



### 2019 IDS Research Seed Grants Request for Applications

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

#### 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 within 5 years from completing residency training. The applicants are expected to be active members of the IDS by the time the proposal is submitted. Total Pilot Grant budget for a maximum of 18 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 6<sup>th</sup> World Congress of Dermoscopy in Buenos Aires. Awardees are expected to:
  - Submit the study results to be presented at the 6<sup>th</sup> World Congress of Dermoscopy.
  - Disseminate the study findings through research meetings and generate at least one publication in a Pubmed accredited journal within 24 months from study initiation.

#### Submission Guidelines

- Applications must address important topics concerning the use of dermoscopy including but not limited to:
  1. Correlation 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 document following the format and page limits described below.
  - 1) Cover Page/Lay Summary
  - 2) Research Plan – 3 pages maximum organized as: Specific Aims, Rationale and Significance, and Experimental Approach/Methods . Please use Arial font, 11 point or larger, single spaced.
  - 3) References – 2 pages 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– 5 pages max for the Principal Investigator and Collaborators.
- Email the completed application to Gerald Gabler [Gerald.gabler@meduni-graz.at](mailto:Gerald.gabler@meduni-graz.at)

## **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 18 months and the project resulting in a manuscript.

## **Timeline**

Deadline for receipt of applications: **July 15th, 2019**

Notice of grant award: Around **September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019**