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Macmillan Science Communication (MSC), a sister company of Nature Publishing Group (NPG), is organizing its first workshop in New Delhi on November 29, 2013. This is the first in a series of workshops that MSC plans to organize across India in coming years.

The intensive workshop will help one hundred researchers from across India improve their scientific writing skills while learning about the editorial processes at a top-tier journal. It has been sponsored by Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU), New Delhi.

In association with Nature India, an online news and research portal for the latest research in India, the workshop will also cover some of the big issues facing Indian scientists today.

Dr James Butcher, a former editor and currently Associate Director of the Open Publishing Division at NPG, will deliver the workshop. Before moving to his current role, Dr Butcher was Publisher of the Nature Reviews journals, and is largely responsible for the success of the Nature Reviews series, with its outstanding reputation and brand.

This training workshop is aimed at science faculty and research scholars from any field in the natural sciences interested in developing their scientific writing skills to improve their chance of publishing research in top-tier journals.

Dr Butcher will discuss the entire publishing process from paper submission to publication. Regular quizzes and a question-and-answer session will give participants ample opportunity to learn more about what it takes to get their research published in an international, peer-reviewed journal. Dr Butcher's 1-day session is being held at the JNU Convention Centre.