



## Call for applications Position description:

### **Neurological Sciences Editor-in-Chief**



**Neurological Sciences** is a leading journal in the field of clinical neurology and neurosciences. The journal is intended to provide a medium for the communication of results and ideas in the field of neuroscience. The journal welcomes contributions in both the basic and clinical aspects of the neurosciences.

Established in 1979, the journal is owned by the Italian Society of Neurology and published by Springer, part of Springer Nature.

The Editor-in-Chief will be responsible for continuing to develop and improve the quality of **Neurological Sciences**. They will deliver strategic direction to the Journal and provide guidance and recommendations for new initiatives.

Responsibilities include:

#### **Editorial**

- With administrative assistance from the Publisher's editorial office support staff, oversee peer review of and make final decisions on the approximately [X] manuscripts submitted to the journal annually (with the exception of articles in which a conflict of interest exists).
- Adhere to standards of editorial good practice, as defined in the [Publisher's Code of Conduct for Editors-in-Chief of Journals](#).
- Ensure all ethical issues relating to the Journal are resolved in line with good practice and the Committee of Publication Ethics (COPE) guidelines.
- Appoint and lead a group of Associate Editors, ensuring that the Journal maintains high standards for the refereeing and acceptance of articles.
- Nominate, appoint and secure the services of an expert, internationally recognized Editorial Board for the Journal.
- Establish effective working relationships with the Journal Editorial Office and Publisher to ensure issues are dealt with promptly.
- Support the Journal's commitment to helping authors find the right home for their research by recommending manuscript transfers to alternative journals as appropriate.

#### **Strategy**

- Oversee the strategic commissioning of non-research content for the Journal, ensuring a regular pipeline of high quality review and editorial content.
- Advise on hot topics for timely thematic series, selecting suitable experts to act as guest editors.
- Work with the Publisher to build collaborative partnerships with external organisations such as relevant funders, patient organisations and early career groups.
- Provide guidance and recommendations for new initiatives to enhance the author and reader experience.
- Suggest opportunities and provide contacts for journal supplements (collections of related articles with external sources of funding)

The current term of the Editor-in-Chief of the Neurological Sciences will end on the 31.12.2021.

The Italian Society of Neurology Foundation, owner of the Journal, that is also the Official Organ of the Society, invites applications for the position of Editor-in-Chief which foresees a term of **3 years with the option of renewal**.

### Requirements

Candidates must be Italian citizens, must have an established international reputation as both clinician and researcher, must hold an MD and/or PhD degree, or equivalent. They must have a current appointment in a neurology-related field with a view of neurology as a broad discipline. We ask for editorial experience with peer-reviewed medical journals and an understanding of appreciation for social media and digital publications. We also expect a visionary approach, passion and commitment to lead the Journal into the future, as well as a wide time availability for the huge amount of work to be sustained. Since the Journal is the Official Organ of the SIN Foundation, he/she needs to be a **SIN member**, since at least 10 years.

The annual salary is 25.000€ (taxes included). An editorial assistant, selected and paid by SIN Foundation, will be made available .

Candidates should send:

- (1) a letter of application addressing all requirements,
- (2) a 1- to 2-page letter of intent with his/her thoughts on the journal and its future development and strategy,
- (3) a curriculum vitae

**Deadline for application is April 15, 2021.**

The application should be sent to:

SIN Office, Barbara Frati [barbara.frati@neuro.it](mailto:barbara.frati@neuro.it)

The applications will be evaluated by a Selection Committee:

- The SIN President
- The Sin Vice-President
- The SIN President Elect
- The SIN Past President
- The SIN Secretary
- The SIN Treasurer
- The Editor-in-Chief Neurological Sciences

The Applicants may be also invited to a direct meeting with the Selection Committee.

The selected person will be appointed for **6 months as Co-Editor**, in order to acquire skills in the management of the EiC duties, collaborating with the present Editor-in-Chief and after he will assume his full responsibility for a term of 3 years, with the option of renewal.

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<b>2.415 (2019)</b> Impact factor	<b>67 days</b> Submission to first decision	<b>368,339 (2019)</b> Downloads
<b>2.233 (2019)</b> Five year impact factor	<b>137 days</b> Submission to acceptance	<b>Rejection rate</b> 65%