



# Black in Cancer Conference 2024



## Meeting Agenda

DAY 1 | Thursday, June 20, 2024

- 7:30–8:30am**      **Event Check-in/Breakfast/Workshop/Table Set-up**
- 8:30–8:45am**      **Opening Remarks**  
**Sigourney Bonner, Ph.D.**, Black in Cancer
- 8:45–9:00am**      **Welcome Address**  
**Doug R. Lowy, M.D.**, National Cancer Institute (NCI)
- 9:00–9:45am**      **Keynote Address**  
**John Carpten, Ph.D.**, City of Hope
- 9:45–10:00am**      **Break**
- 10:00–10:45am**      **What Does Black in Cancer Mean to You?**  
Moderator: **Kaylin Carey, M.S.**, Morehouse School of Medicine  
**Kimberly Jeffries Leonard, Ph.D.**, Envision Consulting  
**Ethan Dmitrovsky, M.D.**, Frederick National Laboratory for Cancer Research  
**Clayton Yates, Ph.D.**, Johns Hopkins University
- 10:50–11:35am**      **Mentorship in Motion**  
Moderator: **Mamadou Bah**, Black in Cancer  
**Lucile Adams–Campbell, Ph.D.**, Georgetown University  
**Carla Williams, Ph.D.**, Howard University Cancer Center  
**Madison Moore, Ph.D.**, MD Anderson Cancer Center
- 11:50am–12:50pm**      **Breakout Lunches**  
**Black in Cancer** (Rooms A/B)  
**Collaboration Lounge** (Room C)  
**American Cancer Society** (Room E1/E2)  
**National Cancer Institute** (F1/F2)  
**Frederick National Laboratory for Cancer Research** (Room G)
- 1:00–1:15pm**      **Lightning Rounds: Postdocs**  
**Mike Oliphant, Ph.D.**, Harvard University  
**Diandra Vaval Taylor, Ph.D.**, University of Illinois Chicago
- 1:15–2:40pm**      **Scientific Seminars: Cancer Drug Delivery**  
**Jelani Zarif, Ph.D.**, Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine  
**Emmanuel Akala, R.Ph., PhD**, Howard University  
**Sadhana Jackson, M.D.**, Center for Cancer Research, NCI  
**Paula Hammond, Ph.D.**, Massachusetts Institute of Technology Koch Institute
- 2:40–2:50pm**      **Break**



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**2:50–3:50pm**

### Scientific Seminars: Cell & Molecular Biology

**Cornelius Taabazuuing, Ph.D.**, University of Pennsylvania

**Whitney Henry, Ph.D.**, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

**Kandice Tanner, Ph.D.**, Center for Cancer Research, NCI

**4:00–4:45pm**

### Pathway Programs

Moderator: **Chanelle Case Borden, Ph.D.**, Center for Cancer Training, NCI

**Ellie Daniels, M.D., M.P.H.**, American Cancer Society

**Erica Bozeman, Ph.D.**, Johnson & Johnson

**Willie May, Ph.D.**, Morgan State University

**4:45–4:55pm**

### BIC Partner Highlight: Food & Drug Administration

**Laronna S. Colbert, M.D.**, U.S. Food & Drug Administration

**4:55–5:00pm**

### Closing Remarks & Acknowledgements

**Chad Womack, Ph.D.**, United Negro College Fund

**5:00–6:00pm**

### Reception/Posters

## DAY 1: BICC Breakout Lunches (11:50AM – 12:50PM)

Room/Sticker Color	Session Titles	Breakout Lunch Host
<b>A/B</b>	From Lab Coat to Launchpad: Unveiling Careers in Cancer Research & Medicine	Black in Cancer
<b>C</b>	Collaboration Lounge	Open Networking
<b>E</b>	American Cancer Society: Grant Mechanisms and Funding Opportunities	American Cancer Society
<b>F</b>	NCI Networking Lunch	National Cancer Institute
<b>G</b>	Connect with FNL Human Resources	Frederick National Laboratory for Cancer Research



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DAY 2 | Friday, June 21, 2024

- 7:30–8:30am**      **Event Check-in/Breakfast/Workshop**
- 8:30–9:00am**      **Opening Remarks**  
**Otis Brawley, M.D.**, Johns Hopkins University
- 9:00–9:15am**      **Welcome Address**  
**Kimryn Rathmell, M.D., Ph.D.**, National Cancer Institute
- 9:15–10:00am**      **Keynote Address**  
**Melissa B. Davis, Ph.D.**, Morehouse School of Medicine
- 10:00–10:15am**      **Break**
- 10:15–11:35am**      **Scientific Seminars: The Future of Black Cancer Care**  
**Ricki Fairley**, TOUCH, The Black Breast Cancer Alliance  
**Jim Cherry, Ph.D.**, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases  
**Kirk Taylor, M.D.**, Brainstorm Cell Therapeutics  
**Barry Gause, M.D.**, Frederick National Laboratory for Cancer Research  
**Robert Winn, M.D.**, Virginia Commonwealth University
- 11:35am–11:40am**      **BiC Conference Sponsor Acknowledgements**  
**Eshaddai White, Ph.D.**, Black in Cancer
- 11:50am–12:50pm**      **Breakout Lunches**  
**Black in Cancer** (Rooms A/B)  
**Collaboration Lounge** (Room C)  
**Fred Hutchinson Cancer Center** (Room E1/E2)  
**National Cancer Institute** (Room F1/F2)  
**Frederick National Laboratory for Cancer Research** (Room G)
- 1:00–2:10pm**      **Scientific Seminars: Biobehavioral Intervention**  
Moderator: **Sherry Hughes**, Cincinnati Cancer Advisors  
**Tiffany Carson, Ph.D., M.P.H.**, Moffitt Cancer Center  
**Monica Baskin, Ph.D.**, University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine Hillman Cancer Center  
**Taofeek Owonikoko, M.D., Ph.D.**, University of Maryland Greenebaum Comprehensive Cancer Center
- 2:10–2:15pm**      **Break**
- 2:15–3:40pm**      **Scientific Seminars: Diversity in Clinical Trials**  
Moderator: **Charles Rogers, Ph.D., M.P.H.**, Colorectal Cancer Equity Foundation  
**Jasmine McDonald, Ph.D.**, Columbia University Mailman School of Public Health  
**Augusto Ochoa, M.D.**, Louisiana State University  
**Kemi Williams, M.P.H.**, AstraZeneca  
**LeeAnn Bailey, M.D., Ph.D.**, Center to Reduce Cancer Health Disparities, NCI



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**3:40–3:55pm**

**Break**

**3:55–4:45pm**

**Outreach and Education as a Tool for Health Equity**

Moderator: **Henry Henderson, Ph.D.**, Black in Cancer

**Emmanuel Perrodin-Njoku**, Gallaudet University

**Tshaka Cunningham, Ph.D.**, Polaris Genomics

**James W. Lillard, Jr., Ph.D., M.B.A.**, Morehouse School of Medicine

**4:50–5:15pm**

**Ph.D. Pitches**

Moderator: **Julia Morris, Ph.D.**, Black in Cancer

**Shamara Lawrence**, Pennsylvania State University College of Medicine

**Tayla Brooks**, Mayo Clinic Rochester

**Wisdom Kate**, University of Alberta

**Sephora Jean**, Oregon Health & Science University

**5:15–5:20pm**

**New Postdoc Awards Announced**

**James Mahaffey, Ph.D.**, Emerald Foundation

**5:20–5:30pm**

**Closing Remarks**

**Ethan Dmitrovsky, M.D.**, Frederick National Laboratory for Cancer Research

**Iain Foulkes, Ph.D.**, Cancer Research UK

### DAY 2: BICC Breakout Lunches (11:50AM - 12:50PM)

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<b>A/B</b>	<b>Industry Pathways in Cancer Research and Medicine: Building Your Career Beyond</b>	<b>Black in Cancer</b>
<b>C</b>	<b>Collaboration Lounge</b>	<b>Open Networking</b>
<b>E</b>	<b>Fred Hutch: Career development in academia against the pressure of minority tax</b>	<b>Fred Hutch</b>
<b>F</b>	<b>NCI Networking Lunch</b>	<b>National Cancer Institute</b>
<b>G</b>	<b>How to Leverage FNL Capabilities</b>	<b>Frederick National Laboratory for Cancer Research</b>