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All workshops run concurrently from 9:15 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

WORKSHOP I – WORKSHOP FOR EDITORS: A JOURNAL EDITOR’S TOOL KIT

1 OCT 2015, THURSDAY, 9:15 AM TO 5:30 PM

MODERATOR/PANELIST: Rod J. Rohrich, Editor-in-Chief, Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery (PRS) and PRS Global Open, USA

PANELISTS: Aaron Weinstein, Managing Editor, PRS and PRS Global Open, USA
 Abraham Haileamlak, Editor, Ethiopian Journal of Health Sciences, Ethiopia
 Anita Jain, India Editor, BMJ India, India
 Dheeraj Shah, Editor-in-Chief, Indian Pediatrics, India
 Duncan MacRae, Senior Manager, Open Access, Editorial, Health Learning, Research & Practice, Wolters Kluwer Health, USA
 Ian Burgess, Group Publisher, Medical & Open Access Publishing, Wolters Kluwer Health, UK
 Tom Lang, Tom Lang Communications and Training International, USA

TIME	SESSION	SPEAKER
9:15 – 9:45	<p>Role(s) of the Editor Based on CSE White Paper Promoting Integrity in Scientific Journal Publications, 2012 Update, which has a section on Editor responsibilities Based on the WAME Concept paper for Funding Agencies Resources: Regional, national, and international editors’ organizations. CSE, EASE, EMAME, etc.</p>	Rod Rohrich
9:45 – 10:30	<p>Content, Authors, and Strategy Establishing Aims and Scope for a Journal Establishing the Journal’s channels: print/online —Necessary file formats: HTML, PDF, ePub, etc. —XML formatting —RSS feeds EQUATOR: Research Reporting Guidelines (including the SAMPL statistical reporting guidelines) Establishing Information for Authors and Checklists Authors —Tool kits —ORCID statement Author Conflicts of interest (COI) – WAME COI statement/editorial</p>	Rod Rohrich Anita Jain Aaron Weinstein

WORKSHOP I – WORKSHOP FOR EDITORS: A JOURNAL EDITOR’S TOOL KIT

1 OCT 2015, THURSDAY, 9:15 AM TO 5:30 PM *(continued)*

TIME	SESSION	SPEAKER
10:30 – 11:00	Building Journal Staff and Support Infrastructure Establishing editorial office roles Primer on Private/Proprietary vs. Society Journals Establishing an Editorial Board —Benefits of ‘co-editor’ in transparency —How to involve and get the most from the Editorial Board	Rod Rohrich Ilan Burgess Aaron Weinstein
11:00 – 11:20	Tea/Coffee	
11:20 – 12:15	Peer Review Instructions for peer-reviewers. The Golden Rule/BE NICE. The peer-review “form” and “comments” what’s the most important Open vs. single-blind vs. double-blind The review process: from submission to adjudication	Tom Lang Rod Rohrich
12:15 – 12:50	Indexing Strategies	Duncan MacRae
12:50 – 1:10	Gauging Growth and Success Indexing and impact factor Submission and rejection rates Review and publication times Reach, usage and alternative metrics	Ilan Burgess Duncan MacRae Aaron Weinstein
1:10 – 2:10	Lunch	
2:10 – 3:00	Academic Misconduct and Ethical Issues Journal Legal, ethical, and editorial policies Resources: WAME, ICMJE statements, COPE Case study Q&A, OPEN DISCUSSION	Rod Rohrich Dheeraj Shah
3:00 – 4:00	Developing country journal – Perspective 1 Types of papers – need for various types, advantages and disadvantages Finding and retaining reviewers Improving the quality of submissions Discussion	Duncan MacRae Abraham Haileamlak
4:00 – 4:20	Tea/Coffee	
4:20 – 5:30	Developing country journal – Perspective 2 Financial aspects: sources of financing – society, subscription, advertising, website, others Relationship of the journal and journal editor with the owner professional society Conflicts of interest for editor and editorial board members – WAME COI statement/editorial	Ilan Burgess Rod Rohrich

WORKSHOP II – WAME-COPE WORKSHOP: DETECTING AND RESPONDING TO RESEARCH MISCONDUCT

1 OCT 2015, THURSDAY, 9:15 AM TO 5:30 PM

COORDINATOR: Lorraine Ferris, President, WAME

SPEAKERS: Charlotte Haug, Former Vice Chair, Committee on Publication Ethics (COPE)

Christine Laine, Editor in Chief, Annals of Internal Medicine, USA

Darren Taichman, Executive Deputy Editor, Annals of Internal Medicine, USA

Muhammad Irfan, Council Member, Committee on Publication Ethics (COPE)

TIME	SESSION	SPEAKER
9:15 – 9:35	What constitutes scientific misconduct?	Charlotte Haug
9:35 – 9:55	Conflict of interest	Christine Laine
9:55 – 10:15	Authorship – definition and controversies	Darren Taichman
10:15 – 10:30	Discussion	Lorraine Ferris/ Charlotte Haug
10:30 – 10:50	COPE code of conduct for editors and publishers	Charlotte Haug
10:50 – 11:10	How to deal with suspected misconduct Flowcharts COPE Forum and Ask COPE	Charlotte Haug/Muhammad Irfan
11:10 – 11:20	Discussion	Lorraine Ferris/Charlotte Haug
11:20 – 11:40	Tea/Coffee	
11:40 – 1:30	COPE eLearning (Participants work on their laptops in groups of two or three)	Charlotte Haug/Christine Laine/Darren Taichman/ Lorraine Ferris/Muhammad Irfan
1:30 – 2:30	Lunch	
2:30 – 3:40	Breakout session with discussion of cases (Groups of 10–15 people)	Charlotte Haug/Christine Laine/Darren Taichman/ Lorraine Ferris/Muhammad Irfan
3:40 – 4:00	Tea/Coffee	
4:00 – 5:00	Case study on scientific misconduct	Charlotte Haug/Christine Laine/Darren Taichman/ Lorraine Ferris/Muhammad Irfan
5:00 – 5:30	Discussion	Lorraine Ferris/Charlotte Haug

WORKSHOP III – PEER REVIEW FOR EDITORS, REVIEWERS, AND AUTHORS

1 OCT 2015, THURSDAY, 9:15 AM TO 5:30 PM

COORDINATOR: Tom Lang, Tom Lang Communications and Training International, USA

SPEAKERS: Trish Groves, Deputy Editor, BMJ and Editor-in-Chief, BMJ Open

Ana Marusic, Editor-in-Chief, Journal of Global Health

TIME	SESSION	SPEAKER
9:15 – 9:25	Introductions and overview	Tom Lang
9:25 – 10:25	History and forms of peer review	Ana Marusic
10:25 – 11:15	What journal editors need to know about peer review (identifying, working with, and evaluating reviewers)	Trish Groves
11:15 – 11:30	Tea/Coffee	
11:30 – 12:00	Small-group exercise: What do you want reviewers to know and be able to do?	
12:00 – 12:10	Discussion of exercise	Trish Groves
12:10 – 1:30	What reviewers need to know about peer review – Perspective 1 (research and publication ethics; journal-specific facts; qualities of a good review and reviewer)	Ana Marusic
1:30 – 2:30	Lunch	
2:30 – 3:00	Small-group exercise: Evaluating a review report and responses to reviewers	
3:00 – 3:15	Discussion of exercise	Trish Groves
3:15 – 4:15	What reviewers need to know about peer review – Perspective 2 (evidence-based reporting standards; statistical errors; critical appraisal)	Tom Lang
4:15 – 4:30	Tea/Coffee	
4:30 – 5:00	Small-group exercise: Different approach to critical appraisal	
5:00 – 5:15	Discussion of exercise	Tom Lang

- A. **9:00–10:00 KEYNOTE ADDRESS:** George Lundberg
What are the Global Pillars of Professionalism for Medical Editors?
Moderator: Peush Sahni

- B. **10:00–10:45 Professionalism and the Role of the Medical Editor** (Panel Discussion, Q&A)
Moderator: Christine Laine
Panelists: George Lundberg, Trish Groves, Farhad Handjani, Charlotte Haug

What are the tasks of a journal editor? Is the primary task getting a manuscript peer-reviewed? Evaluating the content of the article and peer reviews and requesting revision from the author? Deciding which research to accept for publication to meet the goals of the journal? Training other editors working on the journal? Or a larger question of establishing journal policy, providing vision, and ensuring the health of the journal? How should editors balance the vision of their journal with business realities? How should editors ensure that they understand the important issues facing medical journal editing and research, learn about and respond to new developments, and keep current in their field? In this panel discussion, editors will discuss the key tasks of editing a journal and whether these tasks have changed in the past 20 years and how these tasks are changing.

10:45–11:15 Tea/coffee

- C. **11:15–12:15 Professionalism and the Role of the Medical Editor**
(Small group discussions and Group presentation)
Moderator: Suzanne Fletcher

Meeting attendees and panelists will break into small groups to discuss professionalism and the role of the medical editor, to define the core elements of medical editor professionalism. Groups will have specific questions to discuss and will present their key findings. WAME will compile the findings from the three sessions in preparation for a conference statement on professionalism. Small groups will be facilitated by panel members and WAME Board members.

- D. **12:15–1:30 Research Integrity/Research Misconduct** (Panel Discussion, Q&A)
Moderator: Rakesh Aggarwal
Panelists: Lorraine Ferris, Ana Marusic, Trish Groves, Fatema Jawad

Editors are accountable for the content they publish in their journals. Many journals have processes to screen for possible research misconduct before publication. Unfortunately, possible research misconduct is often brought to the editor's attention after the article published. Some institutions do not take full responsibility for investigating possible research misconduct by their faculty. Some issues of misconduct stem from different regional definitions and understanding of what constitutes research misconduct. This practical and lessons-

learned session will examine screening tools used by journals, possible warnings of research misconduct before and after publication (author and reviewer), and dealing with institutions. Speakers and attendees will also discuss issues related to different regional perspectives on what constitutes research misconduct. Issues such as authors attempting to peer review themselves and corrections/retractions will also be addressed.

1:30–2:30 Lunch

E. 2:30–4:00 Dealing with Conflicts of Interest (COI) (Panel Discussion, Q&A)

Moderator: Robert Fletcher

Panelists: Christine Laine, Suzanne Fletcher, John Fletcher, Jose Florencio Lapeña, Jr.

In 2009, WAME issued its revised policy on Conflict of Interest: COI in medical publishing exists when a participant's private interests compete with his or her responsibilities to the scientific community, readers, and society. Some journals have relied on declaration of COI, but is declaration sufficient? When and how should COI be considered when evaluating a manuscript? COI has continued to be a major concern for journal editors. In this session, journal editors discuss best practices and lessons learned in dealing with declared and undeclared COI of authors and reviewers. We will also address how to deal with and prevent Editors' COI.

4:00–4:30 Tea/Coffee

F. 4:30–6:00 Publishers' Perspective (Panel Discussion, Q&A)

Moderator: Rod Rohrich

Panelists: Duncan Macrae, Ian Burgess, Caroline Black

How can publishers help editors fulfill their goal of publishing the best possible research that meets their journal's mission? How does a publisher determine the need for publishing another journal? What journals should be published in print and which online only? What access models—open access, print plus online subscription-based publishing, a hybrid model—are most appropriate for which journals and why? How can editors help publishers meet their goal of financial health? How can publishers help small and resource-challenged journals? What does a publisher do to help a journal get indexed and maximize readership? Practical issues of copyediting, how to deal with manuscript language issues, and other cost considerations will also be addressed.

6:00–7:00 WAME Business Meeting

7:30–9:00 Faculty Dinner

PRACTICAL ISSUES IN MEDICAL JOURNAL EDITING

SATURDAY, 3 OCT 2015

8:00–9:00 Special Interest Groups (self-organize with sign up sheets on Friday)

A. **9:00–10:30 Journal Administration: What Works?** (Panel Discussion, Q&A)

Moderator: Ana Marusic

Panelists: Fatema Jawad, Marcus Heinemann, Aaron Weinstein

This is a practice session on the “nuts and bolts” of running an editorial office and building a journal, including tips for small and resource-limited journals. How do you set up a journal peer review office and train editors? How do you form a good editorial board? How can you attract good papers and inspire peer reviewers and editorial board members to provide helpful peer reviews? What are the lessons learned in developing and maintaining author relationships throughout the processes of review, rejection, and publication? How do you prevent issues such as authors reviewing their own manuscripts? How can you reach and retain readers? What can a journal do to attract authors and readers before it is indexed?

10:30–11:00 Tea/Coffee

B. **11:00–12:30 Where is Medical Publishing Going?** (Panel Discussion, Q&A)

Moderator: Rod Rohrich

Panelists: Rajeev Kumar, Darren Taichman, Jocalyn Clark

What is the current view of scientific publishing and the role of the editor? What is new and what is coming in publishing and the role of the editor? What can journals do so that they are not confused with “Predatory journals”? What’s new in trial registration and legislation?

12:30–2:00 Lunch

C. **2:00–3:30 Publishing in a Digital World** (Panel Discussion, Q&A)

Moderator: Amitabh Prakash

Panelists: Aaron Weinstein, Rod Rohrich

Editors face significant challenges in the 21st century publishing journals using a process that still fundamentally reflects the print world. How can editors take advantage of technology to improve their processes without losing important editorial oversight? What digital tools do editors most need to do their jobs better? What tools are currently available and how expensive and practical are they? How should editors use online publishing to maximize journal impact? How important is social media for scholarly journals and what resources are necessary? How can editors get their journals indexed? How can editors measure success of their journal and what are the pros and cons of the various methods to do so?

D. **3:30–4:30 Journal Poster Sessions** (with Tea/Coffee)

E. **4:30–6:00 Research Presentations**

and Presentation of the first Dr Bruce Squires Memorial Research Award

Judges: Lorraine Ferris and Rod Rohrich

7:30–10:00 Dinner (All registered delegates)

- A. **9:00–10:00 KEYNOTE ADDRESS: Hooman Momen**
[with thanks to BMJ for a BMJ Global Health Keynote Travel Award]
Moderator: Lorraine Ferris

What are the most important health problems in the world and how well are journals addressing them? What is the most effective way to improve local health—publication in high-impact journals with potentially limited applicability to a particular region, or publication in regional journals with lower readership? How do we measure the impact of journals on global health? What are editors' responsibilities in promoting global health, if any? What is editors' role in sharing research data and contributing to data clearinghouses for global health? What responsibilities do editors have to preserve patient confidentiality and maximize data usefulness and integrity?

- B. **10:00–11:00 Thinking Globally, Working Locally: WAME's Statement on Global Health Principles**
(Panel Discussion, Q&A)
Moderators: Lorraine Ferris/Robert Fletcher
Panelists: Hooman Momen, K. Srinath Reddy, Abraham Haileamlak

How important are local journals in knowledge translation? What do we mean by Global science/ local journals and global health/local medicine? Should editors be leaders in regions and should they be change agents in developing the medical and public health infrastructures of their region/country? How can editors help translate health knowledge into practice and/or policy?

11:00–11:30 Tea/Coffee

- C. **11:30–12:30 The Roles of Regional Medical Editor Organizations** (Panel Discussion, Q&A)
Moderator: Ana Marusic
Panelists: Maria del Carmen Ruiz, Farhad Handjani, Satyanarayana Kanikaram,
Jay Shah, Abraham Haileamlak

What are the roles of regional medical editor organizations? What functions do they offer and what needs can they fill? How can they help support medical editor professionalism, standards and help editors fulfill responsibilities for global health? How are they supported? How should organizations collaborate? How can editors get involved?

- D. **12:30–1:00 Summing Up**
Peush Sahni

1:00–2:00 Lunch

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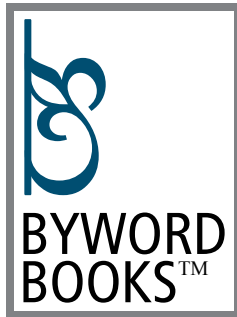
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