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Request for Applications: December 2018 Research Grants

Overview

Childhood skin diseases are associated with severe burden on patients, families, and health care providers. Despite this burden, effective treatments remain sparse and the pace of research slow. As the research arm for the Society for Pediatric Dermatology, the Pediatric Dermatology Research Alliance (PeDRA) is committed to supporting investigations in the field of pediatric dermatology through two competitive research grant mechanisms:

- **Pilot Grants:** Intended to support the exploration of early stage research ideas where preliminary data may be lacking. Pilot Grants may be submitted by either a single investigator or multiple investigators at multiple institutions. Up to \$7,500 per project.
- **Team Grants:** Intended to support more developed research ideas that are larger in scope and duration. Team grants may only be submitted by collaborative, multi-institution project teams. Up to \$25,000 per project.

PeDRA is providing up to \$97,600 in total research funding through these mechanisms in 2018. With this Request for Applications, it calls for applications for the December 2018 grants cycle.

Goals

PeDRA Research Grants are driven by the mission to promote and facilitate high quality collaborative clinical, translational, educational, and basic science research in pediatric dermatology. They are intended to provide financial support for early-stage studies that are unlikely to be funded elsewhere. Ultimately, PeDRA Research Grants are expected to generate data, establish research infrastructure, and foster the development of collaborations that form the basis for larger scale studies with the prospect of funding from industry partners or agencies such as NIH.



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Application:

Applications to PeDRA Research Grants must be submitted through the online portal (<https://pedsderm.net/grants-awards/authenticate/>). The table below describes items to be provided through the application. You are encouraged to review the [research grant guidelines](#) and prepare all materials before beginning the application process.

Item	Description	Format	Size Limit
Project Information	Title, budget, project type, IRB/IACUC status	Free text	N/A
Investigator Information	Contact information for Principal Investigator and any Co-Investigators	Free text	N/A
Institutional Information	Contact information for grants administrator and institutional payee	Free text	N/A
Focus Area of Research	To be identified as one or more of PeDRA's research areas or "other".	Drop-down	N/A
Abstract	Project summary for an expert audience	Free text	250 words
Layman's Summary	Project summary for a layperson audience.	Free text	150 words
Cover Letter	To be addressed to the PeDRA Grants Committee.	PDF upload	2 pages
Specific Aims	Summarize your hypothesis and aims as you would for an NIH proposal	PDF upload	1 page
Project Proposal	Provide a concise narrative describing the research project to be conducted.	PDF upload	4 pages not including references
Budget	Provide a detailed budget for the proposed research, including brief justification	PDF upload	2 pages
Biosketch(es)	Provide an NIH-style biosketch for the Principal Investigator and all Co-Investigators	PDF upload (all biosketches must be combined into a single file)	5 pages per biosketch

Letter(s) of Support	(Optional) While not required, letters of support are recommended from Co-Investigators, key collaborators, and the chairperson of the Principal Investigator's department.	PDF upload (all letters must be combined into a single file)	2 pages per letter
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Review:

Applications will be evaluated by an expert panel of peer-reviewers based on the following criteria:

1. Significance
2. Innovation
3. Clarity of proposal
4. Strength of approach and feasibility
5. Strength of investigator(s) and research environment
6. Strength of budget

Eligibility

Applicants need not be trained in pediatric dermatology but must hold the degree of MD and/or PhD (or equivalent) and be eligible to apply for grants under the guidelines of their host institution. Principal Investigators need not be United States citizens and the research need not be conducted in the United States. International applicants are encouraged to apply.

Award

Applicants may request up to **\$7,500 for one year** for Pilot Grants or up to **\$25,000 for two years** for Team Grants (**direct costs only**).

Important Dates

Application deadline: 5:00 PM PST, Friday, December 7th, 2018

Awards made: no later than February 15th, 2019

Earliest start date: March 1st, 2019

Questions

For additional information, applicants should refer to the PeDRA Research Grant Guidelines available here:

https://pedraresearch.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/09/PeDRA_GrantGuidelines2018.pdf

Please email us at grants.pedraresearch@gmail.com with any questions.