

Terms of Reference



TRANSPLANT INTERNATIONAL – EDITORIAL FELLOWSHIP

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Transplant International is the official journal of the European Society for Organ Transplantation (ESOT). Transplant International aims to be the premier journal publishing the key basic science and clinical developments in organ replacement medicine, including all aspects of transplantation, organ reconditioning, cell therapy, regenerative medicine, bioengineering and artificial organs.

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Transplant International is pleased to announce the new edition of the Editorial Fellowship programme; a twelve-month programme for **5 transplant fellows** or early career professionals with an interest in research, education, medical editing, and scholarly writing.

Target audience

European young transplant professionals in the early stages of their career who belong to the following categories: junior permanent members of staff, non-permanent staff trainees and people who are within 3 years of appointment for permanent staff.

Benefits

The Editorial Fellowship will offer the opportunity to connect more closely with the ESOT community and the leaders in the transplant field, including scientists, researchers, physicians and educators. Each editorial fellow will work in close collaboration with one of Transplant International editors-in-chief. At the end of the Editorial Fellowship, participants who showed commitment to the journal may be invited to join the Editorial Board as Associate Editors.

No financial reward is attributed in this programme.

Duration of the scholarship

12 months.

Application and selection process

Successful candidates will have the opportunity to engage and learn about Editorial Processes. Some of the requirements include:

- ✓ Attendance to editorial meetings either remotely or in-person at ESOT conferences.
- ✓ Assistance to editors in the handling of papers, from submission to publication.
- ✓ Support to Transplant International activity on social media, to generate discussion around Transplant International papers, webinars, journal club and podcasts.

Conditions

- a. Applicants must be in the early stages of their career. Applicants must be involved in any area of the transplant field and must be part of the following categories: junior permanent members of staff, non-permanent staff trainees and people who are within 3 years of appointment for permanent staff.
- b. Applicants who are professionally based outside Europe (Europe is defined as all countries that are members of the Council of Europe) are eligible if they are at least in their second year of ESOT membership.
- c. Applicants must be ESOT members in good standing at the time of application.
- d. The fellowship will begin on September 1, 2026.

Documentation to include in the application

- a. Application form should cover the following details:
 1. Motivation letter
 2. Department where the applicant is working
 3. Recommendation letter from an ESOT member
- b. Brief CV (max. 2 pages) – CVs with an exceeding number of pages will not be considered. Please include the year of:
 1. Graduation from medical school (if applicable)
 2. PhD graduation (if applicable)
 3. Board certification (if applicable)

Follow-up

Editorial fellows will have to write a brief (1-page) report about their editorial experience toward the end of their terms and submit it to the editor-in-chief. Suggestions for improvements in the editorial fellowship program will be welcome.

Application and review process:

Application calendar

Applications are submitted via email to askme@esot.org in English on the ESOT platform, which will be open from the time of the advert until May 17, 2026.

Review and evaluation process

Evaluation of the applications will be conducted by a Transplant International Executive Editorial board, including a representative from the ESOT Executive Committee.

Every application will be scored independently by each member of the Evaluation Committee in the following domains:

- a. overall career progression and achievements of the applicant
- b. evidence of a career committed to transplantation
- c. relevance and importance of the course/event to the career progression of the applicant.

Notification

The applicants will be notified of the outcome of their application 4 weeks after the deadline.

The Transplant International team looks forward to welcoming the new Editorial Fellows and contributing to and observing their development over the years to come.