

# EDITOR-IN-CHIEF ImmunoHorizons

# The American Association of Immunologists seeks applicants for the position of Editor-in-Chief for *ImmunoHorizons*

## **Description**

*ImmunoHorizons (IH)* is a scholarly, peer-reviewed journal owned and published by The American Association of Immunologists (AAI) – a non-profit, professional association representing almost 8,000 scientists worldwide dedicated to the field of immunology. First published in 2017, *ImmunoHorizons* is fully open-access and online only.

The term of service for this position is from January 1, 2025, to December 31, 2029. To ensure a smooth transition of responsibilities, the new EIC and editorial board will overlap with the outgoing team beginning in November 2024. A stipend will be provided.

#### Main Responsibilities and Activities

#### **Strategic Vision**

**Editor-in-Chief (EIC)** of *ImmunoHorizons* is a unique opportunity to shape the publication's future directly, ensuring that *IH* grows into an essential resource within the immunological community. AAI seeks a passionate candidate dedicated to advancing the association's mission and championing the vital role of immunology in driving progress to improve human health. The winning candidate will be a visionary who embraces the ongoing changes in scholarly publishing. Working with extensive resources, tools, and support, the new EIC will develop innovative solutions to grow submissions and readership exponentially. As leader of the editorial team, the EIC will determine the journal's scope and editorial direction while ensuring the publication of high-quality original research and exciting commentaries authored by established and emerging leaders in the field.

#### Leadership

The successful candidate will recommend a board of dynamic and diverse Senior Editors for appointment. Driven by a solid foundation in peer review and a commitment to scientific excellence, the EIC will oversee the peer-review process and editorial conduct. Applicants will lead by example and must be willing to address conflict head-on and address allegations of author misconduct in accordance with AAI policies.

#### Activities

The EIC will make the final decisions on all submissions. The EIC will report to the AAI Publications Committee and the AAI Council and, with the support of the AAI Publications staff, will provide regular updates to key stakeholders regarding journal performance. The winning candidate will also provide regular performance feedback to editorial board members, further ensuring the integrity of the peer-review process. The EIC serves as the face of the journal, and the successful candidate will actively recruit high-quality submissions.

#### **Requirements**

Applications are invited from AAI members in good standing who have an accomplished scientific career, appropriate editorial experience, strong leadership qualities, and a vision for the future of *IH*. A history of reviewing for and publishing in AAI journals is required. Service as a Section Editor or Deputy Editor for *The Journal of Immunology* or Senior Editor for *IH* is a plus.

### How to Apply

Interested individuals are invited to submit an application package that includes a *curriculum vitae*, a succinct letter of interest and qualifications, a statement on the possible conceptual direction of *ImmunoHorizons* in its pursuit of scientific excellence, and innovations that may be considered. Applications will be accepted through March 31, 2024. Please e-mail materials to <u>EICsearch@aai.org</u>. *EOE*