



International Foundation  
for Dermatology

IMPROVING DERMATOLOGICAL CARE OF PATIENTS  
IN UNDER-SERVED AREAS OF THE WORLD



**Thank you** for supporting the ILDS' International Foundation for Dermatology (IFD) in 2022.

The IFD supports the ILDS' vision to attain the best possible skin health for all people around the world, focusing on projects in underserved areas. It also prioritises initiatives addressing patients' unmet needs as well as ensuring impacts are sustainable in the long-term.

Your donations help us to improve access to dermatological care around the world.

### PLEASE SUPPORT OUR WORK!

We would greatly value your continued support in 2023. These are some of the things we are hoping to achieve with your generous donations.

- Provide up to \$50,000 for ILDS DermLink grants.
- Publish two issues of the CSH in Chinese, English, French and Spanish.
- Pair ten Mentees from Low to Middle-Income Countries with experienced global health dermatology expert Mentors as part of the GLODERM mentorship programme.
- Undertake a Migrant Health Dermatology Working Group field mission to Bekaa Valley, Lebanon, to provide dermatological care to Syrian refugees.
- Support existing partners and identifying new and innovative projects in low-resource countries.



More information about the work of the IFD can be found on our website [www.IFD.org](http://www.IFD.org) or scan the QR code.

If you have any questions or queries please contact [info@ILDS.org](mailto:info@ILDS.org)

# How did we spend charitable funds in 2022?



## RDTC

- Scholarships for nineteen students on the two-year Advanced Diploma in DermatoVenereology (ADDV) and support for twelve key personnel positions.
- A contribution towards the annual Continuing Medical Education (CME) Meeting for past and present students.
- Scholarships for six MMed Residents to complete dermatology training over four years and enable them to join the permanent faculty of the RDTC.
- Supported World Leprosy Day 2022 activities, including awareness workshops, talks and free skin consultations.
- Supporting the construction of a compounding unit that enables the RDTC to produce topical medication including corticosteroids, antifungals, antibiotics, and keratolytic.

## DermLink

The IFD provided DermLink grants to ten recipients worldwide, including Burundi, Fiji, Indonesia, and Madagascar. Projects included:

- Developing a national database and expanding healthcare services for people living with albinism (PWAs) in Burundi, including forming outreach clinics in rural areas.
- Establishing a South Pacific Dermatological Society in Fiji to improve regional training, collaboration, cooperation, and knowledge sharing.
- Raising awareness about the invisible human burden of skin diseases in Sumba, Indonesia, through a photography exhibition on leprosy and common neglected tropical skin diseases.
- Using therapeutic approaches to provide educational workshops on managing atopic dermatitis among patients and their families and deliver free dermatological care to underserved communities in Southern Madagascar.

Please read our [2022 DermLink announcement](#) to learn more about the ten projects funded.



## Community Skin Health Journal (CSH):

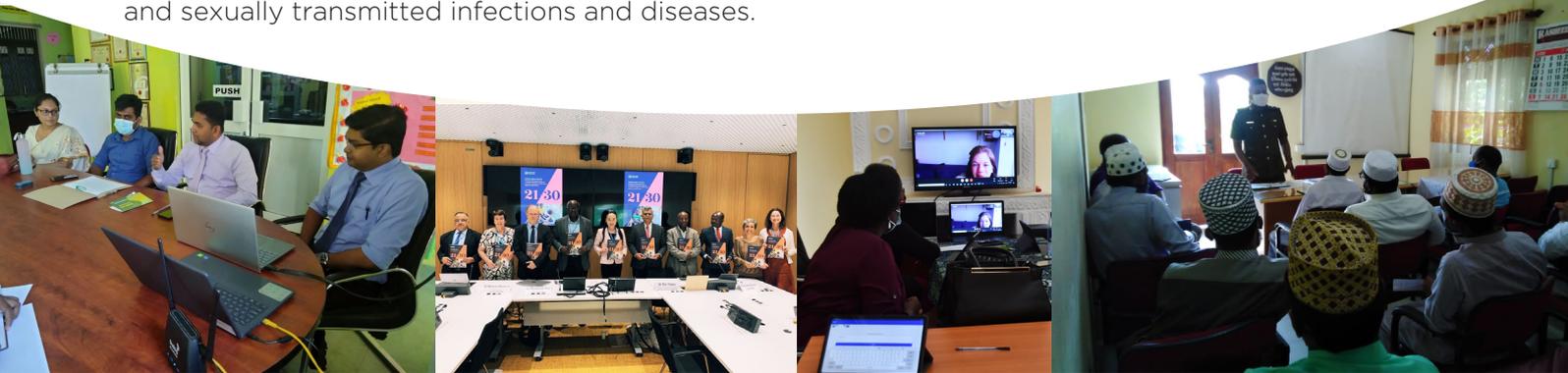
- In 2022, the IFD published two issues and distributed over 21,000 copies globally.
- Current and past issues are available in English, French, Spanish, and Simplified Chinese on our [website](#) or via the CSH [iOS/ android](#) app on phones and tablets.



## In-country support:

The IFD supports the delivery of dermatological care and training in underserved and low resources communities in several countries including Argentina, Cambodia, and Mexico. In 2022, we enabled our partners to undertake the following:

- Provide dermato-surgery training for 60 residents.
- Host a hybrid Continuing Medical Education (CME) Meeting for residents, nurses and young dermatologists, which local and international experts supported.
- Treat patients from underserved and low-resource communities, including indigenous and rural ones with limited access to care,
- Provide dermatological training for healthcare and community workers, ranging from common skin conditions to neglected tropical skin diseases and sexually transmitted infections and diseases.



## Strategic Innovation Grant (SIG) Programme:

In 2022, the IFD supported two dermato-surgery camps for ten clinicians in Malawi, where they received:

- Classroom training in dermato-surgery.
- On the job training assisting and operating on Persons living with Albinism (PWAs) with skin cancer lesions under the supervision of a highly experienced plastic surgeon, as well as the pre- and post-operative management of skin cancer patients.
- Ongoing support and mentoring through a digital platform, accessible to trainees during and after training.

**The IFD also supports the delivery of programmatic and educational activities for the GLODERM, NNN and Migrant Health networks.**

### Migrant Health Dermatology:

The IFD held its second Migrant Health Summit in Malta. Participants and speakers from across the globe, including Ethiopia, Indonesia, Nigeria, Greece, Malta, and Lebanon. It also included representatives from several Ministries of Health, the International Organization for Migration (IOM) and the World Health Organization (WHO). Please [read the Summit Report](#) to learn more.

### International Alliance for Global Health Dermatology (GLODERM):

- Launch of the GLODERM mentorship programme, which brought together seven Mentor-Mentee Pairs from all over the world to share knowledge and grow the skills needed for Mentees to become leaders. Please visit [GLODERM's website](#) to learn more.
- [GLODERM 2022 Educational Webinar Series](#) provides dermatology content across various topics. The webinars are aimed at trainees worldwide and are free to access [here](#).



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### Neglected Tropical Diseases NGO Network Skin Cross Cutting Group (NNNSCCG):

The NNNSCCG works closely with the World Health Organization (WHO) to improve the integration of Skin-NTDs in global health policy. In 2022, the WHO celebrated the launch of the Strategic Framework for Integrated Control of Skin-NTDs. You can [read the framework here](#).