50 Years of Service to the Specialty

- Founders’ Vision: An organization of dermatologists supporting the growth of the specialty

- For five decades, the DF has identified and launched the careers of promising new teachers & investigators
  - 80% of CDA recipients have remained in academics
  - 86% of these have obtained federal funding

- $70 million allocated to research
  - 1,100 award recipients
  - Nearly 350 career development awardees
2015 Research Awards: $3.1 Million

- **Career Development Awards**
  - $55,000/year for 3 years
  - 45 awarded in 2015

- **Fellowships**
  - $30,000 - $45,000/year
  - 6 awarded in 2015

- **Grants**
  - $20,000/year
  - 6 awarded in 2015
Charles & Daneen Stiefel Scholar Award

$1M to further dermatologic research in autoimmune and/or connective tissue diseases

- $100,000/year for 3 years
- Early to mid-career investigator

2014 Recipient
John E. Harris, M.D., Ph.D.
Vitiligo

2015 Recipient
Aimee S. Payne, M.D., Ph.D.
Pemphigus vulgaris

2015 Recipient
Michael D. Rosenblum, M.D., Ph.D.
Alopecia Areata
2016 Research Award Applications

- There is still time! Deadline for applications is October 15th
- Every Dermatology Department is invited to submit applications each year
- 13 award categories spanning the full scope of dermatology
A Challenging Time for New Investigators

The inflation-adjusted decline in federal funding is a severe threat to continued progress

- The flat NIH budget has resulted in a 23% loss in purchasing power since 2003
- The cost of biomedical research has grown faster than other goods & services

Corporate support will continue to decline due to mergers & acquisitions

*The DF provides an opportunity for everyone to contribute—and support the future.*