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**GUEST SPEAKER**

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**TOPIC**

Publishing in Nature Research Journals

**ABSTRACT**

“Publish or perish.” The academic pursuit of fundamental knowledge, boiled down to a 3-word summary of a researcher’s worries. The hours spent toiling away in labs, at computers, or out in the field are seemingly overruled by the need to publish results. Moreover, from the rising young researchers who seek to secure a faculty job to the tenure-track assistant professor looking to cement their position, simply publishing is not enough. Having high-impact papers in high impact journals can make (or break) one’s academic career. Springer Nature, through Nature and the related Nature-brand journals, is known for publishing high-quality work of the utmost importance to both broad audiences and specialist scientists. To publish in one of the journals, it is imperative to understand these journals and editorial process. The goal of this talk to provide context for publishing with Springer Nature, how editorial decisions are made, and more information about Nature Communications, including the benefits of Open Access publication.

**BIO**

Adam joined Nature Communications in July 2017. He received his PhD from Northwestern University for his work on supramolecular, chromophore-based materials for solar-to-fuel energy conversion. For his postdoctoral work at Israel’s Ben Gurion University of the Negev, he investigated the water-splitting catalysis and photochemistry of inorganic polyoxoanions. Adam handles chemistry-related manuscripts that involve electrocatalytic and photocatalytic applications. Adam is based in the New York office.

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