING THE PREDICTIVE VALIDITY OF A PRESSURE ULCER RISK ASSESSMENT SCALE FOR ELDERLY INPATIENTS IN TERTIARY HOSPITALS.;

 Joohee Park, Rep. of South Korea
- B.2 AN EVALUATION OF COVID-19 ISOLATION EFFECTS ON PRESSURE SORE IN A TERTIARY HOSPITAL;

 Jung Hwa Lee, Rep. of South Korea
- B.3 EFFECT OF A TEAM APPROACH TO PRESSURE INJURY MANAGEMENT OVER 5 YEARS IN A TERTIARY HOSPITAL; Jung Hwa Lee, Rep. of South Korea

- B.4 THE CHALLENGES WHEN INTRODUCING A NEW MATTRESS SYSTEM INTO A LARGE MULTI-SITE ACUTE HOSPITAL TRUST; Sarah Charlton, United Kingdom
- B.5 THE IMPACT OF THE SPECIALIZED WOUND CARE NURSING TEAM ON PRESSURE INJURY-RELATED STRESS AND BURDEN AMONG WARD NURSES;

 Songun Gu, Rep. of South Korea
- B.6 EFFSCAR.1 EFFECTIVENESS AND CONTEXT OF USE OF AUTOMATED LATERALIZATION DEVICES IN PRESSURE ULCER CARE: A TIME-MOTION STUDY; Jérémy Enez, France
- B.7 CUSTOMIZED SUPPORT SURFACE: CONNECTING CLINITIAN AND MEDICAL DEVICE FACTORY;

 Giulia Vidotto, Italy
- B.8 IMPLEMENTATION OF SKIN TONE ASSESSMENT IN PRESSURE ULCER PREVENTION;
 Susy Pramod, United Kingdom
- B.9 ARE PRESSURE ULCER CATEGORISATION SYSTEMS "FIT FOR PURPOSE"?; Jacqui Fletcher, United Kingdom
- B.10 UNDERSTANDING THE BURDEN OF PRESSURE ULCERS; GETTING TO YES/NO; Jacqui Fletcher, United Kingdom
- B.11 INNOVATIVE APPROACHES TO PREVENTING MEDICAL DEVICE-RELATED PRESSURE ULCERS ON THE HEAD; Lenka Krupová, Czech Republic
- B.12 PRESSURE ULCER MANAGEMENT PRACTICES UPDATE: A POSTER BASED ON EPUAP 2019 RECOMMENDATIONS; Jorge Azevedo, Switzerland
- B.13 RISK FACTORS ASSOCIATED WITH PRESSURE INJURIES IN SURGERY PATIENTS; Jung Yoon Kim, Rep. of South Korea
- B.14 IMPLEMENTATION OF ASSKING PROTOCOL IN REDUCING HOSPITAL ACQUIRED PRESSURE INJURY;

 Jia Qian Koh, Singapore
- B.15 ASSESSMENT OF THE PRESSURE DISTRIBUTION OF STATIC, HYBRID AND ACTIVE HOSPITAL MATTRESSES TO REDUCE PRESSURE ULCER RISK; *Tim van Helden, Netherlands*
- B.16 HEALING NEONATAL SKIN DAMAGE, DRESSINGS AND USAGE DIFFERENCES.; Katherine McKeown, United States
- B.17 POOLED DATA ANALYSIS ON 1,011 PRESSURE ULCERS TREATED WITH TLC-NOSF DRESSINGS IN REAL-LIFE CONDITION; Sylvie Meaume, France
- B.18 EVALUATION OF TLC-NOSF DRESSINGS FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF PRESSURE ULCERS: A CASE SERIES IN GERIATRIC DEPARTMENT IN FRANCE; Sylvie Meaume, France
- B.19 PREVENTION OF PRESSURE ULCERS AND SKIN LESIONS WITH A HYPER-OXYGENATED OIL.; Sylvie Meaume, France
- B.20 LERICHE SYNDOME AND THROMBOSIS OF LUMBAR AORTA AS A CAUSE OF A REVERSIBLE POOR OUTCOME IN EXTENSIVE SACRO-GLUTEAL PRESSURE ULCERS.;

 Jamil Kasrine El Halabi, Lebanon
- B.21 PHYSIOTHERAPY CONSULTATION AT THE DERMATOLOGY WOUND CENTRE; Jessica Otero Gerpe, Switzerland
- B.22 DIALLING DOWN THE PRESSURE': THE USE OF AUTOMATIC SUPPORT SURFACES; Sharon Maris, United Kingdom

- B.23 TOO HOT TO HANDLE?' COOLING THE MULTIDISCIPLI-NARY DEBATE; *David Newton, United States*
- B.24 GETTING STRESSED BY SHEAR?' THE LINKAGE BETWEEN MICROCLIMATE AND SHEAR; David Newton, United States
- B.25 DYNAMICS OF HUMAN KERATINOCYTE STEM CELLS -TO IMPROVE WOUND HEALING FOR ELDERLY PATIENTS; Kyoichi Matsuzaki, Japan
- B.26 PRESSURE REDISTRIBUTION PROPERTIES OF PROPHY-LACTIC DRESSINGS USING AN IN VITRO MODEL WITH CLINICALLY RELEVANT PRESSURES AND A NOVEL HEEL INDENTER; Rebecca Rodger, United States
- B.27 PRESSURE REDISTRIBUTION PROPERTIES OF PROPHYLACTIC DRESSINGS USING AN IN VITRO MODEL WITH CLINICALLY RELEVANT PRESSURES AND A NOVEL SACRAL INDENTER; Rebecca Rodger, United States
- B.28 EVALUATING POST-DISCHARGE RECOVERY OF PATIENTS WITH HOSPITAL-ACQUIRED PRESSURE ULCER (HAPU): PROSPECTIVE COHORT STUDY; Aglécia Budri, Ireland
- B.29 PREDICTIVE COMPARISON OF PRESSURE ULCER PREVENTION SCLAES IN INTENSIVE CARE;

 Aglécia Budri, Ireland
- B.30 NURSE-LED TELEMONITORING: IDENTIFYING HIGH-RISK PRESSURE ULCER PATIENTS IN NEUROLOGICAL HOME SETTINGS; Aglécia Budri, Ireland

- B.31 PRESSURE INJURY PREVENTION PROGRAM IN INTENSIVE CARE UNIT -KFCH-JAZAN -KSA;

 Ali Alibrahim, Saudi Arabia
- B.32 A NEW APPROACH TO PEDIATRIC BURNS: COMPARING STABLE OZONIDES AND SILVER SULPHADIAZINE; Serena Crucianelli, Italy
- B.33 CARER ENGAGEMENT IN HOME HEALTH CARE THROUGH VIRTUAL WOUND CARE SERVICES; Abdulaziz Binkanan, Saudi Arabia
- B.34 THE IMPACT OF APPROPRIATE PRESSURE ULCER/INJURY ASSESSMENT ON CLINICIANS;

 Abdulaziz Binkanan, Saudi Arabia
- B.35 MANUAL LYMPH DRAINAGE IN THE MANAGEMENT OF VENOUS LEG ULCER: A CLINICAL CASE STUDY;

 Claudia Lessert, Switzerland
- B.36 THE PHYSIOLOGICAL EFFECTS OF INTERNAL AIR PRESSURE CHANGES IN ADVANCED SUPPORT SURFACE DESIGN; Inna Kartun, Czech Republic
- B.37 HARNESSING INTERMITTENT ELECTRICAL STIMULATION (IES) TO PREVENT PRESSURE INJURIES: A NOVEL APPROACH; Hany Essber, Austria
- B.38 HOW COULD WE REDUCE INCIDENCE OF PRESSURE INJURY: EXPERIENCE OF ONE HOSPITAL;

 Miju Lee, Rep. of South Korea

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Early registration deadline **15 July 2025**















INDUSTRY SYMPOSIA AND WORKSHOPS

Industry Session 1 **Solventum symposium**

When: 25 September 2024, 13:30-15:00

Where: Room 5/Garden level



LINET

Why Moisture Matters

Join Solventum and expert faculty for this informative symposium and workshop, which will explore why moisture matters in the treatment and prevention of pressure ulcers, IAD and MASD management. There will also be an interactive workshop which will show practical demonstrations, tips and tricks for managing difficult to dress anatomical locations using wound moulage models.

Speakers:

Lucie Charbonneau, Advanced Practice Nurse in Wound Care, Lausanne University Hospital, Impact of MASD/IAD on patient recovery Prof. Dimitri Beeckman, Prof. of Nursing Science at Ghent University and Örebro University, The impact of moisture and the skins tolerance to pressure

Kris Bernaerts, Clinical Nurse Specialist Wound Care, University Hospitals of Leuven, When moisture can be my friend or foe as a wound care specialist

Industry Session 2 Industry workshop: LINET

Mattress with superior 3-cell alternating system in research and practical application

When: 25 September, 13:30–14:30 Where: Room 1/Garden level



Speakers:

Dr. Peter Worsley, Professor of Assistive Technology and Tissue Health, Health Sciences, University of Southampton Jana Mackovičová, Global Segment Leader of Pressure Care Segment, LINET Lucie Řehořová, Health Project Manager, LINET

Industry Session 3 Smith+Nephew workshop

When: 25 September, 15:10–16:10 Where: Room 4/Garden level

Smith-Nephew

Pressure Ulcers Uncovered - Time to Take Action!

Join us for the Smith+Nephew sponsored workshop Pressure Ulcers Uncovered – Time to Take Action! where you will have the unique opportunity to engage with leading experts; Stephanie Constable, Cate McCarthy, Tanja Lamm, and Mandy Spitzer. This workshop will explore S+N's cutting-edge solutions for the treatment and prevention of pressure ulcers, ranging from negative pressure therapies to advanced foam dressings.

You'll gain hands-on experience with our products, guided by real-world clinical insights, including a case study on how Stephanie Constable a Certified Wound Ostomy Continence Nurse (CWOCN) from West Virginia, USA has driven quality improvement through pressure ulcer prevention. We will also discuss the importance of empowering healthcare professionals through comprehensive training and education, ensuring that best practices become embedded in routine clinical care. This is an invaluable opportunity to deepen your knowledge, ask questions, and collaborate with peers in the field.

Speakers: Stephanie Constable; Cate McCarthy; Tanja Lamm; Mandy Spitzer

Industry Session 4 **EXOLUX Workshop**

When: 26 September, 10:30–11:30 Where: Room 5/Garden level



Dive into the future of medical treatments with our hands-on RecoSMA® workshop. Discover how our patented laser technology offers a painless solution, requiring no additional interventions. This innovative protocol can be mastered by both physicians and nurses. Join us, and experience the simplicity and effectiveness of RecoSMA® firsthand. Don't miss this opportunity to explore a breakthrough in laser therapy that promises to transform patient care.

Speakers: Dr. Rami Chilgar; Plastic Surgeon and Chief Consultant at Elrevo Clinic India

Industry Session 5 **Mölnlycke Symposium**

When: 26 September 2024, 13:00–14:30 Where: Room 2+3/Garden level



The power of prevention

It seems so obvious that you would presume healthcare systems around the world to have prioritised care according to this logic for centuries. Yet, it's not until recent years, driven by the escalating trend of more patients to treat with less available resources, that we see a global shift towards prevention. In this interactive session we invite you to explore the power of pressure ulcer prevention with us. On stage, five renowned speakers will share insights on the current state, best practices, and opportunities with pressure ulcer prevention in Europe moving forward.

Chair: Prof. Guido Ciprandi, MD, PhD, FEUPSA

Speakers:

Prof. Dr. Andrea Pokorná; Full Professor of Nursing and Vice-Dean for Non-medical Study Programme and Information Technologies, Masaryk University, Czech Republic

Ass. Prof. Paulo Alves; Associate Professor of Nursing and Tissue Viability, Universidade Católica Portuguesa. Deputy Director of the Faculty of Health Sciences and Nursing – Dean of Nursing School (Porto) of the Universidade Católica Portuguesa. Coordinator of the Nursing Platform of the Center for Interdisciplinary Research in Health. Coordinator of the Wounds Research Lab. Senior Fellow with the Department of Nursing at the University of Melbourne. President of the Portuguese Wound Management Association (APTFeridas)

Benedict Stanberry; Director at the Institute of Healthcare Leadership and Management (IHLM), Oxford Centre for Innovation, New Road, Oxford

Ann Marie Nie, PhDc, RN, MSN, FNP-BC, APRN, CWOCN, WOCNF; Wound Ostomy Nurse Practitioner and Pressure Injury Preventionist, Dayton Childrens, Ohio, USA

Industry Session 6 **Urgo Symposium**

When: 26 September, 13:00–14:30 Where: Room 5/Garden level



Presentations:

Prof. Sebastian Probst, Full Professor of Tissue Viability and Wound Care, Geneva School of Health Sciences Why do we need a paradigm shift in PU treatment?

Dr. Sylvie Meaume, Head of the Geriatric Wounds and Healing Unit, AP-HP. Rothschild – PARIS Importance of robust clinical evidence, real life evidence and personal

Prof. Georgina Gethin, Head of school of Nursing & Midwifery, University of Galway Implementation of evidence-based treatments in real life improving PU patient's experience

LOCAL PARTNER ORGANISATIONS

SAfW – Swiss Association for Wound Care

"Stronger together" is the motto of the SAfW umbrella society to unite the two SAfW (Swiss Association for Wound care) associations in German and French-speaking Switzerland. In this field, health professionals from different backgrounds such as doctors, nurses, podiatrists, physiotherapists and others work together to harmonise good practice in wound prevention and management at national level with the aim to improve quality of care and patient safety, develop education and continuing education programmes for health professionals, give priority to interprofessional dialogue and promote research.



French section of the Swiss Association for Wound Care

Both nationally and internationally, the mission of SAfW-Romande is to gather, centralize, study, and validate all preventive and therapeutic procedures related to skin care and wound healing. the SAfW-Romande aims to harmonise clinical practice among professionals in French-Switzerland, to improve patient care through interdisciplinarity and interprofessional dialogue including the individual as a central care partner, to encourage evidence-based practice, and to support participation in research.



Haute École de Santé Geneva (HEdS)

The largest health school in French-speaking Switzerland, the HEdS-Geneva is the only one to bring together five of the seven sectors in the Health field: Nutrition and dietetics, Physiotherapy, Midwifery, Nursing and Medical radiology technology.

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Haute école de santé

Genève

Its unique organization into five sectors allows it to develop both intra-sector expertise but also inter-professional synergies.

Skin-Ostomy-Wound Care Research & Implementation Group (SOWC)

The Skin Ostomy and Wound Care (SOWC) Competence Center of the School of Health Sciences, HESSO is the leading competence center in the field of tissue viability, ostomy and wound care including department of nursing, physical therapy, midwifery, and nutrition and dietetics. The SOWC competence center embraces a vision of person-centered, multidisciplinary and evidence-based care. The aim of the SOWC competence center is to generate and transfer evidence to enhance patient and family outcomes as well as the clinical decision-making process for healthcare professionals.



World Council of Enterostomal Therapists (WCET)

The WCET is a dynamic and constantly growing organization representing health professionals coming from more than 65 countries. The WCET Mission is to lead the global advancement of specialized professional nursing care for people with ostomy, wound or continence needs.



GENERAL INFORMATION

Conference venue

The SwissTech Convention Center is one of the largest convention centers in the Lake Geneva region, hosting internationally renowned events. This majestic building is distinguished by its modernity and its innovative technologies.

Address: Quartier Nord EPFL, Route Louis-Favre 2, 1024 Ecublens. Switzerland

Official conference languages

The main conference language is English. The key sessions taking place on the 25th and 26th of September will be provided with simultaneous translation in French. Free paper sessions in French language will be taking place on Friday September 27th.

Conference hours

Tuesday 24 September

Pre-registration 15:00-19:00

Posters can be set up during the pre-registration opening hours.

Wednesday 25 September

08:00-18:30 Registration

09:00-09:25 Opening ceremony

09:25-18:30 Scientific programme

18.45-20:30 Welcome reception (SwissTech Lobby)

Thursday 26 September

08:00-17:20 Registration

08:30-17:20 Scientific programme

19:00-23:00 Conference dinner (Olympic Museum)

Friday 27 September

08:30-13:30 Registration

09:00-12:50 Scientific programme

13:00-13:30 Closing the conference

Certificate of attendance

The certificate of attendance will be available for download after the event through the conference platform (m-anage).

CME – Continued Medical Education

The 24th EPUAP Annual Meeting has been accredited 14.5 CME credits by the European Council for Continuing Medical Education (EACCME). In order to obtain the CME credits, your attendance must be verified for each of the days you wish to obtain the credits for. To verify the attendance, please stop by at the registration desk to sign in the attendance sheet for each day you are participating the conference.

A certificate with your CME credits will be issued after the conference and sent to you by email.

For participants from Switzerland: EPUAP 2024 Lausanne has been recognised for continuous education by the Swiss nurses associations ASI, SafW and CURACASA.









MedTech

EPUAP is member of MedTech Europe! MedTech Europe's mission is to make innovative medical technology available to more people, while helping healthcare systems move towards a sustainable path. MedTech Europe encourages policies that help the medical technology industry meet Europe's growing healthcare needs and expectations.



Mobile App

Download Whova, the official EPUAP 2024 app to:

- Explore the professional profiles of event speakers and attendees.
- Send in-app messages and exchange contact info.
- Network and find attendees with common affiliations, educations, shared networks, and social profiles.
- Receive update notifications from organizers.
- Access the event agenda, maps, GPS guidance and parking directions at your fingertips.



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Please sign up for the app with your **social** media account or email.

Invitation code: Welcome2Lausanne





Badges

Please collect your name badge from the registration desk together with the conference documentation during the registration hours.

All participants and exhibitors are kindly requested to always wear their name badge throughout the conference.

By accepting any scanning of the badge at a stand, the participant gives the authorization to transfer the following data (name, last name, institution, email address) to the company/association who is scanning the badge.

Lunches and coffee breaks

All lunches and coffee breaks will be served in the Exhibition area at the Garden level.

Presentations upload on site

There is no central speakers upload at the conference venue. All presentations have been collected prior to the conference. For last minute updates please go directly to the meeting room where your presentation will be taking place and upload there during lunch or coffee breaks. Technicians and on site assistants will be present.

Exhibition

The most important companies in the field of pressure ulcer and wound management will present their latest products and developments in the field. The exhibition is open throughout the conference hours. You can visit the exhibition area also during coffee and lunch breaks which will be served there. The exhibition is taking place at the Garden level.

Internet and Wi-Fi

Free Wi-Fi is available at the conference venue.

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Poster area

You can find the poster area in the Exhibition at the Garden level. The posters should be set up either on Tuesday 24 September during the pre-registration 15:00–19:00 or on Wednesday 25 September between 08:00-09:00 before the opening of the conference. Each poster has a specific number, therefore please make sure to mount your poster on the poster board with the corresponding number. On site assistance will be available to help you with displaying your poster.

All posters must be removed on Friday 27 September at 14:00 at the latest. Please note that all posters not dismantled by 14:00 will be removed and disposed by the conference staff. The conference secretariat takes no responsibility for left or damaged posters.

Transportation

The SwissTech Convention centre (STCC) is easily accessible by various types of transport and is easily accessible from both Lausanne city centre and Geneva international airport.

From Lausanne City Center

By Metro

- 1. Board the Metro M2 line at "Lausanne-Flon" towards
- 2. Change at "Lausanne-Flon" to the Metro M1 line towards "Renens."
- 3. Alight at "EPFL" station, adjacent to the STCC.
- 4. Total travel time: Approximately 15 minutes.

By Bus

- 1. Take bus number 31 or 33 towards "Renens."
- 2. Get off at the "EPFL" stop, a short walk from the STCC.

SOCIAL EVENTS

Welcome Reception

When: 25 September 2024, 18:45-20:00

Where: SwissTech Lobby

Welcome Reception offers a great opportunity to meet new colleagues as well as reconnect with old friends while enjoying the beauty of Lausanne. The reception is free of charge however, registration is required due to limited capacity.



Conference Dinner

When: 26 September 2024, 19:00-23:00

Where: Olympic Museum Lausanne (Quai d'Ouchy 1, 1006 Lausanne)

Please note that the conference dinner is not included in the registration fee and must

be booked separately.

Come to network with colleagues in the wonderful settings of the Olympic museum where the iconic architecture meets with the rich history of the Olympic games! Lausanne has been home to the International Olympic Committee and the museum founded in 1993 has become one of the must-see attractions in the city.

How to get there: Take the metro line M1 from the EPFL stop to Lausanne-Flon and change to M2 line. Get off the M2 line at the Ouchy-Olympic station. Walk along the Geneva lake enjoying the most panoramic spots in Lausanne, and you will reach the Olympic museum in 10 minutes.

For the delegates who wish to stay until 23:30, a dedicated bus organized by the city of Lausanne will be leaving the Olympic museum to the EPFL conference center/Starling hotel stopping at the following stations: Lausanne Gare, Chauderon, Saint Francois, EPFL SwissTech hotel and Starling hotel.





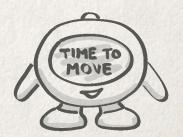
STOP PRESSURE ULCERS 16th November 2024



How can you get involved?

- Host educational activities on prevention and treatment of pressure ulcers
- Organise awareness raising events to share information about pressure ulcers
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- Make policy makers aware about pressure ulcers
- Join Stop Pressure Ulcers community on Social media

Download support material for free at: www.epuap.org





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Agentur Scherrer | www.agentur-scherrer.ch | Stand 23

Agentur Scherrer – Your innovative partner for wounds from acute to refractory to treatment. Votre partenaire innovant pour les plaies aiguës à réfractaires au traitement. Ihr innovativer Partner für Wunden von akut bis therapierefraktär.



Arjo | www.arjo.com | Stand 12

At Arjo, we believe that empowering movement within healthcare environments is essential to quality care. Our products and solutions are designed to promote a safe and dignified experience through patient handling, medical beds, personal hygiene, disinfection, diagnostics, and the prevention of pressure injuries and venous thromboembolism. With over 6500 people worldwide and 65 years caring for patients and healthcare professionals, we are committed to driving healthier outcomes for people facing mobility challenges.



B. Braun Medical | www.bbraun.ch | Stand 7

B. Braun Medical Switzerland is a daughter company of the German B. Braun Group, one of the leading manufacturers and suppliers of medical technology products. The B. Braun Group employs 63'000 people in 64 countries, including 1'077 in Switzerland. These employees work in development, production and sales to ensure that the healthcare market is supplied with high-quality products. B. Braun Medical is represented in Switzerland in Crissier, Escholzmatt, Lucerne, Sempach and in the region of Zurich.



Care of Sweden | www.careofsweden.com | Stand 14

Care of Sweden is an innovative company in the medtech sector, devoted to the cause of eliminating pressure ulcers around the world. Our product range covers mattresses, positioning pillows and seat cushions, used as an aid in the prevention as well as treatment of pressure ulcers. Our head office, R&D and production are located in Tranemo, western Sweden, and our products are used in care facilities across Sweden as well as in many other parts of the world.



CEUMED MEDICAL DEVICES | www.ceumed.com | Stand 29

CEUMED Medical Devices LLP is a specialized manufacturer of Pressure Ulcer Prevention products which include fully Automated Patient Repositioning Mattress Systems (Tilt & Alternating), Alternating Pressure Mattresses, Static Air Mattresses, MediFoam Pressure Redistribution Foam Mattresses, Seat Cushions, Heel Offloading Devices, Deep Vein Thrombosis (DVT) Prevention Pumps, NPWT Systems. The ISO 13485 certified facility is located in India with state of the art manufacturing plant and R&D.



Coloplast | www.coloplast.co.uk/wound | Stand 3

Transforming Care, Transforming Lives.

Coloplast Wound Care aim to transform practice through simplification. We recognise that caring for wounds is a complex and challenging process. Adhering to best practice principles The Coloplast 3 Step Approach provides a framework to Assess, Prepare and Treat all wounds.



compliant concept AG | www.compliant-concept.ch | Stand 6

AMS is a breakthrough in care technology, combining nursing science and engineering. It is the first and only hybrid mattress that integrates gentle lateral positioning, intermittent pressure relief and a foam mattress. Proven over a decade, AMS is more than a mattress; it's a revolutionary care assistant delivering exceptional results.



Convatec | www.convatec.ch | Stand 25

Nous sommes là pour améliorer la vie des personnes avec lesquelles nous sommes en contact. Wir sind da, um das Leben der Menschen, mit denen wir in Berührung kommen, zu verbessern. At ConvaTec, we are here to improve the lives of the people we touch.



ERBAGIL | www.erbagil.com | Stand 11

Erbagil, leading Italian Manufacturer, follows the entire production chain: from Erbagil Estate derives the best raw material transformed by Erbagil Research for Erbagil Production, in medical devices, supplements, disinfectants, cosmetics, products for the agriculture, oil, wines, and sparkling wine.



Essity | www.essity.com | Stand 15

Essity is a leading global hygiene and health company dedicated to improving well-being through products and solutions. Essity's Medical Solutions segment offers products in wound care, compression therapy and orthopedics.

With world-renowned brands, Essity is one of the global market leaders in a number of therapeutic areas.



EXOLUX | www.exolux.fr | Stand 31

EXOLUX is the exclusive European distributor of Linline Medical Systems. Our patented laser technology, RecoSMA®, is easy to use, accessible to all, and offers painless, faster treatment for various types of wounds, transforming medical practice.



Frontier Medical Group | www.frontier-group.co.uk | Stand 4

Frontier Medical Group is a market leader in Pressure Area Care (PAC) solutions, consisting of Repose®, Ultracore™, Toto® and Dermisplus®.

Toto® automated lateral turning system, enables patient-prescribed lateral turning intervals, even when patients are sleeping, in a lightweight and easy to use platform.

Continuing our innovative journey, new Dermisplus Prevent Tubing is designed to redistribute pressure on the skin caused by medical devices.



imito | www.imito.io | Stand 26

Revolutionising Wound Management with Al.

With years of experience in healthcare IT, we bring objectivity, ease and time savings to wound management and medical photo documentation through our clinical apps. Our digital solutions compensate for the wound expert shortage, empowering our customers to enhance patient care efficiently.



Kerecis | www.kerecis.com | Stand 2

Kerecis specializes in developing fish skin-based medical products for tissue regeneration and wound care. Our innovative solutions harness the natural healing properties of fish skin, offering effective, biocompatible alternatives for treating chronic wounds, burns, and surgical sites, ultimately improving patient outcomes and advancing medical care.



Levabo | www.levabo.com | Stand 32

Levabo is developing, manufacturing and distributing cushions, automatic 30 degree tilt mattresses and high efficient foam mattresses for prevention and treatment of pressure injuries. Our cushions are combination of inflatable single patient use and re-use.



LIGAMED medical Produkte | www.ligasano.com | Stand 38

The origin of LIGAMED® medical Produkte GmbH dates back to 1984. It is located in the Franconian city of Cadolzburgm in the heart of the Nuremberg metropolitan area, the so-called "Medical Valley". We are manufacturer of wound dressings made of PU foam. Our LIGASANO dressings can be used for wound cleansing, wound treatment and prevention.



LINET | www.linet.com | Stand 8+9+10

LINET Group is global #1 advanced care beds and mattress manufacturer with its headquarters and production facilities located in the European Union.

Our comprehensive product portfolio ranges from prenatal to elderly care and it includes advanced care beds, chairs and stretchers, mattresses, smart care, accessories and furniture. LINET – Designed to help you care.



medicalsol | www.medicalsol.ch | Stand 35

medicalsol exclusively distributes top-quality medical products from internationally renowned manufacturers such as Medihoney, Microdacyn, MEDCu, and DEBRICHEM in Switzerland. Our focus is on innovative medical products that provide added value for healthcare providers and patients in the fields of modern wound care and surgery.



MICRO-MEDICAL AG | www.micromedical.ch | Stand 1

MICRO-MEDICAL AG exclusively offers the unique AROA extracellular matrix from sheep's forestomach, available with ENDOFORM as a skin substitute and MYRIAD as an incomparable soft tissue substitute. Our mission is to create meaning and free as many people as possible from the suffering of chronic and deep wounds.



Mölnlycke | www.molnlycke.com | Stand 34

At Mölnlycke, we deliver innovative solutions for managing wounds, improving surgical safety and efficiency and preventing pressure ulcers. Solutions that help achieve better outcomes and are backed by clinical and health-economic evidence. In everything we do, we are guided by a single purpose: to help healthcare professionals perform at their best. And we're committed to proving it every day.



NPIAP | www.npiap.com | Stand 21

The National Pressure Injury Advisory Panel's (NPIAP) mission is to be the authoritative voice for prevention of pressure injury, promotion of pressure injury healing, and to increase awareness of pressure injury through education, research, public policy, clinical guidelines, and product standards.

ORGANOGENESIS

Organogenesis Switzerland | www.organogenesis.com | Stand 30

FUELED BY SCIENCE.

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From advanced wound care through surgery and sports medicine, we are committed to empowering healing by confidently and reliably delivering clinicians the range of regenerative tissue innovations along with the services they need.



Piomic Medical | www.piomic.com | Stand 26

Piomic developed an innovative medical device for the treatment of hard-to-heal wounds. The COMS® One Therapy System is a portable, hand-held device that incorporates the technologies for optical and magnetic stimulation, intended to promote wound healing in chronic leg and foot ulcers. It seamlessly integrates into the patient's healing journey, ensuring ease-of-use accross all care settings.



PU sensor | www.pusensor.com | Stand 16

A turning point / revolution in the fight against pressure ulcers

- Poor microcirculation increases the risk of pressure ulcers, but is not visible on the outside.
- Today's methods miss half of those who get pressure ulcers.
- PU sensor finds who has increased risk. Then pressure ulcers can be prevented, suffering reduced and money saved.



SAfW – Swiss Association for Wound Care | www.safw.swiss | Stand 22

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Service Med Srl | www.servicemed.it | Stand 33

Service Med, founded in 1992 and acquired by the MedicAir Group in 2021, specializes in antidecubitus system rental and management and is today the leading Italian company in the prevention and treatment of pressure injuries. Service Med continues to design and create industry-leading products and services, and firmly believes in the culture of prevention and the need to apply and disseminate good treatment practices.

SmithNephew

Smith+Nephew Ltd | www.smith-nephew.com | Stand 13

At Smith+Nephew, we're pioneering new technologies so that more wounds can now heal. Providing innovative systems to drive efficiencies, minimise wastage and build digital tools to help train and educate more caregivers.

Together, we are shaping what's possible in wound care.

Society of Tissue Viability

Society of Tissue Viability | www.societyoftissueviability.org | Stand 20

At the Society of Tissue Viability, we believe that skin health and wound healing is everyone's business and that change happens when we work together, not in silos. Visit Stand #20 to find out about our latest projects, including our 2025 annual conference, our online educational events and more! If you work for a company, pop by to find out about Education Endorsement and the benefits of becoming a Corporate Partner!



Solventum | www.3m.co.uk | Stand 25

At Solventum, we create breakthrough solutions for our customers' toughest challenges by pioneering game-changing innovations at the intersection of health, material and data science to change patients' lives for the better – while empowering healthcare professionals to perform at their hest



SOWC HEdS Ge | www.hesge.ch | Stand 22

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Stryker | www.stryker.com | Stand 28

Stryker is a global leader in medical technologies and, together with our customers, we are driven to make healthcare better. We offer innovative products and services in MedSurg, Neurotechnology, Orthopaedics and Spine that help improve patient and healthcare outcomes.



Urgo Medical | www.urgomedical.co.uk | Stand 27

At Urgo Medical, our mission is to support Healthcare Professionals to deliver evidence-based advanced wound care treatments from the beginning so that life can start again for patients. Our 1 600 employees are committed every day to making a difference for patients.



WCET | www.wcetn.org | Stand 22

WCET® is a non profit organisation, United Kingdom registered Charity, created in 1978, Milan, Italy. WCET® is focused on leading the global advancement of specialised professional Stoma, Wound and Continence nursing care. Following Norma N Gill, our founder (first WCET® President and Journal Editor) vision, WCET® mission is mainly through promoting and supporting specialised Education. so, all persons worldwide will be cared for by Nurses with specialized education in ostomy, wound or continence needs.



Vikta ApS | www.vikta.dk | Stand 24

INNOVATIVE – EFFECTIVE – TRANSFORMATIVE products for patient care.

Clinically proven to prevent and heal pressure sores.

Vikta products are recommended by tissue viability clinicians, nurses and carers to improve life quality for vulnerable patients with immobility issues.

KomfiTilt, PosiPerle & FloForm for pressure care and postural support.

Start 'making a turn for the better'.



Wounds International | www.woundsinternational.com | Stand 18

Wounds Group is a leading international healthcare communications company specialising in wound management. We deliver innovative educational materials online, in print and in person, supporting practitioners globally with the latest developments and evidence-based guidance. Our mission is to help close the gaps in healthcare provision and strengthen professional skills and knowledge for improved patient care.



XSENSOR | www.xsensor.com | Stand 19

XSENSOR's ForeSite® body surface pressure imaging technology aids Healthcare Practitioners in preventing or better managing and reducing pressure injuries in their patients. Our healthcare solutions allow for the monitoring of patients in care homes, hospital beds and ORs, as well as assist in the selection of the best wheelchair seating.

Delegate Award at EPUAP 2024: Most Innovative Product Award

The Most Innovative Product Award is designed to recognize and celebrate advancements in the field of pressure ulcer prevention and treatment. This award will shine a spotlight on the EPUAP 2024 exhibitors and products pushing the boundaries of innovation.

How to Vote

Eight innovative companies have applied for this award, each showcasing a product that has made an impact in the field. Voting is open to all **EPUAP 2024 delegates** and can be done through the **conference app Whova under "Survey"**. Here's how it works:

- Rate each product on a scale from 1 to 10.
- By casting your vote, you'll automatically be entered into a draw to win free registration for EPUAP 2025, which will be held in Helsinki, Finland from 24-26 September 2025.

We encourage all delegates to participate in the vote through networking and discussing at the stands! Don't miss your chance to see all the products and meet our lovely exhibitors in the exhibition space.

Here are the eight companies and their products applying for the Most Innovative Product Award:

Company	Product	Release Date
Care of Sweden AB	CuroCell iA®	1 September 2023
CEUMED Medical Devices LLP	EVA TILT®	30 January 2024
LIGAMED medical Produkte GmbH	LIGASANO® Trapeze Cushion Dressing	1 June 2022
medicalsol	Debrichem	4 February 2021
MICRO-MEDICAL AG	Myriad Matrix	30 May 2024
Piomic Medical AG	COMS One Therapy System	1 November 2021
PU sensor AB	PU sensor	2 February 2021
ServiceMed srl	Flow Air	1 June 2024

ABOUT LAUSANNE



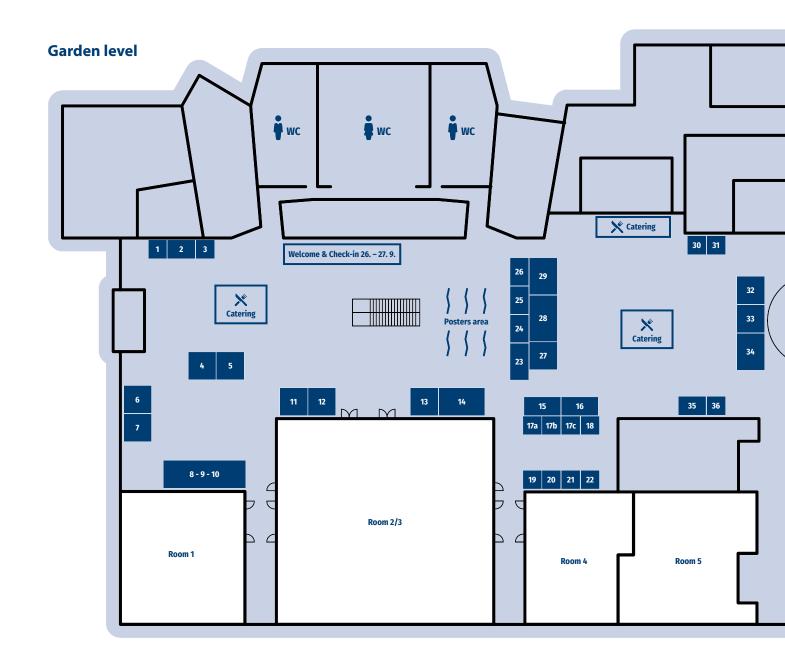
Nestled on the northern shores of Lake Geneva and framed by the breathtaking Alps, Lausanne is a city that seamlessly blends natural beauty, rich history, and modern innovation. As the capital of the canton of Vaud, Lausanne is a vibrant hub of culture, education, and commerce, making it an ideal destination for conferences and events.

The history of Lausanne dates back to Roman times, and this heritage is vividly present in its medieval architecture, cobbled streets, and well-preserved monuments. The Lausanne Cathedral, an architectural masterpiece of Gothic design, offers panoramic views of the city and lake. The city's museums, including the Olympic Museum, pay homage to both ancient and contemporary achievements, reflecting Lausanne's role as the headquarters of the International Olympic Committee.

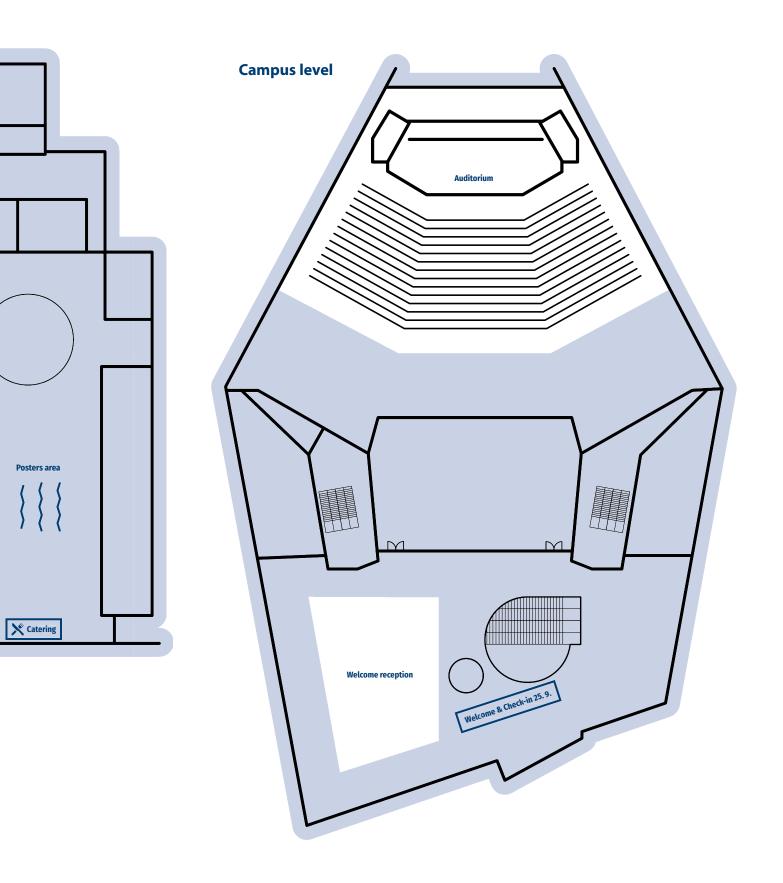
Home to the renowned Swiss Federal Institute of Technology (EPFL) and the University of Lausanne, the city is a beacon of academic excellence and research. This intellectual vitality is complemented by a dynamic startup ecosystem, fostering innovation and attracting professionals from around the globe.

With its unique combination of stunning scenery, rich cultural tapestry, and cutting-edge innovation, Lausanne is more than just a conference location—it's an experience. We look forward to welcoming you to this beautiful city, where every corner invites exploration, and every moment is filled with inspiration.

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