CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR EDITOR-IN-CHIEF, PAIN Reports

PAIN Reports, a new open-access journal of the International Association for the Study of Pain (IASP), is seeking to fill the position of Editor-in-Chief.

Scheduled to launch in July 2016, PAIN Reports is an international, peer-reviewed, online-only journal focused on pain research and management. It is multidisciplinary in scope, covering subjects appealing to basic and applied researchers and practitioners worldwide. With a dedicated focus on publishing brief original reports, communications, and full-length articles, PAIN Reports will support IASP’s mission to “...bring together scientists, clinicians, health-care providers, and policymakers to stimulate and support the study of pain and translate that knowledge into improved pain relief worldwide.”

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PAIN Reports will encourage and consider direct submissions. The submission system for PAIN Reports may be linked to the submission system for PAIN, allowing authors of manuscripts not accepted in PAIN to indicate that they wish to transfer their manuscripts directly to PAIN Reports for consideration.

The Editor-in-Chief has final responsibility for the editorial content of PAIN Reports and will report directly to the International Association for the Study of Pain. The journal publisher (Wolters Kluwer) will provide technical support and appropriate training on the submission system and production process as well as strategic guidance. An annual stipend also is provided as well as experienced editorial office support.

Responsibilities of the Editor-in-Chief include, but are not limited to, the following.

1. Provide the highest possible quality of scientific content
   • Develop and maintain a coherent scientific vision for the journal, with an international perspective
   • Recruit highly qualified colleagues to serve as members of the editorial board and reviewers
   • Ensure the integrity and fairness of the review process
   • Encourage submissions of high-quality papers

2. Organize and maintain an efficient publishing operation
- Develop procedures for effective triage and review of scientific manuscripts
- Monitor workflow to meet publication deadlines
- Ensure excellent and timely support to authors, reviewers, and other professionals who interact with the journal

3. Add value to papers accepted for publication
   - Edit papers for content and style
   - Provide guidance on presentation of figures and tables

4. Encourage features and content that serve the interests of the pain management community and address the challenges facing the field

5. Maintain good relations with IASP

Applicants for the position of Editor-in-Chief should have stature in the field of pain, a distinguished publication record, and editorial experience.

Applications for the position should include the following:
   1. Letter of application outlining the candidate’s editorial experience and vision for the journal
   2. Current CV addressing publication, editorial, and administrative experience
   3. Names and contact information of three references who can address the candidate’s suitability for the position

Applications will be accepted through October 30, 2015. Please direct all queries to Jeff Mogil and applications (electronic submission preferred) to painreports@iasp-pain.org.

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PAIN Reports
A sister publication to IASP’s flagship title PAIN, PAIN Reports will house content with a multidisciplinary focus. PAIN Reports will focus on publishing brief original basic science and applied science reports, original research that may have local, regional, or international relevance, technical/resource reports, high-quality clinical studies with negative outcomes, comparative effectiveness research, dissemination/implementation (KT) research, hypothesis-independent (profiling) studies, qualitative research, clinical guidelines, comprehensive reviews, and case reports/case series that contribute substantial new insight.

About IASP
The International Association for the Study of Pain brings together scientists, clinicians, health-care providers, and policymakers to stimulate and support the study of pain and translate that knowledge into improved pain relief worldwide. IASP has more than 6,000 members in 133 countries, 90 national chapters, and 20 Special Interest Groups (SIGs).