



Call for Applications: Editor-in-Chief *Hepatology Communications*

OVERVIEW

The American Association for the Study of Liver Diseases (AASLD) is seeking candidates for the position of Editor-in-Chief for its open access journal, *Hepatology Communications*.

AASLD encourages members to consider applying as part of a co-Editor team for this role; however, AASLD will consider individual candidates or an Editor-in-Chief/Deputy Editor. If you are applying as an individual candidate for Editor-in-Chief but would consider being part of a co-Editor team with another candidate, please indicate this in your letter of interest.

Founded in 2017, *Hepatology Communications* is a monthly, peer-reviewed, online-only, open access journal for fast dissemination of high quality basic, translational, and clinical research in hepatology. *Hepatology Communications* publishes original research, reviews, research letters, and protocol papers covering all aspects of liver structure, function and disease. Each month, the distinguished Editorial Board monitors and selects high-quality articles on subjects such as metabolic liver diseases, liver cancer, immunology, chronic hepatitis, viral hepatitis, cirrhosis, and drug metabolism. Manuscript processing is handled by the AASLD Editorial Office.

As the Editor-in-Chief of *Hepatology Communications*, you will play a key role in shaping the direction of research in the field, connecting with leading researchers and thought leaders while gaining early access to groundbreaking studies and discoveries. This high-profile position offers a unique opportunity that combines professional development, influence, and the chance to make a meaningful contribution to the medical field by publishing and promoting authoritative research and clinical practices.

The Editor-in-Chief will be responsible for the editorial policy and content of the journal, including the composition, size, and term of the Editorial Board. The Editor-in-Chief will develop an editorial team, within an outlined budget, that reflects the diversity and membership demographics of AASLD, to include gender, racial and ethnic diversity, global representation (including the Americas, Europe, and Asia), and area of expertise. They will provide an annual report to the AASLD Governing Board.



Candidates for the position should:

- Be well-established and well-respected in academic hepatology, with a high profile in the field and an ability to form the relationships necessary to build a strong community of authors
- Have a broad understanding of all aspects of basic, clinical, and translational hepatology
- Be experienced in editorial decision making and able to maintain *Hepatology Communications*' position as an authoritative journal that publishes high-quality research
- Have strong leadership qualities, organizational skills, and ability to meet deadlines
- Embrace innovative thinking by leveraging social media and other digital initiatives

The term will be January 2028 through December 2032; however, the Editor should have an Editorial Board in place by July 1, 2027, at which time he or she will start to receive and review manuscripts.

Each candidate should submit by **April 24, 2026**:

- A curriculum vitae
- A Letter of Interest that briefly outlines his or her editorial vision for *Hepatology Communications* and a brief description of his or her participation in other journals

The selection committee will invite a list of finalist candidates to provide a more thorough application by **June 30, 2026**. The full application should include:

- Letters of support from the Dean and Department Chair of his or her academic affiliation
- A more detailed description of his or her participation in other journals
- A more detailed statement outlining an editorial vision for the immediate future of *Hepatology Communications* content and strategic plan to accomplish these goals

The selection committee will review the full applications and will meet with finalists in the fall of 2026, as part of the final selection process.

For more information about the editorial process, journal metrics, and the role of an Editor, please contact AASLD's Director of Publications, Ann Haran, at aharan@aasld.org.

Please submit all letters of interest to aharan@aasld.org by **April 24, 2026**.