Women in Science





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Where it started...

- 2012 Ada Lovelace Day Edit-a-thon
- Increase the number of Wikipedia articles on women who have made significant STEM contributions
- Increase the number of female
 Wikipedia contributors
 - Only 8.5% are women!



Where it went...

- Rosalind Franklin's birthday: NIMR Event
 - 25th July
- Ada Lovelace Day Royal Society Event
 - 11th October
- Cambridge LMB Event
 - 25th November
- Royal Society of Edinburgh
 Women in Science Edit-a-thon
 - 3rd December



Today

- Overview and training
- What do you want?
- Articles about women in science
 - Improving existing articles
 - Starting new articles
- LMB alumni, MRC-funded researchers and others

"Imagine a world in which every single human being can freely share in the sum of all knowledge.

That's our commitment."

How can we help?

- Long-term partnership
- Community building
- Access to resources
- Mentoring



Wikipedia: the five pillars

- Encyclopedia
- Neutral point of view (NPOV)
- Free content
- Respect and civility
- No firm rules



Remember...

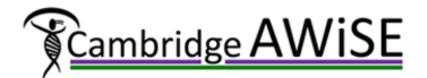
- Your role is to inform and reference
- Verifiability all articles require independent, reliable sources
- Write without bias
- Facts and statistics: don't be vague or general
- Take time to get it right and your content will last
- Work with the community (and we'll work with you)
- Communicate, communicate, communicate!

Getting started



- Basic editing
 - -Wiki mark up
 - Sandbox and user page
- Referencing
- Illustrating







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