

# **Writing for Biomedical Publication**

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## **AGENDA\***

**8:00 am**

### **INTRODUCTION**

The importance of publication to a scientist's career  
Early history of scientific publication  
Scientific Journals-Definitions & responsibilities  
What to/not to publish (Least Publishable Unit)

### **PART I: PREPARING YOURSELF TO PUBLISH**

The importance of being first  
MEDLINE vs PubMed  
What actually is plagiarism? How to avoid it  
Commitment to publish  
Effective communication skills  
Figures, graphs and tables

**10:00 am**

### **MORNING BREAK**

**10:15 am**

### **PART II PREPARING YOUR MANUSCRIPT**

Choosing an Effective Title  
Abstract and Key Words  
The Introduction  
Materials and Methods  
The Results Section  
Discussion/Comment  
Acknowledgments  
Literature Citations

**12:00 pm**

### **LUNCH**

**1:00 pm**

### **PART III FACTORS TO CONSIDER BEFORE SUBMISSION**

Factors Involved in Selection of a Journal  
Acceptance Rates  
'Stature' of a Journal-Impact Factors  
H factor  
Publication Ethics  
Open Access  
Authorship Issues

**3:00 pm**

### **AFTERNOON BREAK**

**3:15 pm**

### **PART IV SUBMISSION/REVIEW/RESUBMISSION**

Cover Letter to the Editor  
Assignment of Copyright  
Conflict of Interest Issues  
Understanding Journal Editors  
Understanding Reviewers and Peer Review  
Responding to Editors/Reviewers Concerns  
Revisions, Errata and Retractions

**5:00 pm**

### **ADJOURN**

*\* Schedule is approximate depending upon scope and extent of discussion.*