Science Communication and Career Workshop Series

(*Nature India* in partnership with Wellcome Trust/DBT India Alliance)

Workshop at a glance:

One-day workshop to equip young science students or researchers with tools and strategies for effective writing and communication skills from a science communication perspective. Help them make better science career choices.

Vision:

Science communication plays an integral role in one's scientific career. Being able to write and communicate science effectively within and outside the scientific community is an important attribute of scientific maturity. Presenting one's scientific knowledge in a convincing and interesting manner is also an invaluable skill.

Nature India and the Wellcome Trust/DBT India Alliance share the common goal of empowering future leaders of Indian science. Nature India showcases India's science 'as it happens' in laboratories and institutions across the country through in-depth coverage and analysis of research and science policy. The proposed workshop would be part of Nature communication India's many outreach activities as the one-stop media platform for India's science. Nature India and the Wellcome Trust/DBT India Alliance both represent possibilities for young science scholars to transition into academic as well as non-academic science careers. Information and advice on how to explore various career options will form an important part of these workshops with a career session.

Structure & format

The workshop will be a one-day event organised in association with reputed science societies/organisations/ institutes and Universities in India. A large participation by science scholars will be a pre-requisite for holding this workshop.

The workshop will have 3 separate sessions:

Session 1: Science Writing

Speaker: Subhra Priyadarshini, Chief Editor, Nature India

Topics covered:

- Popular science writing
- Science journalism
- Social media for budding scientists

Session 2: Scientific Communication

Speaker: **Dr. Sarah Iqbal**, Public Engagement Officer, India Alliance

Topics covered:

- Ethics in research
- Presentation skills

Session 3: Careers in Science

Speaker: **Sonia Sharma**, Institutional and Corporate Partnerships Manager, Nature Research Topics covered:

- Careers in the industry
- Careers in Science Promotion/Intellectual Property
- · Careers in Policy/Grant organizations/Media