

**Division Nomination Form 2023**

**Divisions**

The Divisions plan the Society’s scientific programme; each one works independently to plan some conference sessions, whilst some symposia are developed with a cross-cutting theme in mind. Members have the opportunity to influence the meetings programme; its structure and content and be part of producing high quality scientific programmes.

Division terms of reference can be found [here](https://microbiologysociety.org/why-microbiology-matters/council-governance/divisions.html). The Chair or Chair-elect of the Division can help and support you with your nomination, so members interested in joining a Division are encouraged to contact the relevant Chair or Chair-Elect to discuss the role. The term of office for all positions is three years from 1 January 2024 to 31 December 2026.

As a guide, Division members should have the following:

* Demonstrative commitment to the Microbiology Society activities. This may be through a number of years membership and/or involvement in other Society activities.
* Knowledge and/or experience of organising scientific events.
* Knowledge of key individuals and relevant contacts and/or networking skills in their area of expertise.

The Divisions meet twice each year and undertake further work via email and video conference. Members must ensure they are able to commit the time necessary to be active participants in the work of the Division. Members are required to attend all Division meetings; failure to do so may result in being asked to stand down from your position on the Division.

Nominations are invited from Full, Full Concessionary, Postgraduate and Honorary Members. The closing date for nominations is **7 May 2023.**

**Please email your nomination to** appointments@microbiologysociety.org

The Society is committed to creating an inclusive culture that supports equality and diversity and fully reflects both its membership and the global microbiology community across all protected characteristics. The Society seeks to actively encourage all practices that reflect a diverse society.

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| **1. Nomination** |
| If you are interested in applying for a position on a Division, please familiarise yourself with the terms of reference and submit your nomination. You can self-nominate or submit nominations for other members of the Society.**I wish to nominate/self-nominate:** |
| Name |  |
| Position |  |
| Work address |  |
| Email |  |

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| **2. Vacancies** |

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|  | Eukaryotic Division (*please put ‘X’ in box to confirm*). |
|  | The Eukaryotic Division is seeking nominations for **six members.** Please tick your area of expertise – it is possible to tick more than one subject area. If you are doing this then please rank from 1 up to 3, with 1 being the most relevant. |
|  | Two vacancies in Microbial Diversity and Evolution (*please put ‘X’ in box to confirm or rank 1–3*).(please put ‘X’ in box to confirm or rank 1–3). |
|  | One vacancy in Fundamental Microbiology (*please put ‘X’ in box to confirm or rank 1–3*). |
|  | One vacancy in Population and Evolutionary Biology (*please put ‘X’ in box to confirm or rank 1–3*). |
|  | One vacancy in Applied Microbiology (*please put ‘X’ in box to confirm or rank 1–3*). |
|  | One vacancy in Environmental Microbiology (*please put ‘X’ in box to confirm or rank 1–3*) |

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|  | Prokaryotic Division (*please put ‘X’ in box to confirm*). |
|  | The Prokaryotic Division is seeking nominations for **four members.**  Please tick your area of expertise – it is possible to tick more than one subject area. If you are doing this then please rank from 1 up to 3, with 1 being the most relevant.  |
|  | Two vacancies in Clinical Microbiology (*please put ‘X’ in box to confirm or rank 1–3*). |
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|  | One vacancy in Prokaryote Genetics (*please put ‘X’ in box to confirm or rank 1–3*).(*please put ‘X’ in box to confirm or rank 1–3*). |
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|  | One vacancy in Prokaryote Molecular Microbiology (*please put ‘X’ in box to confirm or rank 1–3*). |

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|  | Virus Division (*please put ‘X’ in box to confirm*). |
|  | The Virus Division is seeking nominations for **six members**. Please put a cross in the box that best fits your area of expertise – it is possible to mark more than one subject area. If you are doing this then please rank from 1 up to 3, with 1 being the most relevant. |
|  | *An EU based virologist (please put ‘X’ in box to confirm or rank 1–3).* |
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|  | Plant virology (*please put ‘X’ in box to confirm or rank 1–3*). |
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|  | Anti-virals (including vaccines, therapies and translational virology) (*please put ‘X’ in box to confirm or rank 1–3*). |

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|  | Positive strand RNA virology (*please put ‘X’ in box to confirm or rank 1–3*). |
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|  | Negative strand RNA virology (*please put ‘X’ in box to confirm or rank 1–3*) |
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|  | Clinical virology (*please put ‘X’ in box to confirm or rank 1–3*) |

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|  | Irish Division (*please put ‘X’ in box to confirm*). |
|  | The Irish Division is organised on a regional basis and is seeking nominations for **four members** based across various areas of Ireland.  |
|  | One from Dublin (*please put ‘X’ in box to confirm*). |
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|  | One from Galway (*please put ‘X’ in box to confirm*). |
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|  | Two from anywhere on the Ireland of Ireland (*please put ‘X’ in box to confirm*). |
|  | Please state the region you represent |  |

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| **3. Personal statement**  |
| **(a)** Please demonstrate your skills and expertise relevant to the Division remit and how this will benefit the Society. **300***–***500** *words.* |
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| **(b)** Please indicate what you hope to achieve (on a personal or professional level) from a term of office as a Division Member. **300***–500 words.* |
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| *NB. These statements will be provided to Microbiology Society members in the event of an election.* |
| **4. Declaration** |
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|  | I confirm that I am a Member of the Microbiology Society  |
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| Name (BLOCK CAPITALS) |  | Date |  |
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| Membership Number |  |  |  |
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