

# American Skin Association Research Grants \$15,000

American Skin Association (ASA) is accepting applications for support of **disease-specific research** targeting the following five (5) disorders: **Childhood Skin Diseases/Disfigurement, Psoriasis/Inflammatory Skin Diseases, Skin Cancer, Melanoma, Vitiligo/Pigment Cell Disorders,** and **Quality of Life/Health Services/Outcome Studies.** Research must be focused on one of these categories.

## **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. There is no age requirement. However, applicants without prior funding, who are in a formative stage of their career, or who are undergoing a mid-career research change will be given preference.

## **CONTENTS OF APPLICATION:**

An application **must** include:

1. **A letter from the applicant stating:**
  - a. career goals
  - b. relevance of the grant at this time
  - c. 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
  - d. acknowledgement of the requirement to list ASA support in all presentations/publications
  - e. 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 Research Grant applicant 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. Tuition, travel expenses, and indirect costs to the sponsoring institution are not allowed.
6. A summary of ALL **past (5 years), 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 online application form for applying are posted on our website: [americanskin.org](http://americanskin.org). **The deadline for receipt of applications is October 1, 2015.** Incomplete applications will not be considered.

## **SELECTION PROCESS:**

Selection of the recipients will be made in December by the American Skin Association Medical Advisory Committee. Funding will begin January 2016 unless otherwise requested by the applicant.

## **About American Skin Association**

Established to serve the now more than 100 million Americans afflicted with skin disorders, American Skin Association has evolved over the past two 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 (particularly among children), and drive public awareness about skin disorders and their often devastating impact.