American Skin Association Medical Student Grants  
Targeting Melanoma and Skin Cancer  
~ $7,000 ~

American Skin Association (ASA) invites applications from medical students working actively in the areas of melanoma/skin cancer. Up to five grants of $7,000 will be given in 2010. A second year of funding may be requested upon receipt and review of a progress report and submission of a re-application.

**Eligibility:**
Applicants must be working actively in areas related to dermatology. Funds may be used for support of a new or ongoing research/clinical investigation project. No age requirement.

**Contents of Application:**
An application must include:

1. **Title page** including applicant’s name, title of proposal, sponsoring institution and the specific grant for which the applicant is applying. Download title page and checklist from website at [www.americanskin.org](http://www.americanskin.org)
2. **A letter from the applicant** stating:
   a. career goals,
   b. the relevance of the grant at this time,
   c. acknowledgment of the requirement to submit a progress report (in layman’s language) and an expenditure report at the end of the grant period,
   d. acknowledgment of the requirement to list ASA support in all presentations/publications, and
   e. acknowledgement to keep ASA informed of current and future dates of presentations and/or publications.
3. 1-2 page **curriculum vitae** including education and training, academic appointments, key publications, and date of birth.
4. A letter (no more than two pages) written by the department of dermatology chair or mentor on behalf of the candidate, and endorsing the applicant and the proposal. Note: A chairman may endorse only ONE candidate in this category per year.
5. A **research proposal** (no more than two pages including references) prepared by the candidate detailing the title, purpose, materials, methods and projected results. Proposals must be in Arial, 11 pt. type with 1-inch margins. Human and animal use must be approved by the Institutional Review Board and documented.
6. A line item **budget** for the project must be attached. Travel and indirect costs to the sponsoring institution are not allowed.
7. A summary of ALL past, current and pending applications for research support, specifying grant titles, agencies, periods of support, and total direct costs.

**Selection Process:**
Selection of the recipients will be made in mid-December by the American Skin Association Medical Advisory Committee. Funding will begin January 1, 2010, unless otherwise requested by the applicant.

**Deadline:**
Deadline for receipt of applications is Monday, October 5, 2009. Incomplete submissions will not be considered. Applications (25 complete and stapled copies) are to be sent to American Skin Association, 346 Park Avenue South, 4th Floor, New York, NY 10010. Phone: 212-889-4858

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American Skin Association
American Skin Association, founded in 1987, is a volunteer-led health organization dedicated to saving lives and alleviating the profound human suffering caused by the full spectrum of skin disease and cancer through cutting-edge research and education.

Through its national grants and awards program, ASA has awarded over $6 million to support advanced-level studies into the cause, prevention and treatment of skin disease, funded the work of over 150 physicians and scientists ranging from acknowledged leaders in the field to gifted young researchers in the early phases of their career, and established one of the finest research facilities of its kind. ASA has introduced over 3 million public school students from coast to coast to its award-winning program *The Wonders of Skin*—to help them better understand the critical role of the skin.