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Dear Ronald Sherman.

2013 is shaping up to be one of our most productive years, ever! Thanks to all of the Foundation's members who voted to approve the Board of Directors' proposed Bylaws changes, the Foundation will now be able to expand its Board membership. With a larger Board of Directors, we will be able to better serve patients, therapists, and the general medical community.



If you are interested in lending support and guidance to the biotherapy community by joining our Board of directors, please apply now for one of the two open Board positions (more information later in this newsletter).

Also, be sure to read about the Foundation's new Internship program. January marked the start of our Biotechnology Research Internship, Communications Internship, and Videography internship. Later this year we will start accepting Clinical Interns for training in maggot therapy and leech therapy.

If your clinical practice would be willing to accept one of our clinical interns for one or two weeks, contact me for more information.

Finally, welcome to our new members. We will be updating our members' webpage in the coming weeks, and will acknowledge you all formally at that time.

Ron Sherman

Directors Wanted

Now recruiting new Members for the Board

The Board of Directors is looking for two new members. If you would like to join the Board of Directors and advance biotherapy education and research, then send in your resume and tell us how you see yourself contributing to the Board: info@BTERFoundation.org. Full application instructions are available on our website at:

www.BTERFoundation.org/board application

BTER Foundation Internships

Long-awaited Internship Program begins full speed

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BTER Foundation Membership

Are you a member of the BTER Foundation?

If so, *Thank You* for supporting the organization that has brought biotherapy to hundreds of patients, and information to hundreds of thousands. This would not be possible without all of our volunteers and members

If you are not yet a member . . . please review all of the <u>benefits of</u> membership.

Membership often pays for itself in program discounts. Members qualify for free access to our entire Biotherapy Library (with the cost of membership being less than the cost of ordering one or two scientific papers from the publisher, based on the dues for Community and Student members).

Other benefits include: free educational materials, free insurance billing assistance, discounts on workshops and conferences, and more.

2013 Conferences & Events:

Biotherapy Workshops & Webinars

National Pressure Ulcer Advisory Panel, Biennual Conference: Houston, TX: Feb 22-23

4th Annual Palliative Wound Care Conference - Indianapolis, IN; May 16-18, 2013

Wild on Wounds 2013 Conference (WOW) - Las Vegas, NV; September 11-14, 2013

<u>Canadian Association of Wound Care Conference</u>: Vancouver, Canada; Nov 7-10, 2013

<u>Desert Foot High Risk Diabetes Foot Conference 2013</u>: Phoenix, AZ, Nov 20-22, 2013

Conferences with Biotherapy Lectures & Exhibits

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Diabetic Foot Global Conference: Los Angeles, CA; Mar 21-23, 2013

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Podiatric Residency Education Summit - Teaneck, NJ; Aug 23-25, 2013

Wild on Wounds 2013 Conference (WOW) - Las Vegas, NV; September 11-14, 2013

Symposium on Advanced Wound Care: Las Vegas, NV; Sep 27-29, 2013

<u>Superbones West 2013 Conference</u> - Las Vegas, NV; October 24-26, 2013

How about a Workshop in Your Town?

To arrange a maggot therapy or leech therapy workshop in your community, <u>contact the BTER Foundation</u>. Local and national experts are available to provide 1-hour lectures, full day workshops, and anything in between.

Know about something we don't?

Let us know of any biotherapy news or event that isn't on our list, so we can make sure that everyone knows about it!

"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed people can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has." - Margaret Mead

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