# Microbiology Society job description for: *Journal of Medical Microbiology* Senior Editor for Antimicrobial Resistance

## About us

The Microbiology Society is a membership charity for scientists interested in microbes, their effects and their practical uses. It is one of the largest microbiology societies in Europe, with a worldwide membership based in universities, industry, hospitals, research institutes and schools. Our members have a unique depth and breadth of knowledge about the discipline. The Society's role is to help unlock and harness the potential of that knowledge.

Read more about our mission and values at [microbiologysociety.org](https://microbiologysociety.org/).

## About *the Journal of Medical Microbiology*

The *Journal of Medical Microbiology* is the go-to interdisciplinary journal for medical, dental and veterinary microbiology at the bench and in the clinic. It provides comprehensive coverage of medical, dental and veterinary infectious diseases. The journalwelcomes articles ranging from basic and molecular microbiology to clinical profiles in bacteriology, virology, mycology and parasitology.

## About you

Senior Editors of the *Journal of Medical Microbiology* play a vital role in the journal, ensuring that we publish high-quality research and are engaged with the microbiological community. A key part of the role will involve strategic development of the section and soliciting content, by suggesting reviews or original articles for submission. Your main tasks will be oversight of the section’s performance, including Editors in your panel, monitoring submissions and published articles in the journal, and assisting new Editors in your section with decision making. You will also be involved in leading at least one article collection during your time as Senior Editor.

This position is a public-facing role, and the Senior Editor acts as a representative of the Society. The position is open to any Full, Full Concessionary or Honorary members of the Society, and those who are not members of the Society. New Editors will be trained in Editorial Manager.

**Term in office**

* At least three years.

## Benefits

* One fee-free Open Access articles in any of the Society's journals in each calendar year.
* Access to a ring-fenced conference travel fund for Editors for promoting the journal.
* Free online access to the journal.
* Other benefits made available to members of the Society’s Governance structure, as relevant to the role and as agreed by the Advisory Council of the Society.

## Duties

* Act as an advocate for the journal and work towards improving its impact, including generating section development ideas and commissioning content for the journal.
* Lead the AMR section of the journal; advising new Editors on assessment of contributions submitted to the journal in accordance with the guidelines laid down by the Society and the journal’s policies.
* Solicit suitable contributions to the journal including original articles and reviews.
* Involvement in at least one collection during the contract period.
* Provide original contributions to the journal, and not less than one contribution during your term.
* Be an advocate of the journal at meetings and conferences.
* Attend Editorial Board meetings as well as any required ad hoc meetings every year.

## Person specification

* Demonstrated excellence in the field of microbiology and AMR.
* Maintain an active research profile with a minimum of 25 publications at the time of appointment.
* Essential to have some previous editorial experience in a relevant microbiology journal. Previous editorial experience in a Microbiology Society journal is desirable.
* Preferably have some presence on social media, e.g. Twitter, Linkedin, Bluesky.
* Have an excellent network of international contacts in a range of specialties in your discipline(s).
* Be prepared to submit a review or original paper to the journal during the term of office.
* Have an understanding of the role of the Microbiology Society in promoting microbiology and the central role that publishing in society journals has in continuing these efforts.

## Equal opportunities

The Microbiology Society is an equal opportunities employer and welcomes applications from all suitably qualified persons regardless of race, sex, disability, religion/belief, sexual orientation or age. We value, promote, and seek diversity.

## Application

Please apply to [fh.watson@microbiologysociety.org](mailto:fh.watson@microbiologysociety.org) with your CV and a cover letter. Applications close 30 May 2025.