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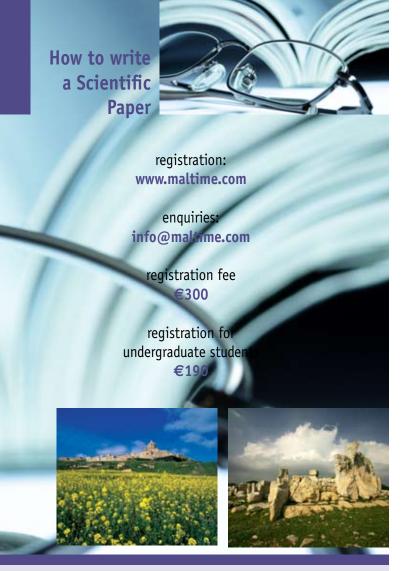
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Thank you so much for putting up the Scientific Paper Conference. It was extremely relevant! **GG** 

Found the presentations very helpful and I felt more confident to write a paper and will encourage others to do so! MT





# **Core Subjects**

- Seeking material for publication & grants
- Medline searching in depth
- How to write a paper
- Which journals to target
- The viewpoint of the journal editor
- Tackling editors
- Conferences: abstract & poster preparation
- How to give a Powerpoint presentation
- Excel statistical analysis modules
- One practical, hands-on Excel module



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### 24 August 2011

08:00 08:30 08:45 09:15	Registration Introduction to the meeting - Victor Grech What can I publish - types of studies - Victor Grech Stats 1: Data entry in Excel, Excel forms and pivot tables - Victor Grech
09:45	Coffee
10:15	Stats 2: Introduction to statistical analysis using Excel - <i>Victor Grech</i>
10:45	Critical appraisal of existing research - Josanne Vassallo
11:15	Plagiarism and ethics of dealing with colleagues - Josanne Vassallo
11:45	Lunch
12:45	Stats 3: T-tests, Z-test and ANOVA - Victor Grech
13:15	Ethical approval for the study - Pierre Mallia
13:45	Recruitment and informed consent - Pierre Mallia
14:15	Stats 4: Contingency tables and relative risk - Victor Grech
14:45	Preparing an abstract and a poster - Victor Grech

# 25 August 2011

08:00	Review - Victor Grech
08:15	Stats 5: Odds ratio, confidence intervals for a proportion - <i>Victor Grech</i>
08:45	Stats 6: Correlation, regression, multivariate analysis - <i>Victor Grech</i>
09:15	Online research tools and bibliographical software - Neville Calleja
09:45	Coffee
10:15	Designing a study - Neville Calleja
10:45	Stats 7: Survival analysis, no. needed to treat, power - Neville Calleja
11:15	Validation of questionnaires - Neville Calleja
11:45	Lunch
12:45	Stats 8: Meta-analysis, more on multiple regression - Neville Calleja
13:15	Editors' perspective of submissions & dealing with editors - Josanne Vassallo
13:45	Applying for a grant - Josanne Vassallo
14:15	Data Protection - Hugo Agius-Muscat
14:45	Let's write a paper! - Victor Grech
20:00	Course Dinner, Dolmen Hotel, Batabulan Restaurant

# 26 August 2011

08:00	Review - Victor Grech
08:15	How to give a presentation - Charles Savona Ventura
08:45	The reader's perspective of a submission - Joseph Cacciottolo
09:15	Structuring a scientific paper - Charles Savona Ventura
09:45	Coffee
10:15	Which journals to target and why - Joseph Cacciottolo
10:45	Preparing a thesis – the differences from a paper - Charles Savona Ventura
11:15	Interfacing with the laboratory - Chris Barbara
11:45	Lunch
12:45	Practical Excel: Hands on testing with delegate's laptops - Victor Grech