

iCeMS Kitagawa Group Seminar

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Seminar title:

The Review Process at Science

Seminar Time: 13:00-14:00 on Apr. 18

Place: 2F seminar room, iCeMS main bldg.

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Abstract:

I will give a brief overview of the mission of AAAS, the not-for-profit that publishes Science, and our family of sister journals. I will then discuss how the review process works at Science, and how this has changed (and not changed) both papers and the review process from the print to the internet era. I will also offer some thoughts on what we look for in paper to help potential authors gauge the suitability of a submission and on best practices in preparing and reviewing papers.

Biography of Dr. Phillip Szuromi

Phillip Szuromi is a Deputy Editor based in the Washington, DC, office of Science and helps supervise the team of physical sciences editors. Hired in 1986 to attract more physical sciences to the research journal section of the magazine, he has helped to increase the representation of these fields to its current level of ~40%. He handles papers primarily in chemistry, physics, applied physics, and materials science, but he also has handled research papers in biochemistry, molecular biology, structural biology, and atmospheric science during his career. He was also part of the Insight times handling Perspectives from 2008 until 2022.

Dr. Szuromi obtained his B.S. (Highest Distinction) in Chemistry from Harvey Mudd College, Claremont, CA) in 1980 and, as a National Science Foundation Fellow, he obtained his Ph.D. in Chemistry from Caltech (Pasadena, CA) in 1985. He then spent a year and a half as a National Research Council Postdoctoral Fellow at the National Bureau of Standards (now NIST) in Gaithersburg, MD, before joining Science. He published a number of papers on the catalytic chemistry (primarily alkane activation and Fischer-Tropsch reactions) performed on well-defined single-crystal surfaces under ultrahigh vacuum conditions. In 2004, he was made a Fellow of AAAS in Chemistry. He currently telecommutes to his job from Knoxville, TN.