European Journal of Neurology
Editor-in-Chief

Job description

European Journal of Neurology

EAN is the sole and exclusive owner of the journal. It functions as an autonomous scientific journal. It is the voice of neurological sciences in Europe. It is an international journal striving for high-class publications with relevance for the general neurologist. Its role in spreading other pertinent written information related to EAN is limited due to consideration of the negative influence of non-scientific content on the impact factor.

The mission of the Journal is to publish manuscripts, which have a significant influence on the understanding of neurologic diseases, their diagnosis, pathophysiology and treatment. The journal publishes cutting-edge papers from all over the world.

The EAN Board appoints and signs a contract with the publisher to assume all exclusive responsibility for all publishing activities related to the journal.

EAN is responsible for establishing an editorial policy, defining the aims and scope of the Journal and supervising the journal’s editor-in-chief (EiC) and editorial board to implement the editorial policies of the EAN.

The Publisher in agreement with EiC and EAN is responsible for appointing a managing editor to deliver editorial office services for the Editor.

The editorial honoraria and expenses are paid by EAN.

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The Editor-in-chief (EiC) is assigned by the EAN board. The editor should develop, communicate and constantly adapt the publication strategy of the journal within the limits set by the mission of the journal. The EAN Board is helping and overseeing the journal and its development. The relation between EAN and the EiC is following the guidelines of publication ethics of the Council of Science Editors: https://www.councilscienceeditors.org/resourcelibrary/editorial-policies/white-paper-on-publication-ethics/2-1-editor-roles-and-responsibilities/

The EiC reports to the EAN Board and has a contract with EAN.
The EiC is expected to work towards the EAN strategy and strategy for the journal developed by the EAN Executive Board.

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**Experience:**
- An established international reputation as both a clinician and researcher
- Must have a current academic appointment in neurology-related field
- Demonstrable experience of neurology as a broad discipline
- Must have been leading author on influential publications and have the ability to evaluate research.
- Must have substantial editorial experience gained either by acting as Editor of another journal or serving in a senior capacity on journal editorial teams
- Experience as a leader in the field of interventional therapeutic trials and/or knowledge of evidence-based medical assessment of neurologic treatments

**Skills:**
- Excellent oral and written communication skills
- Ability to meet deadlines consistently
- Good delegation and management skills, especially the ability to prioritize work for self and others
- Experience of addressing sensitive matters diplomatically and considerately
- Ability to make strong editorial decisions
- Ability to judge the scientific validity, importance, and originality of research reports and review articles
- Familiarity with experimental design, the conduct of laboratory and clinical research
- Cooperative, team-oriented and able to take a practical, hands-on approach
- Understanding of and appreciation for social media and digital publication

**Characteristics/Attributes:**

Visionary approach with a strong desire to take *European Journal of Neurology* to the next stage of its development
- Passion and commitment for the journal and its future growth
- Openness to new ideas (e.g., new technology in production/distribution, new subject areas for content, new formats)
- Strategy on going Open Access
- Willingness to promote the journal at every opportunity
Commercially minded with a clear vision of how journal income can be secured from pharmaceutical companies via advertising, reprints etc.

Responsibilities:

1) Strategic & Editorial Team Management
- To work closely with the publisher to monitor and lead the strategic development of the journal.
- To provide leadership to and support the work of the Editorial Board and Production Manager (incl. editorial office)
- To meet twice a year with the EAN Board to discuss the status, development and strategy of the journal
- To attend one Board meeting at the annual EAN Congress to present the annual report of the journal
- To appoint and renew Editorial Board members for an agreed term and to ensure that the Editorial Board’s composition is international and broad in scope to establish the journal worldwide
- To select the deputy editor and the associate editors
- To communicate regularly with the Editors and publisher concerning the development of the journal, editorial strategy, submissions and promotion
- To develop and nurture corporate sales opportunities for the journal in conjunction with the publisher’s corporate sales team and the EAN industrial liaison manager

2) Editorial Content Management
- To seek contributions to the journal
- To have contributions peer reviewed by appropriately qualified and experienced persons in a timely manner
- To communicate promptly with authors, to accept or reject manuscripts or to request revision in response to referees’ reports and editorial comments
- To assist authors where appropriate in making their amendments to provisionally accepted manuscripts
- To provide the material to the publisher in accordance with the production schedule and in accordance with the Instructions for Authors, complete with all illustrations and tabular matter, permissions and assignments of copyright, ensuring that all copy is original, has not been published elsewhere and is not defamatory or otherwise unlawful
- To determine the order of contents appearing in the journal
- To plan and guide themed issues of the journal
• To direct the content and presentation of the journal ensuring it meets strategic and development goals agreed with the EAN Executive Board.
• To maintain the journal's publishing standards
• To commission top quality reviews and research and develop other forms of appropriate content
• Act as a resource and decision-maker to resolve issues with the manuscripts that cannot be resolved at other levels
• To approve key opinion articles to accompany the journal

3) Marketing/Promotion of the journal
• To be the ambassador for the journal both nationally and internationally
• To promote the journal actively when undertaking any professional activity
• To provide the Wiley marketing department with marketing information to help promote the Journal and to advise on marketing activity in close co-operation with the Executive Board and EAN office
• In coordination with the publisher and the EAN Board, determine appropriate use of journal's name or contents for secondary markets (e.g., sponsoring of conferences held by others, unusual copyright release requests not normally handled by staff or publisher)

Interested candidates should send their:
• Curriculum Vitae
• Motivational letter including a vision for the Journal

Deadline for application is February 29, 2024.

Information about shortlisted candidates will be communicated by April 30, 2024.

A hearing with possible candidates is planned on Thursday, 27 June, in Helsinki, prior to the 10th EAN Congress in Helsinki, 29 June – 2 July 2024.

Please send your electronic application and all correspondence to:
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