



Getting Published in Surgery

ASiT 2010 Pre-Conference Course

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Speakers

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Aim

To support trainee surgeons in their academic career, we have put together a course on Scientific Publishing hosted by the International Journal of Surgery and Elsevier. During the presentation, the audience will gain insights into how publishers, editors and reviewers look at submitted manuscripts, which may help them to submit better papers. The course is divided into five parts.

Agenda

Part I - An overview of the publishing process

1. An overview of the publishing process – the industry
2. Trends in publishing
3. Why publish?
4. What do authors look for in journals
5. Research Assessment
6. Impact factors and bibliometric parameters
7. The process
8. Publishing speed

Morning coffee

Part II – Before you submit

9. "Before you start writing"
 - checking if the contribution is new and original
 - getting an overview of the research area
 - finding "Hot Topics"
 - searching for the right journal and audience
 - using the guide for authors"
 - finding out about "editors and reviewers"
 - what form of publication to choose, etc.

10. “The language and the tone of voice of the article:

- scientific writing
- consistency, logic and grammar
- do’s-and-don’ts, illustrations, etc.

11. “The structure of the article“

- title, abstract, keywords, introduction, methods, results, discussion, conclusion, references, etc.

Buffet Lunch

Part III – After submitting the paper

12. Article decisions and how to respond.

13. Publication ethics

Afternoon coffee

Part IV – Editorial Insights

14. Mr Neil Tolley, Assistant Editor, International Journal of Surgery

Part V – Q&A and Author Clinic

15. Q&A

16. Author clinic