STUDY PROPOSALS AND AUTHORSHIP CRITERIA

- Studies performed by the IDS are open for participation to all board and regular members of the IDS.
- A study coordinator will be responsible for data collection and analysis, as well as for the writing of the manuscript. The study coordinator will eventually choose a team participating to data analysis and writing of the manuscript.
- In most cases, all colleagues participating to data collection and/or sending their own cases to the study coordinator will be included in the author list. However, in studies potentially involving a high number of participants, special guidelines for participation will be established at the beginning of the study.
- The study design and specific authorship criteria (i.e. authorship ranking, minimum workload related to the number of cases, reviewing of the manuscript, participation to investigator meetings, etc.) will be discussed among an internal group composed by the study coordinator plus the following 3 reviewers selected by the IDS board members: Argenziano G, Marghoob A, Menzies S.
- Studies approved by the internal group will be then presented by the coordinator to the IDS board members during one of the official meetings of the society. The proposal will include a brief study design and the related authorship criteria.
- Each approved IDS study will be finally presented on the IDS website with a brief design and the related guidelines for participation.

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