



**2025 Skin Cancer Research Seed Grants
Request for Applications**

The Skin Cancer Institute (SCI) announces the availability of research funds to serve as seed money for skin cancer researchers to test novel strategies for prevention, detection, or treatment of skin cancer. A goal is for the research to provide pilot data for external funding proposals and to result in publications.

SCI unifies the University of Arizona Cancer Center's many skin cancer-related activities into one coordinated entity. The SCI is committed to understanding skin cancer etiology, prevention, and treatment. *Translation* of these discoveries from the laboratory to the clinic to the community will improve health and reduce the skin cancer burden. [Visit the SCI website for more information on the Institute.](#)

Funding Mechanisms

- **Eligibility:** These pilot study funds are to support faculty and research fellows from any department at the University of Arizona who have a specific research focus in skin cancer prevention, detection, or treatment.
- **Award guidelines:** The research should be completed within **one year**. An extension may be requested after one year, but all unused funds will be swept after 2 years. It is anticipated that two awards will be funded, ranging from approximately \$5,000 to \$10,000 each.

Submission Guidelines

- Applications must address important issues concerning the etiology, prevention, diagnosis, or treatment of skin cancers.
- Research proposals must be of a translational nature, either laboratory-based or behavioral.
- General Instructions for Proposal Submission: Complete the cover sheet and proposal, following the formats and page limits described below.
 - 1) Cover Page/Lay Summary
 - 2) Research Plan – 3 pages maximum organized as Specific Aims, Rationale and Significance, and Experimental Approach/Methods
 - 3) References – 1 page max
 - 4) Budget and budget justification – 2 pages max
 - 5) Biographical Sketch in NIH format – 4 pages max
- Email the completed application to Dr. Robin Harris rbharris@arizona.edu

Review Criteria

- Does the application address important issues concerning the etiology, prevention, diagnosis, or treatment of skin cancers?
- Likelihood of the project being completed in 1 year
- Likelihood of the project resulting in a manuscript and/or future grant
- Is the research proposal of a translational nature, either laboratory-based or behavioral?

Timeline

Deadline for receipt of applications: **Monday, April 7th, 2025**

Notice of grant award: **Late April**

Questions? Contact Lisa Quale at 626-1074 or lquale@uacc.arizona.edu



Deadline: Friday, April 4th, 2025

Submit in electronic form (with an electronic signature) to Dr. Robin Harris

rbharris@arizona.edu

Please use Arial font, 11 point

Project Title _____

Principal Investigator

Academic Title

Department

Campus Address, PO Box

Phone

E-mail

Lay Summary (300 words or less): This summary should describe the proposed project in language that would be suitable for presenting the study goals and procedures to community members who are donors of the Skin Cancer Institute. This summary will be published online so do not include any proprietary details.

Amount requested \$ _____

Applicant Signature

Date