

Future Implications of Open-Access & FAIR Data Practices on Chemistry and Chemical Engineering Publications – A Workshop

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Fatima Mustafa is the Project Coordinator of the IUPAC (International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry) WorldFAIR Chemistry project and a Lecturer at the University of Texas, San Antonio. WorldFAIR is a multidisciplinary initiative funded by the European Union and directed by CODATA (Committee on Data of the International Science Council) and RDA (Research Data Alliance), WorldFAIR seeks to strengthen international cooperation around FAIR data (Findable, Accessible Interoperable, Reusable) and to connect diverse activities across disciplines and geographies. As the coordinator for WorldFAIR Chemistry, she helps with project management and coordinates community outreach activities. Mustafa received a Ph.D. in analytical chemistry from Clarkson University.

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Jake Yeston joined the Staff at Science Magazine in 2004, with responsibilities to edit and coordinate review for original research submissions in chemistry and overlapping segments of biochemistry and applied physics. In his current role as an editor at the journal, he now oversees the editorial group handling all research content in the physical sciences. Previously, he conducted postdoctoral research in ultrafast spectroscopy at the Max Planck Institute for Quantum Optics in Garching, Germany on a Humboldt fellowship (under Karl Kompa), and then worked as a National Research Council fellow at the National Institute of Standards and Technology in Gaithersburg, Maryland (under Edwin Heilweil). Dr. Yeston earned his Ph.D. in chemistry from the University of California, Berkeley in 2001, with a focus at the interface of synthetic organometallic chemistry and vibrational spectroscopy (working jointly under Robert Bergman and C. Bradley Moore).

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