



Bodily Injury Research Garage

We believe that, in catastrophic injury matters, insurers should be forewarned and forearmed.

Our Bodily Injury Research Garage is one of the only teams to offer genuine expertise in researching, and reviewing developments in clinical practice, research and technology to anticipate the impact they might have on catastrophic injury claims and insurers, in the future.

How we do it

As part of one of the UK's largest and most highly respected insurance practices we understand that insurer clients may have concerns over a lack of visibility of future medical developments (both tech-based and clinical) and how those developments might then impact on indemnity spend.

For example, there are isolated stories of stem cell treatment being successful but is that real and ultimately what does it mean for the insurer? Are there treatments or technologies that will reduce indemnity spend or will they all add to the ever-increasing cost?

Our Bodily Injury Research Garage uses combined understanding of the healthcare, insurance and legal worlds to gain insight into emerging issues, so that we can help you drive improved, future large loss management performance.

We work hard to seek out the best understanding of the newest techniques and developments. Having a worldwide outlook is important. Our specialists travel Europe and the US on a regular basis, in order to attend conferences - reviewing the latest research with an eye on what it might mean for our insurer clients. We review the latest research publications in an effort to identify elements, which are relevant and then bring them to your attention either through personal consulting, social media or through the regular articles, which we author.

A truly market-leading service

We are proud of our reputation for expertise and excellence in this area. We are one of the few firms to bring genuine expertise, coupled with a market-leading understanding of the needs of the insurance sector.

We have made horizon scanning a key feature of our annual Cat PI conferences for a number of years and we have the longest serving UK partner who is a member of one of the world's foremost rehabilitation organisations - the American Congress of Rehabilitation Medicine. We were the first to introduce the idea of the Indego exoskeleton to the UK and indeed organised a presentation at our annual Cat PI conference by the manufacturer's VP, Head of Human Motion.

Why DWF?

- We are known for our position at the forefront of the insurance and other relevant sectors. DWF is a member of the Forum for Insurance Lawyers (FOIL) and a number of our team hold professional memberships in related health organisations, including Ian Slater (American Congress of Rehabilitation Medicine).
- DWF has won a number of awards in this field, including winning at the Tech & Innovation Awards 2016 (for analytics to reduce claims rehabilitation spend for clients); FT Innovative Lawyers 2017 (European Region Winner); and Scott & Co Legal Awards Winner 2017 (for use of data analytics in highlighting migration of fraud from England to Scotland).



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