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Call for Application For Editor-in-Chief

The Ferrata Storti Foundation is looking to recruit the Editor-in-Chief for *Haematologica* for 2021-2023

Description of *Haematologica*

Haematologica publishes peer-reviewed articles in the broad field of hematology, reporting on important, novel findings in basic, clinical and translational research.

Haematologica was founded in 1920 by Adolfo Ferrata and its first article was by Camillo Golgi, Nobel Prize winner in 1906. This year the journal is 100 years old, making it the oldest hematology journal. The journal is owned by a non-profit organization, the Ferrata Storti Foundation, and serves the scientific community strictly following the International Committee of Medical Journal Editors (ICMJE, www.icmje.org) recommendations on publication ethics policies for medical journals.

Haematologica is an Open Access publication according to the Budapest Open Access Initiative (BOAI, www.earlham.edu/~peters/fos/boifaq.htm#openaccess). Detailed information on Open Access can be found at the Directory of Open Access Journals (DOAJ) website (www.doaj.org).

Haematologica is published monthly. In 2019, the journal received more than 2000 submissions and published 214 original articles, 30 reviews, 124 letters and 91 manuscripts of other types. The average time from submission to first decision on publication was 15 days.

Haematologica's 2019 Impact Factor was 7.57.

The current Editorial Board may be accessed here: <http://www.haematologica.org>

Role Description

The Ferrata Storti Foundation is seeking an Editor-in-Chief with an international reputation for research excellence, a proven ability to lead research teams and to coordinate people, and demonstrable editorial experience in the field. The assignment will be for three years (2021-2023), possibly renewable for another three-year mandate.

The appointed Editor-in-Chief will have the opportunity to work with the Ferrata Storti Foundation and with the current Editorial Board, to identify and implement strategies to further improve *Haematologica's* quality and international reputation.

He or she will be responsible for:

- Selecting and interacting with the Associate Editors, defining their tasks and coordinating their work;
- Developing plans and strategies to improve the overall quality of the journal and attract contributions with the greatest impact;
- Following the policy guidelines established by the Ferrata Storti Foundation for the journal;
- Encouraging, promoting, and processing new submissions to the journal through the peer review process, ensuring that all reviewers and authors uphold the journal's code of ethics;
- Identifying the emerging areas of hematology and actively soliciting involved researchers to submit manuscripts (original papers, reviews and editorials) to *Haematologica*,
- Providing input on all aspects of submissions, overviewing the entire process from initial receipt of manuscripts to the selection of the articles for each issue;
- Chairing and directing editorial board meetings held at least annually;
- Promoting the scientific exchange of ideas to advance the field of hematology and its subspecialties;
- Making periodic assessments of the editorial board and recommending changes when needed;
- Ensuring that the integrity and reputation of the journal is maintained at all times.

The successful candidate is expected to begin with a transition period, working with the current Editorial team a few months before the official start of his/her term in January 2021. The Ferrata Storti Foundation will provide remuneration for the role.

Application Procedure

Interested candidates are requested to send to the President of the Ferrata Storti Foundation (office@haematologica.org):

- (1) their CV, with particular detail on their previous experience in the publishing of scientific journals and their scientific interests,
- (2) a cover letter on why they want to apply to the position,
- (3) a brief – no more than one page - personal statement with their vision of the journal's content and the possible future strategic development of the journal.

To request additional information about the position, please contact the President of the Ferrata Storti Foundation (office@haematologica.org).

All applications will be treated as strictly confidential, and each will be judged on its merits without regard to the race, religion, nationality, sex, seniority, or institutional affiliation of the candidate.

The closing date for applications for this position is May 31, 2020.

The decision of the Ferrata Storti Foundation will be communicated to the interested party by July 2020.