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Stuttgart 2005

FROM THE LABORATORY
TO THE PATIENT:

FUTURE ORGANISATION AND
CARE OF PROBLEM WOUNDS

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The European Tissue Repair Society, a non-profit making organisation founded in 1988, aims to promote knowledge and interchange between scientists, healthcare professionals, industry and other individuals that have an interest in tissue repair in all organs. The Society has an annual meeting and a number of focus meetings each year concentrating on different aspects of tissue repair, ranging from basic science to clinical aspects of healing.

The improvement of tissue repair as well as prevention of injury will be major challenges in the 21st Century and the European Tissue Repair Society's continued objective is to contribute to and address, these challenges.

The benefits of membership include a reduction in the annual subscription price of the Society's journal 'Wound Repair and Regeneration', receiving the ETRS Bulletin which highlights the Society's activities and an annual certificate of membership. www.etrso.org



EWMA was founded in 1991 at a conference in Cardiff to address clinical and scientific issues associated with wound healing represented by medical, nursing, scientific and pharmaceutical interests.

Objectives:

1. To promote advancement of education and research into epidemiology, pathology, diagnosis, prevention and management of wounds of all aetiologies.
2. a. To hold conferences on aspects of wound management throughout Europe.
b. To provide grants and bursaries to EWMA members.
c. To hold multi-centre, multi-disciplinary training courses on topical aspects of wound healing.

Since its foundation EWMA has worked to fulfil these objectives and, at the same time, searched for new ways to help the promotion of a truly international forum for wound management. At present EWMA is enjoying an ever-increasing number of members; participants in the annual conferences; co-operating organisations; promising projects, and a warm support from the industry. www.ewma.org



The German society for Wound Healing and Wound Treatment (DGfW e.V.) was created as an interdisciplinary scientific organisation in Wiesbaden in 1994. A goal of the founders was to create an organisation which supports knowledge transfer between research and practice for the improved treatment of acute and chronic wounds.

The society pursues exclusively non-profit purposes and altruistic activities.

An aim of the society is to promote the relations of wound healing and wound treatment to practice, research and science. The DGfW e.V. communicates progress in diagnostics, therapy and prevention to the public. www.dgfw.de

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Dear Colleague

It is a great pleasure to welcome you to Stuttgart2005, the joint Scientific meeting of the European Tissue Repair Society (ETRS), the European Wound Management Association (EWMA) and the German Wound Healing Society (DGfW).

The meeting will be held in Stuttgart 15-17 September 2005.

The theme of the meeting is

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The conference gives the participants an opportunity to benefit from high level scientific presentations, exchange data and evaluate clinical practice.

The combined efforts of these three strong scientific organisations will create a unique experience for the participants both on a professional and social level.

Prof. Dr. med. Dr. h. c. Horst Dieter Becker

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ETRS



PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME

The scientific programme of the main conference comprises plenary sessions, key sessions, workshops and free paper sessions. The plenary sessions, key sessions and workshops are organised by the organising societies as marked below. All participants have access to all scientific sessions, so members of one society are welcome to join a scientific session arranged by another society.

The conference will be fully bi-lingual English/German and German/English except for a few workshops and satellite symposia.

WEDNESDAY 14 SEPTEMBER

Time	Event
10 ⁰⁰ - 17 ⁰⁰	Training Courses (Separate registration)
17 ⁰⁰ - 20 ⁰⁰	Pre-Registration Event

THURSDAY 15 SEPTEMBER

	Time	Type	Title		
Registration from 07:00 - 19:00	10 ⁰⁰ - 10 ³⁰	Opening Ceremony			
	10 ³⁰ - 12 ⁰⁰	Plenary Session	Bridging the Gap – Laboratory to Clinician, Doctors to Nurses and Patients to Clinicians	EWMA	
	12 ⁰⁰ - 14 ⁰⁰			12 ³⁰ - 14 ⁰⁰ General Assembly	E T R S
				12 ³⁰ - 14 ⁰⁰ Satellite Symposia	
				12 ⁰⁰ - 14 ⁰⁰ Commercial Exhibition	
	14 ⁰⁰ - 15 ³⁰	Key Session	Bridging the Gap – Infection	EWMA	
		Workshop	Education	EWMA	
		Key Session	Growth Factors: From Bench to Bedside I	E T R S	
		Key Session	Management of Wounds Induced by Physical Trauma	DGFW	
		Free Paper presentations			
	15 ³⁰ - 16 ⁰⁰		Commercial Exhibition		
	16 ⁰⁰ - 17 ³⁰	Key Session	Bridging the Gap – Lymphoedema	EWMA	
		Key Session	Growth Factors: From Bench to Bedside II	E T R S	
		Key Session	Vacuum Assisted Closure Therapy – What is Evidence-based	DGFW	
		Free Paper Presentations Satellite Symposia			
	17 ³⁰ - 19 ⁰⁰	Key Session	Proteases and Antiproteases in Wound Healing	E T R S	
		Free Paper Presentations Satellite Symposia			
		19 ⁰⁰ - 20 ⁰⁰	Social Event	Get-together in the Exhibition Area	

FRIDAY 16 SEPTEMBER

Time	Type	Title	
08 ³⁰ - 10 ⁰⁰	Plenary Session	Tissue Engineering	ETRS
10 ⁰⁰ - 10 ³⁰		Commercial Exhibition	
10 ³⁰ - 12 ⁰⁰	Key Session	Bridging the Gap – Tissue Engineering	EWMA
	Key Session	Guidelines for Wound Healing and Wound Treatment	DGFW
	Workshop	Photography and Wound Management	EWMA
	Key Session	Fibrotic Tissue Responses I	ETRS
		Free Paper presentations	
12 ⁰⁰ - 14 ⁰⁰		12 ³⁰ - 14 ⁰⁰ Annual General Meeting	EWMA
		12 ³⁰ - 14 ⁰⁰ Satellite Symposia	
		12 ⁰⁰ - 14 ⁰⁰ Commercial Exhibition	
14 ⁰⁰ - 15 ³⁰	Key Session	Bridging the Gap – Difficult to heal Wounds	EWMA
	Key Session	Fibrotic Tissue Responses II	ETRS
	Workshop	Sharp Debridement, Bandaging	EWMA
	Key Session	Structures and Functions of Wound Care Centres in Europe	DGFW
		Free Paper presentations	
15 ³⁰ - 16 ⁰⁰		Commercial Exhibition	
16 ⁰⁰ - 17 ³⁰	Key Session	Bridging the Gap – Patient Outcomes	EWMA
	Key Session	Compression Therapy in Wound Care – Procedures and Documentation	DGFW
	Key Session	Adhesion Molecules, Chemokines and Proinflammatory Cytokines Shaping Inflammation, Blistering and Wound Healing I	ETRS
		Free Paper presentations Satellite Symposia	
17 ³⁰ - 19 ⁰⁰	Key Session	Adhesion Molecules, Chemokines and Proinflammatory Cytokines Shaping Inflammation, Blistering and Wound Healing II	ETRS
		Free Paper Presentations Satellite Symposia	
20 ⁰⁰ - 24 ⁰⁰	Social Event	Conference Evening in the Bosch Area (not included in registration fee)	

SATURDAY 17 SEPTEMBER

Time	Type	Title	
08 ³⁰ - 10 ⁰⁰	Plenary Session	Nursing Care for Chronic Wounds in Germany: State of the Art and Perspectives	DGFW
10 ⁰⁰ - 10 ³⁰		Commercial Exhibition	
10 ³⁰ - 12 ⁰⁰	Key Session	Bridging the Gap – Education	EWMA
	Workshop	Compression Therapy in Wound Care – Procedures and Documentation	DGFW
	Workshop	Getting Published	EWMA
	Key Session	Stem Cells and Precursor Cells I	ETRS
	Key Session	Remodelling – Problems of Scarring in Chronic Wounds – Therapeutic Options	DGFW
		Free Paper presentations	
12 ⁰⁰ - 15 ⁰⁰		12 ³⁰ - 15 ⁰⁰ General Assembly	DGFW
		12 ³⁰ - 14 ⁰⁰ Satellite Symposia	
		12 ⁰⁰ - 14 ⁰⁰ Commercial Exhibition	
14 ⁰⁰ - 15 ³⁰	Key Session	Stem Cells and Precursor Cells II	ETRS
		Free Paper presentations	
15 ³⁰ - 16 ⁰⁰	Closing		

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STUTTGART2005 ABSTRACT SUBMISSION

1 REGISTER TO SUBMIT AN ABSTRACT

1. To submit an abstract for Stuttgart2005, please go to www.stuttgart2005.org, click on "Abstracts" and register. You will need an email address.
2. If you wish to submit an abstract and you do not have access to the Internet, please contact the Scientific Secretariat:
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2 SUBMITTING AN ABSTRACT

A. Practical Information

1. Abstracts are required for all oral presentations and posters.
2. You will need to choose to which organisation you are submitting your abstract, ETRS, EWMA or DGfW.
3. An abstract must be submitted either in English, in German, or both in English and German. If you are able to submit in both languages, please do so.
4. Abstracts must be submitted before 31 May 2005.

B. Contents of Your Abstract

1. The title should be as brief as possible but long enough to indicate clearly the nature of the study. Capitalise the first letter of each word in the abstract title. No full stop at the end.
2. Abstracts should state briefly and clearly the purpose, methods, results and conclusions of the work.
Aim: Clearly state the purpose of the abstract
Methods: Describe your selection of observations or experimental subjects clearly
Results: Present your results in a logical sequence in text, tables and illustrations
Discussion: Emphasize new and important aspects of the study and conclusions that are drawn from them

3. A "blind" selection process will be used. No identifying features such as names of hospitals, medical schools, clinics or cities may be listed in the title or text of the abstract. Do not include the names of authors either. You will be asked to enter the names of all authors and their affiliations (institutions) when you submit the abstract on-line.
4. All abbreviations must be defined on first use.
5. Use generic drug names.
6. Statements such as "results will be discussed" or "data will be presented" cannot be accepted.
7. Papers will not be accepted if previously presented at an ETRS, EWMA or DGfW meeting unless there is a substantial increase in data.

3 REVIEWING

1. The scientific committee will review the abstract. Acceptance can be expected two months prior to the conference.
2. It is the responsibility of all investigators that all studies are performed with respect to both national and international legislation and ethical guidelines both with regard to humans and animals. The Stuttgart2005 Joint Scientific Committee reserves the right to reject any submitted abstract, which is believed to violate these principles.

4 CONDITIONS

1. The presenting author has to register as active participant to the Conference. Stuttgart2005 reserves the right to not publish abstracts, which are not followed by a participant registration a minimum of one month prior to the conference. Deadline for registering to the low rate is extended for submitters of abstracts until 14 days after final acceptance.
2. Abstracts will be published on the web and in the conference final programme. By submitting an abstract you consent to giving Stuttgart2005 permission to publish your abstract both in its submitted form and in translation.
3. If you want to withdraw an abstract please contact the Scientific Secretariat in writing and await written confirmation of your withdrawal.

AWARDS

■ **Poster prizes.** These awards are designed to reward the considerable work that goes into preparing a poster for presentation at the conference. To be eligible for consideration you must have a paper accepted for poster presentation at the Stuttgart2005 conference. This poster should not have been submitted/presented elsewhere.

A panel of judges will attend the poster sessions, and authors are strongly encouraged to be present at these sessions in order to answer questions on their work.

How to apply. Your accepted poster will automatically be considered for this award, provided that it has not previously been submitted elsewhere.

■ **ETRS Young Investigator Award.** During the conference the Young Investigator Award will be presented for the best presentation by a young investigator (younger than 40 years).

How to apply. You should confirm that you are applying for this award when you are submitting your abstract on-line.

■ **EWMA First Time Presenter prize.** This award is designed to encourage people who have not previously presented their work at an international conference. To be eligible for consideration you must have submitted your abstract to EWMA and you must be "novice presenter". That is, you should not have presented previously at an international conference. This paper should not have been submitted/presented elsewhere. A panel of judges will attend the concurrent presentation sessions.

Value of prize. The First Time Presenter prize will be of 450 €.

How to apply. You should confirm that you are applying for this award when you are submitting your abstract on-line. Furthermore you should bring a letter from your employer/supervisor/manager/institution confirming that you have not presented previously at an international conference.

■ **EWMA Bursaries.** These awards are designed to help people attend the Stuttgart2005 conference. To be eligible for consideration you must be a current member of EWMA as of 31 December 2004. You must also have a paper accepted for oral presentation at the Stuttgart2005 conference.

Value of Bursaries. The bursary will cover the cost of registration at the conference.

How to apply. You should send a letter of application to the Scientific Secretariat after submitting your abstract.

■ **DGfW Viktor von Bruns Preis (Basic Research Award).** This award is designed to honour people in basic research. To be eligible for consideration you must have submitted your abstract to DGfW.

Value of prize. The DGfW Basic Research Award will be of 750 €.

How to apply. You should confirm that you are applying for this award when you are submitting your abstract on-line.

■ **DGfW Agathe Streicher Preis (Nursing Research Award).** This award is designed to honour people in nursing research.

To be eligible for consideration you must have submitted your abstract to DGfW.

Value of prize. The DGfW Nursing Research Award will be of 750 €.

How to apply. You should confirm that you are applying for this award when you are submitting your abstract on-line.

■ **DGfW Bursaries.** These awards are designed to help people attend the Stuttgart2005 conference. To be eligible for consideration you must be a current member of the DGfW. You do not, however, need to have a paper accepted.

How to apply. You should note you are a member of DGfW when registering.

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GENERAL INFORMATION



Kultur & Kongresszentrum Liederhalle

Conference Centre/Venue

The Conference will be held at:

Kultur & Kongresszentrum Liederhalle
Berliner Platz 1-3
D-70174 Stuttgart, Germany
www.liederhalle-stuttgart.de

All contacts with the Conference Centre should be made through the secretariats.

The venue is located in the centre of Stuttgart. The distance to the airport is approx 15 km. It is comprised of two main buildings, which fittingly are named after two great personalities of German music and poetry: Beethoven and Hegel.

The adjoining Bosch area, an outside area covered by a glass ceiling, offers a choice of entertainment, shopping and gastronomy; the Conference Evening will be held here.

A detailed transport guide will be available at www.stuttgart2005.org.

Important Dates

Abstract submission deadline	31 May 2005
Early registration before	15 June 2005
Accommodation requests before	20 June 2005
Late registration before (on-site registration possible)	15 August 2005

Conference Dates

Wednesday 14 September

10⁰⁰-17⁰⁰ Training Courses (separate registration)
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Thursday 15 September

07⁰⁰-20⁰⁰ Registration open
09³⁰-20⁰⁰ Commercial Exhibition open
10⁰⁰-10³⁰ Opening Session
10³⁰-19⁰⁰ Scientific Sessions
19⁰⁰-20⁰⁰ Get-together

Friday 16 September

08⁰⁰-19⁰⁰ Registration open
08⁰⁰-19⁰⁰ Commercial Exhibition open
08³⁰-19⁰⁰ Scientific Sessions
20⁰⁰-24⁰⁰ Conference Evening
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Conference Language

The conference will be fully bilingual German/English and English/German.

Registration and Rates

Participants are kindly requested to register on www.stuttgart2005.org. Registration is only valid following receipt of payment. If you are unable to register on-line, please contact the Registration Secretariat.

Registration Fees

Registration fees	Before 15 June 2005	Between 15 June and 15 August 2005	On site
Participant, member*	300 €	350 €	400 €
Participant, non member	375 €	425 €	475 €
Accompanying persons	100 €	100 €	100 €
Participant 1 Day**	110 €	125 €	150 €
Students***	50 €	60 €	70 €
Exhibitors	80 €	80 €	80 €

* Members of ETRS, see www.etrts.org
Members EWMA or EWMA's co-operating organisations, see www.ewma.org
Members of DGFw, see www.dgfw.de for bursary possibilities.

** Only members* have access to 1 day registrations.

*** To be entitled to the student fee an appropriate proof of status must be presented at the registration office. In cases where this proof of status cannot be presented on site, the full registration fee will have to be paid.

Entitlements

Participants, 1 day participants and students:

Final programme and Book of Abstracts; admission to all scientific sessions; admission to the Commercial Exhibition; admission to the Pre-Registration Event and the Get-together. Admission to the Conference Evening is available for an extra charge of 50 €. 1 day participants only have the entitlements for the day(s) for which they have registered.

Accompanying persons: Admission to all social arrangements. Pre-registration Event Wednesday, Get-Together Thursday, Conference Evening Friday (no extra charge). Transport card Stuttgart Thursday to Saturday.

Please note that it requires full participant registration to have access to the scientific sessions.

Exhibitors: Access to the Commercial Exhibition and own Satellite Symposia; admission to the Pre-Registration Event and the Get-together. Admission to the Conference Evening is available for an extra charge of 50 €.

Please note that it requires full participant registration to have access to the scientific sessions.

Group Reservation

For groups of 10 or more persons, reservations for both accommodation and registration can be made directly to the Registration Secretariat without filling in a form for each person, as long as all necessary information is provided. Please contact the Registration Secretariat.

Deadline for hotel reservation is **20 June 2005**. If the desired hotel/category is already fully booked, Congress Partner reserves the right to arrange accommodation in another hotel/category.

On-line registration at www.stuttgart2005.org

Payment of Registration

Payment or proof of payment must accompany all forms of registration. The issuer covers all costs of cheques and transfers.

Methods of payment:

- By credit card: American Express, Euro Card, Diners Club, Master Card, VISA
- By International cheque in € made out to **Congress Partner GmbH** and forwarded to the Registration Secretariat.
- By debit order. This is only possible from German bank accounts.

Please note that the name(s) of the participant(s) must appear on all cheques and transfers!

Confirmation & Cancellation

Deadline for pre-registration is 15 August 2005. Should payment/registration be received after that date, you will receive your confirmation documents at the congress office on site.

Registration and services booked can only be confirmed after receipt of full payment or valid credit card details. All personal and private data are processed and saved under strict adherence to §23-25 BDSG within the framework of the contractual objectives.

In case of cancellation of participation before 15 August 2005, registration fees will be refunded with a handling fee deduction of 25 € per person. After that date, there will be no refund whatsoever. Name changes will be charged at 16 € per registration. Should you have any special requests for the processing of your invoice, kindly let us know when returning your registration form. For the rewriting of invoices 16 € will be charged. Prices of sub-contractors are based on the current tariffs and VAT rate. All prices and details are subject to changes beyond our control.

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Accommodation

A number of hotel rooms are reserved for the participants. The Registration Secretariat handles all hotel bookings. Rooms are allocated on a first come – first served basis. Early booking is therefore recommended. Accommodation requests received after 20 June 2005 cannot be guaranteed.

Below, you will find the available hotel categories. All hotel rooms are with private toilet and bath. For further details please consult the website at www.stuttgart2005.org

Hotel Category	Single Room		Double Room	
	Price Range	Deposit	Price Range	Deposit
★★★★★	199 €	199 €	226 €	226 €
★★★★	85-138 €	85-138 €	73-174 €	73-174 €
★★★	72-99 €	72-99 €	85-139 €	85-139 €

Information

For all information regarding Abstracts and Speakers please contact the Scientific Secretariat.

For all information regarding registration and accommodation please contact the Registration Secretariat.

Social events

Pre-Registration Event. Wednesday 14 September 17⁰⁰-20⁰⁰ there will be a Pre-Registration Event at the Liederhalle. Use the opportunity to register and at the same time to meet other participants and enjoy a light snack and drinks.

Get-Together. Thursday 15 September 19⁰⁰-20⁰⁰. The Commercial Exhibition will host a Get-together where light snacks and drinks will be served.

Conference Evening. Friday 16 September 20⁰⁰-24⁰⁰. The Congress will host a Get-together in the Bosch Area. Extra charge 50 €.

CME

Credits for Continuing Medical Education (CME, Fortbildungspunkte) will be given from the Baden-Württemberg Board of Physicians and the European Union of Medical Specialists. The number of credits available for participation in the Stuttgart2005 conference will be announced on the conference web site at www.stuttgart2005.org

Commercial Exhibition

A unique exhibition will be open for the participants in the breaks between sessions and on Thursday evening.

Enjoy the coffee and snacks served in connection with the exhibition while seeing the latest additions to modern wound management products.

For information regarding exhibition conditions, please see www.stuttgart2005.org or contact the Commercial Secretariat.

Regional highlights

The south of Germany is known for a number of charming characteristics, its beautiful country side and historically important cities. In addition, the region of Baden-Württemberg is famous for its smooth mountains and wine-growing areas. This region is also rich in historical sights, including many palaces and castles. Of those the palace of Ludwigsburg is only thirty minutes from the city of Stuttgart. This palace is one of the oldest and largest preserved baroque palaces in Germany.

The cities of southern Germany are masterpieces of historical and modern architecture. The capital, Stuttgart, is no exception, and offers a lively scene of arts and culture too. The capital offers the worldfamous Stuttgart Ballet and the award winning State Opera as well.

When taking a stroll through the city, the two palaces in the city-centre shall not be unnoticed. The Old Palace and the New Palace are impressive witnesses of the middle age and the baroque époque. The new art museum opened in April 2005.

Stuttgart presents its visitors: many exciting museums and exhibitions including the motor show of Mercedes-Benz, the Carl-Zeiss Planetarium, the "Staatsgalerie" (Museum of modern art) and the "Museum am Löwentor", where the fascinating history of dinosaurs can be explored. "Wilhelmina", the enchanting zoo is also worth a visit, for children as well as for adults.

For more inspiration, please visit the Stuttgart tourist information at www.stuttgart-tourist.de

Climate

The climate of Baden-Württemberg is very pleasant, and the summer is long. In mid-September the coldest temperature is expected to be approximately 15°C but in general it does not exceed 20-25°C. For a visit to Stuttgart at this time of year, both light clothes for the daytime as well as a light jacket for the chilly evenings are suitable.

Health insurance

As a conference participant you should insure yourself as business traveller by taking individual insurance; details can be obtained from your travel agency.

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