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Editor	D. Robert Siemens, MD
Terms of Office	Operates on calendar year (January – December) Editor: 3 years (renewable once) Section Representatives: 3 years (renewable once)

Committee Makeup

The Editorial Board will consist of the Editor, Associate Editors, Assistant Editors, one Pediatrics Section Editor and a Pediatric Editorial Committee, one Urological Survey Section Editor and a Urological Survey Editorial Committee, and at least one Active or Senior Member from each Section of the AUA. The Editor shall request the Section to submit the names of three candidates based on a needed area of expertise to be defined by the Editor. (AUAER Bylaws, 2015).*

*800 Rule applies

Mission Statement

To provide the urological community and the medical profession at large with timely peer-reviewed clinical and scientific contributions in urology that stimulate and expand practice and research activities, ultimately impacting on excellence in patient care.

Reporting

The Journal of Urology[®] Editor reports to the AUA Board of Directors, who set the overarching strategic goals for the editor. However, the Editorial Board retains oversight of the peer review process and the editorial selection of submissions to be published in the Journal, with no input from the Board of Directors.

Editorial Board Meetings

The Board meets four times per year, once per quarter. The Board will meet in person at the Annual Meeting and by videoconference for the other three meetings.

Time Commitment

Editor:	18 hours per week
Associate Editors:	12 hours per week
Assistant Editors:	5 hours per week
Section Representatives:	3 hours per week



Qualifications/ Responsibilities

The JU Editorial Board is responsible for publication content oversight. The Editorial Board assists the Editor in establishing editorial policies and strategies and in managing the peer review process.

Editor The Editor is responsible for making recommendations pertaining to improved dissemination of this high-impact journal focused on the advances of urology research. The overarching objective of this position is to maintain the highly regarded editorial integrity of the journal while implementing publishing innovations that keep *The Journal of Urology*[®] relevant and best in class. The Editor oversees an editorial board, including Associate, Section, Assistant and Feature Editors, and Editorial Board members, on matters of editorial policy and recommends nominees for all editorial appointments to the journal. The Editor also partners with the AUA Publications Department staff to coordinate editorial and operational activities of the journal.

Section Reps Assist the Editor in the selection of papers for publication, oversight of the peer review process, and general management of *The Journal of Urology*.

Section Representatives will meet the following criteria:

- Prior scholarly publishing editorial experience required.
- Must have an extensive publication record in high-impact, peer-reviewed scholarly journals.
- Must have thorough knowledge of the peer review process, from submission to publication, including all decision types.
- Will have an understanding of scholarly publishing threats and opportunities (Open Access, preprint policies, authorship/contributorship, and more).

Recent Accomplishments (2021)

- At the end of 2021, Dr. Joseph A. Smith, Jr. completed his tenure as Editor of *The Journal of Urology*[®]. As the leader of The Journal, he innovated in countless important ways, including the introduction of open peer review, an Open Access publication option, and publishing content that earned *The Journal of Urology*[®] its highest Journal Impact Factor to date: 7.45, a 26% increase from 2020.
- Our dedicated volunteer peer reviewers for *The Journal of Urology*[®] completed 3,328 total reviews in 2021.
- *The Journal of Urology*[®] is the most cited journal in urology.
- *The Journal of Urology*[®] has the largest number of social media followers in all of urological scholarly publishing.
- In September 2021, the Board of Directors approved the launch of *JU Open Plus*, a peer-reviewed Gold Open Access journal that will launch in January 2023. Submissions to this new OA journal are largely expected to be cascaded rejections from *The Journal of Urology*[®].