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SPRINGER NATURE  
PUBLISHING ACADEMY

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**Meeting Room 1, 1F, Convention Center (Suita Campus)**

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Details & **Pre-registration** (required):

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- Please register online by Monday December 5.
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## Presenter

Dr. Jeffrey Robens has a diverse research background and is an experienced author and peer reviewer. He graduated from the University of Pennsylvania in the United States and has worked at various institutes in Singapore and Japan, including RIKEN and Kyoto University. In his current role as Editorial Development Manager at Springer Nature, Dr. Robens gives educational seminars worldwide for authors to improve their manuscript quality and reach their publication goals. Using his extensive research and publication background, Dr. Robens is particularly able to assist non-native English-speaking researchers increase their chances of publication success.

# SPRINGER NATURE PUBLISHING ACADEMY HALF-DAY **WORKSHOP**

## **AGENDA**

### 1. Effective academic writing

- Improving readability
- Avoiding ambiguity
- Writing simply and concisely
- Avoiding common mistakes
- Native English scientific writing style

#### *Activity:*

Attendees will need to improve the readability of poorly written sentences.

### 2. Manuscript structure

- Introducing the importance of your study
- Transparently reporting the methodology
- Factually presenting your results
- Discussing relevance and implications
- Writing strong conclusions
- Effective titles and abstracts

#### *Activity:*

Attendees will need to identify which aims are most appropriate for an identified research problem.

### 3. Effective publication strategies

- What's important in choosing a journal
- Understanding the relevance of the study
- Identifying the most appropriate journal
- Improving the suitability of your manuscript for your target journal

#### *Activity:*

Attendees will need to identify the most suitable journal for a specific study.

### 4. Successful manuscript submission for high impact journals

- What editors at high impact journals are looking for
- Editorial process at Nature-branded journals
- Case study: successful submission to Nature Cell Biology
  - Cover letter to emphasize the significance of the study
  - Understanding decision letters and revising your manuscript
  - Responding to the referees' comments in the response letter

#### *Activity:*

Attendees will need to determine which response is best for a reviewer comment.

#### Open to:

- Academic staff, research fellows, and postgraduate students of Osaka University. Especially those who wish to get published in high profile journals like Nature
- Examples from the fields of Medicines and Life Sciences will be used at the workshop. However, researchers from other areas may also find it useful.

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