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# Dr. Rita Strack, Senior Editor, *Nature Methods* “Publishing in *Nature Methods* (and Other *Nature Journals*)”

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12:00 - 1:00 pm Pacific



Rita Strack, Ph.D.

12:00 - 1:00 pm - Seminar -  
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**Abstract:** My talk will introduce *Nature Methods*, the role of professional editors, and the editorial process at *Nature Research Journals*. I will also offer insight into what we look for when we consider papers at *Nature Methods* and provide tips for preparing high quality methods papers.

## About Rita Strack, Ph.D.

Rita Strack obtained her Ph.D. in Biochemistry and Molecular Biology from the University of Chicago. While there, she worked with Benjamin Glick and Robert Keenan to engineer improved variants of the red fluorescent protein DsRed, and also studied the chemical mechanism of chromophore formation in DsRed. She continued her research as a postdoctoral fellow in Samie Jaffrey's laboratory at Weill Cornell Medical College, where she developed fluorescent reporters for live-cell imaging of RNA such as Spinach2. She handles imaging, microscopy and probes, along with protein and RNA biochemistry content for the journal. Rita joined *Nature Methods* in November 2014.

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