DIW GRADUATE CENTER

Workshop

Publishing in Journals and Writing Abstracts

This course is designed to make the world of academic journals, especially high impact journals, more transparent and to help the participants to avoid common pitfalls of scientific writing. Moreover, you will learn how to write good abstracts that make editors become interested in your work.

Topics covered will include

- An inside perspective of the decision making process in journals
- How editors read papers
- How to write abstracts to grasp the attention of editors, referees and other readers (practical exercises)
- The parts of a scientific paper and how to compose them
- How to deal with (negative) feedback

The course language will be English.

We offer two alternative sessions of the same content to make participation available to more people. Please register with Yun Cao (ycao@diw.de) for one of the two sessions and also indicate the availability for the alternative date in case too few/many people register for your session.

Option 1:	Wednesday, November 13 9:30 – 17:30	Thursday, November 14 9:30 – 12:30
Option 2:	Thursday, November 14 13:30 – 17:30	Friday, November 15 9:00 – 16:00

Venue: DIW Berlin, Friedensburg Room (2.2.008)

About the lecturer

The course trainer is Dr. Markus Elsner, senior editor at Nature Biotechnology. Markus did his graduate work in Heidelberg, Germany, and the University of Gothenburg, Sweden and was postdoctoral fellow at the National Institutes of Health, USA. He joined Nature Biotechnology in 2008.