



Physica Medica: European Journal of Medical Physics Editor-in-Chief

Physica Medica: European Journal of Medical Physics is seeking a new Editor-in-Chief. It is anticipated that the successful candidate will start to take responsibility for some aspects of peer review from the Autumn of 2012, assuming full responsibility as Editor-in-Chief in January 2013. The position is for five years and the Editor in Chief will be appointed by the publisher.

Physica Medica: European Journal of Medical Physics is a peer-reviewed, international journal owned by the Associazione Italiana di Fisica Medica (AIFM) and the official Journal of the European Federation of Organizations for Medical Physics (EFOMP), the Associazione Italiana di Fisica Medica (AIFM), the Société Française de Physique Médicale (SFPM) and the Irish Association of Physicists in Medicine (IAPM). It is published by Elsevier on quarterly basis and is now in its 28th volume.

The Journal provides an international forum for research and reviews on the following main topics:

- Medical Imaging
- Radiation Therapy
- Radiation Protection
- Measuring Systems and Signal Processing
- Education and training in Medical Physics
- Professional issues in Medical Physics

The key tasks for the Editor-in-Chief will be:

- Overseeing the peer-review process for regular articles and special issues using an online submission system in line with the journal's publication schedule.
- Making final decisions on which papers should be accepted for publication.
- Identifying and recruiting authors to submit manuscripts.
- Maintaining an adequate pool of manuscript reviewers and identify new reviewers.
- Communicating editorial suggestions and decisions to authors.
- Developing standards for acceptance of manuscripts to assure the increasing scientific standing of the Journal.
- Contributing to the journal's development strategy in collaboration with the AIFM, EFOMP and the Publisher.
- Presiding over an annual meeting of the Editorial Board.
- Raising awareness of the Journal at relevant conferences and helping promote it through their various professional networks.

The ideal candidate will have a PhD and a solid track record of academic publications. Having an international profile and reputation, they will have established professional networks and prior experience working on peer-reviewed journals, either in an editorial capacity or as a reviewer. They will have sound scientific judgment, excellent writing and communication skills and the ability to meet tight deadlines. They will be able to work effectively alongside the team of Associate Editors, Editorial Board members and Publisher. The position is not restricted by geographical location.

Applicants should submit the following materials to Catherine O'Hara, Executive Publisher, at c.ohara@elsevier.com by 15th July 2012.

- Curriculum vitae and contact details for three professional references;
- Summary of current and previous experiences of editorial work for peer-reviewed journals;
- A short overview of the future vision for over the next three years *Physica Medica: European Journal of Medical Physics* (two/three paragraphs).

The final decision will be taken by a panel consisting of representatives from AIFM, EFOMP and the Publisher. Short-listed candidates may be interviewed by telephone.

