



## **New CDA Member Benefit Helps Residents and Young Dermatologists Attend Key Conferences**

Ottawa, February 2, 2016 – The Canadian Dermatology Association (CDA) has obtained an unrestricted educational grant from Eli Lilly to help senior residents and early-practice dermatologists attend key international dermatologic congresses.

The Early Dermatology Research Scholarships, which will cover attendance expenses of up to \$2,500, are available to residents and dermatologists who have either reached PGY3 or higher in a recognized Canadian dermatology residency program or have been certified in dermatology in the last seven years. Applicants must also reside in Canada and be CDA members or associate members in good standing.

“We are continually looking for ways to add value to CDA membership, and we are pleased to be able to offer this opportunity to support the continuing education of residents and young dermatologists,” said Dr. Vince Bertucci, President of the CDA. “We are grateful to Eli Lilly for recognizing the importance of having a dermatologic profession in Canada that is at the cutting edge of global research and practice.”

The four congresses covered by this program are the following:

- The American Academy of Dermatology, March 4 to 8, 2016, Washington, DC
- The Society for Investigative Dermatology, May 11-14, 2016, Scottsdale, AZ
- 46<sup>th</sup> Annual European Society for Dermatological Research, September 6 to 10, 2016, Munich, Germany
- European Academy of Dermatology and Venerology, September 28 to October 2, 2016, Vienna, Austria

Each scholarship will be awarded on merit using a standardized scoring system administered independently by the CDA, with preference given to those who have an abstract or poster accepted for presentation. Should the number of qualified applicants exceed the number of available scholarships, a lottery system will be introduced for the highest ranked. Only one scholarship will be granted to a recipient in a given calendar year.

### **About the CDA**

The Canadian Dermatology Association, founded in 1925, represents Canadian dermatologists. The association provides easy access to the largest, most reliable source of medical knowledge on dermatology. CDA exists to advance the science and art of medicine and surgery related to the care of the skin, hair and nails; provide continuing professional development for its members; support and advance patient care; provide public education on sun protection and other aspects of skin health; and promote a lifetime of healthier skin, hair and nails. By doing so, CDA informs and empowers both medical professionals and the Canadian public.

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