Almirall, a global biopharmaceutical company focused on skin health, is seeking new collaboration opportunities to better understand key pathological mechanisms that can be applied to several skin diseases. Specifically, Almirall is looking for novel research proposals surrounding common pathological mechanisms and pathways, to better understand their potential application in dermatological conditions of interest. This call is open to scientists from all medical disciplines/areas, emphasising a holistic approach beyond dermatology alone.

**Approaches of Interest:**

- Diseases of interest include: Atopic dermatitis, Hidradenitis suppurativa, Chronic urticaria, Food allergy, Vitiligo, Alopecia, and Non-melanoma skin cancer
- Mechanisms and pathways related to diseases of other tissues (e.g. asthma) that could be relevant for the diseases listed above
- Pre-defined mechanisms of interest include: Novel pathways for epithelial (epidermal) repair, Targeting IgE glycosylation/sialylation, The role of type II immunity in tissue/stem cell homeostasis, Tissue immune privilege collapse. Immune activation driven by environment induced stress of epithelial cells, Inflammation induced by sweat/sebum, Mechanisms by which tissue environment controls type 2 T cell development/activation, Non-cytotoxic mechanisms for targeting/removing epithelial-associated cells

**Out of scope:**

- Pathways exclusive to dermatological conditions not listed above, including psoriasis
- Research focused solely on the generation of a novel experimental model

**Development Stages of Interest**

Submissions would ideally have preliminary data, however, novel research ideas are also in scope for this campaign.

**Submission Information**

Applicants should complete the application form which should contain a brief, non-confidential overview of your proposal, demonstrating how the RFP requirements are satisfied by your approach. Proposals should outline the resources required to solve the problem. To submit your proposal, please visit our website at discover.in-part.com, register, and submit your application form under the appropriate Discover campaign.

**Opportunity for Collaboration**

Almirall is looking to establish research collaborations. Successful proposals will be awarded up to €250,000 for research, as well as an opportunity to collaborate with the company’s experts in the field of skin health.