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During the course “Scientific Writing in English II” I attended the lectures dedicated to the main problems in scientific writing and the ways to overcome such problems. The approach of the course was based on the fact that the writing and publishing scientific research is an important part of the science research process.

During the course Alisdair Mclean explained us the main functions of abstracts and discussions, the importance of methodology and basic mistakes in approaches to writing results. Also we had exercises on writing different parts of paper. One of the biggest advantages of this course was grammar module, which contained exercises on punctuation, different grammar constructions used in scientific writing, confusing word pairs and differences between them.

I enjoyed the course and I would like to thank Alisdair Mclean, Olga Getmanenko and BioN in general for organization of the meeting.

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