



African Journal of Laboratory Medicine Manuscript Writing Workshop

ASLM2021 Satellite Session

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16 November 2021, 6PM-8PM GMT

Summary

Quality manuscript writing is an essential skill for researchers' career advancement. Most researchers do not have a natural flair for writing and far too few receive coaching or training to build the necessary proficiency. This is particularly true for many African authors, who may not have access to writing mentors. Ancillary skills are also needed to get a well-written manuscript successfully through peer review and into a high-quality scientific journal. The African Journal for Laboratory Medicine (AJLM), the open access scholarly journal of the African Society for Laboratory Medicine, is a foremost venue for publishing on laboratory medicine that is widely read across and beyond the continent. The Journal especially values Africa-led research. To this end, we will deliver a virtual manuscript writing workshop at the 2021 ASL conference.

The objective of the writing workshop is to provide authors, especially early career researchers and trainees, with practical tips for writing and publishing scientific papers. The session will include participatory presentations on article writing and presentation, text plagiarism and other forms of under-appreciated scientific fraud, submitting data to public repositories and responding to reviews.

Learning Objectives

Participants that complete the workshop will

- Be cognizant of the requirements for responsible conduct of research and ethical writing
- Understand the component parts of a primary research paper and how to develop them
- Be equipped to navigate journal peer review processes
- Have a sense of where to go for writing assistance and support

Target Audience

Early career scientists who are new to, or relatively new to scientific writing for peer review.

Speakers

- Bethanie Rammer (African Journal of Laboratory Medicine)
- Anye Ike (EpiAfric)
- Prof. Iruka Okeke (African Journal of Laboratory Medicine)
- Jennifer Punt (University of Pennsylvania)
- Marie Chattaway (United Kingdom Health Security Agency (formally PHE)/ Journal of Infection for Developing Countries)
- El-shama Nwoko (African Journal for Laboratory Medicine/University of Ibadan)