



Dear Friend,

The Health Science Center's North Texas Eye Research Institute (NTERI) is pleased to announce the **2021 Raniyah Ramadan Distinguished Symposium**, dedicated to the memory of Dr. Raniyah Ramadan. This inaugural symposium will be held on **Friday, September 17, 2021**, and we invite your participation.

Dr. Raniyah Ramadan was heavily involved in research and programs for neuro-ophthalmology. The family started the Dr. Raniyah Ramadan Foundation to honor her legacy. The foundation's partnership with HSC celebrates her life, dreams and achievements while advancing her career posthumously.

Dr. Dimitri Karamichos, Director of Research for NTERI, became involved with Raniyah's family through the Oklahoma Center for Neuroscience. His connection to the family, has allowed HSC to honor her career and advance her research career in neuro-ophthalmology. The next page details Raniyah's impactful dedication to her family and contributions to medicine.

The inaugural symposium will feature presentations from industry leaders, including the distinguished lecture by Raniyah's PhD mentor Dr. Michelle C. Callegan. We hope you will join us in September as a valued sponsor. Attached you will find a broad range of options to fit every budget while providing tremendous brand exposure and networking opportunities. Most importantly, you will be helping us honor Raniyah's memory with your generous support. Your consideration is greatly appreciated and we hope to see you at the symposium.

Sincerely,

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2021 RANIYAH RAMADAN DISTINGUISHED SYMPOSIUM



In Memory of Raniyah Ramadan, PhD

Born in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, Raniyah Ramadan attended Ada High School before joining the University of Oklahoma where she received her Bachelors of Science degree in 1998. Raniyah graduated with a Masters degree from OU in 2000 and the following year was admitted into the PhD program at the Oklahoma Center for Neuroscience.

Mentored by Dr. Michelle Callegan, Raniyah graduated with her doctorate in Neuroscience in 2007. Shortly after, Raniyah was awarded a prestigious post-doctoral research fellowship in Cleveland, Ohio. Switching from academia to an industry position, Raniyah later moved to Manhattan, New York where she worked as a research consultant in neuro-ophthalmology with Regeneron Pharmaceuticals.

Sadly, Raniyah passed away at age 34. To honor their late daughter's memory, Raniyah's parents – Dr. Tawfik and Siham Ramadan – established a foundation to support her favorite charities as well as establish scholarships in health sciences and promote ophthalmology and neuroscience research.



Distinguished Lecture | Michelle C. Callegan, PhD

Dr. Callegan is the Director of Vision Research at the Dean A. McGee Eye Institute, a Dean A. McGee Endowed Professor of Ophthalmology, an Edith Kinney Gaylord Presidential Professor, and a George Lynn Cross Research Professor at the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center in Oklahoma City. Additionally, she is also a Gold Fellow of ARVO.

Dr. Callegan earned her MS and PhD at the Louisiana State University Medical Center in New Orleans. Her research program focuses on the molecular pathogenesis of and novel therapeutics for the treatment of bacterial ocular infections.

Her most recent work includes identifying and targeting anti-inflammatory pathways involved in bacterial endophthalmitis, nanosponge treatment of ocular infections caused by bacteria that secrete pore-forming toxins, and identifying virulence targets involved in circumventing host inflammation in bacterial endophthalmitis and keratitis.



2021 Raniyah Ramadan Distinguished Symposium

September 17, 2021

Please join us as we celebrate Raniyah's life and her achievements.

PARTICIPATION OPTIONS

GOLD SPONSOR | \$5,000

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- Insider Tour
- Recognition at Symposium and VIP Reception
- Breakfast and lunch provided plus free parking

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- One (1) exhibit space
- Option to distribute promotional and/or branded items
- Recognition at Symposium and VIP Reception
- Breakfast and lunch provided plus free parking

VENDOR SHOWCASE | \$500

- One (1) exhibit space
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- One (1) free Symposium registration
- Breakfast and lunch provided plus free parking

INDIVIDUAL REGISTRATION | \$50 PER PERSON

INDIVIDUAL REGISTRATION – VIRTUAL OPTION | \$25 PER PERSON

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*Print deadlines apply. Please respond no later than 09.01.2021.

SYMPOSIUM REGISTRATION

YES, we want to support the Raniyah Ramadan Distinguished Symposium at the following level:

- Gold | \$5,000 Silver | \$2,500 Bronze | \$1,000 Vendor | \$500
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