American Skin Association (ASA)  
David Mandelbaum Medical Student Grant  
Skin Cancer and Melanoma  
$7,000

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

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

CONTENTS OF APPLICATION:
An application must include:

1. A letter from the applicant with sections labeled in the following order:
   a. a lay statement of 2-3 sentences describing the relevance of the proposed research
   b. how this grant will impact your career or help you achieve your career goals
   c. acknowledgment of the requirement to submit a progress report (written for a layperson) and an expenditure report at six months and at the end of the award 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
   f. projected time commitment in number of hours per week over the course of the grant period

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 Chair of Dermatology on behalf of the candidate, endorsing the applicant and the proposal, confirming the institution’s commitment to provide time and support to the applicant.  
   Note: A Chair may endorse only ONE medical student application in each area 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 timeline for accomplishing specific aims.

6. A line item budget and justification for the research project must be attached. Tuition, travel, and indirect costs to the sponsoring institution are not permitted.

7. A summary of ALL past, current, and pending applications for research support, specifying grant titles, agencies, periods of support, and total direct costs. Please provide total amount of current funding for the period May 1, 2023 through April 30, 2024. 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 Tuesday, January 31, 2023 at 11:59 PM EST. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

SELECTION PROCESS:
Selection of the recipients will be made in April 2023 by ASA’s Medical Advisory Committee. Funding will begin in 2023. Please note: No-cost extensions will not be granted.

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 disease.

Please send questions to grants@americanskin.org.