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2010 JMNMF RESEARCH SCHOLAR AWARD INVITATIONS *January 15, 2010 Application Deadline*

In 2006, the Joanna M. Nicolay Melanoma Foundation (JMNMF) established the “JMNMF Research Scholar Award” to grow further interest and progress in melanoma research among graduate students and cancer research institutions. Expanded from one to four “Awards” in 2009, the goal of this funding award is to encourage the best and most promising graduate students to choose melanoma research as their professional career path. These “Awards” continue to grow interest in melanoma research at a grass roots level, at cancer institutes across the country. Applications are now being accepted for the 2010 program through the January 15, 2010 deadline.

The program was initially piloted with the Johns Hopkins Sidney Kimmel Cancer Center, in cooperation with Dr. Rhoda M. Alani. Following success at Johns Hopkins, the program was expanded nationally to solicit applications from any National Cancer Institute “Designated & Comprehensive Cancer Centers” conducting melanoma research involving graduate students. In 2009, the JMNMF was very pleased to award the following students and their institutions:

- Hsiang Ho, University of California, Irvine;
- Whei F. Moriarity, Johns Hopkins University – Sidney Kimmel Comprehensive Cancer Center;
- Janet Barry, H. Lee Moffett Cancer Center at the University of South Florida; and,
- Gao Zhang, The Wistar Institute at the University of Pennsylvania.

To be considered, application by qualified graduate student candidates should be submitted to include a brief description of their melanoma research program underway noting key objectives and expected outcomes, timelines and any other pertinent information.

The JMNMF has an esteemed Medical Advisory Board that will assist with the Award selection process. Further information is available by contacting JMNMF directly.

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