



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear ANA Members,

The ANA continues to partner with advocates and other stakeholders to communicate the importance of biomedical research and the need for continued funding and support from governmental agencies like the NIH. We recently shared information about a webinar on *Communicating the Value of Medical Research*. The session will be hosted on Tuesday, October 28, from 12 – 1 PM ET. If you would like to participate and learn more about effectively communicating the value of medical research to the public and policy makers, [register today](#).

Next week we will be launching the Call for Topics for ANA2026, to be held October 17-20, 2026, in San Diego. The Call will be open through December 15, 2025. We encourage you to consider submitting a topic idea to be presented during a plenary session, professional development workshop, or interactive lunch workshop during the Annual Meeting. We look forward to sharing great science and research at ANA2026.

Since ANA2025 is now behind us, we invite your feedback through the evaluation portal if you attended the meeting. For those who complete the evaluation on or before November 7, you will be entered into a drawing for a \$100 Starbucks gift card. The feedback we receive through the evaluation process informs future planning and helps us continue to improve the Annual Meeting experience.

We are grateful for each and every member of the ANA, and we hope you will renew your membership when our 2026 renewal cycle begins in early November. Watch for your renewal invoice in your email box and take time to renew your membership as soon as possible. We hope you enjoy the [resources and benefits](#) of belonging to the ANA, the home for academic neurology.

One of the benefits of membership is access to the [Annals of Neurology](#) and [Annals of Clinical and Translational Neurology](#). The journals offer articles of broad interest in all areas of clinical and basic neuroscience. The ANA offers one guaranteed review each calendar year for Fellow members of the ANA. Members also enjoy reduced Article Processing Charges (APCs) for the journals. I encourage you to consider submitting papers for publication as well as expand your knowledge through reading the journals.

In addition to the number of benefits we currently provide, we are working to enhance services and offer more in the year ahead. We hope you will continue to be part of this community of academic neurologists and neuroscientists.

Sincerely,

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CELEBRATING THE 2025 GAGE RECIPIENTS

Launched in 2020, the [Grant to Activate Global Engagement \(GAGE\)](#) program supports neurology organizations in low- and middle-income countries (LMICs) by providing funding to host educational and research meetings that showcase local scientific achievements. Established in response to the global COVID-19 pandemic, the initiative leverages the ANA's virtual platform to foster international collaboration and the exchange of ideas.

Join us in recognizing this year's GAGE recipients and their commitment to strengthening neurological research and education worldwide!

- **Association of Ethiopian Neurologists**, Ethiopia
Stroke Awareness and Updates Symposium for Neurologists and Non-Neurologists
- **Korle Bu Teaching Hospital**, Ghana
African Committee on Treatment and Research in Multiple Sclerosis (AFRICTRIMS) 1st Annual Hybrid Meeting
- **National Spinal Injury Referral Hospital**, Kenya
Review of Current Management of Spinal Cord Injury in Kenya
- **Neurological Diseases Association (NEDA)**, Cameroon
Building Local Capacity for Neurological Care in Conflict-Affected Communities in Cameroon

INTRODUCING THE 2025 VISITING RESEARCHERS

The ANA hosted its first Visiting Researchers Program (VRP) in 2025 welcoming four international guests to participate in ANA2025 and spend time at a US academic medical center. The visiting researchers presented posters and gave oral presentations during the Global Neurology Action Plan Update Interactive Lunch Workshop (ILW) during ANA2025 in Baltimore. After the meeting, researchers had the opportunity to spend a few weeks at Harvard or Johns Hopkins where they engaged in programming, met with leaders in

academic neurology, and had the opportunity to learn and grow professionally and personally.

When asked to reflect on the VRP, Dr. Omar Siddiqi—then chair of the Global Engagement Committee and host to visiting researchers at Harvard—shared, “The Visiting Researchers Program represents the best of the ANA. It acknowledges that if we want to decrease the burden of neurological illness worldwide, we must invest in researchers from low- and middle-income countries who carry a disproportionate share of this burden.”

Chosen through a highly competitive process in their home countries, the following individuals exemplify excellence in global neurological research and collaboration as the 2025 ANA Visiting Researchers:

- **Priscilla Abrafi Opare-Addo, MD, MWACP**
The Komfo Anokye Teaching Hospital (KATH), Ghana
ILW Presentation: *Integrating Thrombolysis into Routine Stroke Care in a Ghanaian Tertiary Hospital, Using the Implementation Research Logic Model (IRLM) as a Guiding Framework*
Oral and Poster Presentation: *Neuregulin 1 as a Predictor of Severity and Outcome among Patients with Acute Intracerebral Hemorrhage in a Ghanaian Hospital**
**Received a poster award*
- **Frighton Mutete, MBChB**
Livingstone Teaching Hospital, Zambia
ILW Presentation: *Extending the Reach and Making a Footprint for Specialist Neurological Care for Underserved Populations in Southern Province, Zambia: One Year Update*
- **Oladotun Victor Olalusi, MD, MS, FWACP**
University College Hospital, Ibadan, Oyo State
ILW Presentation: *A Cross-Sectional Study of the Association of Serum Lipoprotein A [Lp(A)] with Acute Ischemic Stroke at the University College Hospital, Ibadan*
- **Salvatore Ssemmanda, MBChB, MMED, FCNEUROL(SA)**
Nakasero Hospital Kampala and C-care International Hospital Kampala
ILW Presentation: *Knowledge of Alarm Signs of Stroke Among Caretakers of Stroke Patients and First Contact Healthcare Providers at Two Tertiary Referral Hospitals in Uganda*

Through programs like the VRP, the ANA continues to expand its global reach and strengthen connections across the neurology community. Dr. Siddiqi noted, “This program can be life-changing for a physician scientist from sub-Saharan Africa to know that there is a global neurology research community that supports them.”

VISITING RESEARCHER SCHOLAR SPOTLIGHT: DR. OLADOTUN VICTOR OLALUSI

This week, we highlight Dr. Oladotun Victor Olalusi of University College Hospital, Ibadan, Oyo State, Nigeria, who shares reflections on his experience through the ANA Visiting Researchers Program.

“The ANA Visiting Researchers Program reflects the ANA’s commitment to global leadership in academic neurology and to

promoting brain health for all,” said Dr. Oladotun Victor Olalusi. “Interacting with esteemed faculty and walking the halls of Johns Hopkins Neurology was truly inspiring. I was reminded that the state of neuroscience and bandwidth of neurology knowledge we have today came from immense contributions from giants in the field.”



During his time at Johns Hopkins, Dr. Olalusi participated in clinical sessions, grand rounds, and residents’ academic meetings. These experiences reminded him that neurological disorders present similarly across the globe, even as access to care differs widely.

“I witnessed firsthand the dedication of both junior and senior faculty to patient care in terms of punctuality, attention to detail and compassion for patients and their relatives,” Dr. Olalusi said. “Although neurological disorders remain a significant cause of disability in many regions, there is a need to keep pushing the limits of stroke care and research against all odds. This will form the thrust of my message to my colleagues and trainees back home.”

Looking ahead, Dr. Olalusi emphasized the importance of partnership and exchange:

“The true strength of modern neuroscience lies in the power of all, not one, in collaboration, not isolation.”

Stay tuned for more reflections from our 2025 Visiting Researchers in upcoming ANA newsletters!



Conversations from the world of academic
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**DISCOVER THE ANA'S
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Listen to the latest episode of ANA Investigates: [Voices from the Annual Meeting](#). Join Dr. Michelle Johansen, Associate Professor of Neurology at Johns Hopkins University, as she captures highlights and reflections from the ANA’s 150th Annual Meeting in Baltimore—a historic milestone celebrating 150 years of discovery and progress in neurology and neuroscience! Through interviews with attendees on the meeting floor, this episode offers a glimpse into the energy and enthusiasm that filled the event, from the Presidential Symposium to the closing sessions. With nearly 500 posters, dynamic plenary talks, workshops, and networking opportunities, ANA2025 showcased the very best of academic neurology and the vibrant community driving its future.

Catch up on previous [ANA Investigates](#) episodes anytime, including the recent compelling discussion on [75 Years of NINDS](#). Keep an eye out for the next episode in the series centered on Artificial Intelligence in Neurocritical Care dropping this Tuesday, October 28!

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To access the recordings, please visit the [ANA's OnDEC system](#). If you have any questions about obtaining access to the sessions, please [contact Jen Hurley](#), the ANA's Education & Accreditation Manager.

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- [Mutations in the Key Autophagy Tethering Factor EPG5 Link Neurodevelopmental and Neurodegenerative Disorders Including Early-Onset Parkinsonism](#)
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