DECOLONIZING NEUROSURGERY IN BLACK COMMUNITIES:
A Critical Conversation about Race, Ethnicity, and Community Empowerment in Neurosurgical Inequities

JOIN THE CONVERSATION WITH

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About their most recent publication (see link below)
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Join us for an important conversation about global neurosurgery that sits at the nexus of neurosurgery and public health. This discussion will focus on remediing the world’s unmet need for neurosurgical care, and aims to overcome the impact of sociohistorical phenomena that have generated disparities between people who can access essential neurosurgical care, and those who cannot.

About Dr. Ernest J. Barthélemy
Dr. Barthélemy received his Doctor of Medicine from Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai, where he also completed his residency in Neurological Surgery. He completed two postgraduate fellowships at the University of California, San Francisco: a clinical fellowship in Neurotrauma at Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital and a global surgery fellowship at the Center for Health Equity in Surgery and Anesthesia. Dr. Barthélemy is the current president and co-founder of the Society of Haitian Neuroscientists, a Haitian Diaspora organization that aims to (1) promote the basic, clinical, and translational neurosciences in Haiti by the creation of the conditions necessary for their advancement, to (2) advance neurological and mental health care in all Haitian communities, and to (3) foster collaborations among Haitian neuroscientists.

About Dr. Claire Karekezi
Dr. Karekezi, Rwanda’s first female neurosurgeon, is a Consultant Neurosurgeon at the Rwanda Military Hospital and a Senior Lecturer of Surgery at the University of Rwanda, School of Medicine and Pharmacy. Dr. Karekezi graduated as a Doctor of Medicine from the University of Rwanda, College of Medicine and Health Sciences in 2009. She completed her residency program in Neurosurgery and graduated as a Neurosurgeon in 2016 from the Mohamed V University of Rabat, World Federation of Neurosurgical Societies (WFNS)-Rabat Training Center for African Neurosurgeons, in Rabat, Morocco. After her residency in Neurosurgery, Dr. Karekezi enrolled in several neurosurgical fellowships with a special interest in Neuro-Oncology and Skull Base Surgery: at the Brigham and Women Hospital/Harvard Medical School, USA as an International Visiting Surgeon Fellow (IVSF) in Neurosurgery/Neuro-Oncology (April-July 2016) and completed a Clinical Fellowship in Neuro-Oncology and Skull Base Surgery (July 2017-2018) at the University of Toronto, Toronto Western Hospital, Toronto, Canada.

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