

21st ANNUAL

NORMAN R. SEAY ACADEMIC LECTURE

Measures to Achieve Equity in Alzheimer's Disease Research

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2026

12:00 - 1:00 PM

Eric P. Newman Education Center

320 S. Euclid Ave.
Seminar Room B
St. Louis, MO 63110

*An academic lecture about
Alzheimer disease, research
equity, trust and participation.*

PROGRAM

- 1 Welcome & Opening Remarks**
David M. Holtzman, MD
*Professor of Neurology
Director, Knight ADRC*
- 2 Honoring the Legacy of Norman R. Seay**
John C. Morris, MD (via video)
*Friedman Distinguished Professor of Neurology
Co-Director, Knight ADRC*
- 3 Introduction of the Featured Lecturer**
David M. Holtzman, MD
- 4 Featured Lecture**
Renā A. S. Robinson, PhD
Measures to Achieve Equity in Alzheimer's Disease Research



ABOUT THE NORMAN R. SEAY LECTURE

The Seay Lecture honors the life and legacy of Norman R. Seay (February 18, 1932-September 17, 2019), a civil rights leader, inaugural chair and later chair emeritus of the Knight ADRC African American Advisory Board. His legacy of leadership, advocacy and community engagement continues to inspire the work of the Knight ADRC.

PAST NORMAN R. SEAY LECTURERS

2006 Jennifer Manly, PhD	2016 Donna Masterman, MD, MS
2007 Peggy Dilworth-Anderson, PhD	2017 Monique Williams, MD, MSCI
2008 James S. Jackson, PhD*	2018 Joyce Balls-Berry, PhD, MPE
2009 Orien Reid, MSW*	2019 Carl Hill, PhD, MPH
2010 Lisa Barnes, PhD	2020 Crystal Glover, PhD
2011 Patrick Griffith, MD	2021 Jeffrey McClean II, MD, FAAN, Lieutenant Colonel
2012 Taylor Harden, PhD	2022 Raegan W. Durant, MD, MPH
2013 Consuelo Wilkins, MD, MSCI	2023 Angela M. Hill, PharmD, CRPH
2014 Goldie Byrd, PhD	2024 Robert W. Turner II, PhD
2015 Richard D. King, PhD	

**Deceased*

2025 - 20TH ANNIVERSARY PROGRAM

Honoring Legacy. Accelerating Progress.

Past Lecturer Video Reflections

Consuelo H. Wilkins, MD, MSCI
Robert W. Turner II, PhD
Crystal M. Glover, PhD

Roundtable Discussion

John C. Morris, MD
Joyce E. Balls-Berry, PhD, MPE
Dorothy P. McDowell, MA

2026 SEAY LECTURE**FEATURED LECTURER****Renã A. S. Robinson, PhD****PROFESSOR OF CHEMISTRY | VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY
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Dr. Renã A. S. Robinson is Professor of Chemistry at Vanderbilt University and inaugural Dorothy J. Wingfield Phillips Chair. She earned her B.S. in Chemistry with a concentration in Business from the University of Louisville and her Ph.D. in Analytical Chemistry from Indiana University. After postdoctoral training at the University of Kentucky, her work increasingly focused on neurodegenerative disorders, including Alzheimer's disease, and she received a UNCF/Merck Postdoctoral Fellowship.

She joined the University of Pittsburgh as Assistant Professor of Chemistry in 2009 and moved to Vanderbilt in 2017. Dr. Robinson is Principal Investigator of RASR Laboratory, Faculty Head of Murray House, and a member of the Vanderbilt Institute for Chemical Biology, Vanderbilt Brain Institute, and Vanderbilt Memory & Alzheimer's Center. Her internationally recognized research uses proteomics and lipidomics to study aging and Alzheimer's disease and to advance technologies that promote health equity.

Dr. Robinson is a Past President of NOBCCChE (National Organization for the Professional Advancement of Black Chemists and Chemical Engineers), serving as the 14th President from 2021-2023. She is currently Co-Director of the Faculty ACCESS Program and serves on the Advisory Board for the US Human Proteome Organization.

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