Applications must be submitted through our online application portal by following the link at https://proposalcentral.com/ProposalGI.asp?SectionID=9274&ProposalID=-1. Applications will be accepted for projects to begin either February 1, 2022 or August 1, 2022. Applications received before 5 P.M. PACIFIC TIME ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2021 to be considered for the February project start date, while those received AFTER NOVEMBER 15, 2021 and BEFORE 5 P.M. PACIFIC TIME ON FRIDAY, APRIL 15, 2022 will be considered for the August start date.

- Application forms ask for general applicant, project, and institutional information. You will also be asked to identify whether you wish to be considered for a K-type bridge, or R-type bridge award.
- All other application materials (below) must be submitted via web pages or PDF upload on the “References and Supporting Attachments” page.
- As part of this application you will be asked to submit both the original research plan and resulting summary statement from an application that was submitted to NIH (or equivalent) for either a K- or R- award (or equivalent).
- The same PI may only apply to one NPF Research Grant mechanism per cycle.
- If you are resubmitting a previous application, you will have the opportunity to identify as a resubmission on the application form. It is required that you address reviewer comments from your previous submission in a cover letter.
- IRB/IACUC approval should be initiated prior to award date as to not delay the project start date.

You will have the ability to revisit your application multiple times before submitting and are encouraged to familiarize yourself with the on-line form before filling it in.

**Required Application Materials:**

**A. LAYMAN’S STATEMENT AND SUMMARY FIGURE**

Summarize the proposed research for a non-scientific audience in a written statement accompanied by one summary figure. The statement should describe the research question, the aims of the project, and the project’s significance. The layman’s statement must be different from the abstract and is weighted significantly by NPF’s Board of Directors when making its final funding recommendations. Keep in mind that the accompanying figure may be the only thing that leaves a lasting impression with the Board, so do your best to communicate the significance of your proposed research with simple diagram(s), image(s), and/or graph(s). **Layman’s statement must not exceed 1200 characters, including spaces, and must include one summary figure.** Please upload summary figure on the “References and Supporting Attachments” page.

**B. SCIENTIFIC ABSTRACT**

Summarize the proposed research for a scientific audience. Abstract must not exceed 2100 characters, including spaces.

**C. BUDGET PERIOD DETAIL**

Provide a detailed budget based on NIH budget categories. Each grant is limited to $50,000 for one year for K-type or $100,000 for one year for R-type Bridge. Indirect costs are not allowed. List all personnel to be included in the project and their anticipated support. Include a concise statement of how you propose to allocate funds (amount and for what purpose).

**References and Supporting Attachments:**

Please upload application materials on the References and Supporting Attachments application tab via the blue “Attach Files” button. You will then be able to select which file type you are uploading from the drop down menu. If you wish to
submit multiple documents for a single field (e.g. multiple letters of support) you must combine these documents into a single PDF for upload.

D. COVER LETTER

Provide a letter introducing your project, describing why you are interested in the NPF Bridge Grant program, and why the project being proposed will be of interest to the psoriatic disease patient community. Please specify which Bridge Grant Program you are applying to, K-Type, or R-Type, funding and address your specific need as it pertains to the program.

E. BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH(ES)

Use the NIH format to provide a biographical sketch of the proposal’s principal investigator, co-investigators, and other key personnel who will play a significant role on the project. Each biographical sketch must not exceed 5 pages.

F. LETTER(S) OF SUPPORT

Provide letters of support from collaborators or supporting people/facilities/resources who will contribute to the proposed research. If the applicant is a postdoctoral fellow (K-type), a letter of support from the applicant’s mentor must be provided. For newly appointed faculty, please include a letter of support from the Chair of your department.

G. RESEARCH PROPOSAL

Provide the original research plan submitted with your application to NIH (or equivalent). Research proposals must include discussion of specific aims, background and significance, preliminary data/studies, experimental design, and references.

H. SUMMARY STATEMENT (only for K-type or R-type)

Provide the complete summary statement provided following review of your application to NIH (or equivalent).

For more information on 2022 Bridge Grants, please visit: https://www.psoriasis.org/bridge-grants/.