



**Anti-Racism in Human Genetics Special Seminar Series**

Host: Vanderbilt Genetics Institute (Faculty host Lea K. Davis)

Format: 40 min presentation, 20 min for discussion

Platform: Zoom Webinar (Registration Required)

Presenter	Date/Time	Title	Brief Description
<p><i>Lea K. Davis</i>, PhD Associate Professor of Genetic Medicine</p>	<p>Friday, February 26<sup>th</sup>  10:00 AM CST</p>	<p><b>Perpetuating harm: The study of White supremacy from eugenics to modern genomics</b></p>	<p>This talk examines the socio-political context and impact of human genetics from its inception. We will explore these issues through a narrative lens focusing on the stories of the people who shaped the field and the people whose lives were affected by their actions. We will engage in a critical analysis of the White supremacist beliefs of early geneticists (eugenicists) which set the stage for eugenics to take hold in the US and Europe, and follow this thread through to modern day genomics.</p> <p>Register in advance for this webinar: <a href="https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_sZGa2FOiRfaEUhuRB0ZnMA">https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_sZGa2FOiRfaEUhuRB0ZnMA</a></p>
<p><i>Jada Benn-Torres</i>, PhD Associate Professor of Anthropology</p> <p><i>Melinda Aldrich</i>, PhD Associate Professor of Genetic Medicine</p>	<p>Friday, March 12<sup>th</sup>  10:00 AM CST</p>	<p><b>Exploring the reality of human genetic variation: transdisciplinary approaches to race and ancestry in genetics</b></p>	<p>In this talk we define and discuss the role of genetic ancestry in genetic analyses. In addition to covering the statistical foundation and utility of genetic ancestry estimates in genetic studies, we will discuss how genetic ancestry is distinct from race and cover considerations when including race vs genetic ancestry in biomedical studies.</p> <p>Register in advance for this webinar: <a href="https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_2kfKt7NASmmtsG8RcVIWTw">https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_2kfKt7NASmmtsG8RcVIWTw</a></p>
<p><i>Sophia Kostelanetz</i>, MD, PhD Instructor in Internal Medicine and Pediatrics</p>	<p>Friday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>  10:00 AM CST</p>	<p><b>Race, race variables, and racism in medicine</b></p>	<p>We will explore the use of race variables in clinical algorithms broadly, and use the example of the de-implementation of race based kidney function reporting at VUMC and nationally to discuss future directions in deconstructing the inappropriate use of race in clinical medicine and research.</p> <p>Register in advance for this webinar: <a href="https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_gW5KkafwTiO2jtJFUEzDQA">https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_gW5KkafwTiO2jtJFUEzDQA</a></p>
<p><i>Kelly Taylor</i>, MS Senior Associate in Medicine</p>	<p>Friday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>  10:00 AM CST</p>	<p><b>Racial disparities in genetic counseling and genetic medicine practice</b></p>	<p>A history of racism in medical research and ongoing systemic racism in the healthcare system have led to health disparities between different racial groups. These health disparities exist in all medical specialties, including genetic counseling and genetic medicine. This talk will explore examples of disparities between racial groups in genetic counseling and genetic medicine and ways that genetic counseling practice may mitigate or perpetuate these inequities.</p> <p>Register in advance for this webinar: <a href="https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_31bUTLpIS162ouPYdnE0TA">https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_31bUTLpIS162ouPYdnE0TA</a></p>