2019 IDS Research Seed Grants Request for Applications

The International Dermoscopy Society (IDS) announces the availability of research funds to serve as seed grants to evaluate novel concepts in the field of Dermoscopy.

The IDS unifies dermoscopy related activities into one coordinated entity. We seek to foster effective dermoscopy learning, visionary clinical implementation, and innovative translational and clinical studies. Visit the IDS website for more information on the organization. https://dermoscopy-ids.org

Funding Mechanism:

• **Eligibility:** These funds are to serve as seed money to support investigators and clinicians at an early stage of their career including residents, research fellows, and junior faculty. The applicants are expected to be active members of the IDS by the time the proposal is submitted. Total Grant budget needs to be spent within a maximum of 24 months and cannot exceed **15,000 Euros**. Institutional indirect costs are not allowed.

• **Award guidelines:** The research should be completed within a maximum of two years. It is anticipated that 3 awards will be funded. Awardees will be acknowledged at the 6th World Congress of Dermoscopy in Buenos Aires (June 10-12, 2021). Awardees are expected to:
  - Submit the study results to be presented at the 6th World Congress of Dermoscopy.
  - Disseminate the study findings through research meetings and generate at least one publication in a Pubmed accredited journal within 3 years from study initiation.

Submission Guidelines

• Applications must address important issues related to the use of dermoscopy including but not limited to:
  1. Interaction between dermoscopy and biology of the skin
  2. Integration of dermoscopy with other imaging techniques
  3. Novel implementation approaches
  4. Morphologic characterization
  5. Population based studies
  6. Behavioral studies assessing the use of dermoscopy by providers and/or consumers
  7. Barriers in dermoscopy education and/or novel training strategies

• General Instructions for Proposal Submission: Complete the cover sheet and proposal, following the proposal format and page limits described below. The proposal and the application must be written in English.
  1) Cover Page/Lay Summary.
  2) Research Plan – 3 pages maximum organized as: Specific Aims, Rationale and Significance, Experimental Approach/Methods including statistical justification when indicated, and proposed timeline. Please use Arial font, 11 point, single spaced.
  3) References – 1 page maximum.
  4) Budget, budget justification. Include detailed information regarding personnel (% of effort and amount requested per individual); supplies, subject compensation, consulting, contracting, etc.
  5) Biographical Sketch – 2 pages max for the Principal Investigator and 1 page for Collaborators.
• Email the completed application to gerald.gabler@dermoscopy-ids.org

**Review Criteria**
Research proposals will be ranked based on:
1. Potential for impact
2. Likelihood of receiving additional future support (e.g. grants) to further expand initial results or implement findings
3. Relevance of the objectives
4. Likelihood of completing the proposed aims within 2 years.

**Timeline**
Deadline for receipt of applications: **July 22nd, 2019**
Notice of grant award: **September 2019**
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Submit in electronic form (with an electronic signature) to

gerald.gabler@dermoscopy-ids.org

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Project Title: ____________________________________________________________

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Principal Investigator         Academic Title                Institution

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City                        Country                     Phone                  E-mail

Lay Summary (300 words or less): This summary should describe the proposed project in language that would be suitable for presenting the study goals and procedures to the IDS community members. This summary will be published online so do not include any proprietary details.

Amount requested/Euros: _________  Applicant Signature:__________________________

Date: _____________________