Leadership Giving

"If we don't support the advancement of our specialty, who will?"

- DERMATOLOGIST & DF MEMBER



SHAPING THE FUTURE OF DERMATOLOGY

Our Mission

The DF is the leading private funding source for skin disease research and career development of physicians and scientists in dermatology.

The DF's sole purpose is to provide research funding that will help develop and retain tomorrow's teachers and researchers, enabling advancements in patient care.

With the Foundation's support, promising physicians and scientists go on to uncover new knowledge in all areas of the specialty.

Their innovative, ground-breaking research benefits all dermatologists. It is what strengthens the specialty, and leads to new concepts about skin disease and cutting edge treatments.

Investing in the Future

Only the best and brightest new investigators and teachers are selected to receive Foundation research awards.

The DF has a well-established capability for selecting up and coming investigators. Our review process ensures a rigorous examination of the scientific value and merit of each research proposal, and an applicant's potential to make a significant contribution to the specialty. Nearly 80% of DF career development award recipients remain in research and teaching careers.

Gap in Support Grows

The need for early career research funding is great and surpasses available dollars. As a result, many worthy applicants go unfunded.

> In recent years, increasing costs and competitiveness for limited NIH grants have made it more difficult to pursue and maintain a career in dermatologic research.

To ensure tomorrow's leaders in all areas of the specialty remain on the academic and research path, *more support is needed*.

Take an Active Role

Join the *Leaders Society* today and take your place among other dermatologists who are helping to sustain and expand the specialty's scientific and clinical foundation.

Your annual *Leaders Society* commitment of \$1,500 is a meaningful and worthwhile investment. It will help dermatology maintain its position as THE specialty offering the best in medical and surgical skin care—and benefit the specialty for many years to come.



"It's hard to think of a way that research doesn't affect my practice. As I think about what I use to diagnose and treat patients today, many of these techniques are new in the last 10 to 15 years."

"Charity begins, professionally, at home. If dermatologists don't contribute to dermatologic research—no one will."

"Giving to dermatologic research as a member of the Leaders Society goes way beyond any other investment we can make. It is money in the bank. The payoff from research is never lost."

— LEADERS SOCIETY MEMBERS



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