

SPRING 2023

BLACK IN ANATOMY

NEWSLETTER



UPDATES

Happy spring! In this newsletter, we are excited to share with you new community features and highlights from the Anatomy Connected 2023 Conference in Washington, DC.

IMPORTANT DATES

APRIL 28TH

The FASEB CARES Award
Deadline

MAY 24TH - 28TH

Human Anatomy and Physiology Society's
37th Annual Conference

NEW MEMBERSHIP FORM

Are you a student or professional in anatomy or an anatomy-related field? Do you have a passion for anatomy? Are you interested in volunteering with Black in Anatomy?

Apply to become a member of Black in Anatomy, Inc.! We have new membership categories and each member will be required to renew annually. We invite all members and volunteers to reaffirm their commitment to Black in Anatomy, Inc. for 2023 and complete our application.

[APPLY HERE](#)

RECENT SOCIAL MEDIA POSTS

October 24, 1904 - February 5, 1986
DR. M. WHARTON YOUNG
Professor of Neuroanatomy Howard University

Physician, **neuroanatomist**, activist, researcher and educator.

Studied the brain, deafness, the inner ear, baldness, and the mechanisms of explosion injuries.

Transverse section through the genu of the corpus callosum of the rabbit. Young MW. J Comp Neurol 1936; 65:226-261.

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Decolonizing the Body

CEREBRAL ARTERIAL CIRCLE

The cerebral arterial circle is a network of connected arteries that travel along the base of the brain.

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BLACK IN ANATOMY AT THE MUSEUM

All are invited!

Tuesday, March 28

11:45 am ET

Register Now!

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MEDICAL ILLUSTRATOR HIGHLIGHT

Faith Simunyu

Faith Simunyu is a Board Certified Medical Illustrator with a BA in Chemistry and a MS in Biomedical Visualization.

simunyubiomedvisuals.com

Check out the rest of this post to see Faith's work and learn about her path to medical illustration and her career.

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BLACK IN ANATOMY 2023 Membership

For graduate students, professionals, and volunteers!

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1 inch diameter

For members and supporters!

Available at Anatomy Connected 2023 and HAPS

Support for \$5

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WASHINGTON DC BLACK CLUTURE HIGHLIGHTS

Howard University

NMAAHC

MLK Jr. Memorial

African American Civil War Memorial

Black Lives Matter Plaza

Join us March 28 at 11:45 am

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BLACK IN ANATOMY AT THE MUSEUM NMAAHC Highlights

Anatomy, Art, and Advocacy

Join us on March 28 at 11:45 am

Tin for Madame C. J. Walker's Hair Grower Segregation Gallery

Portrait of Rachel Creelfield Slavery and Freedom Gallery

Dr. W. Montague Cobb Calipers Making a Way Gallery

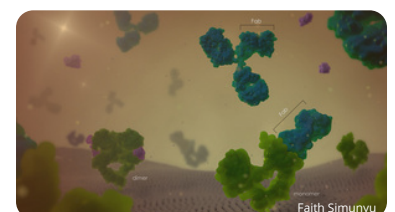
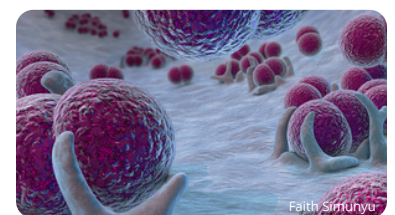
Tommie Smith 1968 Olympic warm up tracksuit Sports Gallery

@blackinatomy Images from NMAAHC, not to scale BLACK IN ANATOMY

ILLUSTRATOR FEATURE

FAITH SIMUNYU, MS, CMI

Faith is a Board Certified Medical Illustrator working as a Senior Biomedical Illustrator at Argot Partners where she creates effective science visuals for clients in the biotech and life sciences industries. Faith combines deep scientific knowledge and artistic principles to create 2D and 3D illustrations.



COMMUNITY UPDATES

ADEJOKE ELIZABETH MEMUDU, PHD



Dr. Adejoke Elizabeth Memudu published a paper on anabolic androgenic steroid toxicology in Toxicology Reports.

This manuscript is titled, "A study to demonstrate the potential of Anabolic Androgen Steroid to activate oxidative tissue damage, nephrotoxicity and decline endogenous antioxidant system in renal tissue of Adult Wistar Rats".

[Read it Here!](#)

MELISSA A. CARROLL, PHD



Dr. Melissa Carroll has been selected as an Associate editor for Anatomical Sciences Education. The journal highlights topics related to education in the anatomical sciences including gross anatomy, embryology, histology, and neurosciences at all education levels.

ERIN MARIE WILLIAM-HATALA, PHD



Dr. Erin Marie William-Hatala was featured on the podcast, "K(no)w Last Names", from Chatham University's Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee of the Sciences Science Department DEI Committee.

[Listen to it Here!](#)

COMMUNITY UPDATES

ALLISON NESBITT, PHD



Dr. Allison Nesbitt will be presenting a seminar at the Human Anatomy and Physiology Society's (HAPS) 37th Annual Conference on Friday May 26th from 10:45 AM – 11:45 AM.

Topic: Climate change and human phenotypic plasticity

Location: Update Seminar VI: Ballroom A (Upper Level)

Sponsored by the American Association for Anatomy

[Find the Schedule Here!](#)

BENEDICTA QUAYE MENSAH, PHD



Dr. Benedicta Quaye Mensah started a new position as Lecturer at the Lancaster Medical School in Lancaster, UK where she teaches anatomy and conducts cardiovascular research.

SEAN MCWATT, PHD



Dr. Sean McWatt was featured on the Body Banter Podcast with Tessa McWatt on an episode titled, "An Anatomy of Race and Belonging".

This episode touches on storytelling, the anatomy of racial identity, and a sense of belonging in a fractured world. Tessa McWatt is the author of "Shame on Me: An Anatomy of Race and Belonging" and Professor of Creative Writing at the University of East Anglia. Dr. McWatt is a Professor of Anatomy at Western University – and also Tessa's nephew!

[Listen to it Here!](#)

ANATOMY CONNECTED HIGHLIGHTS

The Black in Anatomy team joined anatomists from all over the world at the Anatomy Connected 2023 Meeting this past March in Washington, DC.



FRIDAY MARCH 24

START OF THE CONFERENCE



The first day of the conference launched on Friday March 24th. The conference started early for Drs. Raj Ettarh, Allison Nesbitt, Melissa Carroll, Segun Oyedele, and Tarimobo Otobo.

Dr. Allison Nesbitt, Dr. Olusegun Oyedele, and Dr. Tarimono Otobo were elected to serve on the Board of Directors of the American Association for Anatomy. They joined Dr. Ettarh (Secretary/Treasurer) and Dr. Carroll.

ANATOMY SCHOLARS PROGRAM



Pictured are Drs. Allison Nesbitt, Shaun Logan, Loydie Jerome-Majewska, and Melissa Carroll. Drs. Shaun Logan and Loydie Jerome-Majewska are co-Directors of the Anatomy Scholars Program, which launched its second cohort of scholars at the meeting.

WELCOME RECEPTION



Drs. Sean McWatt, Allison Nesbitt, Melissa Carroll, and Izuchukwu Okafor catch up at the Welcome Reception.



Dr. Izuchukwu Okafor, Dr. Smart Mbagwu, and Edem Edem outside the conference hotel after the reception.

SATURDAY MARCH 25

DAY 2 OF THE CONFERENCE



Dr. Smart Mbagwu, Lauren Wilson, and Dr. Rosemary Bassey attend a lunch to learn about training scientists as educators.



Dr. Rosemary Bassey, Dr. Kentse Mpolokeng, Dr. Diana Rigueur, Dr. Melissa Carroll, and Kerrie Lashley gather after the Networking Lunch & Learn.

MEET UPS



Long time friends Drs. Ann Nancy Etsey and Benedicta Quaye Mensah pose at the Step and Repeat banner.



Dr. Melissa Carroll, Breena Miller, and Tatyana Minafee from A.T. Still University School of Osteopathic Medicine in Arizona spontaneously meet!



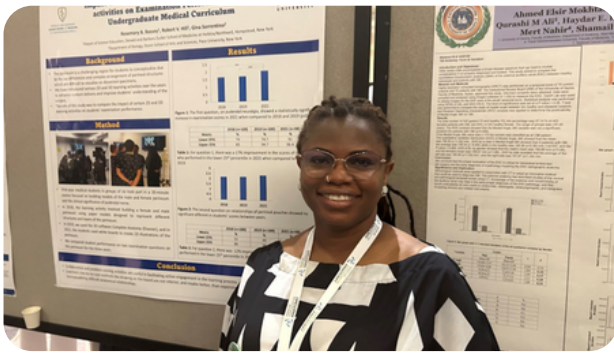
The Black in Anatomy Board of Directors connecting over dinner.

SATURDAY PRESENTATIONS

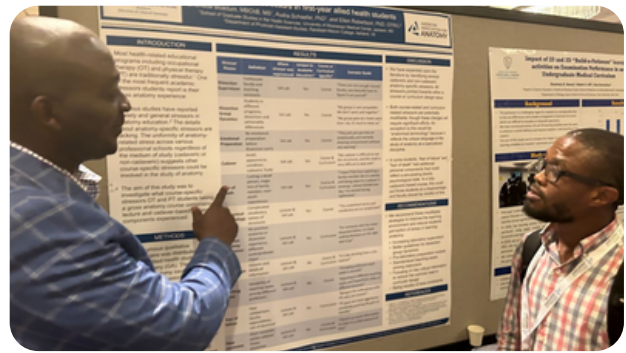


Dr. Madelyn Crowell co-chaired a session on Weight Stigma in Healthcare Education and Practice.

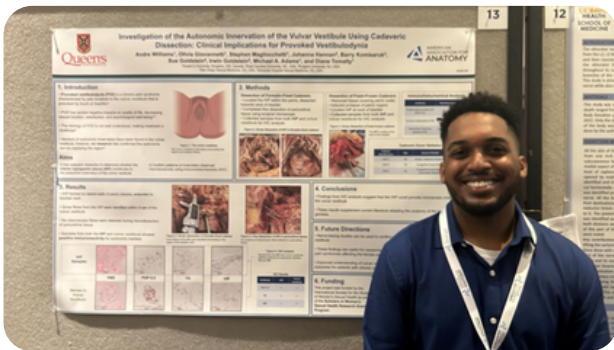
SATURDAY POSTERS



Dr. Rosemary Bassegy presents her "build-a-perineum" learning activity.



Dr. Oheneba Boadum and Dr. Smart Mbagwu discuss anatomy stressors.



Andre Williams presents his study of autonomic innervation of the vulva.



SUNDAY MARCH 26

DAY 3 OF THE CONFERENCE



Pictured are Drs. Allison Nesbitt, Melissa Carroll, and Victor Taylor II.



Deon Rosell and Dr. Melissa Carroll meet during a networking break.



Drs. Madelyn Crowell, Melissa Carroll, and Allison Nesbitt reconnect on Day 3 of the conference.



Pictured are Deon Rosell and Ian Mahone, dental students from Howard University College of Dentistry.

SUNDAY PRESENTATIONS

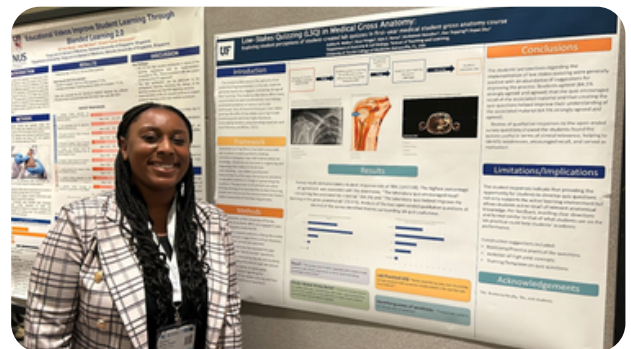


Dr. Melissa Carroll introduces Plenary Speaker: Dr. Lara A. Thompson, from the University of the District of Columbia.

Dr. Thompson is the first self-identified female of color to receive the 2022 Alan T. Waterman award that recognizes an outstanding young researcher in any field of science or engineering supported by the U.S. National Science Foundation.



Sidney Ison presents her poster on anatomy lab speed reviews.

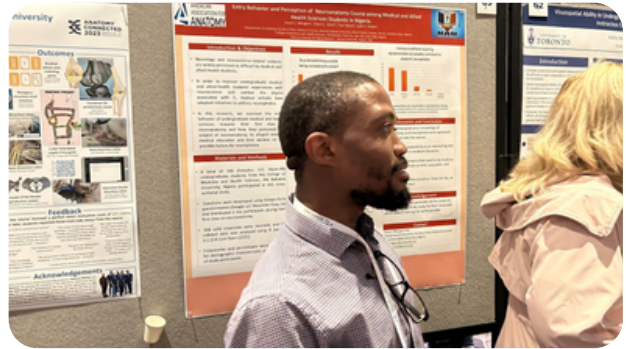


Ashley Walker presents her poster on low-stakes quizzes.

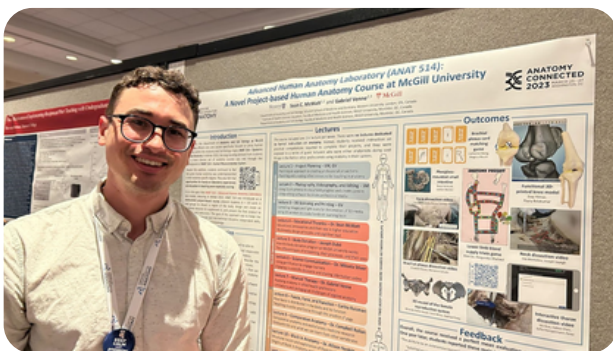
MORE POSTERS



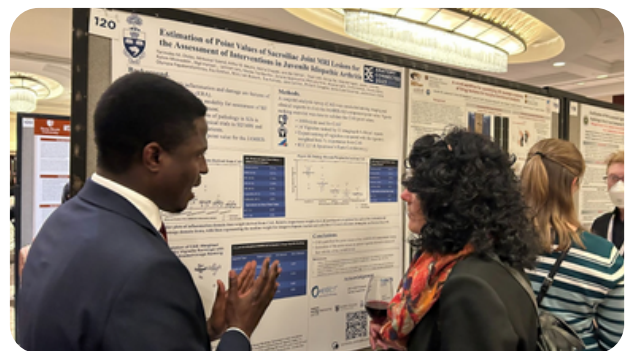
Ian Mahone presents his poster on the auditory region of seal skulls.



Dr. Smart Mbagwu discusses his neuroanatomy course.



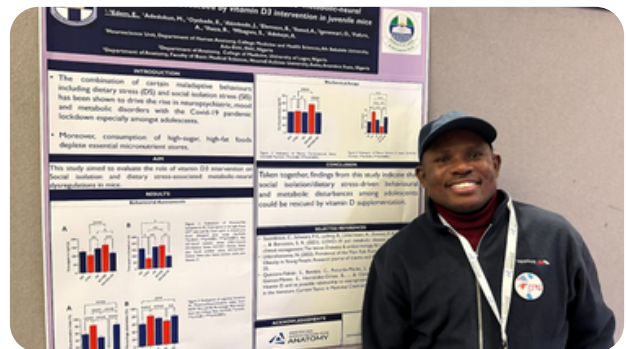
Dr. Sean McWatt presents his innovative project-based course.



Dr. Tarimobo Otoho discusses juvenile arthritis with Dr. Kimberly Topp.



Dean Rosell explains the hearing apparatus of seals.

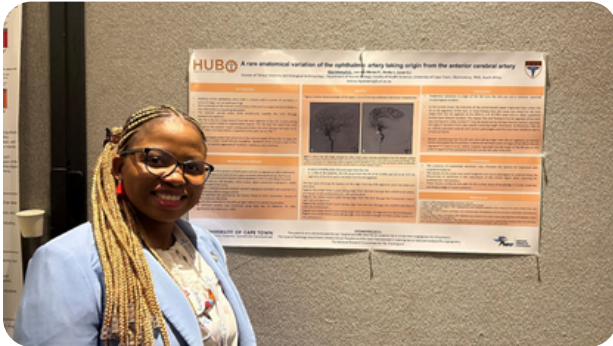


Edem Edem presents research on social isolation and dietary stress.

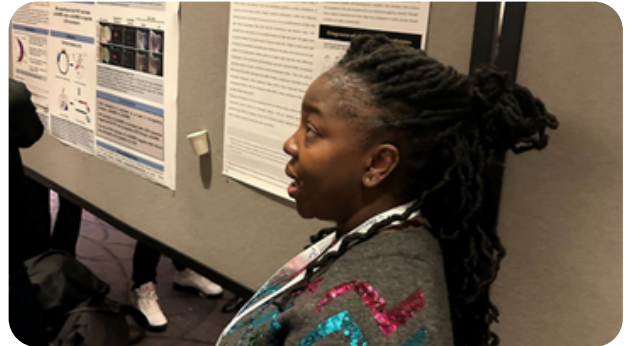


Dr. Izuchukwu Okafor discuss pre-dissection interventions.

MONDAY PRESENTATIONS



Dr. Kentse Mpolokeng presents about an ophthalmic artery variation.



Dr. Benedicta Quaye Mensah discusses body shape and hormones.

CLOSING AWARDS CEREMONY DINNER



Drs. Allison Nesbitt, Diana Rigueur, Shaun Logan, Titus Reaves, and Melissa Carroll before the Closing Award Ceremony Dinner.



Edem Edem was awarded a American Association for Anatomy Building Community Scholarship to attend and present at the Annual Meeting.



Drs. Allison Nesbitt, Melissa Carroll, and Tarimobo Otobo join new Fellows Drs. Loydie Jerome-Majewska and Lisa Taneyhill.



Drs. Allison Nesbitt and Habiba Chirchir with Building Community Scholarship winner, Edem Edem.



Dr. Loydie Jerome-Majewska was named a Fellow of the American Association for Anatomy for her demonstrated excellence in and contributions to the anatomical sciences.

TUESDAY MARCH 28

BLACK IN ANATOMY AT THE MUSEUM

On Tuesday March 28th, Black in Anatomy hosted a visit to the Smithsonian National Museum of African American History and Culture.



NEW #BLACKINANATOMYMERCH



Black in Anatomy debuted new United with Black in Anatomy enamel pins at Anatomy Connected 2023 for Black in Anatomy members and supporters.

The pins will also be available in person at the Human Anatomy and Physiology Society's 37th Annual Conference in May. Proceeds support the mission of Black in Anatomy.

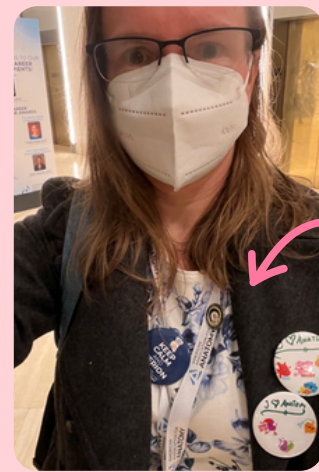
SPOT OUR NEW MERCH IN ACTION!



Dr. Aidan Ruth
(at FoveaCapitis)



Dr. Janine Ziermann
(from at JMZiermann)



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