

Grant and Fellowships Program Discovery Grant

Request for Applications

The National Psoriasis Foundation (NPF) is seeking grant applications that encourage the advancement of innovative research into psoriatic disease and related comorbidities. Discovery Grants fund researchers to explore preliminary ideas and conduct proof-of-concept experiments.

Review of projects prioritizes meaningful collaborations that offer the potential to bring significant new lines of inquiry to understanding of root causes and potential cures for psoriatic disease. At completion of the award, projects should be positioned to be competitive for subsequent funding from traditional large program granting sources available through government, industry, or similar sources.

Applications related to all aspects of psoriatic disease are strongly encouraged. The funded portfolio features contributions to basic sciences, as well as technology development, public health, and clinical research questions. Prospective applicants are encouraged to review recent publications and reports identifying research gaps and priorities in psoriatic disease research. The National Psoriasis Foundation <u>FY25-29 Strategic Plan</u> offers additional thematic areas prioritized by clinical, research, and patient stakeholders. Prospective applicants are invited to cite this document as appropriate in their applications.

I. Budget: Applicants may request up to \$75,000 (direct costs only) per year.

Applications to National Psoriasis Foundation funding opportunities must include budgeting for attendance of the bi-annual NPF Research Symposium (2025, 2027). Registration for NPF funded awardees will be waived, but awardees will be expected to stay in the on-site NPF room block. *Awardees should anticipate two nights' accommodation, airfare, ground transportation, and meal expenses.*

- II. **Project Period:** The project period for this Request for Applications is **one year**, from **August 1**, 2025 July 31, 2026
- **III. Eligibility:** The principal investigator must be personally and actively responsible for the conduct of the proposed research, hold an M.D., Ph.D., or equivalent academic degree, and be eligible to apply as a Principal Investigator by their institution. The applicant_is not required to_be a United States citizen, and the research is not required to be executed in the United States.
- IV. Important Dates: Applications must be received by FRIDAY, JANUARY 31, 2025, at 5 P.M. EST. Award notifications are anticipated by JUNE 30.
- V. **Application Information:** Application instructions can be found on ProposalCentral and require a project proposal formatted according to the NPF instructions provided.

Psoriatic disease does not discriminate. The NPF advocates for improved access to care and meaningful access to treatments. We support research and clinical trials focused on addressing health disparities and treating BIPOC. Applications should take into consideration representation of diverse population in all aspects of research, study team, and study participants/enrollees.