2026 BIRCWH ANNUAL MEETING

NIH Main Campus
Natcher Conference Center (Building 45)
Ruth L. Kirschstein Auditorium

Friday, December 4, 2026
8 a.m.–5 p.m. EST

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ABOUT BIRCWH

Created by ORWH, the Building Interdisciplinary Research Careers in Women's Health (BIRCWH, pronounced "birch") program is ORWH's flagship mentored career-development initiative, connecting junior faculty – known as BIRCWH Scholars – with senior faculty who share a commitment to women's health and sex differences research. Since 2000, more than 890 junior faculty have participated in BIRCWH career development training through ORWH and its partners among the NIH Institutes and Centers (ICs). Twenty-five BIRCWH programs are currently active – the largest national network in the program's history, and a net gain of six sites since 2024.

BIRCWH remains a NIH-wide collaborative effort, with current and past co-sponsors including NICHD, NCI, NIA, NIAAA, NIAID, NIAMS, NIDA, NIDCR, NIEHS, NIMH, and OAR. ORWH serves as the NIH lead for the program and works with NIAMS and NIDA on grant management for the awards. To be eligible, junior faculty – men and women – must have recently completed clinical training or a postdoctoral fellowship and plan to conduct interdisciplinary research relevant to women's health. Most BIRCWH Scholars go on to obtain independent NIH grant funding following their participation.

An independent evaluation by Ripple Effect (final report, February 2026) confirmed the program's lasting impact: 89% of BIRCWH alumni remain active in research, 90% currently work in academia, and 70% now hold leadership roles. That impact continues to grow alongside the program's reach. In June 2025, BIRCWH launched the NIH–VA Scholars Program, a partnership with the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs that has been warmly received by the BIRCWH community. Its inaugural cohort of four Scholars was matched to BIRCWH sites, onboarded in March 2026, and fully integrated into the program, with each Scholar submitting an abstract to this year's meeting. The program remains on schedule to onboard its second NIH–VA cohort in March 2027.

In 2026, BIRCWH also launched its first-ever national Steering Committee, with two representatives from each of the program's five regions, charged with promoting cross-institutional collaboration, expanding presentation opportunities for Scholars, and supporting shared career development tools across the network. Alongside this new governance structure, the program formally instituted BIRCWH Regional Meetings as a standing part of the BIRCWH framework. Smaller, local meetings have taken place informally in the past, and having seen their value firsthand, ORWH has now built them into the program on a permanent basis, with each region required to hold an annual regional meeting to strengthen community and networking among Scholars and sites, bring local perspectives more fully into the program, and create new presentation opportunities for Scholars.

This growth has been made possible, in part, by strong institutional and congressional support. BIRCWH received a historic high of 23 institutional applications in its most recent review cycle, a reflection of the program's growing visibility, and in FY 2026 the Senate Appropriations Committee advanced a bill allocating an additional $10 million specifically for BIRCWH – on top of the funding ORWH and the NIH ICs already contribute each year. It was this influx of funding that made possible the program's significant expansion in 2026, both in the addition of new sites and in the onboarding of additional Scholars at sites already established within the network.

As BIRCWH looks ahead, the program remains committed to building on this momentum. Having already established a foothold in 4 of the 23 NIH IDeA states (Louisiana, Kentucky, South Carolina, and Rhode Island), BIRCWH sees meaningful opportunity to expand its presence further into these states, bringing critical research infrastructure for women's health research to new communities and drawing on the distinct regional perspectives these areas offer. Together with the Steering Committee, the NIH–VA partnership, and the newly formalized Regional Meetings, this expanding foundation positions BIRCWH to carry its mission of advancing women's health research, mentorship, and interdisciplinary collaboration forward into the years ahead

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8:00–9:00 a.m.	**Registration and Networking**	**Lower Level**
9:00–10:30 a.m.	**BIRCWH Abstracts/Posters Discussion and Networking**	**Atrium**
10:30 –10:45 a.m.	**15-MINUTE BREAK**	
10:45–10:50 a.m.	**Introduction of the 2026 BIRCWH Scholars** • Marquitta White, M.S., Ph.D. *BIRCWH Program Officer, ORWH*	**Auditorium**
10:50 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.	**2026 BIRCWH Scholars — Podium Presentations**	**Auditorium**
	The Mesometrium is a Functionally and Molecularly Distinct Origin Site for Uterine Contractions in Pregnant Mice • **David J. Combs**, M.D., Ph.D. (Brigham and Women's Hospital, Harvard Medical School) • **PIs:** Jill Goldstein, Ph.D.; Kathryn Rexrode, M.D., M.P.H.	
	Maternal Adverse Childhood Experiences and Maternal Glucocorticoids During Pregnancy: Differences by Fetal Sex • **Catherine H. Demers**, Ph.D. (University of Colorado Anschutz) • **PIs:** Judy Regensteiner, Ph.D.; Nanette Santoro, M.D.	
	Modeling Ebola Virus-Induced Dysfunction at the Human Chorio-Decidual Interface • **Courtney Woolsey**, Ph.D. (University of Texas Medical Branch) PI: Abbey Berenson, M.D., Ph.D.	
12:15 – 1:15 p.m.	**LUNCH BREAK**	
1:15 – 2:00 p.m.	**BIRCWH Scholars and ICO Mentors Meet-and-Greet**	**Room A/B**
12:30 – 2:00 p.m.	**Closed Executive PI Session** • BIRCWH PI Photograph immediately after the meeting	**Room E**
2:00 – 2:10 p.m.	**10-MINUTE BREAK**	

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2:10 – 2:20 p.m.	**Welcome from ORWH** • Xenia T. Tigno, Ph.D. *Associate Director for Careers, ORWH* • Janine Austin Clayton, M.D., FARVO *NIH Associate Director for Women's Health Research* *Director, Office of Research on Women's Health (ORWH)*	**Auditorium**
2:20 p.m.	**Introduction of Keynote Speaker** • Janine Austin Clayton, M.D., FARVO	**Auditorium**
2:20 – 3:05 p.m.	**Keynote Address: Ruth L. Kirschstein Memorial Lectureship** • Nancy E. Lane, M.D. *Endowed Professor of Medicine, Rheumatology, and Aging Research;* *Director for the Center for Musculoskeletal Health at U.C. Davis School of Medicine*	**Auditorium**
3:05 – 3:20 p.m.	**15-MINUTE BREAK**	
3:20–3:55 p.m.	**Veterans Affairs Career Development (K) Awards and VA-BIRCWH Program Overview** • John J. Fraser, DPT, Ph.D., FACSM *Scientific Program Manager, Office of Research & Development,* *Department of Veterans Affairs* • Carol B. Fowler, Ph.D. *Health Science Officer, Office of Research & Development,* *Department of Veterans Affairs*	**Auditorium**
3:55 – 4:10 p.m.	**15-MINUTE BREAK**	
4:10 p.m.	**Introduction of Keynote Speaker** • Xenia T. Tigno, Ph.D.	**Auditorium**
4:10 – 4:55 p.m.	**Legacy of Leadership Lectureship** • Susan Margulies, Ph.D. *Vice Provost for Research and Innovation, Vanderbilt University*	**Auditorium**
4:55 – 5:00 p.m.	**Closing Remarks for Plenary Session** • Marquitta White, Ph.D.	**Auditorium**
5:00 p.m.	**Meeting Adjourned**	

BIOGRAPHIES



Janine Austin Clayton, M.D., FARVO

- *Associate Director for Research on Women's Health*
- *Director, ORWH*

Janine Austin Clayton, M.D., FARVO, was appointed Associate Director for Research on Women's Health and Director of ORWH in 2012. Dr. Clayton has strengthened NIH support for research on diseases, disorders, and conditions that affect women. She is the architect of the NIH policy requiring scientists to consider sex as a biological variable across the research spectrum, a part of NIH's initiative to enhance reproducibility, rigor, and transparency. As co-chair of the NIH Working Group on Women in Biomedical Careers with the NIH Director, Dr. Clayton also leads NIH's efforts to advance women in science careers. In 2021, Dr. Clayton was elected to the Board of Directors of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

Dr. Clayton was previously the Deputy Clinical Director of the National Eye Institute (NEI). A board-certified ophthalmologist, her research interests include autoimmune ocular diseases and the role of sex in health and disease. Dr. Clayton has a particular interest in ocular surface disease and discovered a novel form of disease associated with premature ovarian insufficiency that affects young women, setting the stage for her commitment to rigorous, thoughtful exploration of the role of sex in health and disease. She is the author of more than 120 scientific publications, journal articles, and book chapters. Her clinical research has ranged from randomized controlled trials of novel therapies for immune-mediated ocular diseases to studies of the development of digital imaging techniques for the anterior segment.

Dr. Clayton, a native Washingtonian, received her undergraduate degree with honors from Johns Hopkins University and her medical degree from Howard University College of Medicine. She completed a residency in ophthalmology at the Medical College of Virginia. Dr. Clayton completed fellowship training in cornea and external disease at the Wilmer Eye Institute at Johns Hopkins Hospital and in uveitis and ocular immunology at NEI.

Dr. Clayton has received several awards and has been recognized as a leader by her peers. She received the Senior Achievement Award from the Board of Trustees of the American Academy of Ophthalmology in 2008, was selected as a 2010 Silver Fellow by the Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology and won the European Uveitis Patient Interest Association Clinical Uveitis Research Award in 2010. In 2015, she received the American Medical Women's Association Lila A. Wallis Women's Health Award and the Wenger Award for Excellence in Public Service. In 2016, she was granted the Bernadine Healy Award for Visionary Leadership in Women's Health. She was also selected as an honoree for the Woman's Day Red Dress Awards and the American Medical Association's Dr. Nathan Davis Awards for Outstanding Government Service in 2017.

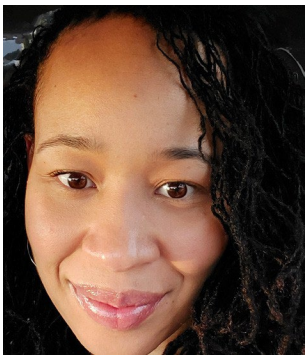


Xenia T. Tigno, M.S. (Epi), M.S. (Physio), Ph.D.

- *Associate Director for Careers, ORWH, NIH*

Xenia T. Tigno, Ph.D., is the Associate Director for Careers at ORWH. Prior to her current position, she was a Program Officer at the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute and the National Institute for Nursing Research. Dr. Tigno has published on the biophysics of the microcirculation, obesity, diabetes, aging, community-based epidemiology, chaos analysis, herbal medicine, and women's health. She taught medical physiology for nearly 30 years, including serving as Professor and Chair of the Department of Physiology at the University of the Philippines College of Medicine, and as coordinator of the medical physiology course at the University of South Florida. A native of Manila, Philippines, Dr. Tigno obtained her undergraduate degree in physics and master's degrees in both physiology and epidemiology from the University of the Philippines, and her doctorate in natural science degree with high honors from the University of Wurzburg in Germany. As a bench scientist, she has worked in various laboratories, including at the CERN (European Organization for Nuclear Research) in Geneva; the Physiological Institutes in Wurzburg, Munich, and Berlin; and the National Cardiovascular Institute in Osaka. She has edited a book for the American Physiological Society titled Sex-based Differences in Lung Physiology (2021) and a textbook on integrative physiology and is currently editing a new textbook on sex-based differences in cardiovascular health and disease. Dr. Tigno's efforts are directed toward supporting the advancement of women in biomedical careers, sustaining women's health researchers, exploring novel and alternative approaches to training a resilient and responsive scientific workforce, and transforming career trajectories for women in the science, technology, engineering, mathematics, and medicine fields.

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Marquitta J. White, M.S., Ph.D.

- *Senior Program Officer, Careers Section, ORWH, NIH*

Marquitta J. White, M.S., Ph.D., is a Senior Program Officer at ORWH currently overseeing the BIRCWH program and other biomedical career and training initiatives. Prior to her current position, Dr. White was a Program Officer at the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute. Dr. White has published extensively in the areas of human genetics, epidemiology, and statistical methods development. Prior to beginning her tenure at NIH, Dr. White was an Assistant Professor in the Department of Medicine at the University of California, San Francisco, where her research focused on the genetics and genetic epidemiology of chronic and infectious disease. Of note, a significant portion of her scientific expertise lies in the pharmacogenetics of asthma drug response in pediatric populations. Dr. White also participated in various university and national initiatives aimed at career development and mentorship in the biomedical workforce.

A Washington, D.C., native, Dr. White received her bachelor's degree in biology from Clark Atlanta University, in Atlanta, GA. She received her master's in applied statistics and Ph.D. in human genetics from Vanderbilt University in Nashville, TN. As a quantitative scientist exploring the genetic architecture of complex human diseases, Dr. White has published more than 30 peer-reviewed manuscripts, several book chapters in population genetics, and statistical methods textbooks, and has shared her expertise in precision medicine and research in different populations at various national and international venues. Dr. White's current efforts center on providing expert guidance on career development in the biomedical workforce and promoting science in the realm of women's health and sex differences research.



Carol Fowler, Ph.D.

- *Health Science Officer, Department of Veterans Affairs, ORD*

Carol Fowler, Ph.D.. Carol received her PhD in Medicinal Chemistry from the University of Michigan. She is the co-Director of the Pain and Opioid Actively Managed Portfolio, and Scientific Program Manager for the nephrology and neurobiology of pain portfolios. Interests include women Veteran health, preclinical development of non-opioid pharmacological therapies for painful conditions and examination of pharmacogenomics, and phenotypes for painful conditions and opioid use disorder.



John J. Fraser, DPT, Ph.D., FACSM

- *Scientific Program Manager, Department of Veterans Affairs, ORD*

John J. Fraser, DPT, Ph.D., FACSM is a retired Navy Commander and board-certified orthopaedic physical therapist with a distinguished career in military medicine, research, and education. A Fellow of the American College of Sports Medicine, Dr. Fraser's work sits at the intersection of clinical care, high-level research, and policy. His expertise spans the full spectrum of athlete care — from epidemiology and prevention to performance optimization and rehabilitation, especially in tactical athletes and Veterans with musculoskeletal and traumatic brain injuries. Dr. Fraser combines clinical and research expertise with high-level administrative leadership. He successfully leads scientific grant reviews, complex interdisciplinary research programs, and has experience in planning and directing medical operations. He holds a PhD from the University of Virginia, a DPT from the University of St. Augustine, and degrees from the College of Staten Island.

2026 ACTIVE BIRCWH PROGRAMS

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2026 BIRCWH POSTERS

All posters are listed by the lead author and clustered into categories.

LEAD AUTHOR & INSTITUTION	ABSTRACT TITLE	POSTER NO.
PODIUM SPEAKERS		
David Combs; Harvard University	The Mesometrium is a Functionally and Molecularly Distinct Origin Site for Uterine Contractions in Pregnant Mice	O-1
Catherine Demers; University of Colorado Anschutz	Maternal Adverse Childhood Experiences and Maternal Glucocorticoids During Pregnancy: Differences by Fetal Sex	O-2
Courtney Woolsey; University of Texas Medical Branch	Modeling Ebola Virus-Induced Dysfunction at the Human Chorio-Decidual Interface	O-3
BASIC RESEARCH		
Kendra Clark; University of Nebraska Medical Center	Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) in Human Follicular Fluid: Exposure Patterns in a Midwestern Assisted Reproduction Cohort	BR-1
David Combs; Harvard University	The Mesometrium is a Functionally and Molecularly Distinct Origin Site for Uterine Contractions in Pregnant Mice	BR-2
Rachael Gordon; University of Pittsburgh	Serum IL-12 defines a proinflammatory endotype in Sjögren's disease	BR-3
Rowan Karvas; University of Colorado Anschutz	Characterizing stem cell-derived villous placental organoids.	BR-4
Ana Serezani; Vanderbilt University Medical Center	T-cell Subsets in Different Forms of Interstitial Lung Diseases	BR-5
Ruggero Spadafora; Tufts University School of Medicine	SMUG1 as a Novel Regulator of Placental Lipid Metabolism	BR-6
Alexa Weingarden; University of Minnesota	Sex differences in food allergy and allergen-specific T cells	BR-7
BIOENGINEERING / BIOINFORMATICS		
Brittany Givens; University of Kentucky	In situ Forming Implants for Long-Acting Anesthetic Pain Management	BE-1
Daniel Howsmon; Tulane University	Incorporating Biological Sex into Computational Models of Interferon Signaling in Valve Interstitial Cells	BE-2
Emily Mihalko; University of Pittsburgh and the Magee-Womens Research institute	Platelet Dysfunction in Postpartum Hemorrhage and Transfusion Approaches Assessed in a Microfluidic Platform	BE-3

LEAD AUTHOR & INSTITUTION	ABSTRACT TITLE	POSTER NO.
BIOENGINEERING / BIOINFORMATICS CONT'D		
Maria Virumbrales-Munoz; University of Wisconsin-Madison	Evaluating a Biocompatible 3D-Printed Resin for basic and translational gynecological research	BE-4
Wenhui Zhou; University of Wisconsin-Madison	Multimodal Data for Prediction of Occult Invasive Cancer in Ductal Carcinoma in Situ Using Machine Learning	BE-5
CANCER		
Anna Beck; University of Wisconsin	Upregulation of the Adaptive Immune Response and Risk of Future Breast Cancer in Patients with Lobular Carcinoma In Situ (LCIS)	CA-1
Eboneé Nicole Butler; University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill	Stage Is a Poor Proxy for Diagnostic Delay: Discordant Time- and Stage-Based Delay and Diagnostic Patterns in the Carolina Breast Cancer Study	CA-2
Hui Chen; University of California, Davis	Feasibility Pilot Study of a Standardized Extract of Cultured Lentinula edodes Mycelia (AHCC®) on Quality of Life for Ovarian Cancer Patients on Adjuvant Chemotherapy	CA-3
Lindsay Edwards; Duke University	Sex-based echocardiographic patterns of cardiac remodeling following childhood cancer treatment	CA-4
Theodora Pappa; Harvard University	The Impact of Sex on the Molecular Profile of Cytologically Indeterminate Thyroid Nodules	CA-5
Minh Tung Phung; University of Wisconsin-Madison	Association between functional impairment and receipt of systemic therapy among older women with ovarian cancer	CA-6
Jasmine Sukumar; University of Texas Medical Branch	Association of Muscle and Adiposity with Pathologic Complete Response and Immune-Related Adverse Events in Patients with Triple Negative Breast Cancer Treated with Neoadjuvant ChemoImmunotherapy	CA-7
Neha Verma; Duke University	Comprehensive Genomic Profiling of Metaplastic Triple-Negative Breast Cancer in a Real-World Institutional Cohort	CA-8
Yaguang Wei; Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai	Associations Between Grouped External Exposomic Factors and Survival Among Older Breast Cancer Patients	CA-9
CLINICAL RESEARCH		
Sarah Boudova; University of Illinois Chicago	Timing and mode of delivery in pregnancies of patients with sickle cell disease	CR-1
Nicole Cacho; University of California, Davis	Inductively Coupled Plasma Mass Spectrometry (ICP-MS) to Quantitatively Assess Mineral and Electrolyte Profile of Fortified Human Milk Feeds from Maternal Milk Donors in Florida	CR-2

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	CLINICAL RESEARCH CONT'D	
Alexandra DeJong Lempke; Virginia Commonwealth University	Hip muscle morphology and functional activity between females with first-time lateral ankle sprains versus chronic ankle instability: A preliminary report	CR-3
Catherine Demers; University of Colorado Anschutz	Maternal Adverse Childhood Experiences and Maternal Glucocorticoids During Pregnancy: Differences by Fetal Sex	CR-4
Rashmi Dhital; Vanderbilt University Medical Center	Pregnancy And Short-Term Cardiovascular Disease Risk in Women with Systemic Lupus Erythematosus	CR-5
Erin Foster; Oregon Health & Science University	Advancing Clinical Research Infrastructure in Vulvovaginal Lichen Planus	CR-6
Ayako Wendy Fujita; Emory University	Integrating Low-Barrier Substance Use Care into HIV Prevention and Care Settings for Reproductive Age Women	CR-7
Katlyn Garr; Virginia Commonwealth University Institute for Women's Health	Weight and Sex Differences in Adolescent Meal Skipping Behaviors: A Pilot Ecological Momentary Assessment Study	CR-8
Stephanie Gusler; University of Kentucky	Longitudinal Effects of a Single-Session Growth Mindset Intervention (SS-GMI) for Mothers Involved in Child Protective Services	CR-9
Kelly Harris; University of Pittsburgh	Supporting Women after a Prenatal Diagnosis of Congenital Heart Disease: Fetal Cardiologists' Communication Priorities	CR-10
Samantha Hay; University of Illinois Chicago	Identifying Factors Associated with Emergency Department Utilization During the First Year Postpartum	CR-11
Thaer Idrees; Emory University	Fragility Fracture Risk Among Older Women with Type 2 Diabetes Using GLP-1 Receptor Agonists Compared With DPP-4 Inhibitors and Sulfonylureas	CR-12
Lesley Jackson; University of Alabama at Birmingham	Improving Osteoporosis Detection through Opportunistic Screening	CR-13
Logan Mauney; Tufts University School of Medicine	Predictive Performance of Iron Biomarkers for Hemoglobin at Delivery: A Prospective Cohort Study Protocol	CR-14
Megan McLaughlin; University of California, San Francisco	Counseling on Blood Pressure Monitoring and Cardiovascular Risk After a Hypertensive Disorder of Pregnancy	CR-15
Christopher Nagelli; Mayo Clinic	Post-Menopausal Status is Associated with Increased Risk of Medial Meniscus Posterior Root Tears and Subsequent Arthroplasty	CR-16
Margo Nathan; University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill	Examining Suicidal Ideation During the Menopausal Transition and Correlates of Symptom Burden	CR-17

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CLINICAL RESEARCH CONT'D		
Michelle Pebole; Duke University	"I Like the Fact That it is Movement and Not Therapy:" Expert Perspectives on Clinical Implementation of Trauma-Informed Exercise for Women with Histories of Sexual Violence	CR-18
Amalia Peterson; Vanderbilt University Medical Center	Arterial stiffness and pulse pressure differentially relate to white matter hyperintensity burden over an 11-year follow-up period	CR-19
Jesse Rattan; University of Alabama at Birmingham	Alabama Womb to Heart (AW2H): A Community-Based Cardiovascular Health Intervention After Hypertension in Pregnancy	CR-20
Rebecca Sadun; Duke University	The Fatigue Experiences of Adolescents and Young Adults with Childhood-Onset Systemic Lupus Erythematosus	CR-21
Samuel Walton; Virginia Commonwealth University	Modifiable Lifestyle Factors are Associated with Self-Reported Cognition among Early and Midlife Men and Women with History of Brain Injury	CR-22
HEALTH DISPARITIES		
Caitlin Cotter; University of Texas Medical Branch	Social deprivation index and prevalence of prenatal sexually transmitted infections	HD-1
Jessica DiSilvestro; Tufts University School of Medicine	The urban American Indian experience with cervical cancer screening in the Boston-area community	HD-2
Sarah Javier; VA Center for Innovation to Implementation, University of California Davis	Women Veterans' Engagement with Pain Care in the Veterans Health Administration: A Qualitative Directed Content Analysis	HD-3
Kendria Kelly-Taylor; Kaiser Permanente Northern California	The Association between Residential Segregation and Prenatal Depression by Maternal Nativity	HD-4
Kathryn Taylor; Johns Hopkins University	Feasibility Pilot of a Community Health Worker Service for Young and Middle-Aged Women Receiving Dialysis in High-Poverty Communities	HD-5
Destiny Tolliver; Boston University	Identifying Financial Support Programs Associated with Mental Health Outcomes for Formerly Incarcerated Mothers	HD-6
NEUROSCIENCE		
Stacey Aaron; University of Illinois Chicago	Changes in Cerebrovascular Function with Advancing Menopause Stage	NS-1
Jessica Busler; Harvard University	Relationships among brain Glutamate and Glutathione and self-reported eating behavior in midlife women	NS-2
Kelsey Smith; Mayo Clinic	Menopause symptom burden in women with and without epilepsy	NS-3
Dylan Spets-Janson; Harvard Medical School	Sex differences in the resting-state default mode network in major depressive disorder in midlife: impact of steroid hormones	NS-4

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PUBLIC HEALTH		
Daniela Brissett; University of Pittsburgh	Centering Black Girlhood: Community Co-created Public Art as a Research Dissemination Strategy	PH-1
Jacqueline Britz; Virginia Commonwealth University	Bright Spots: Employing a Strength-Based Approach to Lowering Opioid Mortality for Pregnant Women in Virginia	PH-2
Cristina Gago; Boston University	Exploring Determinants of Hospital-Based Food Pantry Access: A Qualitative Study of Multi-Stakeholder Perspectives from New England's Largest Safety-Net Hospital	PH-3
Rachel Logan; University of California, San Francisco	Universal PrEP education: Black and Latina women's experiences of care and an HIV prevention decision support tool during reproductive health visits	PH-4
Hiral Master; University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill	Barriers and Facilitators to Participating in the Walk with Ease Program: A Secondary Analysis of Program Evaluation Data	PH-5
Francheska Merced-Nieves; Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai	Association between prenatal exposure to per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances and childhood sleep: Exploring the role of fetal sex	PH-6
Erin Peacock; Tulane University	Sex differences in poor sleep quality, short sleep duration, and insomnia in primary care patients	PH-7
Sara Redd; Emory University	Variation in Structural Determinants of Maternal Health Access and Maternal and Infant Health Outcomes in Georgia, 2000-2024	PH-8
Marika Toscano; Johns Hopkins University	Diagnosis-Specific Healthcare Utilization and Total Hospital Charges of Extended Antepartum Hospitalization	PH-9
Shannon Wood; Johns Hopkins University	Exploring Understudied Temporal Pathways for Cervical Cancer Risk and Progression	PH-10
REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH		
Kandyce Brennan; University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill	What People Ask an AI Sexual and Reproductive Health Chatbot, and For Whom: A Content Analysis of Real-World SARHAchat Conversations	RH-1
Tristesse Burton; University of Illinois Chicago	Beyond Individual Choice: Food Access, Night Eating, and DASH Adherence Inform the MADE for DASH Intervention	RH-2
Lyndsey DuBose; University of Colorado	Cerebral Blood Velocity and Fluid Cognitive Performance is Lower in Patients with Endometriosis Related to Endometriosis Symptom Burden	RH-3
Melissa Ertl; University of Minnesota	A Longitudinal Test of the Heteronormative Theory of Low Sexual Desire (and Orgasm) in Cisgender Women	RH-4
Andrea Kozai; University of Pittsburgh	Greater physical activity in the second trimester is associated with lower odds of maternal vascular malperfusion lesions in the placenta	RH-5

LEAD AUTHOR & INSTITUTION	ABSTRACT TITLE	POSTER NO.
REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH CONT'D		
Haley Miles-McLean; Johns Hopkins University	At the Crossroads: Menopause Symptoms & Impacts among Women Veterans with Mental Illness	RH-6
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