

CBC SEMINAR ANNOUNCEMENT



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Why Was My Paper Rejected? – Publishing Tips from a Journal Editor

Have you ever wondered why your last journal submission was directly rejected? Or how editors pick referees and conduct peer review? Or what exactly do editors and publishing houses do?

In this talk, Dr. David Peralta, Editor-in-Chief of *ChemMedChem* (a Wiley-VCH and ChemPubSoc Europe journal) talks from his experience as a scientific editor and opens up the "black box" of science publishing. David will provide concrete tips on how to optimize your submissions for a better chance at peer review, as well as discuss how one can deal with rejected papers.

Masters and PhD students, junior faculty, and professors **working in any field of the natural/physical sciences**, particularly biology, chemistry, biotech, pharmacy, pharmacology, medicine, environmental science, physics, and materials sciences, are invited to this seminar to get tips on how to improve their manuscripts and chances of getting published. This is also a great opportunity to learn about editorial work, which is an excellent career option for those with graduate degrees in the sciences.

Biography

David studied chemistry and German culture and language at the Ateneo de Manila University, Philippines. There, he taught courses in chemistry and science and society while finishing his MSc degree, focusing on organic, analytical, and biological chemistry. In 2009, he moved to Germany to work at the German Cancer Research Center (DKFZ), in the research group of Prof. Tobias Dick, where he discovered a mechanism for the H₂O₂-sensitivity of the moonlighting enzyme glyceraldehyde-3-phosphate dehydrogenase (GAPDH). In 2015, he earned his Dr. rer. nat. in biosciences from the DKFZ and the Ruprecht-Karls-Universität Heidelberg. Shortly before his doctoral defense, he joined Wiley-VCH in 2014 as an Assistant Editor for both *ChemMedChem* and *ChemistryOpen*, and later also *ChemistrySelect*. He became Managing Editor of *ChemMedChem* in 2016, and has been its Editor-in-Chief since 2017.

Date: 11th December 2019 (Wednesday)
Time: 10.30am to 12.00pm
Venue: SPMS Research & Graduate Studies
Conference Room
Host: Assistant Professor Qiao Yuan