

Between Author and Editor: Stephanie Deming to Edit Series

Science Editor is pleased to welcome Stephanie Deming as editor of a new series exploring the author–editor relationship. The first installment—focusing, aptly, on starting an author–editor relationship well—appears on page 97 of this issue.

More than a year ago, Deming suggested that *Science Editor* include additional articles about the author–editor relationship. Later discussions led to establishing the series *Between Author and Editor*, with Deming as contributing editor. The series, which appears in the Departments section, is to include articles by Deming and others.

Deming brings considerable experience with the author–editor relationship. Since the middle 1990s, she has been an author’s editor at the University of Texas M D Anderson Cancer Center. Her work there

has included editing journal articles and other items by physicians and scientists, answering authors’ questions about writing and publishing, serving as managing editor of multiauthor volumes, giving presentations on writing and publishing, training new editors, and writing newsletter stories. She has telecommuted since 2000 from her home office in El Paso, Texas, to the main M D Anderson editorial office, some 750 miles away in Houston.

A CSE member since 2000, Deming was book-review editor of *Science Editor* from May 2001 to December 2003. She also has



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written for *Science Editor* over the years. In addition, she was newsletter editor for the American Medical Writers Association Southwest Chapter in 1997 and 1998. She is certified as an Editor in the Life Sciences by the Board of Editors in the Life Sciences (BELS).

“We’re delighted to welcome Stephanie back,” says Barbara Gastel, editor of *Science Editor*. “Her excellent ideas, skill as a writer and editor, and high standards promise to make this series a noteworthy contribution.”

Deming welcomes suggestions of topics for *Between Author and Editor*, and she is pleased to receive inquiries about contributing to the series. She can be reached at sdeming@mdanderson.org. 