



AMERICAN NEUROLOGICAL ASSOCIATION

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear ANA Members,

It is an honor to serve as President for the ANA, and I look forward to the next two years of collaboration with the ANA board and leaders, members, and staff to advance our mission to advance science, education, and careers to improve neurologic health for all. I would like to thank Dr. Frances E. Jensen, ANA's Immediate Past President, for her leadership and the work we have accomplished together during her term as President. Over the next two years we will build upon the structure she helped us establish and enhance the initiatives Frances set in motion including global engagement, enhanced governance structure, collaboration of multispecialty domains, expanding our brand, converting to an administratively independent association, and more.

I am excited to share some of the highlights from our phenomenal 148th Meeting of the ANA last week in Philadelphia. From the outstanding educational programming to the celebratory President's Reception, we enjoyed engaging, connecting, learning, and growing.



Educational Programming

ANA2023 kicked off with the Research Careers Reimagined Course and the National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke (NINDS) Career Development Symposium. The annual meeting educational programming included extraordinary science, thought-provoking and inspiring insights on key issues through a wonderful

mix of plenary sessions, professional development workshops, interactive lunch workshops, Special Interest Groups (SIGs), and Cross-Cutting SIGs. This year, the plenary sessions were recorded and are available. Attendees who registered for the full meeting package have access to the [recordings](#) for free. ANA members who did not register for the full meeting package may access the recordings for \$50, and non-members may access the recordings for \$99.

Junior and Early Career Attendees

Many Annual Meeting events are designed to connect junior and early career members with ANA leadership and experts in academic neurology and neuroscience. The Trainee and ANA Board Breakfast hosted nearly 90 junior and early career attendees for discussions with ANA board members to gain from their expertise. We hosted a junior and early career member reception and educational programming that included emerging scholar presentations. The celebrated poster session also showcased the research of many junior and early career individuals.



Awards and Recognition

I would like to congratulate all of the 2023 ANA Award winners and encourage everyone to begin thinking about who they would like to nominate in 2024. We celebrate and congratulate the [2023 ANA Award winners](#).

Executive Session of Membership

The Executive Session at the meeting finalized the election of officers and conferred Honorary Fellow status to Dr. Justin McArthur of Johns Hopkins University. Dr. McArthur completed his term as Immediate Past President, concluding six years of service to the ANA on the Executive Committee. Justin inspired meaningful changes in the ANA including the establishment of the Inclusion/ Diversity/ Equity/Anti-Racism/Social Justice (IDEAS) Committee. We congratulate him on Honorary Fellow status.

The newly-elected officers and directors to the [ANA Board of Directors](#) were installed. These outstanding individuals will help us lead the ANA into the next chapter. I am humbled to be elected by the membership to serve as your President and welcome Dr. Dimitri Krainc as President-Elect, Dr. Lesli Skolarus as Secretary, and the following individuals as board directors: Dr. Beau Ances, Dr. Howard Goodkin, Dr. Roy Hamilton, and Dr. Caroline Tanner. We also congratulate Dr. Sara Stern-Nezer on her appointment to Chair of the Junior and Early Career Membership Subcommittee (JECM) and welcome her as an ex-officio member of the ANA Board. *The newly-elected officers are shown in the order listed above.*



International Participation

Dr. Melody Asukile joined us in Philadelphia to provide a Zambia Action Plan Update during an Interactive Lunch Workshop, to attend the Global Engagement Reception, and engage in meeting events throughout ANA2023. We were also joined virtually by Dr. Njideka Ulunma Okubadejo of Nigeria, Dr. Angelina Kakooza Mwesige of Uganda, and Dr. Fred Stephen Sarfo of Ghana who provided insight and updates on their work in their respective nations aided by global engagement initiatives of the ANA. Overall, 56 individuals from 28 countries outside the US - including Chile, China, Taiwan, Spain, South Korea, India, Israel, Japan, and Kazakhstan - were represented at ANA2023.

Poster Sessions

With 497 posters on display at ANA2023, attendees had ample opportunities to share and discuss their ground-breaking science. We will be sharing the full list of poster winners soon; watch your inbox for an email congratulating the ANA2023 poster winners next week.



Satellite Symposia

ANA2023 enhanced the attendee meeting experience through superb satellite symposia offered by different industry supporters. The subject matter included Huntington's Disease, Idiopathic Neuropathy, Rett Syndrome, Myasthenia Gravis, Alzheimer's Disease, and Multiple Sclerosis. Many thanks to the sponsoring organizations who provided satellite symposia with such thoughtful and timely content: AstraZeneca | IONIS, Eisai, Neurocrine Biosciences, NMD Pharma, PeerView Live, and Physicians' Education Resource, LLC.

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Looking Ahead

It is not too early to begin planning to join us for ANA2024 next year in Orlando. Mark your calendar for September 14 – 17, 2024, and make plans to join us. Planning is already beginning, and we invite your ideas for educational programming. Please [submit your ideas](#) for plenary sessions, professional development programs, and interactive lunch workshops to be included in 2024. **The deadline to submit your concept is Friday, October 6, 2023.** We look forward to including you and your ideas in what we hope will be the best meeting yet!

It is clear we have tremendous growth opportunities, and I look forward to working with the various committees of the ANA to ensure we are providing optimal value and benefits for all individuals in academic neurology and neuroscience and that there is something here at the ANA for everyone. I stand ready to hear ideas and work together to foster growth and expansion of the ANA as well as to enhance our programs and member services. I invite your feedback and ideas.

Sincerely,



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President, ANA
Nathan Cummings Professor and
Head, Laboratory of Neurogenetics and Development
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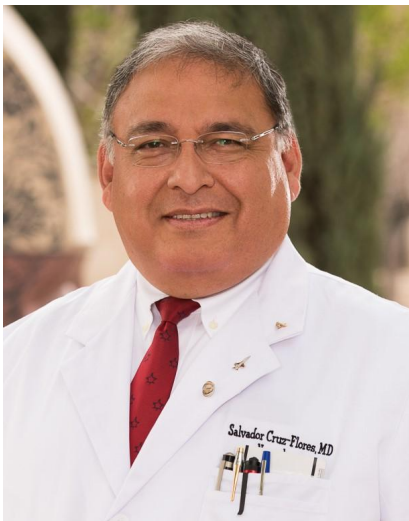
The ANA continues to celebrate [Hispanic Heritage Month](#) in recognition of the significant contributions to science and medicine from members of the Hispanic Community. This week, we celebrate **Ildaura Murillo-Rohde, PhD, RN (1920-2010)** who was dubbed "The Hispanic whirlwind" for her work as a powerhouse advocate, nurse, therapist, and educator. Born to a family of health professionals in

Panama, Dr. Murillo-Rohde studied nursing at the Medical and Surgical Hospital School of Nursing in San Antonio. She was dismayed at how few Hispanic nurses were available to serve a large Hispanic population. After graduating in 1948, she went on to pursue several other degrees in education and psychiatric nursing, including a PhD from NYU in 1971.



Over her career, Dr. Murillo-Rohde wrote about a broad range of issues from single parenthood to same-sex couples. She also reached several professional heights, including becoming the first Hispanic dean of nursing at NYU. But one of her greatest achievements was creating the National Association of Hispanic Nurses (NAHN) in 1975. She felt strongly that the country needed an organization to attract Hispanic people to nursing as well as to support their unique concerns and those of the communities they served.

"I saw that I was the only Hispanic nurse who was going to Washington to work with the federal government, review research and education grants, etc.," Dr. Murillo-Rohde later noted. "I looked behind me and thought: 'Where are my people?'" For her creation of NAHN and numerous other leadership roles, the American Academy of Nursing named Murillo-Rohde one of their living legends in 1994.



We also celebrate [ANA members from the Hispanic Community](#) making contributions to science, medicine, and neurology now. This week, we recognize Salvador Cruz-Flores, MD, MPH, FANA, an ANA Board of Directors member who holds the Jim and Julie Cardwell Endowed Chair in Neurology at Texas Tech University. He has over 25 years of experience in neurology, vascular neurology and neurocritical care.

Dr. Cruz-Flores has over 390 combined peer-reviewed publications, abstracts, and book chapters. His scholarly work focuses on cerebrovascular diseases, critical care neurology, and racial

disparities. He considers his greatest achievement the recruitment of a cadre of excellent neurologists that have made possible the creation of a Comprehensive Stroke Center, a neuroscience intensive care unit, an epilepsy monitoring unit, an ALS clinic and a neurology residency that has graduated 13 new neurologists to date.

He is a Fellow of the American Heart Association (FAHA), the American College of Critical Care Medicine (FCCM), the American Academy of Neurology (FAAN), the American Neurological Society (FANA), the American College of Physicians (FACP), and the Neurocritical Care Society (FNCS). More recently, the American Association of Medical Colleges accepted him in the Council of Deans Fellowship and was bestowed the Chancellor's Council Distinguished Teacher Award in the Texas Tech University System. He received his M.D. degree at the Universidad Autonoma de Nuevo Leon (UANL), Mexico and his Master of Public Health (Epidemiology) at Saint Luis University School of Public Health. He completed Internal Medicine and Neurology at the UANL, and Neurology residency and Stroke and Neurocritical Care Fellowship at



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CALL FOR APPLICATIONS: HEAL NATIONAL K12 CLINICAL PAIN CAREER DEVELOPMENT AWARD

The Chronic Pain and Fatigue Research Center at the University of Michigan-Ann Arbor is requesting applications for the [HEAL\[i\] National K12 Clinical](#)

[Pain Career Development Award \(HEAL K12\)](#). The HEAL K12 is a mentored career development program designed to provide protected time for clinicians and scientists to focus on training and conducting clinical pain research. Awards provide a minimum of 75% salary support (up to \$100,000/year) plus fringe benefits, and \$50,000/year in research support costs, for up to 3 years.



This award is intended for scholars who may not be ready for a traditional K-award or independent research (R) award, come from institutional environments that cannot adequately support the scholar's career and/or research objectives, and/or who are unable to form a mentoring team that would make them competitive for a training or independent research award in clinical pain.

Successful applicants will have at least one home-institution mentor who will serve as their primary mentor. The HEAL K-12 program will then work with the scholar to match them with a senior pain research mentor of national stature as well as a mentor with lived pain experience. Training is split between the scholar's home-institution and didactic resources available remotely or in-person at the University of Michigan.

[i]The Helping to End Addiction Long-term® Initiative, or NIH HEAL Initiative®, is an aggressive, trans-NIH effort to speed scientific solutions to stem the national opioid public health crisis. Launched in April 2018, the initiative is focused on improving prevention and treatment strategies for opioid misuse and addiction and enhancing pain management. For more information, visit: <https://heal.nih.gov>

WELCOME NEW ANA MEMBERS

We are glad to welcome new members to the ANA!



MEMBER

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Tai-Heng Chen, MD, PhD
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COMING SOON! ANA HIGHLIGHTS THE PLACEBO EFFECT

The ANA is pleased to announce the upcoming release of *ANA Highlights The Placebo Effect* with Erin Longbrake, MD, PhD, Yale University, and Rohini Samudralwar, MD, University of Pennsylvania. Look for the launch email next week.

ANA JOURNAL HIGHLIGHTS

Be inspired and informed by articles authored by ANA members and published in the [Annals of Neurology](#).



- [Hurler syndrome glycosaminoglycans decrease in cerebrospinal fluid without brain-targeted therapy](#)
- [Clinical phenotype of pediatric and adult patients with spinal muscular atrophy with 4 SMN2 copies: are they really all stable?](#)
- [A Pediatric Case of Aspergillus Flavus Meningoencephalitis](#)
- [Altered brain energy metabolism related to astrocytes in Alzheimer's disease](#)
- [Reply to SARS1 \(SerRS\) causing de novo dominant Charcot-Marie-Tooth disease with slow conduction](#)
- [Intensive Blood Pressure Reduction is Associated with Reduced Hematoma Growth in Fast Bleeding Intracerebral Hemorrhage A Secondary Analysis of the ATACH-2 Randomized Clinical Trial](#)
- [MOG antibodies in adults with a first demyelinating event suggestive of multiple sclerosis](#)
- [Behavioral and Cognitive Outcomes of Rhesus Macaques Following Neonatal Exposure to Antiseizure Medications](#)
- [Convergence of visual and motor awareness in human parietal cortex](#)
- [SARS1 \(SerRS\) causing de novo dominant Charcot-Marie-Tooth disease with slow conduction](#)
- [Edma Reduction versus Penumbra Salvage– Investigating Treatment Effects of](#)

[Mechanical Thrombectomy in Ischemic Stroke](#)

- [Higher Procedural Volumes are Associated with Faster Treatment Times, Better Functional Outcomes, and Lower Mortality in Patients Undergoing Endovascular Treatment for Acute Ischemic Stroke](#)

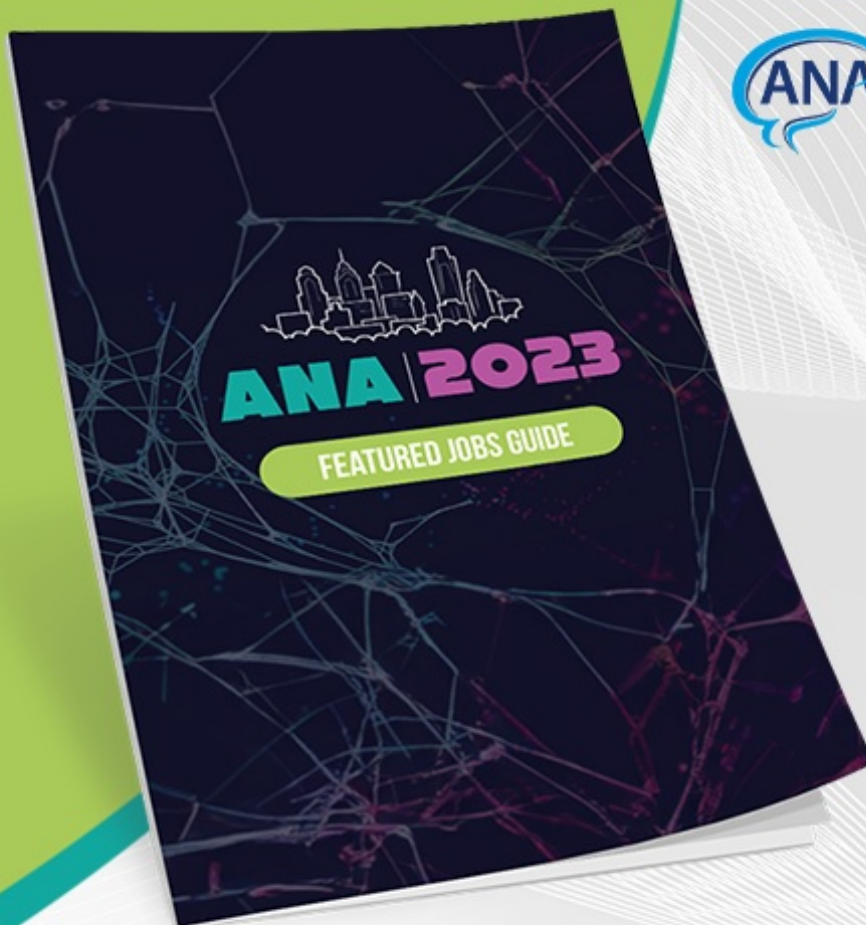
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