

Senior Editor for Invited Reviews

Background. PAA has a tradition of deciding, on an annual basis, that it will solicit and sponsor a review. The general intent is to boost the reputation and popularity of the AJPR. The mechanism is identifying an author with an impressive standing as an authority to write a review of a subject of exceptional interest to readers. AJPR Senior Editors (SE) are selected by virtue of their expertise in certain disciplines. The AJPR Invited Reviews SE is similarly selected as someone approved by the Editorial Board (EB) and Executive Committee (EC) as having the finesse to scout out and deliver Invited Reviews of the type desired, described above.

Protocol. As with other disciplines, the IR SE has a considerable degree of freedom to employ the means he feels is most appropriate to deliver the product for which he is responsible. He may pursue a good idea without consulting anyone, or, he may devise a system of getting input from a network of EB members, PAA section chairs, or other trusted advisors.

His only restrictions are to 1) stay within the approved limit of free publication(**1**). 2) get significant input and final approval from EB for selecting the author/topic (he may wish to present the possibilities to the EB and ask for approval of his recommendation, or conduct an actual vote from the EB members).

When an author/topic have been selected, the IR SE assumes essentially the same editor responsibilities of the other SEs: He will work with the author to procure an appropriate submitted ms. He will select impartial expert anonymous reviewers. He will negotiate with the author to improve the MS as per the reviewer comments to arrive at a revision(**2**). He will then rigorously re-check the revision, conferring with the author, if necessary, to make sure the final form recommended to the EiC for acceptance is highly polished. This is mostly the end of the IR SE duties, save to answer minor questions or fix minor problems on the way to printing.