EASE: what do we do to help editors and scientists?

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European Association of Science Editors (EASE)

- Professional organization of science editors and communicators

- Founded in 1982 by merging European Life Science Editors' Association (ELSE) and European Association of Earth Science Editors (Editerra)

- Publishes a quarterly journal *European Science Editing,* the *Science Editors' Handbook*, and various guidelines

- Organizes conferences and training workshops

EASE Conference in Split, Croatia, June 2014

EASE website: www.ease.org.uk

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The European Association of Science Editors (EASE) is an international community of individuals and associations from diverse backgrounds, linguistic traditions and professional experience in science communication and editing.

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Welcome to EASE

Thank you for attending the 13th EASE Conference, Strasbourg, June 2016!

Upcoming Events

ALPSP Conference and Awards 14-16 September 2016
September 14 - September 16

Commissioning Content: Working effectively with authors and editors
September 21

UIA 4th Associations Round Table
September 28 - September 29

Mediterranean Editors and Translators Annual Meeting
October 13 - October 15

ISMTE 9th Annual European Conference
October 31 - November 1

Excellence and Accountability for Science Editors

Our mission:

To improve the global standard and quality of science editing by promoting the value of science editors and supporting professional development, research, and collaboration.

EASE: Three strategic pillars

Improve global standards

- Provide expertise and endorsement
- Provide representation
- Provide participation and consultation
- Undertake research
- Share and promote research and good practice advice

Raise the profile of science editors

- Participate in editorial and publishing initiatives
- Advocate on behalf of editors
- Promote skills and knowledge of EASE members
- Publish research and information on editing

Support professional development

- Provide and share resources
- Provide networking and learning opportunities
- Provide skills and knowledge recognition for members
- Increase access to training

EASE publications

- *European Science Editing*

- *Science Editors' Handbook*, 2nd ed.

- *EASE Guidelines for Authors and Translators*

- EASE Toolkit for Authors

- EASE Toolkit for Journal Editors

- EASE Statement on Inappropriate Use of Impact Factors

- EASE Journal Blog

European Science Editing (*ESE*)

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EASE

- Scope: science editing and publishing, science writing, indexing, archiving, communication, informatics, scientometrics, etc.

- Audience: editors, translators, scholarly journal publishers and authors

- Official quarterly journal of EASE

- Distributed by post to members

ow on Twitter: @Eur_Sci_Ed

Why publish in *ESE*?

- Key international journal focused on science editing and publishing

- No author submission or publication fees

- Open access (full content after 6 months, research articles immediately)

- Rapid, personal, and efficient service

- High-quality international peer review

- Indexed in SCOPUS

Science Editors' Handbook, 2nd ed.

- Covers a wide range of subjects, including all aspects of editing scientific publications and running a journal

- Provides examples of good practice, plus tips that can help to solve problems and support good decisions

- 56 chapters written by 40 international authors with experience in all areas of science editing and publishing

EASE Guidelines for Authors and Translators of Scientific Articles

- Concise guidance for structuring and writing manuscripts; updated annually

- Freely available in more than 20 languages

- 8 appendices: Abstracts, Ambiguity, Cohesion, Ethics, Plurals, Simplicity, Spelling, Text-tables

- Advice for journal editors on how to encourage researchers to read *EASE Guidelines* before manuscript submission

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EASE Toolkit for Authors

- More detailed than *EASE Guidelines*

- Aims to increase scientists' confidence in writing and submitting articles

- 20 modules with links to materials freely available on the Internet, which are useful to authors of scientific articles

- Modules ##4-14 are based on a book published by the International Society of Addiction Journal Editors (ISAJE)

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Module 3 of the Toolkit

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Title	Figure showing the new result
Global, societal, general problems	
Local, specific, scientific problems	Interpretation the result
Hypothesis, knowledge limits	Novelty of the result
Experiments	Local, specific, scientific benefits
Description of the new result	Global, societal, general benefits

Very useful when planning a manuscript

(Source: Lichtfouse E. 2013. *Scientific Writing for Impact Factor Journals*. Nova Publishers)

EASE Toolkit for Journal Editors

www.ease.org.uk/publications/ease-toolkit-journal-editors

- EASE Ethics Checklist, EASE Form for Authors (disclosure of authors' COI and contributions)

- Good Publication Practice 3, Elsevier Publishing Ethics Resource Kit, standard retraction form, COPE guidelines on text recycling

- EASE Statement on Inappropriate Use of Impact Factors

- Paul Beverley's free e-book *Computer tools for editors and proofreaders*, including >450 macros
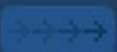
- 10 golden rules for journal editors

Golden rules for journal editors

www.ease.org.uk/publications/ease-toolkit-journal-editors/golden-rules-scholarly-journal-editors

1. Be aware of your **target audience**.

2. Make **instructions to authors simple and understandable**, and review them regularly.

3. Ensure a **fair peer review** process (usually with 2-3 reviews, or more if necessary).

4. Pay due attention to **ethical issues**: data fabrication or manipulation, plagiarism, authorship, conflict of interest, copyright, legislation, etc.

5. **Respect others**: inform authors about progress and delays as soon as possible; do not overburden reviewers and authors.

6. Do your best to ensure that publications are **complete, concise, and clear**, with appropriate methods and correct citations.

7. Make sure that **abstracts properly summarize** essential information (usually: background, objectives, methods, results, and conclusions) and contain **major keywords**.

8. Ensure **safe long-term storage** of publications and documentation of the editorial process.

9. **Develop** your journal.

10. Perfection is impossible to reach, so **common sense** is necessary.

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EASE Journal Blog

Selected information useful to science editors. This blog is a working tool used to contribute to different sections of the "European Science Editing", the peer reviewed journal of the European Association of Science Editors (EASE).

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B - Big data and public health

Khoury MJ, Ioannidis JPA. Big data meets public health. *Science* 346(6213):1054
(doi: 10.1126/science.aaa2709)

The term "Big Data" refers to volumes of large, complex, linkable information. Beyond genomics and other "omic" fields, Big Data includes medical, environmental, financial, geographic, and social media information. This swell of data will continue to grow. Big Data can improve health by providing insights into the causes and outcomes of disease, better drug targets for precision medicine, and enhanced disease prediction and prevention. But "Big Error" can plague Big Data. The combination of a strong epidemiologic foundation, robust knowledge integration, principles of evidence-based medicine, and an expanded translation research agenda can put Big Data on the right course.

http://www.sciencemag.org/content/346/6213/1054.full

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B - A social media trial

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Other activities

- EASE regional chapters (Bulgarian, Croatian, Italian, Mexican, Peruvian, and Russian): facilitate interaction among editors within countries
- EASE Forum (owner-ease-forum@helsinki.fi): rapid exchange of ideas, information, and experience by e-mail
- Training Committee, Membership Committee, Research Committee, Online Communications Committee, Outreach Committee, Gender Policy Committee (see next slide), etc.

SAGER Guidelines

- Sex and Gender Equity in Research (SAGER) guidelines have been developed by the Gender Policy Committee
- Published in *Research Integrity and Peer Review* in May 2016
- The guidelines apply to all research with humans, animals or any material originating from humans and animals (e.g. organs, cells, tissues), as well as other disciplines whose results will be applied to humans, such as mechanics and engineering.

Benefits of EASE membership

- Quarterly printed copies of *European Science Editing* and online access free to members
- Discount on a printed copy of *Science Editors' Handbook*, online access free to members
- Major conferences every 2 years, workshops, etc.
- Free advertising of your courses or services on our website
- Discounts on job advertisements on our website, editorial software, courses, etc.
- Opportunities to share problems and solutions, good networking and contacts for freelancers

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