

MARIA BELLANTONE

Open science champion supporting researchers on scholarly publishing and open access.

WORK HISTORY

- 2020- present **Research Support Staff** – Eurac Research, Bolzano, Italy. Open science advocacy, staff training and implementation of institutional and funders’ policies, in collaboration with the research units and library services. EC and international funding proposal preparation. Administration of the Eurac Open Access Fund.
- 2019 - 2020 **Publishing Director, Physical Sciences** – F1000, London. Led the expansion of the F1000 open platforms beyond the life sciences and beyond English language publishing.
- 2007 – 2019 **Senior Publishing Editor, Physics** – Springer (now Springer Nature), in London and the Netherlands. Ran a varied program of academic journals, books and reference works. European Physical Journal Steering Committee member. Transfers champion.
- Feb-Mar 2016 **Grand Challenges Secondment** – Springer Nature, Dordrecht, NL. Led a company-wide strategic publishing project to harness editorial initiatives and products. Delivered a shared vision and future directions to foster and develop SDGs relevant contents across the newly formed Springer Nature.
- 2002 – 2007 **Senior Editor** and subsequently **Senior Editor - Nature Materials**, London. Journal launch. Oversaw the News & Views section of the journal in addition to manuscripts selection, handling peer-review, commissioning, editing, writing and press releases. Training new staff. Ambassadorial role in research labs and at international conferences.
- 2001 **Associate Editor** – *Nature*, London. Handling peer-review of submissions in materials science. Writing research highlights for the Materials Update website.

EDUCATION

- 1998-2001 **PhD in Materials Science** Imperial College, London, UK (research in the departments of Materials, Biology and Histochemistry).
- 1995-1998 **Post-master Specialization Degree in Biotechnology** University of Torino, Italy, final mark: 70/70 (Departments of Chemistry, Torino, and Biochemistry, Imperial College London).
- 1990-1995 **“Laurea” Degree in Chemistry** University of Messina, Italy, final mark: 110/110 cum laude.

OUTPUTS

- Podcast of Le Scienze (Italian edition of Scientific American), episode dedicated to OA and the cost of journals.
- LinkedIn blogpost, 2021: [Five things to remember when looking at research data](#)
- Eurac blogpost, 2021: [Never a better time for open science](#)
- 5 peer-reviewed articles published between 2000 and 2007 in materials science scholarly journals.
- Patent filed 14th June 2000 (US6482444B1), granted by the patent offices of USA, EU, Germany, Spain, Canada.