



AUSTRALIAN  
MELANOMA  
RESEARCH  
FOUNDATION

EST 2006  
ABN: 26 429 861 213

## 2026 Research Grants

The Australian Melanoma Research Foundation (AMRF) is a not-for-profit organisation with the mission to significantly contribute to the prevention of melanoma in Australia and to improve patient outcomes.

The AMRF will provide grants in 2026 to support approved research projects. The number of grants awarded will depend on the quality of the applications and the funds requested.

The AMRF will be highly selective in the research it supports. Any proposal to the Foundation for research funding will need to be contestable and show evidence of scientific merit and need within the national context.

AMRF will specifically focus on the support of the next generation of melanoma researchers in Australia by providing research grants to post-graduate students and early career researchers.

Support for a post-graduate student can be up to \$10,000.

Support for a next generation scientist can be up to \$20,000.

The aim of the AMRF's grants is to support high quality research that is not fully funded through other grant schemes or from other sources.

Although the proposed work will likely be part of an existing supported research program, the application to the AMRF should be for a stand-alone component of that existing project.

Applications for funding will be assessed against the following criteria:

- Publication history in melanoma (by the applicant and/or her/his supervisor)
- Evidence of scientific merit and clinical need within the national context
- Proposed dissemination of research findings
- Broader impact on education and awareness of melanoma
- Track record of researchers

Applications are expected to be original text prepared by the applicant. The use of generative AI in the description may influence the competitiveness of their application. Applicants are required to declare the use of AI software in the preparation of their application.

An external and independent Research Advisory group will assist the Foundation in its evaluation of research projects through advice on recent trends in the development of treatments for melanoma.

Research involving humans or animals must be approved by a relevant institutional research ethics committee and will be mandatory for ensuring funding. AMRF funds will be paid to institutions where the research is to be undertaken. Note AMRF grants are GST free.

AMRF funds are to be used for the **direct** costs of the research, and not used for institutional overheads, infrastructure (by direct cost or by levy) or other indirect costs. A research funding agreement between the recipient institution and the AMRF may be required.

Application for AMRF funds will follow a two-staged process. An initial Expression of Interest will be assessed by the Foundation against the criteria listed above, with full applications invited from short-listed applicants.

Completed Expressions of Interest (EOIs) should be no more than 2 pages in length. EOIs should be directed to the AMRF at [ceo@melanomaresearch.com.au](mailto:ceo@melanomaresearch.com.au) by close of business on the due date. Please use the EOIs form which can be downloaded from the AMRF website.

**Key dates 2026:**

- Expressions of Interest open: Monday 12 January 2026 and close: Thursday 30 April 2026
- Applicants will be notified on Monday 11 May 2026 if they are invited to submit a Full Application. The deadline for Full Applications is Monday 25 May 2026
- Successful Applicants notified on Monday 15 June 2026.

4 November 2025