Request for Proposals
2018 Summer Student Research Grants

Overview:
The National Psoriasis Foundation (NPF) is seeking applications from undergraduate and medical students interested in conducting a summer of research focused on psoriatic disease or related comorbidities. The goal is to foster the development of promising young scientists who will go on to become bench researchers or clinician scientists focused on improving the lives of those living with psoriatic disease.

Applications related to all aspects of psoriatic disease are strongly encouraged, including basic science, translational research, technology, epidemiology, health services, and clinical research. Prospective applicants are encouraged to review recent publications identifying research gaps and priorities in psoriatic disease research to identify relevant research topics.

Anticipated number of awards:
As many as four (4) new Summer Student Research grants may be awarded in 2018. Awards are contingent upon the availability of funds and the receipt of sufficiently meritorious applications.

Budget:
Successful applicants will receive $4,000 to support salary/stipend and $1,000 to support project related expenses. Direct costs only.

Project period:
The project period for this Request for Proposals is ten weeks to take place between May 1, 2018 and September 30, 2018.

Eligibility:
The applicant must:

- Be a student enrolled as either an undergraduate or medical student for the duration of the award.
- Have the endorsement of an investigator willing to host the student in their lab.
- Be committed to conducting a summer research project focused on psoriatic disease or related comorbidities.
- Need not be a United States citizen and the research need not take place in the United States.

The supervisor must:

- Be capable of mentoring the applicant during the proposed study period.
• Be affiliated with an institution that is capable of administering the internship.
• Have an active interest in psoriatic disease research.
• Need not be a United States citizen and the research need not take place in the United States.

Important dates:
Applications must be received by FRIDAY, MARCH 9, 2018 at 5 P.M. PST. Award notifications will be made no later than MARCH 30, 2018.

Application:
Applicants must be students with established support from a lab interested in hosting them. To initiate the application process, students are encouraged to solicit labs working on psoriatic disease and principal investigators are encouraged to refer the opportunity to promising applicants. The expectation is that applications will be drafted through a collaborative process between student and principle investigator. Applications include a one page specific aims page describing the work to be completed during the award period and letter of endorsement form the host lab. The application along with all related forms can be found at www.psoriasis.org/grants.

Questions:
For more information on please send an email to research@psoriasis.org.

References: