



Vienna, January 23, 2025

**NOTICE OF FORTHCOMING ELECTION OF
THE ASSOCIATE EDITORS OF JCC PLUS**

Dear Colleagues in IBD!

ECCO will be expanding the **JCC** brand with a new journal: **JCC Plus**. In this context, we are looking for qualified and motivated applicants for **five Associate Editor** positions.

Notice is hereby given, that the following ECCO position is open for election:

JCC Plus Associate Editors 2025-2027(2029)*

JCC Plus is an Open Access journal that will offer a broader view on IBD and its multidisciplinary care, aiming to increase the scope of published research in the field of IBD, as well as the community of readers. Rather than aiming just for the highest Impact Factor, **JCC Plus** aims to reach a large number of people to create a community where experiences are shared and ideas exchanged.

Main **Key Performance Indicators** include the total number of (a) citations, (b) published articles, and (c) downloaded papers.

With the broader scope offered by **JCC Plus**, covered topics now also include:

- **Global IBD:** epidemiological and clinical studies from around the world highlighting evolving epidemiology, different clinical presentations, different priorities in disease management, linked to different geographic areas, different health systems, and different genetic backgrounds.
- **Systemic manifestations of IBD** and IBD among other IMIDs: highlighting the systemic nature of IBD manifestations, with multiple organs and life dimensions affected.
- Giving the **voice to multidisciplinary care:** broadening the community of actors in IBD research and involving not only doctors and scientists but also other health care providers and the patients themselves.
- **IBD in the society:** publishing studies on the impact of IBD on the health care system and the society and qualitative research.

In this context, the journal will favour interactions between clinicians, researchers, and patient associations, putting energy into organising and feeding forums and exchanges. The format of some publications should favour the understanding of the concepts by a broad community of readers, including patients. This would imply the broad use of graphical abstracts, and schematic representations.

Eligibility Associate:

Any Regular Member of ECCO in good standing (=ECCO Member 2025) and currently does not hold any other function in ECCO and/or editorial function in another journal can stand for election.

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Term of office:

01.01.2025 – 31.12.2027 (3 years)*

*With the possibility of extension for another two years

Duties:

- Ensure that the content of the Journal is accurate, credible, authoritative, and relevant to the Journal's scope and mission by:
 - complying with Editorial policy and all procedures and standards for the acceptance of manuscripts
 - soliciting the submission of high-quality contributions to the Journal (the "Contributions"), to invite review articles, select supplements, and to oversee any other special features of the Journal as appropriate
 - evaluation of submitted Contributions, in accordance with the editorial policy consistently applied by the Publisher's peer review policies
 - arranging for and supervising the independent peer review of Contributions
 - complying with generally accepted publication ethics and best practices
- Utilize the expertise of JCC Editorial Team to meet the Journal's purposes
- Communicate the Journal policies regarding authorship, conflict of interest, ethical conduct of research, and academic misconduct
- To maintain close, regular working cooperation with the publisher the Editorial Team, the ECCO Governing Board, and the ECCO Office throughout the year

Desired qualifications/requirements but not limited to:

- Working within the field of multidisciplinary care in IBD
- Scope of research in IBD provided in details
- An active publication record
- Experience in editorial role (e.g., journal editor, book editor, thesis/doctoral supervision)
- Experience with peer review processes (e.g., a reviewer)
- Desire and ability to dedicate allocated time each week to Associate Editor responsibilities
- Excellent organizational skills
- Excellent written and oral communication skills

Application:

Candidates who feel they are eligible by meeting the appropriate criteria should submit their CV (max. 2 pages), a letter of intent, explaining why they think they are suitable for the job, including their "action plan" for the Journal over the next 5 years, and a COI disclosure.

Nomination process:

Self-nomination can be made by any Regular Member or by another Regular Member on the nominee's behalf as long as the person proposed has consented to his/her nomination. Nominations must be sent in writing to the ECCO Office containing the following information: the name and affiliation of the person proposed. Forms for proposing a candidate can be obtained from the ECCO Office ecco@ecco-ibd.eu or downloaded from the ECCO Website www.ecco-ibd.eu.



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Election process:

The applications will be reviewed and the Associate Editors will be selected based on experience, qualification and representativeness by the **JCC Plus** Editor in Chief, in consultation with the society and the publisher.

Application deadline is March 02, 2025

**Data processing consent and retention: By sending an application by email to ecco@ecco-ibd.eu, you agree to the data processing for the above described project: ECCO Office stores applicants' personal data of this application for the project timeframe. You have the right to object at any time at ecco@ecco-ibd.eu. ECCO Office will delete data securely after the end of this project.*

The position will be reimbursed and supported by an editorial office.

Interested applicants are encouraged to apply [here](#).

With best wishes,

Britta Siegmund
ECCO President

Johan Burisch
Incoming JCC Plus Editor in Chief

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