

Editorial

Introducing a team approach to Wound Practice and Research

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Over the past 24 years, since the journal was first published in 1993, we have had three sets of joint editors who between them have helped guide and shape *Wound Practice and Research* into what you see before you today. Jenny Prentice and Michael Stacey steered the journal through its infancy as it took its first tentative first steps as *Primary Intention*.

Michael Stacey handed over the reins to Michael Woodward in 2004 and helped Jenny through the difficult teen years as the journal developed its sense of identity and independence, culminating like many rebellious teenagers in a new look and a name change to *Wound Practice and Research*. Jenny handed her baby, now a mature teen to me in 2008 and I have been proud to see how it has developed into a responsible, dependable journal with a growing international reputation. With Michael's resignation as Joint Editor at the end of 2016, we are now taking the opportunity to introduce a team of Associate Editors who will assist me, as sole Editor, to cover the areas of Clinical Research, Case Studies and Basic Science. Each Associate Editor will help to source articles in their areas of expertise and provide their insights and knowledge to ensure that as the journal enters its 25th anniversary it will continue to be a leading, responsive and insightful publication that will always be a pleasure to read. I am therefore delighted to announce our Associate Editors to be:

A/Prof William McGuinness, Associate Editor: Clinical Research. Bill has been involved in wound management since 2000 as an educator, clinician and researcher. He is a past president of AWMA (now Wounds Australia) and a

member on the Victorian State Government's Ministerial Advisory Council on Nursing and Midwifery, Australia. He was made a Fellow of the AWMA in 2014 and a life member of AWMA (Vic) in 2015.

Ms Terry Swanson, Associate Editor: Case Studies. Terry is a nurse practitioner in wound management. She was admitted as a Fellow of AWMA in 2010 for her significant contribution to wound management at a state, national and international level. She is the Immediate past Chair of the International Wound Infection Institute. Terry has published articles and book chapters and her most recent project was co-editing a book that was published in Australia in 2014 by IP Communications titled: *Wound Management for the Advanced Practitioner*.

Dr Rachael Murray, Associate Editor: Basic Science. Rachael is a senior lecturer at Queensland University of Technology (QUT) and is Head of the Inflammation and Tissue Repair Group based at the Institute of Health and Biomedical Innovation. Rachael is the President of the Australasian Wound & Tissue Repair Society and has published in leading journals, including *Science* and *Nature Reviews Immunology*.

These Associate Editors will join our other Associates responsible for journal reports and book reviews: Dr Charne Miller and Ms Donna Angel, respectively.

I am excited to be working with this great team of wound experts and will look forward to producing many more issues of *Wound Practice and Research* over the coming years.

Professor Allison Cowin
Editor *Wound Practice and Research*

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