



## RESEARCH GRANT APPLICATION

DESCRIPTION	The objective of this grant is to support research that contributes to a better understanding of vitiligo. Preference will be given to projects that are likely to result in publication in the Australasian Journal of Dermatology. Projects may be based on new or existing research.
ELIGIBILITY	Health professionals and students, including the following: medical or nursing student, junior doctor, specialist, nurse, allied health professional. Any eligibility queries should be directed to the VAA Grants Committee, whose decision shall be final.
AMOUNT	\$2,000
PAYMENT	An initial instalment of 50% will be paid at the commencement of the project period and the remaining 50% will be paid upon approval of a Progress Report to be received 6 months after commencement. Approval will be granted by the VAA Grants Committee if sufficient progress has been made on the project based on the timeline outlined in the Research Plan.
CLOSING DATE	30 June 2022

## APPLICANT INFORMATION

APPLICANT NAME  
INSTITUTION  
HIGHEST DEGREE  
MAILING ADDRESS  
TELEPHONE  
EMAIL

## APPLICANT INSTRUCTIONS

The following are to be attached to this application form:

<b>Cover Letter</b>	The Cover Letter includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Brief description of the Applicant's career background and interest in vitiligo</li><li>- Outline of the importance of the project as it pertains to vitiligo</li><li>- Applicant's signature</li></ul>
<b>Abstract</b> (250 words or less)	The Project Abstract is a succinct description of the proposed work. It should be informative and understandable to non-scientific members of the vitiligo community.
<b>Research Plan</b> (750 words or less, not including references)	The Research Plan describes in detail the scope of the project including its scientific merit, achievability and relevance to vitiligo, and includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Aims and Hypotheses</li><li>- Background and Significance</li><li>- Design and Method</li><li>- Literature Cited (include full reference list)</li><li>- Timeline including estimation of Project Completion Time</li></ul>

**Budget**

The Budget includes the full cost of the proposed research project even if the VAA Research Grant will only provide for part of the full cost. The Budget describes in detail a break down of all direct and indirect costs needed to complete the project.

For the cost of personnel, the time allotted to the project as well as the hourly rate of pay is to be specified. Travel costs must be justified as being directly related to the process of performing the research.

**REPORTS****Progress Report**

A Progress Report must be submitted to the VAA Grants Committee 6 months following commencement of the project.

**Final Report**

A Final Report must be submitted at completion of the project and shall include the following: Executive Summary of the project; Objectives (and whether or not these changed during the project); Method, Results; Discussion; and Acknowledgements. The findings of the research need not be published prior to submission of the Final Report.

**VAA GRANT AGREEMENT**

BY SUBMITTING THIS APPLICATION THE APPLICANT AGREES:

1. To use this grant solely for the purposes of the research project as outlined in the research plan and the grant application budget.
2. To prepare a research paper suitable for publication in a peer-reviewed medical journal.
3. To return any unused funds to the VAA.
4. To acknowledge the support of the VAA in all publications, and oral, electronic and poster presentations arising from research funded by this grant.

**Submit this completed application via email to  
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