

Editor(s) in Chief Journal of Neurology Neurosurgery & Psychiatry

BMJ seeks to appoint a new Editor(s) in Chief to lead this successful journal in the next stage of its development. Applicants should have international stature in the field of neurology, neurosurgery or neuropsychiatry, a distinguished publication record, and editorial experience. The successful candidate(s) will recognise the need to engage the journal's audiences at all levels and develop its content and global reach.

They will establish a vision that continues the momentum created by the current editorial team, advances the journal's international reputation and profile, and provides engaging and informed content. They will be excited by and able to adapt to new opportunities in the rapidly changing scholarly publishing environment. They will also be driven to publish research that has a tangible impact on the quality of patient care.

The Editor(s) have responsibility for the editorial strategy and content of JNNP, with support from their appointed editorial team and BMJ. Editorial training and technical support will be provided, together with strategic guidance. An annual stipend and other benefits are provided, as well as experienced editorial office support. The Editor(s) should expect to spend approximately **15 hours per week** in total for journal related activities but this will depend on the structure of the editorial team.

We encourage **single or joint applications** from clinicians and/or researchers and we will appoint the best candidate(s), geography is not a barrier and joint applicants do not need to work in the same institution.

About JNNP

JNNP – which celebrated its 100th anniversary in 2020 - publishes ground-breaking and cutting-edge research from around the world. Encompassing the entire genre of neurological sciences, its focus is on the common disorders (stroke, multiple sclerosis, Parkinson's disease, epilepsy, peripheral neuropathy, subarachnoid haemorrhage and neuropsychiatry), but with a keen interest in the Gordian knots that present themselves in the field, such as ALS.

Unlike other journals that increasingly narrow their focus, JNNP continues to be liberal in its coverage across the clinical neurosciences. It is the only journal that ranks in the highest tier across the individual realms of neurology, neurosurgery and psychiatry, traversing journal metrics, impact factors, Eigenfactors and pure clinical impact (impact factor 10.154, 2020 Journal Citation Reports®, Clarivate Analytics).

Main responsibilities

- Provide the highest possible quality of content for your readers
- Develop and maintain an internationally relevant and coherent strategy and vision for the journal
- Respond proactively to a rapidly changing publishing environment and develop a vision for the journal that responds to these challenges
- Build a supportive team of highly qualified international colleagues to serve as members of the editorial team
- Maintain and ensure the integrity of the review process and publishing ethics providing guidance to authors and reviewers as appropriate
- Develop procedures for effective triage and review of articles to ensure timely and excellent service is maintained for authors and reviewers
- Add value to the journal by commissioning editorials, reviews and related content and features that serve the interests of the community
- Use appropriate social media channels and multimedia content to extend the reach, influence and impact of the journal
- Supervise the journal's response to appeals, complaints, suggestions from readers and ethical problems regarding published work with support from BMJ's research integrity team
- Work with the Editor in Chief of JNNP's companion open access title, BMJ Neurology Open, on BMJ's transfer programme.

Benefits of being an Editor for a BMJ Journal

- Competitive annual honorarium
- Annual networking *Editors' Retreat* at BMA House with all BMJ Journal Editors
- Attendance at the Medical Editors' [training course](#) in Oxford, UK or online for non-UK residents
- Full training and support; from publishing processes to social media
- The chance to shape the field and play a role in the development of the specialty
- Have a positive effect on the careers of fellow researchers
- Interact with the latest research from scientists based all over the world
- Access to exclusive BMJ content, including The BMJ and BMJ Learning

How to apply

Please supply:

- Your CV (resume) addressing clinical/academic, publication and relevant editorial experience
- A letter outlining your thoughts on the strengths, weakness, opportunities and threats for the journal (a basic analysis of the journal and its competitors)
- Your vision and ambitions for the journal in the next 5 years



- Declaration of any financial and non-financial competing interests

Applications (or requests for further information) should be sent to: Ms Sandra Townsend, Acting Associate Publisher, stownsend@bmj.com. The current Editors are happy to talk to prospective candidates and the role.

The closing date for applications is 30th July 2021. Interviews will be held in August/September 2021. It is envisaged that the successful candidate(s) will work alongside the current Editors for a period, and officially take up the post of Editor(s) in January 2022. The term of office in the first instance is 5 years.

About BMJ

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