



British Association for Cytopathology seeks new Editor-in-Chief of *Cytopathology*

Cytopathology is the official journal of the BAC and is essential reading for cytopathologists, cytotechnologists, and clinicians using the cytology service. *Cytopathology* publishes articles relating to those aspects of cytology which will increase our knowledge and understanding of the aetiology, diagnosis and management of human disease. It contains original articles and reviews on all aspects of clinical cytology in its broadest sense, including gynaecological and non-gynaecological cytology, fine needle aspiration and screening strategy. The journal welcomes articles on ultrastructural, histochemical and immunocytochemical studies of the cell, quantitative cytology and DNA hybridization as applied to cytological material. The Editor-in-Chief has the overall responsibility

for managing the content and direction of *Cytopathology*, supported by the wider editorial team. The role involves working in close collaboration with the editorial team, Wiley (the Publisher) and the BAC, and comes with an honorarium and a travel grant. The current Editor-in-Chief Professor Michael Sheaff will step down at the end of 2020 and the BAC are therefore looking to appoint a new Editor-in-Chief who would ideally work alongside Professor Sheaff for 2-3 months and then take over full editorial control at the start of 2021. The Editor-in-Chief will be appointed for three years in the first instance with the option of a further term by mutual consent. Applications from two people who would work as a joint or similar EIC will be considered if both individuals apply jointly, providing the information outlined below. Both persons in this situation must be willing to work jointly in this role.

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Candidates for the position should:

- Have a strong track record in research into one or more aspects of cytopathology
- Ideally have had experience in editorial decision making and processes
- Be highly skilled in editing and writing

Duties of the Editor-in-Chief will include:

- Collaborate with the Publisher to create strategies that will help to attract, serve and retain authors in the relevant research communities
- Taking responsibility for the scientific content of *Cytopathology*
- Soliciting authoritative, original and high-quality content e.g. review articles and other special articles
- Appointing members for the editorial board including Associate Editors from different areas, with different fields of expertise as well as from different geographical regions.
- Dealing with (in close collaboration with the Publisher) publication ethical issues, conflict of interests etc.
- Supervising the processes of peer review, reviewer selection, and communication with authors.

- Ensuring a rapid and efficient handling of all submitted manuscripts.
- Maintaining the flow of accepted papers at a level and on a schedule for regular bi-monthly publication.
- Work with the Publisher on key performance indicators (KPIs) by which to assess performance of the journal and its editorial team.

Application package:

- A current curriculum vitae
- Evaluation of the journal's current content, organization, appearance and policies, along with recommendations for change, if any
- Specific objectives he/she wants to achieve over the duration of his/her term
- Proposed strategies to increase the volume of high-quality content.

Application Deadline: Tuesday 30th June 2020

Expressions of interest and applications should be sent to Dr. Paul Cross, BAC President, at paul.cross1@nhs.net.