



WUWHS 2016 Update

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Opening Ceremony

September 25, 2016 – the WUWHS2016 in Florence, Italy had officially started. The opening ceremony of this conference (that in a way, represents



the “Olympics of the Wound Healing”) included many speakers, starting with the past president of the WUWHS Dr Sadanori Akita (Japan), the new President of the WUWHS and Chair of the hosting and organizing Committee,

Dr Marco Romanelli (Italy) and the Chair of the Scientific Committee, Dr Vincent Falanga (USA). The Ceremony also included a short concert from the Chorus of the University of Pisa and famous Italian Flag Throwers.

During the opening, a slide presentation showed the number of attendees from all over the world, including Africa, America, Asia, Europe and Oceania.



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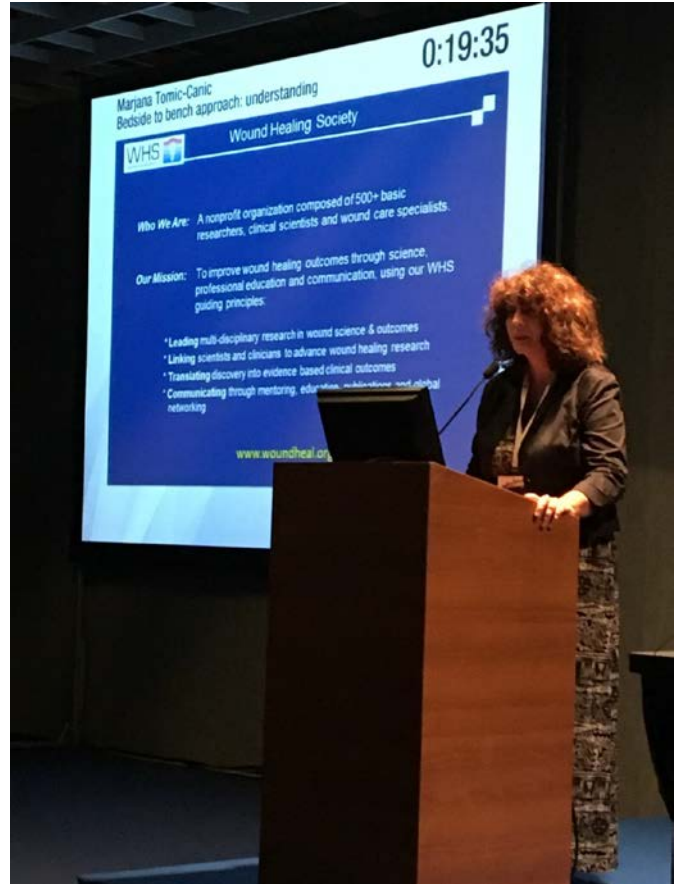
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WHS Representation

WHS members had a very strong representation at the WUWHS2016. Although WHS did not have a dedicated session, the Society took part in 18 different sessions with more than 20 speakers and many more abstract presenters. WHS Executive Board members, Drs. Marjana Tomic-Canic (President), Elof Eriksson (President-elect), Sashwati Roy (Vice President), Andrew Baird (past President) and Traci Wilgus (Secretary) were all in attendance and used every opportunity to highlight many of the WHS activities. The Research in Wound Healing session held on the first day of the meeting was chaired by former BOD member, Dr. Barbara Bates-Jensen, and featured two WHS speakers, Drs. Marjana Tomic-Canic and Sashwati Roy. Dr. Tomic-Canic (pictured) used this opportunity to introduce our Society to the WUWHS attendees and invited everyone to attend the WHS2017 meeting in San Diego.



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WHS Young Investigator winner



The second day of WUWHS 2016 was a very exciting day for the Wound Healing Society. A special session of our sister society, European Tissue Repair Society (ETRS) featured the WHS Young Investigator winner, Dr. Mithun Sinha. Dr. Sinha gave an outstanding presentation entitled "MIXED-SPECIES BIOFILM

COMPROMISES WOUND HEALING BY DISRUPTING EPIDERMAL BARRIER FUNCTION IN A FULL THICKNESS FULL THICKNESS BURN MODEL" and represented WHS young investigators in a very impressive manner. Congratulations to Dr. Sinha, his mentor, Dr. Chandan Sen and their team at the Ohio State University!

ETRS & WHS Leadership with YIA winner



Dr. Magnus Agren (ETRS President), Dr. Marjana Tomic-Canic (WHS President), Dr. Mithun Sinha (WHS YIA Winner) and Dr. Sashwati Roy (WHS Vice President) after the WHS Young Investigator Session at WUWHS 2016.

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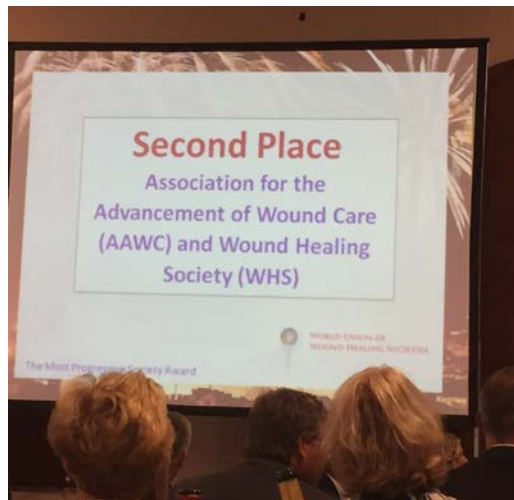




Journal of Wound Care Awards

Journal of Wound Care, the official journal of the WUWHS and WUWHS2016 established the JWC WUWHS Awards to honor "wound healers" in various categories this year. The process of selection took several levels of review. **The WHS is very proud to announce that two of our former Presidents, Dr. Lisa Gould and Dr. Andrew Baird have been honored!**

The award ceremony felt like the "Oscars of Wound Healing" and many outstanding wound healing researchers, clinicians, wound care professionals and industry members were honored.



The Wound Healing Society (WHS-Dr. Lisa Gould) and the Association of Advanced Wound Care (AAWC-Dr. Vickie Driver) were nominated in the **Most Progressive Society** category for their initiative and work with the US Government in revising the clinical endpoint and outcomes for clinical trials, and won Second Place!

Dr. Andrew Baird was nominated in the **Innovation in Wound Care** category for his legacy of innovations that advanced the field of wound healing and regenerative medicine. Dr. Baird won the award!

WHS President, Dr. Tomic-Canic, delivered the acceptance speech and accepted the Innovation in Wound Care Award on behalf of winner, Dr. Andrew Baird.



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Closing



Dr. Robert Diegelmann (WHS Past President) and Dr. Marjana Tomic-Canic (current President) attended the Black Tie Dinner Gala, which marked the end of the WUWHS2016. It was attended by many prominent leaders and speakers from all over the world.

The next WUWHS in 2020 will be held in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates.

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