

THE JOURNAL OF THE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF ECHOCARDIOGRAPHY CALL FOR CANDIDATES FOR EDITOR-IN-CHIEF IN ALL SCIENTIFIC AREAS

The *Journal of the American Society of Echocardiography* (JASE) – the official journal of the American Society of Echocardiography – brings physicians and sonographers the very latest clinical, scientific, technological, legal, and economic information regarding the use of cardiovascular ultrasound. JASE is published monthly, and its original, peer-reviewed articles cover conventional procedures as well as the latest cutting-edge echocardiographic techniques in all areas of clinical cardiology including structural heart interventions, advanced heart failure, intracardiac echocardiography, therapeutic ultrasound, ventricular and atrial deformation imaging, 3D echocardiography, point-of-care ultrasound (POCUS), fetal and congenital echocardiography, artificial intelligence and machine learning, and ultrasound enhancing agents. JASE has a 2019 Impact Factor of 5.508, and publishes papers from authors who span the globe.



ABOUT THE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF ECHOCARDIOGRAPHY (ASE)

ASE is an organization of professionals working to advance cardiovascular ultrasound and improve lives through excellence in education, research, innovation, advocacy, and service to the profession and the public. With thousands of members around the world, ASE is the largest global organization for cardiovascular ultrasound imaging.

The current Editor-in-Chief of JASE is retiring at the end of 2022, and the search is underway for the exceptional person who will take on leading JASE's editorial efforts.

THE MAIN AREAS OF FOCUS FOR THE EDITOR-IN-CHIEF ARE TO:

1. Provide the editorial direction and vision of the journal consistent with the mission and strategic goals of ASE.
2. Manage the overall peer review process that includes assigning manuscripts to reviewers and making the final acceptance and rejection decisions.
3. Plan the contents of each issue.
4. Select Associate Editors and Editorial board members in the needed areas of expertise for the Journal.
5. Collaborate as needed with the Editor-in-Chief of JASE's companion case reports journal, CASE.
6. Speaking and leveraging opportunities to enhance the impact of JASE, for example, by developing issues on specific topics or recruiting specific research submissions or speaking or use of digital social media to promote the mission of JASE.
7. Serve as the spokesperson for JASE Editorial issues on the public stage.
8. Understanding of the business aspects of the Journal to keep current with other medical journals to remain solvent and to expand its capacity to underwrite ASE's mission-based activities. This will take place in collaboration with the Society.

ASSUMPTIONS FOR EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

1. Is passionate about the Society's mission and vision. Candidates do not need to have been a regular past member of ASE (but once appointed, active membership is expected throughout their term). A "FASE" (Fellow of the American Society of Echocardiography) designation is preferred, but if an applicant does not already have FASE, it is expected that he/she would have the qualifications to apply for and receive it ([ASEcho.org/FASE](https://www.asecho.org/FASE)).

2. Has the energy, vision, commitment, and open-mindedness to actively engage in identifying new strategies to grow the Society's and Journal's role and influence on the global stage.
3. Has a strong reputation for fairness, integrity, professionalism, equanimity, and good judgement.
4. Has the capacity and time to devote to the Journal's work.

CRITERIA FOR EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

1. Real-time experience and responsibility for research, education, and advocacy relevant to the various activities and mission of the ASE membership.
2. Strong background and writing skills in scientific communications relevant to the ongoing and future interests of the echocardiography field as well as the Society's members.
3. Experience in scientific publishing and/or editing.
4. Broad knowledge of a variety of areas in the field of echocardiography.
5. Will be able to devote, on average, 30-50% of a typical work week to journal activities. Will need written approval from his/her institution to do this level of work, once selected for presentation.
6. Familiarity with internet technology trends and ability to leverage the technical environment of the online world including social media platforms, and podcasts, and the wherewithal to either engage in these activities or create a team who will commit to these tasks.

TERMS AND COMPENSATION

1. The Editor-in-Chief reports to the ASE Board of Directors, with direct oversight from the Society's Executive Committee.
2. The Editor-in-Chief is appointed for a five-year term that will begin on January 1, 2023, but will have an integral role in JASE for the six months prior to this date during the transition period. Compensation is provided for this transition period. When the initial five-year term is completed, there is the possibility of re-appointment for an additional three-five years.
3. Compensation is available for this position at an amount determined by the Society's Executive Committee and Finance Committee. It will be at an appropriate range for a clinical medical journal of its size, subscription volume, and impact factor.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

1. Applications are due by August 15, 2021.
2. Included should be a CV along with two reference letters, one internal and one from outside one's institution. Also included should be a narrative statement (three-pages at the most), addressing the listed criteria, the strengths the candidate brings to this role, the personal interest in seeking this key position within the Society, and the candidate's capacity to handle the position.
3. The pool of candidates will be narrowed down, and those chosen for a presentation will be notified as soon as possible after the application deadline. Presentations will take place virtually in October 2021. Candidates will be expected to be available for about three hours at this time to make a presentation and answer questions from the search committee, chaired by Dr. Susan Wieggers.
4. Candidates chosen to give presentations will need to offer a letter from their institution which shows the appropriate administrators will embrace the candidate accepting the position with its expected level of time commitment.

Please submit applications and direct any questions to Deborah R. Meyer, JASE Managing Editor, at DMeyer@ASEcho.org.