Freelance copyeditors for scientific journals

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Essential:

- A BSc (Hons), or higher, in a relevant scientific discipline
- Excellent English editing skills and attention to detail
- Computer literate with experience in writing/editing in web-based editing platforms
- An ABN and Australian bank account

Desirable:

- Experience working in a research environment
- Experience in copyediting and/or writing peer-reviewed papers in scientific fields
- A PhD or equivalent qualification
- Understanding of scholarly publishing and the publication process

What you will do:

- Copyedit scientific journal papers to ensure clearly communicated, error-free science, while adhering to house and journal-specific style guides
- Perform edits on an online editing platform
- Follow all subject-specific scientific conventions
- Return completed edits in 3 working days

What we can offer you:

- Base hourly rate from $40
- Approximately 1-5 papers to copyedit per week (average)

Successful applicants will receive the necessary training. Please email your CV to Dr Brietta Pike (brietta.pike@csiro.au). Please include a cover letter or introductory email with your specific field of scientific experience/expertise and how you heard about this position.