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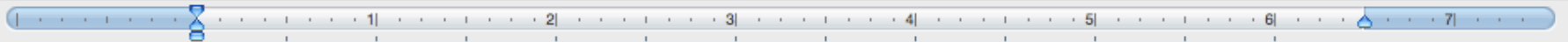
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*And peer-review is the bedrock of science*

# What should we talk about?

- Writing/revising process and working with your advisor and co-authors
- Journal submission and the peer-review process
- Promoting your work, staying on top of others
- On being a reviewer
- Ethical behavior

# WRITING




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- Discipline (ocean, remote sens, ...)
- Audience (specialist, general)
- Format (letter, monograph, comment)
- Review process (editorial board, open/closed review)
- Prestige/Impact/Access (citation rate, publicity, cost to access)
- Cost (page charges)

# WHAT DO YOU READ

- AMS Journals: *J. Atmos Sci, J Clim, J. Atmos Ocean Tech, Monthly Wx Reb, J Phys Ocean, J Applied Met, J Hydromet, Bulletin AMS*
- AGU Journals: *JGR-C/D/G, Geo Res Lett, Global Biogeo Cycle, JAMES, Water Resource Res., EOS*
- EGU: *Biogeosciences, Atmos Chem Phys, Atmos Meas Tech, Geosci Model Dev*
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# THE PROCESS\*

- Upload, suggest reviewers, quality control check by staff (1-3 days)
- Editor assignment, check scope/plagiarism/language (1-6 days)
- Associate Editor (AE) assignment, read, check suggested reviewers, find reviewers (1-2 weeks, sometimes more)
- 2-3 reviewers read, report, make a recommendations (4-6 weeks)
- AE reads reports, writes own report, gets more reviewers if needed, or makes recommendation (1 week)
- Editor reads paper + reports, makes decision (1 week)
- If revisions required, then 1-6 weeks to do so, go back to step 1
- Once decision is “publish as is”, paper “accepted”, moves to copy-editing, non-typeset placed online & assigned DOI = “in press”, after page proofs approved by author, final publication (1-2 weeks)

\* Details and terminology vary by journal



# DECISIONS

- Publish as present
- Accept with Minor Revision
- Accept with Major Revisions
- Reject and Encourage Resubmission
- Reject and Discourage Resubmission

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# ETHICAL PUBLISHING

- <http://retractionwatch.com/>

The Washington Post

Morning Mix

Scientists published climate research under fake names. Then they were caught.

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