

Call for Nominations

Editor-in-Chief, Journal of the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons (JAAOS)

The American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons (AAOS) invites nominations and applications for the position of Editor-in-Chief of the *Journal of the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons* (JAAOS®), *The Official Journal of the AAOS*. JAAOS is the leading clinical review journal in orthopaedics. The Editor-in-Chief develops and executes the vision and strategy for the JAAOS portfolio, which includes JAAOS and *Journal of the AAOS Global Research & Reviews*® (JAAOS Global), *The Official Open Access Journal of the AAOS*.

Appointment Timeline

The Editor-in-Chief will be appointed in early 2027 as Editor-in-Chief Designee for onboarding and transition. The initial three-year term is renewable once and begins January 1, 2028.

Candidate Qualifications

Applicants should have a broad perspective on the field of orthopaedics and be attentive to emerging areas of orthopaedic research. The successful candidate will demonstrate recognized leadership in rigorous orthopaedic research, scholarly publication, and clinical practice. Candidates must be Fellows of the AAOS (FAAOS), have extensive experience with highly ranked, peer-reviewed orthopaedic journals as authors, peer reviewers, and associate editors or editorial board members, and have access to a broad domestic and international network of experts in fields relevant to orthopaedics.

Application Process

Applications should be received no later than November 15, 2026, and must include a cover letter describing the candidate's interest in the position, a brief summary of the candidate's editorial experience, and a curriculum vitae. After applications are reviewed, top candidates will be asked to provide additional information about their qualifications and strategic vision for JAAOS. Finalists will be required to complete Mandatory Enhanced Disclosure.

Virtual interviews with the first round of selected candidates will be held in January 2027. A second round of in-person interviews will be conducted during the AAOS Annual Meeting, March 3–6, 2027, in Las Vegas, NV. More information about the meeting is available [here](#).

Apply here: <https://cap.aaos.org/vacancies> (AAOS Member login required)

Nominations and questions should be addressed to Hans Koelsch, PhD, AAOS Director, Publishing (koelsch@aaos.org).