

EMWA News

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Local hubs for the virtual November conference

We are pleased to announce EMWA's support for local groups and independent local associations of medical writers.

These can be local groups of EMWA members or independent national associations established as separate legal entities. Both are designed to facilitate local networking, discussions, information sharing, and the dissemination of best practices in a given European country or geographic area.

If your local group or association is interested in finding out more about how the local hub initiative works, or learning whether one is taking place in your area, please contact info@emwa.org.



Journal errata

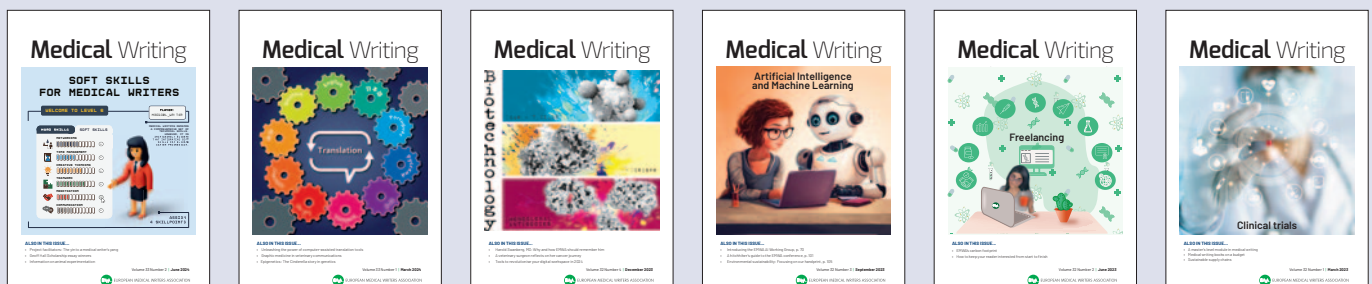
In the June 2024 issue of *Medical Writing*, a production error resulted in an erroneous description of the article by Asha Liju, Diana Daniel, and Girshma Kanchan, titled The 3 C's of medical writing: Communication, conflict management, and critical thinking. The erroneous text, in the editorial by the Guest Editors Clare Chang and Nicole Bezuidenhout, incorrectly stated that the Liju et al. article included observations from a related survey the authors had conducted. The text has been corrected in

the online edition of the article, available at: <https://doi.org/10.56012/tblo2282>.

Also in the June 2024 print issue, an incorrect doi was indicated for the "From the Editor" column by Raquel Billiones. The correct doi is: 10.56012/prvw9168. The online version of the article has the correct doi and is available at: <https://doi.org/10.56012/prvw9168>.

Did you know?

Existing EMWA members can receive a 10% discount off their next year's subscription for referring a new member to EMWA. For more information, please contact Head Office at info@emwa.org



Check out the back issues of EMWA's journal *Medical Writing*

at <https://journal.emwa.org/>



EMWA Professional Development Committee (EPDC) news

The EPDC is thrilled to announce the successful completion of our pilot QR code feedback questionnaire project for workshops conducted at our May 2024 conference in Valencia, Spain.

We ran 49 workshops and had 694 participants attending them. Thanks to the commitment of the workshop leaders and the participants' collaboration, we achieved an impressive 80% response rate. This innovative approach provided valuable insights and proved to be an environmentally friendly solution by drastically reducing paper use. The EPDC uses this feedback in its ongoing quality assurance process in workshops.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone who took the time to provide their feedback. Your contributions are crucial in helping us improve and evolve our programmes. Let us continue to support and embrace this environment-friendly initiative to ensure our association remains at the forefront of sustainable practices.

Nick Thompson Fellowship Award

Established in 2001, The Nick Thompson Fellowship Award recognises service to EMWA above and beyond what would normally be expected of members or those who hold or have held elected offices (<https://www.emwa.org/about-us/emwa-awards/nick-thompson-award/>).

Nick Thompson, for whom this award is named, was a member of EMWA who embodied the collegial spirit, bonhomie, and professional dedication representing the organisation's core persona. He died tragically young. EMWA wishes to recognise and preserve those values that were so important to Nick.

Present holders of the Award are Julia Cooper, Stephen de Looze, Barry Drees, Art Gertel (Chair), Barbara Grossman, Sam Hamilton, Marian Hodges, Wendy Kingdom, Julia Forjanic Klapproth, Elise Langdon-Neuner, Phil Leventhal, Alistair Reeves, James Visanji, Raquel Billiones, and John Carpenter. The late Geoff Hall was an inaugural Nick Thompson Fellow.

The award confers lifetime EMWA membership and registration at association conferences on the elected Fellow. Fellows serve informally as advisors to the organisation, given their length of service,

knowledge of the history of EMWA, and their involvement in the profession.

Nominations of candidates can be made by any EMWA member except a Nick Thompson Fellow or a sitting member of EMWA's Executive Committee (EC). Members of the EC may be nominated.

Nominations must be received by the EMWA Head Office by October 1, 2024. They must be accompanied by a statement of qualification, including details of the candidate's unique contributions to EMWA and justification for the nomination (not less than 200 words). The Fellows will consider all nominations and advise the EC via the President of the results of their deliberations.

If you know an EMWA member who would deserve this award, please submit your nomination to EMWA Head Office: secretariat@emwa.org (please do not inform the candidate that you have nominated them).

webinar

EMWA Professional Development Committee webinar

The next webinar will take place in October and the topic is European Clinical Trials Regulation 536/2014.

(Please see EMWA.org for additional details.)

