



WFUMB Open Access Journal

Vacancy: Editor-in-Chief, *Open Access Journal*

The World Federation for Ultrasound in Medicine and Biology (WFUMB) is looking for an Editor-in-Chief who will launch their Open Access journal to develop a leading international ultrasound publication. The five-year term will begin with the launch in early 2022.

This will be an official journal of the World Federation for Ultrasound in Medicine and Biology complementing, but separate from, the well-established Ultrasound in Medicine and Biology (UMB). The journal should meet the information and publication requirements of clinicians, scientists, engineers and other professionals who constitute the ultrasound community

The ideal candidate will be a respected clinician/researcher committed to publication excellence with demonstrable editorial experience and a strong vision that launches the journal internationally and with a mission to publish engaging and informed content. Applicants should have a recognized expertise in the field of ultrasound and a good track record of publishing in high-quality journals. They will appoint and lead the editorial team and uphold the highest standards concerning editorial policies and professional practice. They will recognise the need to engage the journal's audiences at all levels.

About the Open Access Journal

The journal will be launched in early 2022 with 6 publications per year with around 100 papers. Initially Elsevier will offer free vouchers to authors for publication.

The Editor in Chief will consider mainly full-length research papers, review articles, guidelines, short communications opinion articles, and other interactive and ancillary material that is of special interest to the readers of the Journal.

About the role

The Editor-in-Chief will have final responsibility for establishing and managing an editorial office; supervising a managing editor; receiving evaluating and selecting all materials for publication; the editorial content and strategy of the journal, with support from their appointed editorial team and Elsevier publishing staff, actively working with WFUMB and the publisher to launch the Open Access journal. The Editor-in-Chief should expect to spend the equivalent of up to one day per week on journal activities.

The main responsibilities of the Editor-in-Chief include, but are not limited to:

- Overall editorial management and development of the Journal, including the coordination of refereeing and submissions
- Have final approval of all materials published in the editorial pages of the Journal
- Providing the highest possible quality of scientific content to augment the knowledge, impact and practice of clinicians involved in the field
- Developing and maintaining an internationally relevant and coherent scientific strategy and vision for the journal
- Building and maintaining a supportive team of highly qualified international colleagues to serve as members of the editorial board and reviewers
- Encouraging submission of high-quality papers
- Ensuring the integrity of the review process and providing guidance to authors, reviewers and editorial team members as appropriate
- Developing procedures for effective triage and review of scientific manuscripts to ensure timely and excellent support is maintained for authors and reviewers
- Adding value to the journal by commissioning editorials, reviews, educational material and online content
- Supervising the journal's response to appeals, complaints, suggestions from readers and ethical problems regarding published work
- Developing the social media strategy for the title
- Promoting the journal within the scientific community and industry
- To attend WFUMB Administrative Council and Publication Committee meetings

As Editor in Chief you will benefit from:

- A fee of 10,000 USD
- Professional advice and guidance on all aspects of journal publishing
- Interaction with the latest research from around the world
- The chance to shape the field and play a role in the development of the specialty
- WFUMB to pay travel expenses and hotel accommodation for the Editor to attend WFUMB Council meetings and WFUMB congresses in accordance with WFUMB's travel policies

Person Specification

Applicants need not be based in the USA and international applicants are encouraged. This is an independent contractor position and the term of office is 5 years renewable once and subject to annual appraisal and review by WFUMB.

Specification	Essential	Desirable
<i>High level of written and spoken English</i>	Yes	
<i>Higher level degree</i>	Yes	
<i>Significant publication record in ultrasound</i>	Yes	
<i>Editor in chief or deputy editor experience</i>		Yes
<i>Demonstration of a track record of academic excellence</i>	Yes	
<i>Clinical experience</i>		Yes
<i>Presently or recently engaged in a leadership role in academic medicine</i>	Yes	
<i>Demonstration of understanding the role of basic science in ultrasound research</i>		Yes
<i>Excellent leadership skills in particular the ability to motivate and inspire professional staff</i>	Yes	
<i>A strong sense of ethics and integrity including a clear understanding of the ethical guidelines for academic publishing</i>	Yes	
<i>Demonstration of leadership roles within National Ultrasound Societies</i>		Yes
<i>Understanding of the importance of equality and diversity in the workplace</i>	Yes	
<i>High level of organisational skill and editorial and political sensitivity</i>	Yes	

How to Apply

Please send a full CV and covering letter outlining your suitability for the role and your vision for the future of UMB. Shortlisted candidates will be expected to have a clear vision for the development of the journal. For more details of the role, please email, Elena Herzog Senior Publisher, Health Sciences Journals, Elsevier Inc e.herzog@elsevier.com

Canvassing for the EiC position is inappropriate.

Please apply by email to lrudd@wfumb.org

The deadline for applications is 31 January 2022. Interviews will be held in **February 2022** by videoconference.