

Open Editorial Positions

Editor-in-Chief – Applied Spectroscopy
Editor – Applied Spectroscopy
Editor – Applied Spectroscopy Practica

The Society for Applied Spectroscopy (SAS) invites applications and nominations for the following editorial positions:

- Editor-in-Chief of Applied Spectroscopy
- Editor of Applied Spectroscopy
- Editor of Applied Spectroscopy Practica

These roles represent exciting opportunities for dynamic and visionary leaders to guide the editorial direction and uphold the scientific excellence of the Society's flagship and associated publications in spectroscopy.

Position Descriptions

Editor-in-Chief - Applied Spectroscopy

About the Journal

Applied Spectroscopy publishes high-quality, peer-reviewed research articles, reviews, and technical notes covering all aspects of spectroscopy and related techniques. With a strong international readership and contributor base, the journal is a vital platform for advancing the science and application of spectroscopy in chemistry, biology, physics, and engineering.

Position Overview

The Editor-in-Chief (EIC) will serve as the journal's principal scientific and strategic leader, overseeing editorial policy, peer-review processes, and content development. The EIC is responsible for maintaining the highest standards of quality, integrity, and innovation, ensuring the journal continues to thrive in a competitive and evolving publishing landscape.

Key Responsibilities

- Lead the editorial direction and vision for Applied Spectroscopy.
- Manage and support the peer-review process to ensure timely, fair, and rigorous evaluation of manuscripts.
- Recruit, supervise, and collaborate with associate editors and the editorial advisory board.
- Promote the journal to attract high-quality submissions and increase its impact and visibility.
- Work closely with the Society for Applied Spectroscopy and the journal's publisher to implement editorial policies and strategic initiatives.

- Stay abreast of developments in scholarly publishing, including open access, digital tools, and metrics.
- Help develop special issues and content initiatives, including soliciting review articles.
- Work alongside the journal managing editor to ensure timely and accurate journal output.

Qualifications

- A Ph.D. or equivalent degree in a field relevant to spectroscopy.
- A distinguished record of scholarly achievement and publication.
- · Prior editorial or peer-review experience in scientific publishing.
- · Demonstrated leadership and organizational skills
- · A member of SAS.
- A clear vision for the future of the journal and the role of spectroscopy in science and technology.
- Strong communication skills.

Term and Support

The Editor-in-Chief will serve a renewable term of 5 years, beginning in 2026 (with a transition period starting in late 2025). The position is supported by a stipend, with specifics negotiable based on experience and institutional support.

Editor - Applied Spectroscopy

Position Overview

The Editor will work closely with the Editor-in-Chief of *Applied Spectroscopy* to support the editorial and strategic goals of the journal. This role provides an opportunity for a mid-career or senior scientist to gain editorial leadership experience while contributing meaningfully to the journal's day-to-day operations.

Key Responsibilities

- Assist in managing manuscript submissions and the peer-review process.
- Support reviewer assignments and editorial decisions.
- Help develop special issues and content initiatives, including soliciting review articles.
- Collaborate with the Editor-in-Chief, publisher, and editorial board.
- Contribute to journal outreach and author engagement activities.
- Work closely with the Society for Applied Spectroscopy and the journal's publisher to implement editorial policies and strategic initiatives.
- Work with the publisher to keep SAS informed about the journal's statistics including circulation data, time to publish, accept/reject rates, impact factor, and their trends, etc.

Qualifications

Candidates for the Editor position should meet the same qualifications as those outlined for the Editor-in-Chief role above.

Term and Support

The Editor will serve a renewable term of 3 years, beginning in 2026 (with a transition period starting in late 2025). The position is supported by a stipend,

with specifics negotiable based on experience and institutional support.

Editor - Applied Spectroscopy Practica

About the Journal

Applied Spectroscopy Practica is a young, peer-reviewed, open-access journal from the Society for Applied Spectroscopy. It is dedicated to the practical application of previously or currently developed fields or theories in spectroscopy. The journal emphasizes real-world case studies, instrumental deployment, and methodological execution across academic, industrial, and clinical domains.

Position Overview

The Editor of *Applied Spectroscopy Practica* will work with the Editor-in-chief serving as the journal's scientific and editorial lead, guiding content development and peer review. The journal provides a home for applied innovations in spectroscopy, with a focus on utility, implementation, and tangible outcomes.

Key Responsibilities

- Guide the editorial direction and practical scope of the journal.
- Manage and support the peer-review process to ensure timely and relevant content.
- · Recruit and work with reviewers and editorial board members.
- Promote the journal to academic, industrial, and applied-research audiences.
- Coordinate with the Society and publisher on editorial and operational matters.
- Identify themes and applications for special collections.

Qualifications

- A Ph.D. or equivalent degree in a field relevant to applied spectroscopy.
- Experience in the practical use and application of spectroscopic techniques.
- A strong record of publication or technical contribution in spectroscopy.
- Prior editorial or peer-review experience preferred.
- Demonstrated leadership, communication, and organizational skills
- A member of SAS.

Term and Support

The Editor will serve a renewable term of 3 years, beginning in 2026 (with a transition period starting in late 2025). The position is supported by a stipend, with specifics negotiable based on experience and institutional support.

Application Process

Interested individuals should submit:

- 1. A cover letter detailing qualifications, vision for the journal, and editorial philosophy.
- 2. A current CV.

3. Names and contact information for three references.

Applications and nominations should be sent to:

Search Committee – Editor Roles, Applied Spectroscopy
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Application Deadline: September 10, 2025

SAS looks for balance among spectroscopy disciplines (e.g., Atomic and Molecular) in the Editorial staff of the Journals.