

Editing service of K. Madan

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Why am I the right person? I edit scientific manuscripts, dissertations, PhD theses written in English in the field of medical biology and cell biology, particularly genetics. As a scientist with extensive experience in writing as well as in editing of manuscripts, I understand the contents as well as the difficulties of scientists whose native language is not English. I keep close contact with the author throughout the process of editing and can, in co-operation with the author, rewrite parts of the ms wherever necessary. Although I cannot guarantee the acceptance of your paper, which will depend primarily on its scientific content, I can ensure that it is written in good, clear English. My rates are very reasonable.

My qualifications: I am a native English speaker and have a PhD in Human Genetics. I am a retired clinical cytogeneticist with more than 40 years experience in clinical diagnosis, research and teaching. I am still active, particularly in teaching specialists in my field of work. I have extensive experience in scientific writing and am an author of more than 70 scientific publications, including chapters in books. I have edited numerous manuscripts written by mostly Dutch, but also Italian, German and French, scientists for publication in international journals. I have assessed and corrected more than 500 abstracts submitted to scientific conferences, many from Eastern European and Mediterranean countries. I am a member of the editorial committee of the Newsletter of the European Association of Cytogeneticists. I have a Cambridge CELTA (Certificate in English Language Teaching to Adults) and am a member of SENSE (Society of English-Native-Speaking Editors) and EASE (European Association of Science Editors).

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