

Melanoma Research Alliance RFP

The Melanoma Research Alliance has issued an RFP for research proposals that address gaps in translational science.

<http://www.curemelanoma.org/research/research.taf?cat=rfp>

MRA welcomes proposals in Prevention, Diagnosis and Staging, and Treatment, and has a particular interest in

- Developing combinatorial treatment strategies for patients with unresectable stage III-IV melanoma.
- Exploring biomarkers of treatment response and/or resistance mechanisms to immunotherapy, and developing methods to overcome resistance.
- Characterizing molecular pathways driving BRAF wild type melanomas.
- Defining unique molecular and/or immunological characteristics of acral and amelanotic melanomas in order to identify new therapeutic targets in these patients.

Award types include:

- Young Investigator, \$75,000/yr for 2-3 years
- Pilot Award, \$50,000/yr for 2 years
- Established Investigator Partnership Awards
 - Academic-Industry Partnerships
 - Academic-Nonprofit Partnerships

Applications are due Dec 1, 2011.