

Welcome to the Institute for Skin Integrity and Infection Prevention (ISlaIP) newsletter. Thank you for taking the time to read about our progress and news.

News

2019 has been a busy year for us. We have become a sister society of the World Union of Wound Healing Societies and are delighted that we will be attending their conference in March 2020 hosted in Abu Dhabi. I hope that we will meet some of you there. <http://www.wuwhs2020.com/>

We are in the process of organising our 8th International Conference at the University of Huddersfield, which is planned for Monday 27th July 2020. The theme will be centred around SSI and antimicrobial stewardship and several speakers have already confirmed their participation.

Conferences

Several members of the ISlaIP attended the European Wound Management Conference in June. We hosted our 6th International Skin Integrity and Infection Prevention Conference in Huddersfield, July 2019. This conference was a great success and achieved a full capacity.

The 7th International Skin Integrity and Infection Prevention Conference was hosted in September in Las Vegas at the Paris Hotel alongside the Wild on Wounds Conference. Members of the Institute undertook several presentations including:

Dr Atkin: 'International Hard to Heal Wounds Consensus - what this means in clinical practice'

Professor Ousey:

<https://www.wcei.net/national-conference/about-wow>

Professor Ousey and Professor Conway also visited Professor Fiona Coyer at Queensland University of Technology, where they are exploring research into reperfusion in the critically ill patient.

Dr Leanne Atkin has presented at the Lindsey Leg Club national conference on 'Going beyond the ABPI' And the Leg Ulcer Forum national conference presentation on: Updates from National Wound Care Strategy: Lower limb stream.

Selected publications

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