



## Request for Applications 2021 PeDRA Research Fellowships

### 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. To help overcome these challenges, the Pediatric Dermatology Research Alliance (PeDRA) is accepting applications for its **2021 PeDRA Research Fellowship** program to support one year of mentored research for post-graduate trainees and medical students in the field of pediatric dermatology.

### Goals

The Research Fellowship program is driven by PeDRA's mission to create, inspire, and sustain research to prevent, treat, and cure childhood skin disease. Fellowships are intended to support the development of the next generation of physician scientists and the advancement of active research projects in the field of pediatric dermatology.

### Application

Applications to PeDRA Research Fellowships must be submitted through the online portal ([https://webportalapp.com/appform/2021\\_research\\_fellowship](https://webportalapp.com/appform/2021_research_fellowship)) and will include the following:

1. Fellow, Mentor, Institution, and Project Information
2. Cover Letter (*2-page maximum*) – to be written by the **fellow** and addressed to the PeDRA Grants Committee. The letter should introduce the research project, describe the goals for the fellowship, and demonstrate the fellow's interest in a career in pediatric dermatology research.
3. Letter of Endorsement (*3-page maximum*) – to be written by the **mentor** and addressed to the PeDRA Grants Committee. The letter should endorse the fellow, describe their project, and explain how both the fellow and project will be supported by the mentor and institution.
4. NIH-style biosketches (*5-page maximum*) from both the **fellow** and **mentor**.
5. Research Proposal (*1-page maximum*) – summarize the proposed research project in the form of a one-page specific aims page as would be provided with an NIH grant application.

### Review

Applications will be reviewed by the PeDRA Grants Committee based on the strength of the fellow, mentor, research project, and environment.

### Eligibility

Fellows may be post-graduate trainees or medical students able to devote at least 50% of their effort to research during the award period (faculty members are ineligible to serve as fellows). Mentors must be active members of PeDRA however fellows need not be. Fellowships must take place in North America and must be non-ACGME-accredited and non-ABD-accredited.

## Award

Applicants may request up to \$20,000 to support one-year of **stipend, salary, and/or fringe benefits for the fellow. No other expenses are allowed. Direct costs only.** As many as eight PeDRA Research Fellowships may be awarded in 2021 depending on available funds and sufficiently meritorious applications.

## Important Dates

Application deadline:	11:59PM PDT, Thursday, April 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2021
Awards made by:	Monday, May 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 2021
Start date:	Thursday, July 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2021

## Questions

For additional information, please email PeDRA Research Coordinator, Katherine Devenport, at [katherine.devenport@pedraresearch.org](mailto:katherine.devenport@pedraresearch.org).