Intensive Masterclass - AGENDA

Feldman International Conference Center, Weisfeld Hall, Building #301

June 7: Full day workshop for researchers from Physical Sciences including Nanotechnology and Material Sciences

June 8: Full day workshop for researchers from Life sciences and Medicine

08:30 Registration

09:00 Welcome and Introductions

09:30 What Makes a Nature Paper? 60 mins

What top-tier journal editors look for in manuscripts, with recent examples from Nature publications

Practical Exercise: You're the editor!

10:30 Titles and Abstracts 30 mins

The golden rules of writing and structuring the text in your paper, and writing a title and abstract to coax your target audience from the title to the paper itself

11:00 Break

11:15 Practical Exercise: Abstract and Title Review 75 mins

Participants must bring in a recent, unpublished abstract which they can review one-to-one with the editors to get expert feedback on their work

12:30 Lunch

13:30 Submitting Your Paper 60 mins

Submission procedures, making a case to editors, and tips on structuring and writing a good cover letter

Practical Exercise: Pitching the Research

14:30 The Editorial Process and Peer Review 60 mins

What happens to papers once they've been submitted, and a crash course in peer review **Practical Exercise**: Making Editorial Decisions Using Referee Reports

15:30 Break

15:45 Writing a Review 30 mins

An overview of what makes an outstanding review paper

16:15 Q&A Session with the Editors

16:30 End of Day