

Community Manager, Microscopy Resource Site

Based in Cambridge, UK

Journal of Cell Science and its publisher, The Company of Biologists, are seeking to appoint a Community Manager to run a new microscopy resource website.

An extensive consultation told us that the microscopy community would welcome a trusted, curated and centralised site to connect people, resources and information. Our exciting new initiative is therefore intended to create a platform for the microscopy community to share news and techniques, discuss issues relevant to the field and read about the latest research and events.

We are now looking for an enthusiastic and motivated person to join us to develop, launch and maintain this site, which will be hosted by Journal of Cell Science but will be relevant to all of the Company of Biologists' journals.

Core responsibilities of the position include:

- Creating and commissioning content, including writing posts and soliciting content from the academic community, societies, companies and other organisations.
- Providing user support and ensuring site functionality on a day-to-day basis.
- Providing creative and practical input into the design and development of the site.
- Maintaining and developing the site's presence on social networking sites such as Facebook and Twitter.
- Developing and managing sponsorship, ads and commercial relationships.
- Representing Journal of Cell Science and the resource site at international conferences.

Applicants should have a PhD with research experience in a relevant scientific field and extensive imaging experience - ideally involving the application or development of new methods for microscopy or image analysis. The successful candidate will have proven social media skills and a clear understanding of the online environment as it applies to scientists. Applicants should have excellent writing and communication skills, and strong interpersonal and networking abilities - both online and in person. Experience with additional media, such as video or podcasting, and an eye for aesthetics, would be an advantage. We are looking for an individual with fresh ideas and a willingness to learn new skills, and who will contribute broadly to the Company's activities.

This is an exciting opportunity to develop a hub for the microscopy community - in a similar vein to the Company's established community site for developmental biologists, the Node - and to engage with relevant people at all levels: academics, developers, facilities, institutes and companies. The Community Manager will work alongside an experienced in-house team, including the Executive Editor of Journal of Cell Science, as well as with the journal's international team of academic editors. Additional responsibilities may be provided for the right candidate. The Company of Biologists is based in attractive modern offices on the outskirts of Cambridge, UK.

The Company of Biologists (biologists.com) exists to support biologists and inspire advances in biology. At the heart of what we do are our five specialist journals - Development, Journal of Cell Science, Journal of Experimental Biology, Disease Models & Mechanisms and Biology Open - two of them fully open access. All are edited by expert researchers in the field, and all articles are subjected to rigorous peer review. We take great pride in the experience of our editorial team and the quality of the work we publish. We believe that the profits from publishing the hard work of biologists should support scientific discovery and help develop future scientists. Our grants help support societies, meetings and individuals. Our workshops and meetings give the opportunity to network and collaborate.

Applicants should send a CV along with a covering letter that summarises their relevant experience, and in particular their specific microscopy/imaging expertise, any links to online activities), current salary, and why they are enthusiastic about this opportunity.

Applications and informal queries should be sent by email to recruitment@biologists.com
We may request written tests in advance of any interview.

