



## Job description

### Editor in Chief - 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 are actually submitted directly to *Sexual Medicine*. *Sexual Medicine* is included in PubMed and has an Impact Factor of 1.444 (2018), and is expected to further increase in the near future.

The applicant should be a scientist with demonstrated expertise in publishing scientific articles and with a postgraduate qualification in sexual medicine, gynecology, andrology, endocrinology, urology, psychiatry, or clinical psychosexology. Applicants should have an appreciation for sexual function and dysfunction of both genders, and global perspective as the journal is representative of numerous 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 peer review system, determining which of the *JSM* rejected articles might be suitable for publication in *Sexual Medicine*, and making decisions on all manuscripts except those submitted by the editor him or herself. 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 is highly desirable.

The successful candidate should have some prior experience serving on an editorial board in order to have an understanding of the mechanisms of peer 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 (PUBCOM) and the executive committee of the ISSM. Applications should be sent to the ISSM business office ([office@issm.info](mailto:office@issm.info)) by **April 10, 2020**. Applications should contain a current CV with bibliometrics [i.e., list of peer reviewed authored articles, number of citations, Hirsch Index (H-index) according to Scopus, etc.], a description of applicant's vision for the journal with special reference to how to brand the journal, how to further increase its scientific strength, and how applicant understands it fits in to the ISSM publishing portfolio. The applicant must also include the names and contact details of two referees. It is the intention of the ISSM PUBCOM to hold interviews with selected editor applicants during the American Urological Association Meeting (**AUA 2020**) in Washington (May 15-18, 2020). It is anticipated that the editor's term will begin **October 1, 2020**. An honorarium commensurate with the role of the editor will be available.