

# ANNOUNCEMENT

## Abby S. and Howard P. Milstein Innovation Award for Melanoma/Non-Melanoma Skin Cancer Research \$750,000 over 3 years

The American Skin Association (ASA) invites applications for the **Abby S. and Howard P. Milstein Innovation Award for Melanoma/Non-Melanoma Skin Cancer Research in the amount of \$750,000** (\$250,000 yearly for three years). The aim of the program is to produce innovative original research for melanoma/skin cancer in the fields of dermatology, oncology and cutaneous biology. **Three awards one each year will be given, 2008, 2009 and 2010 totaling \$2,250,000.**

### ELIGIBILITY:

A candidate must be identified as an established leader in the fields of dermatology and cutaneous oncology: and must spend at least 80% of his/her professional time in research. An applicant should have a mid-level or higher career and be dedicated to the furtherance of knowledge concerning melanoma/skin cancer. The innovative research must be focused on new discoveries in the basic and clinical sciences with current or potential impact on the understanding and treatment or prevention of melanoma/non-melanoma skin cancers.

### SUBMISSION OF APPLICATIONS: DEADLINE: July 1, 2008

Submission of an application with 5 copies **must** include:

- 1) Title page including applicant's name, title of proposal and name of sponsoring institution
- 2) A letter from the applicant stating:
  - (a) career goals and plans for achieving these goals,
  - (b) the relevance of award at this time on your career,
  - (c) acknowledgment of the requirement to submit a progress report/expenditure report at six-month intervals throughout the three-year period;
  - (d) acknowledgement of the requirement to list ASA support in all presentations and publications,
  - (e) acknowledgment to keep ASA informed of current and future dates of presentations and/or publications of the awardee.
- 3) A curriculum vitae limited to 5 pages including date of birth, education & training, academic appointments and key publications.
- 4) A letter (no more than two pages) written by an officer in the applicant's institution on behalf of the candidate, covering the above requirements and stating the candidate's qualifications.
- 5) A research proposal no more than three pages plus references prepared by the candidate. Human and animal use must be approved by the Institutional Review Board.
- 6) A line item budget for the project. Travel up to \$3,000 per year may be included and must be documented. Indirect costs to the sponsoring institution shall not exceed 5%.
- 7) A summary of **ALL** past (5 years), present and pending applications for research support, specifying award titles, agencies, periods of support, and total direct costs.

### SELECTION PROCESS:

An anonymous committee will make selection of the first awardee in early October. Funding may begin late 2008. Payments will be made in two installments per year upon receipt of a progress report.

### DEADLINE:

Deadline for receipt of applications is July 1, 2008.

Applications (**5 complete unstapled copies**) are to be sent to:

American Skin Association  
346 Park Ave. South, 4th floor  
New York, NY 10010  
Fax: (212) 889-4959  
Phone: (212) 889-4858 or 800-499-SKIN



AMERICAN SKIN ASSOCIATION

The American Skin Association, founded in 1987, is a volunteer-led health organization dedicated – through research, education, and prevention – to saving lives and alleviating human suffering caused by the full spectrum of skin diseases, disorders and cancer. Through its national grants and awards program ASA has given more than six million dollars to support research by promising physician/scientists and research centers throughout the country. In partnership with the New York Academy of Medicine, *The Wonders of Skin: Looking Good, Being Healthy* is reaching more than 1,750,000 students in 22 cities. The ASA continues to bring the curriculum to cities nationwide.