Reviews Editor for the journal Development
Based in Cambridge, UK

Development, published by The Company of Biologists, is currently seeking applications for a Reviews Editor, a role that has become available following an internal promotion. Development is our flagship journal for the developmental biology and stem cell community.

Joining an experienced and successful team, this is an exciting opportunity to make a significant contribution to one of the major journals in the field of developmental biology. Development publishes outstanding primary research articles, reviews and other front section content, and has strong focus on supporting the community through a range of initiatives including our community blog the Node.

You should hold a PhD in developmental or stem cell biology or a related scientific field; postdoctoral experience is desirable but not essential. You will have strong communication, networking and interpersonal skills. We are also looking for enthusiasm, motivation, commitment and a broad interest in science, publishing and the scientific community. We encourage applications from individuals with prior editorial experience, but will provide full training on the role in-house.

Core responsibilities include:
- Commissioning, handling peer review and developmental editing of review-type content for the journal
- Conducting interviews with members of the community, writing press releases, article highlights and material for Development’s community website ‘the Node’
- Representing the journal at international conferences and within the wider scientific community
- Creative involvement in the journal’s development

Additional responsibilities may be available for the right candidate. You will work alongside an experienced in-house team, including the Executive Editor and one other Reviews Editor, as well as with our international team of academic editors. This position provides an excellent opportunity to gain experience on a highly successful life-science journal and offers a competitive salary and benefits. The position will be based in The Company of Biologists’ attractive modern office on the outskirts of Cambridge, UK, with the possibility of up to 50% remote working.

The Company of Biologists is a not-for-profit publishing organisation dedicated to supporting and inspiring the biological community. The Company publishes five specialist peer-reviewed journals: Development, Journal of Cell Science, Journal of Experimental Biology, Disease Models & Mechanisms and Biology Open. We take great pride in the experience of our editorial team and the quality of the work we publish. We believe that the profits from publishing the hard work of biologists should support scientific discovery and help develop future scientists. Our community sites provide researchers with opportunities for networking and the sharing of research and related information. Our grants help support societies, meetings and individuals. Our workshops and meetings give the opportunity to network and collaborate. As the Company approaches its centenary in 2025, this is an exciting time to join us as we plan our celebrations.

The Company of Biologists is proud of its inclusive culture and we believe that everyone has a contribution to make. We want all our employees to feel included, valued and appreciated. We believe in equality of opportunity for all staff and encourage applications from all individuals regardless of sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, religion, ethnicity, age, neurodiversity, disability status and citizenship.

To apply, please email recruitment@biologists.com with your CV along with a covering letter that summarises your relevant experience, why you are enthusiastic about this opportunity, and your current salary level. Please also include a ~400 word summary of a recent ground-breaking discovery in developmental, stem cell or regenerative biology.

Please direct any informal enquiries to Development’s Executive Editor, Katherine Brown: katherine.brown@biologists.com

The initial deadline for application is 7 November 2022, but we will consider applications on a rolling basis so encourage you to apply as soon as possible.