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Nature Publishing Group launches English language editing service

Nature Publishing Group (NPG) today announces the launch of a new English language editing service, Nature Publishing Group Language Editing (NPG Language Editing).

NPG Language Editing (languageediting.nature.com) is a premium quality editing service for researchers preparing manuscripts for publication in international scientific or medical journals. In a 2007 survey of over 31,000 peer reviewers, 48% agreed that poor quality of English is a barrier to peer reviewⁱ. NPG Language Editing has been launched to help researchers maximize their chances of publication by editing their manuscripts so that poor English is not a contributing factor to a decision to reject.

An experienced NPG editor quality checks every edited manuscript to ensure the service matches the standards of excellence synonymous with Nature Publishing Group. Manuscripts are edited for spelling, grammar, language usage and clarity by experienced editors working in an appropriate field. Competitively priced, NPG Language Editing offers rapid turnaround and quality assurance.

NPG have partnered with American Journal Experts to provide the NPG Language Editing service. "American Journal Experts have a proven track record of attaining high standards in scientific and medical language editing, and so were the natural choice to help NPG launch this new service," says Nick Campbell, Associate Publisher at NPG.

The launch of NPG Language Editing continues NPG's commitment to helping authors of the best scientific and medical research reach the widest possible global audience. NPG identified a growing need for this service based on the increase in output of research from countries in Asia, Latin America and Eastern Europe, and expects NPG Language Editing to have a worldwide customer base.

NPG Language Editing is wholly independent from the editorial process of any NPG journal or any other journal. NPG makes no guarantees that the use of this service will lead to publication.

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About NPG

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society-owned publications. NPG also provides news content through *Nature News*. Scientific career information and free job postings are offered on *Naturejobs*.

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¹**Adrian Mulligan, "Perceptions and Misperceptions - Attitudes to Peer Review"** accessed from http://international.inist.fr/icsti/A_Mulligan.pdf, on 30 January 2007