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Scientific Writing and Publishing for Natural Scientists

09 April – 28 May 2013, 09.00–11.00 h (on Tuesdays)

Room 232, UHG, Fürstengraben 1

The course is on Scientific Writing and Publishing (SWAPE) and covers the whole process from planning a paper until after it appears in print. Writing the paper is only a small part of this process so there is a more to think about than just the grammar and syntax. Swape tells you about when and why to write, identifying your audience, planning writing, the ethical issues in publishing and the international rules that regulate them, and how to deal with coauthors, editors, and referees.

The course informs about structuring a paper, language problems such as tense, clarity, and conciseness, and dealing with references and citations. The explanation of the mechanics of submission, covering letters, refereeing, and how to respond to rejections will be a further topic. Following that, the course deals with copyright and its difficulties, with acceptance and with publicity to raise the profil of your paper.