



Scientific Writing Workshop

Description

This two-day workshop enables life scientists to communicate their research clearly and effectively. Through numerous writing examples and relevant exercises as well as class discussions, participants learn how to describe their work in a flowing narrative with a clear “take home message”. The interactive nature of the workshop means participants benefit not only from the experience of both instructors but also from the ideas of other participants. Each participant receives a copy of our reference and exercise books. Workshops with a high number of native German-speaking participants also benefit from a special *German module*. There is also the possibility to include a journal editor as a guest-speaker, providing a behind-the-scenes perspective on what editors look for in a paper (subject to editor availability). Additionally, writing samples from each participant are edited by the class instructors. The workshop teaches participants not only to tell the story of their research but also to direct their research using the writing process.

Preparation

Before the workshop, participants are asked to provide a short sample of their own writing. This should be an Abstract and Title either from a manuscript currently in preparation or describing participants’ research so far. Early stage PhD students may choose to submit an outline of their proposed project. The writing sample should be a paragraph of 150 - 250 words with a one-sentence title. The writing sample will be edited by the course instructors and used as material for some of the practical writing exercises.

Contact

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