



Job description Sexual Medicine (Open Access)

The aim of *Sexual Medicine* is to publish manuscripts on all aspects of sexual medicine, from a variety of sub-specialties and a wide geographic distribution. Some of these manuscripts may have been previously initially submitted to the *JSM*. However, because of their more limited geographic appeal or more focused area of interest, such papers were deemed more appropriate for submission to *Sexual Medicine*. Typically, such papers consist of good quality science that will be of interest to a narrower readership than the *JSM*. Equally, roughly half of all manuscripts received will be submitted directly to *Sexual Medicine*. The table of contents of *Sexual Medicine*, however, does offer the same overall broad-based appeal as the *JSM*, and is an important component in the family of ISSM publications. After successfully publishing close to 50 papers, *Sexual Medicine* is now beginning to prepare its applications for inclusion in PubMed and for a Thomson Reuters Impact Factor.

The applicant should be a physician with postgraduate qualification/experience in urology, sexual medicine, andrology or a related discipline with an appreciation for sexual function and dysfunction of both genders in order to maintain a balance of content. A global perspective is required as the journal is representative of international societies. As content will include both basic science and clinical material from a multitude of specialties, the editor must be aware of the current state of the field as well as the future directions. The editor must be an active member of the ISSM and remain so during his/her tenure.

Responsibilities of the editor include assembling 4 online issues annually, oversight of the blinded peer review system, determining which of the *JSM* rejected articles might be suitable for review in *Sexual Medicine* (a task that will require daily checking of papers concluding peer review in *JSM*), and making decisions on all manuscripts except those submitted by the editor him or herself. For this reason the editor should be respected as a well-published author. A working knowledge of ongoing issues in publishing (especially related to Open Access), peer review (both its function and its role in improving reporting standards) and article/journal-level metrics upon which performance is measured is highly desirable.

The successful candidate should have some prior experience serving on an editorial board in order to have an understanding of the mechanism of review and decision-making.

The editor must have sufficient, and regularly scheduled, time to devote to the success of this journal, and be willing to work cooperatively with the Managing Editor's office and periodically liaise with the publisher.

The editor will serve a 3-year initial term with a possibility of a 5 year extension based upon evaluation by the publication committee and the executive committee of the ISSM. Applications should be sent to the ISSM business office (secretariat@issm.info) by **May 31, 2015**. Applications should contain a current CV, a description of applicant's vision for the journal with special reference to how to brand the journal and how applicant understands it fits in to the ISSM publishing portfolio and Open Access publishing. The applicant must also include 2 letters of recommendation from active ISSM members. It is the intention of the publication committee to hold interviews with selected editor applicants during the **ICSM 2015 International Consultation in Madrid (June 19-21, 2015)**. It is anticipated that the editor's term will begin **July 1, 2015**. An honorarium commensurate with the role of the editor will be available.