



Tissue Viability bulletin

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The aim of this current awareness bulletin is to provide a digest of recent articles and guidelines on Tissue Viability

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Articles

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Polymicrobial infection in bone biopsies and relapse in diabetic foot osteomyelitis: The role of soft tissue involvement

The purpose of this study was to examine whether polymicrobial infection in bone biopsies is associated with infection relapse following surgery for diabetic foot osteomyelitis. Relapse of infection presents a major challenge in treating diabetic foot osteomyelitis, yet the role of microbiological factors in predicting relapse remains underexplored.

Wound Repair and Regeneration 2025 33(2) e70011

Application of midnight-noon ebb-flow combined with five-element music therapy in continuous nursing of patients with chronic wounds

Chronic wounds are defined as wounds that require healing for more than 4 weeks due to prolonged healing time or no healing tendency caused by related factors after skin or tissue damage on the body surface. Conventional nursing models are not sufficient to address the health needs of patients as they recover. Traditional chronic wound care only includes comprehensive and systematic evaluation, wound assessment, and wound care, limited to physical and psychological care,



and cannot achieve dialectical and holistic care. The intervention measures adopted in this study are based on the dialectical theory of traditional Chinese medicine, and promote the healing of chronic wounds in patients through the dialectical integration of emotion and music therapy.

Journal of Evaluation in Clinical Practice 2025 31(1) e1426

Acceptability and Usability of Smileyscope Virtual Reality for Paediatric Pain Management During Burn Procedures: Perspectives of Patients, Carers and Clinicians

To explore clinician, child and parent acceptability and usability of the Smileyscope VR device in the context of addressing the unique pain and distress needs of young burn patients

Journal of Advanced Nursing 2025 81(3) 1568 -1582

The road to transforming wound care: Empowering clinicians and improving patient outcomes through education

The article emphasises the continued importance of education in wound care and the positive outcomes of face to face educational sessions organised by Flen Health

Wounds UK 2025 21(1) 54-57

Protecting fragile skin in Podiatry

This meeting report is based on a 'Made Easy' workshop that took place at the Wounds UK Annual Conference in Harrogate on 12 November 2024.

Wounds UK 2025 21(1) 66-73

A Pilot Three Arm Randomised Controlled Trial and Qualitative Study of Extracorporeal Shockwave Therapy for Diabetic Foot Ulcer Healing (SOLEFUL): A Study Protocol

Diabetes-related foot ulcers (DFUs) are common. Currently 537million people worldwide are living with diabetes, of which 10% have a DFU [1–4]. DFUs are associated with poor healing and recurrent infections resulting in multiple hospital admissions, lower limb amputations and death

International Wound Journal 2025 22(4) e70176

Social Determinants of Health Influencing the Health of Patients With a Stoma: A Discursive Paper

Social determinants of health (SDH) are receiving increasing attention due to their impact on health disparities, health outcomes, and overall quality of life [1, 2].

SDH are “the social conditions that affect the health status of individuals in the environments where they are born, grow, live, work and age.”

International Wound Journal 2025 22(4) e70384



Systematics, diagnosis and treatment of wound infections in chronic wounds: A position paper from WundDACH

Wound infections are still an interdisciplinary and interprofessional challenge, because of numerous complications, particularly in people with chronic wounds. There are many different concepts and approaches in this field today. Therefore, WundDACH, the umbrella organization of the German-speaking wound healing societies, wrote a position paper on this important topic

DDG: Journal der Deutschen Dermatologischen Gesellschaft. 2025 Mar 17
Online ahead of print.

Best Practice and Guidelines

Cochrane Library 2025

Positron emission tomography-adapted therapy for first-line treatment in adults with Hodgkin lymphoma

Hodgkin lymphoma (HL) is one of the most curable cancers worldwide. Treatment options comprise more- or less-intensified regimens of chemotherapy plus radiotherapy depending on the disease stage. An interim-[18F]-fluorodeoxy-D-glucose (FDG)-positron emission tomography (PET), a procedure to illustrate a tumour's metabolic activity, stage and progression, could be used during treatment to distinguish between individuals who are good or poor early responders to therapy.

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Next-generation sequencing for guiding matched targeted therapies in people with relapsed or metastatic cancer

Matched targeted therapies (MTT) given alone or in combination with systemic anti-cancer therapies have delivered proven survival benefit for many people with newly diagnosed cancer. However, there is little evidence of their effectiveness in the recurrent or late-stage setting. With this uncertainty, alongside the perception that late-stage cancers are too genetically heterogenous or too mutationally diverse to benefit from matched targeted therapies, next-generation sequencing (NGS) of tumours in people with refractory cancer remains a low priority. As a result, next-generation sequencing testing of recurrent or late-stage disease is discouraged

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