



COSMETIC AND RECONSTRUCTIVE **EXPERTISE**
FOR YOUR *skin health and beauty*SM

ASDS BOARD-DIRECTED RESEARCH

What is ASDS Board-directed research?

ASDS has taken a proactive approach to positively affecting the future of our specialty in recommending research on strategic topics such as those listed below. By selecting a Board-directed topic to study, you can play an integral role in advancing our specialty.

For applications on Board-directed research topics, you will be required to indicate:

How the overall specialty of dermatologic surgery will benefit from the research results (e.g. positioning dermatologic surgeons as innovators and/or experts, supporting patient safety or regulatory positions).

ASDS reserves the right to unrestricted use of all data and results related to studies for which grant funding for Board-directed research topics are awarded.

2020 recommended research topics:

- Safety of cosmetic procedures based on physician vs. non-physician providers.
- Impact of physician oversight on the safety of cosmetic procedures.
- Impact of practitioner's level of credentials on the safety of cosmetic procedures.
- Substantiation of dermatologic surgeons' cost effectiveness and care in procedural dermatology.
- Impact of physician specialty on the safety of cosmetic procedures.
- Demonstration of patient satisfaction with dermatologic surgery care.
- Demonstration of patient satisfaction levels following treatments for skin cancer or cosmetic issues by dermatologists vs. other medical specialties.
- Demonstration of patient satisfaction with dermatologic surgeon care.
- Evidence-based outcomes of cancer cure/life span/quality of life in patients screened for skin cancer versus un-screened patients.
- Quality outcomes for different treatment modalities for skin cancer.
- Demonstration of patient satisfaction levels following treatments for skin cancer or cosmetic issues.
- Best practices in Mohs Surgery.
- Mohs surgery research study of data gaps in AUC.
- Quality outcomes comparing treatments for cosmetic concerns.
- Sunscreen utilization in school-aged children.
- Patient preference for being treated in an outpatient setting.
- The safety of cosmetic procedures as performed in accredited vs. non-accredited facilities.
- Determination of the primary users of the biopsy and excision codes.
- Cosmetic treatments for the health of the skin (i.e. skin cancer treatment or prevention).
- Data to support ABMS board certification.
- Study the negative impact and increased costs associated with non-physicians practice of dermatology.
- Study showing the lack of truth in advertising (i.e. PAs or NPs promoting themselves as a dermatologist).

- Safety of stem cells/fat transfer procedures in dermatology.
- Study demonstrating the safety of in-office drug dilution or compounding as recommended by USP/FDA/CDC.
- Data showing laser complications by non-physicians.
- Data showing chemical peel complications by non-physicians.