Reviews Editor: life science and biomedical journals
Based in Cambridge, UK


Joining a long-established and successful publishing company, this is an exciting opportunity to make a significant contribution to our highly respected life science and biomedical journals.

The front sections of the journals include commissioned reviews and poster articles, thought-provoking editorials and perspectives, and interviews with leaders in the field.

Applicants will have a PhD or MD in an area relevant to our journals. Essential requirements for the job are enthusiasm, commitment, judgement and integrity. Candidates should have excellent interpersonal skills and confidence, and excellent oral and written communication skills. The successful candidate will have a broad interest in science, the scientific community and publishing, and may have experience with social media activities.

Core responsibilities include:

- Commissioning, handling peer review and developmental editing of material for the front section of the journals.
- Travelling to international scientific conferences and research institutes, representing the journals, keeping abreast of the latest research and making contacts in the community (dependent on COVID guidelines).
- Spotting newsworthy articles, writing informative press releases and handling any media enquiries.
- Writing/commissioning editorial content relevant to all journals (e.g. sustainability, and equality, diversity and inclusion).
- Interviewing high-profile scientists.
- Contributing to our social media output.
- Close liaison with journal teams.
- Creative involvement in the journals’ development and marketing activities.

Additional responsibilities may be provided for the right candidate.

This full-time position provides an excellent opportunity to gain experience on our highly successful life science journals (full training is provided), and offers an attractive salary and benefits. The position will be based in The Company of Biologists’ attractive modern office on the outskirts of Cambridge, UK (dependent upon current government guidelines). Flexible working options are possible, but no less than 50% of time per week must be office based.

Applicants should send a CV by email to recruitment@biologists.com, along with a covering letter that states their current salary, visa requirements and any limitations regards possible start date, and summarises their relevant experience and why they are enthusiastic about this opportunity.

Please direct any informal enquiries to Managing Editor Rachel Hackett (rachel.hackett@biologists.com).

Initial application deadline is 18 April 2022.

We may request written tests in advance of any interview.

The Company of Biologists exists to support biologists and inspire advances in biology. At the heart of what we do are our five specialist journals - Development, Journal of Cell Science, Journal of Experimental Biology, Disease Models & Mechanisms and Biology Open. We take
great pride in 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 grants help support societies, meetings and individuals. Our workshops and meetings give the opportunity to network and collaborate.

The Company of Biologists is an inclusive organisation 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.