American Skin Association
J.T. Tai & Co. Foundation Medical Student Grants
Targeting Melanoma and Skin Cancer
$7,000

American Skin Association (ASA) invites grant applications from medical students working in areas targeting melanoma and skin cancer.

**ELIGIBILITY:**
Applicants must be working actively in the areas of melanoma and skin cancer. Funds may be used for support of a new or ongoing research/clinical investigation project. There is no age requirement.

**CONTENTS OF ONLINE APPLICATION:**
An application must include:

1. A letter from the applicant stating:
   a. a lay statement of 2-3 sentences describing the relevance of the proposed research
   b. career goals
   c. relevance of the grant at this time
   d. the time block for the proposed research over the funding period in weeks or months and the percentage of effort or time during that block that the student will be involved in the proposed research
   e. acknowledgment of the requirement to submit a progress report (written in layman’s language) and an expenditure report at the end of the grant period
   f. acknowledgement of the requirement to list ASA support in all presentations/publications
   g. acknowledgement to keep ASA informed of current and future dates of presentations and/or publications
2. 1-2 page curriculum vitae including education and training, academic appointments, key publications, and date of birth.
3. A letter (no more than two pages) written by the chairman of dermatology and mentor (if different) on behalf of the candidate endorsing the applicant and the proposal, and confirming the institution's commitment to provide time and support to the applicant. Note: A chairman/mentor may endorse only ONE medical student per year.
4. 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 typed in Arial 11 pt. type with 1-inch margins. Note: Human and/or animal use must be approved by the Institutional Review Board or equivalent and documented before funding is provided.
5. A line item budget and justification for the research project must be attached. Salary, tuition, travel, and indirect costs to the sponsoring institution are not allowed.
6. A summary of ALL past, current, and pending applications for research support, specifying grant titles, agencies, periods of support, and total direct costs. If none, please indicate.

**DEADLINE AND APPLICATION FORMS:**
Instructions and the online application are posted on our website: americanskin.org. The deadline for receipt of applications is Wednesday, October 16, 2019 at 11:59 PM EST. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

**SELECTION PROCESS:**
Selection of the recipients will be made in December 2019 by ASA’s Medical Advisory Committee. Funding will begin in 2020.

**About American Skin Association**
Established to serve the now more than 100 million Americans afflicted with skin disorders, ASA has evolved over the past three decades as a leading force in efforts to defeat melanoma and other serious forms of skin disease. Its mission has remained to advance research, champion skin health, and drive public awareness about skin disorders.

Please send questions to Kathleen Reichert at grants@americanskin.org.