

# Seeking a voluntary Executive Editor-in-Chief for Canadian Science Publishing

## **What is Canadian Science Publishing?**

Canadian Science Publishing (CSP) is Canada's largest publisher of international scientific journals. We are an independent, not-for-profit leader in research publishing with a portfolio of 22 journals that cover the spectrum of natural and physical sciences and engineering.

<https://cdnsiencepub.com/>

## **Where are we heading?**

The scholarly publishing industry is going through an exciting period of transformation—a shift from subscription-based models to sustainable and equitable open access models. Why? Global research communities need access to scientific literature to advance knowledge. As a mission-driven organization, we are dedicated to meeting this imperative need of researchers.

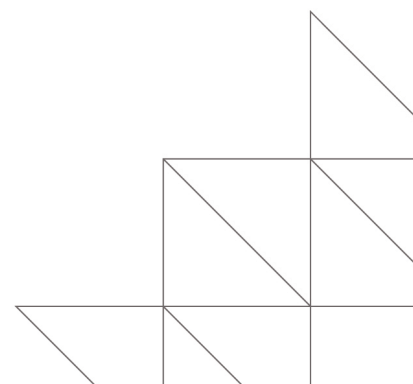
The next few years will be transformational for CSP! We have the opportunity to make a difference in scientific publishing in Canada and beyond.

<https://cdnsiencepub.com/about/strategic-plan>

## **The role of Executive Editor-in-Chief**

This exciting and prestigious volunteer role has overall responsibility for advising CSP on the scientific quality and editorial integrity of the CSP journals on behalf of CSP's [Board of Directors](#). The Executive Editor-in-Chief is appointed by and accountable to CSP's Board of Directors for a renewable term of 3 years.

The time commitment is variable from week to week (with an average of approx. 2 hrs per week) participation in three Board meetings per year, one full-day in-person meeting of all CSP Editors-in-Chief, bimonthly video meetings with all CSP Editors-in-Chief, and various consultative meetings with CSP employees and volunteer Editors.





The key responsibilities of the Executive Editor-in-Chief are:

- providing counsel and support to the approximately 40 journal Editors-in-Chief (EICs) and participating in new EIC recruitments
- adjudicating delicate ethical cases and escalated appeals and complaints made by authors
- supporting CSP's reputation as an ethical publisher of rigorous, trustworthy research by advising CSP on editorial program initiatives and policy developments
- reporting to the Board of Directors and participating in meetings with them (no voting privilege) and the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors (voting member)

An ideal Executive Editor-in-Chief:

- Is an active researcher at a Canadian institution or is well-informed on what matters to researchers in Canada and globally
- Has experience as an editor, with in-depth knowledge of editorial board management, journal development, peer review, research integrity, and publishing ethics
- Has a strong publication record and diverse network of contacts
- Is aware of current trends in research and publishing, and has a commitment to advancing:
  - Open access and open science, including open data
  - Equity, diversity, inclusion, and accessibility
  - Sustainable development and research practices
- Is an inspiring leader who can motivate people through effective and diplomatic communications
- Is keen to act as an ambassador for CSP's journals, mission, and mandate

## How to apply?

If you are interested in this voluntary role, please send your CV/resume and a brief statement of interest outlining what you can offer, to Carey-Ann MacLean (Board Administrator) at [carey-ann.macleam@cdnsiencepub.com](mailto:carey-ann.macleam@cdnsiencepub.com) by 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2024. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Carey-Ann.

CSP is committed to equity, diversity, and inclusion in all that we do. We seek to ensure that our governance and management structures reflect the demographic, ethno-cultural, linguistic, disciplinary, and geographic characteristics of the Canadian research community in general. We encourage applicants to highlight any additional information about their background that would contribute to this diversity of perspective and lived experience.

