

Abby S. and Howard P. Milstein Innovation Award for Melanoma/Non-Melanoma Skin Cancer Research

\$750,000 over 3 years

American Skin Association (ASA) invites submission of applications for the **2010 Abby S. and Howard P. Milstein Innovation Award for Melanoma/Non-Melanoma Skin Cancer Research** in the amount of \$750,000 (\$250,000 yearly for three years). The aim of the program is to produce innovative original research for melanoma/non-melanoma skin cancer in the fields of dermatology, oncology and cutaneous biology.

ELIGIBILITY:

A candidate must be identified as an established investigator in the fields of cutaneous oncology and dermatology and must spend at least 80% of his/her professional time in research in the U.S. An applicant should have a mid-level or higher career and be dedicated to the furtherance of knowledge concerning melanoma/non-melanoma skin cancer. The innovative research must be focused on new discoveries in the basic and clinical sciences with current or potential impact on the understanding and treatment or prevention of melanoma/non-melanoma skin cancer.

SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION:

Submission of an application **must** include all of the following:

- 1) **Title page** including applicant's name, mailing address, phone number, name of sponsoring institution and title of proposal. **Download title page and checklist** from website www.americanskin.org.
- 2) A **letter from the applicant** stating:
 - (a) career goals and plans for achieving these goals,
 - (b) relevance of award at this time in his/her career,
 - (c) acknowledgment of the requirement to submit a progress report/expenditure report at six-month intervals throughout the three-year period and at the end of the award period,
 - (d) acknowledgement of the requirement to list ASA support in all presentations/publications, and
 - (e) acknowledgment to keep ASA informed of current and future dates of presentations and/or publications.
- 3) A **curriculum vitae** limited to 5 pages including date of birth, education and training, academic appointments and key publications.
- 4) A letter, no more than 2 pages, **written by an officer in the applicant's institution on behalf of the candidate**, covering the above requirements and stating the candidate's qualifications.
- 5) A **research proposal**, no more than 5 pages including references, prepared by the candidate. Proposal must be typed in **Arial 11 pt. type with 1-inch margins**. Human and/or animal use must be approved by the Institutional Review Board or equivalent and documented.
- 6) A **three-year line item budget** and budget justification for the project. Travel up to \$3,000 per year may be included and must be documented. Indirect costs to the sponsoring institution shall not exceed 5% and are included in the award.
- 7) A summary of ALL **past** (5 years) and **present research support** specifying award titles, agencies, periods of support, and total direct costs, as well as a list of **pending** applications for support.

DEADLINE:

Deadline for receipt of application is Thursday, July 1, 2010. Application (5 complete stapled copies) is to be mailed to American Skin Association, 346 Park Avenue South, New York, New York 10010. Phone: 212-889-4858

SELECTION PROCESS:

An anonymous committee will make the selection of the award in October 2010. Funding may begin late 2010.



AMERICAN SKIN ASSOCIATION

Dedicated to serving the now more than 100 million Americans suffering from skin disorders, American Skin Association is an increasingly influential leader in the struggle to overcome melanoma and other serious forms of skin disease. For over two decades its mission has remained to advance research, expand Americans' understanding of the skin's importance in preserving wellness and raise public awareness about skin disorders and their often devastating impact.