
P Abdulhannan, J W L Puntis. Iron deficiency anaemia and perianastomotic ulceration as a late complication of ileal resection in infancy (Gut 2007;56:1478–9). The first author’s name for this letter was published incorrectly and should be Peshang Abdulhannan. Furthermore, the letter should have read “We were interested…” not “I was interested…”.

Committee on Publication Ethics (COPE) – Seminar 2008

9.30am–4.30pm Friday 4 April 2008, Woburn House, London, UK

This year’s seminar will focus on three key topics: (1) How does patient privacy legislation affect an editor’s ability to publish? (2) What is publication? — the changing definitions of publication. (3) COPE’s new Best Practice Guidelines. There will also be a short demonstration of an anti-plagiarism system as it is working in a publishing house.

Invited speakers will discuss legislation on privacy and data protection that editors need to be aware of; how editors should respond to more and more data being available online prior to formal peer-reviewed publication; and what happens to a publication after it appears in print.

The newly designed COPE website will be demonstrated, and there will be interactive workshops on common ethical and editorial dilemmas.

Editors, authors and all those interested in improving the standard of publication ethics are welcome.

The seminar will include invited talks:
- A Pandora’s box of tissues—legislation in relation to tissues and cells
- The promise and perils of patient privacy
- Pre-publication or duplicate publication? How to decide
- What really happens to a publication after it appears in print
- Screening for plagiarism: the CrossCheck initiative

In addition:
- Discussion of COPE’s new Best Practice Guidelines with experiences from journals who have piloted the audit
- COPE’s new website unveiled
- Interactive workshops on the key topics of the seminar.
- Opportunities to network with other editors and share your experiences and challenges

The seminar is free for COPE members and £50.00 for non-members. Numbers are limited and early booking is advisable. For registration or more information please contact the COPE Administrator at cope@bmjgroup.com or call 020-7383-6602.

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