

World Union of Wound Healing Societies Bid

September 4-8, 2030

Las Vegas, Nevada



HMP Global

Theme, Goal and Vision

Theme: *One World, One Vision:
Transforming Wound Care Through
Global Collaboration*

Goal: *To advance wound care
worldwide by uniting global expertise,
fostering collaboration, and translating
knowledge into improved patient
outcomes.*

Vision: *To create a globally connected
wound care community where shared
knowledge, innovation, and
collaboration drive better outcomes for
patients everywhere.*



Host Country United States of America

A Strategic First for the WUWHS

**Global Leader in
Wound Care
Innovation**

**Opportunity to host the
first-ever WUWHS
meeting in the United
States**

**International
Accessibility**

**Diverse and Engaging
Destination
Experiences**



Host Location

Las Vegas, Nevada

A Truly Global and Multicultural Destination

Las Vegas welcomes millions of international visitors each year

A diverse, inclusive environment with world-class hospitality, global cuisine, and cultural experiences that make attendees from around the world feel welcome. All **highly accessible** by direct international and domestic flights

Proven Host for Major International Conferences

Las Vegas regularly hosts large global medical and scientific meetings, demonstrating strong logistical support and event management expertise.

Hotels and Meeting Space

Thousands of hotel rooms and venues are located nearby, making it easy to stay, meet, and network.



Memorable Destination Experience

Iconic attractions, world-class dining, and entertainment create a compelling destination that encourages strong attendance and engagement.

Gateway to Iconic Natural Wonders

Las Vegas offers easy access to world-renowned destinations including the *Grand Canyon*, *Zion National Park*, *Hoover Dam*, *Red Rock Canyon*, and *Valley of Fire*, combining unforgettable outdoor adventure with world-class entertainment.



Congress Venue: Caesars Forum Las Vegas

FACILITIES

- 550,000 sq. ft. LEED Gold–certified convention center
- World's two largest pillarless ballrooms accommodating up to 10,000 guests
- 100,000 sq. ft. outdoor plaza for networking and special events
- Modern design, immersive technology, and world-class service



PLANNING & DESTINATION SUPPORT

Partnership with the Las Vegas Convention & Visitors Authority and Caesars Entertainment



MEETING SPACES

- 2,500-seat plenary session
- 10 breakout rooms accommodating 200–500 attendees
- Exhibit Hall: 2,500 m²
- Poster Hall: 800 sqm



CENTRAL LOCATION IN THE HEART OF THE CITY AND MANY NEARBY HOTELS WITHIN 1.5 MILES

- The Venetian
- MGM Grand
- Bellagio Hotel & Casino
- Caesars Palace
- Harrah's Las Vegas
- The LINQ
- Paris Las Vegas
- The Westin Las Vegas Hotel & Spa
- Waldorf Astoria Las Vegas



Sponsoring



and Supporting Societies



Sponsoring Society:



- **Mission:** *Improving wound healing outcomes through science, education, and communication.*
- **Established global membership:** 1,175+ members across a diverse, multidisciplinary community of clinicians, researchers, and industry leaders.
- **Broad international reach:** Representation in 33 countries across North America, Europe, Asia-Pacific, Latin America, and the Middle East.
- **Expertise in scientific programming:** Delivers high-quality education through the WHS Annual Meeting with SAWC, including a dedicated scientific track.
- **Global collaboration network:** Active International Relations Committee driving international partnerships and engagement.
- **Strategic partnerships:** Collaborations with leading organizations such as EWMA and ETRS.
- **Joint initiatives:** Scientific sessions, shared programming, travel awards, and faculty exchanges.

Supporting Society:



- **Mission:** *To be the authoritative voice for prevention of pressure injury, promotion of healing, and increased awareness through education, research, public policy, clinical guidelines, and product standards.*
- **Vision:** To end human suffering from pressure injury.
- **Global reach:** Multidisciplinary expert panel representing ~32,000 stakeholders across clinical, academic, industry, and consumer communities.
- **National foundation, global engagement:** U.S.-based with strong national presence and active international collaborations including the European Pressure Ulcer Advisory Panel and Pan Pacific Pressure Injury Alliance
- **Leadership in education and guidelines:** Delivers major conferences, leads International Pressure Injury Guidelines, and convenes global audiences.
- **Collaborative network:** Strong partnerships across nonprofits, academia, healthcare systems, and industry.
- **Advancing standards:** Drives global best practices through joint initiatives, research collaborations, and guideline development.





Association for
the Advancement
of Wound Care®

- **Mission:** *Advancing the care of patients with and at risk for wounds through education, research, advocacy, and public policy.*
- **Global membership:** 800+ members across 31 countries spanning clinicians, researchers, industry, patients, and caregivers. International members are represented on the Board of Directors (currently Iraq).
- **Interdisciplinary reach:** Brings together diverse stakeholders to improve outcomes and address care disparities.
- **Education leadership:** Offers conference tracks, regional events, webinars, journal clubs, and continuing education.
- **Advocacy impact:** Engaged in public policy and collaborates with groups like the Alliance of Wound Care Stakeholders.
- **Commitment to inclusion:** Promotes equity and access through a multidisciplinary approach.
- **Professional resources:** Provides journals, research databases, clinical tools, and industry resources.
- **Collaboration & community:** Supports partnerships, knowledge exchange, and networking through events and leadership opportunities. Global partners include Wounds Australia, ISTAP, and EWMA.



WUWHS

Governance and Committees



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President



Robert S. Kirsner, MD, PhD, FAAD

Chairman and Harvey Blank Professor, Dr. Phillip Frost Department of Dermatology and Cutaneous Surgery; Director, University of Miami Hospital and Clinics Wound Center

University of Miami Miller School of Medicine, Miami, FL

Dr. Robert Kirsner, current President of the Wound Healing Society (WHS), is a globally recognized leader in wound care with more than 30 years of dedicated clinical, research, and educational impact. For over 25 years, he has served as Co-Chair of the Symposium on Advanced Wound Care (SAWC), where he has shaped scientific agendas and fostered strong relationships across the international wound care community.

Dr. Kirsner contributes extensively to advancing the field through his role on the scientific committee of the World Union of Wound Healing Societies (WUWHS) and as Academic Editor of *Wound Repair and Regeneration*, the official journal of WHS, in addition to serving on multiple editorial boards.

Trained in dermatology at the University of Miami, where he completed his residency in following a wound healing fellowship, Dr. Kirsner has built a distinguished career centered on improving outcomes for patients with skin and wound conditions. He is widely regarded as a leading national and international educator, known for his ability to translate science into meaningful clinical impact.

WUWHS Governance and Committees

Executive Committee (Leadership & Oversight): 15 members representing all regions:

- President, Vice President, Secretary General
- 2 representatives from the sponsoring society
- 1 representative from each American supporting society (2 total)
- 1 representative from each region (6 total)
- 2 at-large (ad hoc) members



International Society Committee

(Scientific Program Planning) 30 members total:

- 1 representative from each U.S. society
- 3 Executive Committee officers
- 2 representatives from each region
- 6 at-large (ad hoc) members

Council of Supporting Societies

(Organizational Planning)

- 30 members representing all regions

Past WUWHS Presidents, Senior Advisors & Bidding Societies *(Strategic Guidance)*

- 15 members total
- Past WUWHS Presidents
- 1 representative from each bidding society
- 6 at-large (ad hoc) members

Local Organizing Committee *(Local Logistics & Hospitality)*

- 5 regional representatives



Executive Committee



President

Robert Kirsner, MD, PhD, FAAD



Vice President

Dot Weir, RN, CWON, CWS



Secretary General

William Marston, MD



Member-at-Large

David Brienza, PhD



Member-at-Large

Kara Couch, MS, CRNP, CWCN-AP, FAAWC



Member-at-Large

Chandan Sen, PhD, FNAI



Member-at-Large

Susan W Volk, VMD, PhD, DACVS

Organizational Model



Plenary/General
sessions (8)

Focused Sessions (18)

Workshops (18)

Regional View
Sessions (5)

Courses (15)

Symposia (36)

Oral Abstracts

Multi-channel leader in global healthcare meetings and education



- Produces 350+ annual programs

- 25 Global

- 60+ Regional

- 285+ Local

- HMP Global's staffing includes: Meeting planners, education, project managers, and sales, marketing, e-media, travel, art, production, editorial and accounting teams.

- Over 30 years producing the SAWC meetings (Spring and Fall) – the largest forum connecting the global wound care community with the mission to improve patient outcomes

- 40 years collaborating and assisting wound care associations and societies including:

- The Wound Healing Society (WHS), which has co-located their annual meeting with SAWC Spring for over 10 years

- The Association for the Advancement of Wound Care (AAWC), which used the SAWC Spring and Fall meetings as their official membership meetings for over 20 years



HMP Global



United States

WUWHS 2030 Bid Summary

- ✓ Hosting WUWHS in the United States offers a unique opportunity to engage one of the world's largest communities of wound care clinicians, researchers, and industry leaders, strengthening global collaboration and accelerating innovation in wound healing.
- ✓ Uniting leading U.S. wound care organizations—including WHS, AAWC, and NPIAP—creates a powerful partnership that advances research, education, and progress in wound care worldwide.
- ✓ WUWHS President Robert S. Kirsner, MD, PhD, FAAD brings more than 30 years of leadership and dedication to improving outcomes for patients with skin and wound care conditions around the world.
- ✓ Las Vegas, Nevada provides a dynamic and highly accessible destination that reflects the innovation, collaboration, and global spirit of the wound care community.
- ✓ HMP Global brings 40 years of experience delivering high-quality wound care education through the in-person Symposium on Advanced Wound Care (SAWC) and WoundCon, a large global virtual conference connecting clinicians worldwide.
- ✓ The organizing and scientific committees are deeply committed to advancing global wound care education, fostering collaboration, and improving outcomes for patients everywhere.