



*Lighting the Spark for Pathways to Greatness for Black People in
SEM*

A Workshop

December 11, 2023 – 10:00 AM– 4:00 PM ET

[Register](#)

10:00 AM – 10:20 AM Opening Remarks and Introductions

Cato T. Laurencin, MD, PhD – Chair of the Roundtable on Black Men and Black Women in Science, Engineering, and Medicine

L.D. Britt, MD, Co-Chair of the Planning Committee – Eastern Virginia Medical School

Lamont Terrell, PhD, Co-Chair of Planning Committee – GSK plc

Keynote

10:20 AM– 10:45 AM

L.D. Britt, MD, MPH, D.Sc. (Hon), FACS, FCCM, FRCSEng (Hon), FRCSEd (Hon), FWACS (Hon), FRCSI (Hon), FCS(SA) (Hon)
– Henry Ford Professor of Surgery and Edward J. Brickhouse Chair of Surgery,
Eastern Virginia Medical School

**SESSION I:
DIAGNOSING THE COMPONENTS OF EXCELLENCE IN MEDICINE**

10:45 AM– 11:50 AM

Moderator: **Co-Chairs**

Panelists:

- **Wayne Frederick, MD** – Howard University
- **Henri Ford, MD, MHA** – University of Miami
- **Carla Pugh, MD, PhD** – Stanford University
- **Paris Butler, MD, MPH, FACS** – Yale School of Medicine

11:50 AM – 11:55 AM Break

**SESSION II:
BUILDING THE NEXT GENERATION OF LEADERS IN ENGINEERING**

11:55 AM – 1:00 PM

Moderator: **Co-Chairs**

Panelists:

- **Wesley L. Harris, PhD** – Massachusetts Institute of Technology
- **Asmeret Asefaw Berhe, PhD** – Department of Energy

1:00 PM – 1:20 PM Break

**SESSION III:
IGNITING SUCCESS IN THE SCIENCES**

1:20 PM – 2:30 PM

Moderator: **Co-Chairs**

Panelists:

- **Squire J. Booker, PhD** – Pennsylvania State University
- **Talitha Washington, PhD** – Atlanta University Center Data Science Initiative

2:30 PM – 2:40 PM Break

SESSION IV:

INSPIRING THE NEXT GENERATION OF BLACK SEM LEADERS

2:40 PM – 3:50 PM

Moderator: **Co-Chairs**

Panelists:

- **Elisabeth Valerio** – Scientist Mentoring and Diversity Program
- **Milton L. Brown, MD, PhD, FNAI**– Eastern Virginia Medical School
- **Michel Reid** – GSK plc

CLOSING REFLECTIONS

3:50 PM – 4:00 PM

Final Thoughts:

L.D. Britt, MD, Co-Chair of the Planning Committee – Eastern Virginia Medical School

Lamont Terrell, PhD, Co-Chair of Planning Committee – GSK plc

4:00 PM Workshop Adjourns