Part-time Health Science Editor position

Science Feedback is looking for a part-time science editor to work on writing and organizing reviews of influential health claims and articles in collaboration with scientists and academics. The editor will be responsible for organizing the review of viral health articles in French and English, notably regarding the current COVID-19 outbreak.

The organization

Science Feedback is a non-profit organization with the mission to improve the credibility of information available to Internet users in scientific domains by providing feedback to readers, journalists, editors, and tech platforms.

Science Feedback is a signatory of the <u>IFCN code of principles</u>—verifying our commitment to accuracy, fairness, transparency—and you will need to help us uphold these high standards. Health Feedback is a <u>member</u> of the World Health Organization's Vaccine Safety Net, a network of websites that provide reliable information on vaccine safety.

Health Feedback works with science editors and an international network of scientists to assess the scientific credibility of influential <u>articles</u> and <u>claims</u>. These reviews are used and respected by scientists, journalists, campaigners and by our tech platform partners. When we identify content as false or misleading on Facebook for instance, our reviews are used to provide feedback to all users who have shared it (see <u>an example</u>). Our reviews are also highly ranked in Google's search results (see e.g. <u>this query</u>).

We're looking for a thoughtful, methodical, and rigorous candidate with a deep commitment to scientific objectivity and high ethical standards.

Responsibilities include:

- Inviting health scientists and physicians to contribute to reviews on a weekly basis;
- Editing reviews based on contributions from our network of scientists as well as your own bibliographic research. This includes writing the content of claim reviews or the summary of article reviews by scientists as well as editing and reinforcing their contributions (copy-editing, adding figures, links to references...);
- Writing content for promotion of our work on social networks.

Skills needed:

- Excellent communication with academics;
- Good knowledge and understanding of a variety of health science domains;
- Very good understanding of the scientific publication process (the candidate needs to be able to identify academics' expertise based on their scientific publications quality);
- Excellent knowledge about how science works, the scientific method to (in)validate hypotheses;
- Ability to explain science in terms understandable to a broad audience;

- Excellent writing and editing skills (perfect mastery of French and English for non-native speakers);
- Non-partisanship: Our staff and freelance contributors are required to not be involved in advocacy/political campaigning.

Experience

- Experience working with scientists needed;
- PhD in a relevant field prefered;
- Experience writing for the scientific column of a media a plus;
- Ability to publish in Wordpress.

Position

- We will start with a 3 to 6 months freelance contract about 20 to 30 hours per week to test whether both of us are satisfied with working together. Possibility to transform into a long-term contract. Work location is Paris preferably but remote work is also possible;
- Remuneration: 25-35 €/h depending on experience.

If interested or want to learn more:

→ Email <u>apply@sciencefeedback.co</u>

To apply, please send a brief cover letter highlighting relevant experience and motivation for the position (in French or English), a CV, and 2 chosen writing samples by March 15, 2020.