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“Hypertension in Black Adults: Recent findings from the Jackson Heart Study and unanswered questions”

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Dr. Muntner serves as a professor and Associate Dean for the School of Public Health at the University of Alabama at Birmingham. His training includes a B.S. in Electrical Engineering from the University of Rochester in New York, a Master of Health Sciences from Johns Hopkins University School of Hygiene and Public Health, and a Doctor of Philosophy in Epidemiology from the Johns Hopkins University School of Hygiene and Public Health. Dr. Muntner has authored/coauthored 484 journal articles and is the PI for several NIH R01 grants. He serves as the Deputy Editor for the Journal of the American Society of Hypertension and serves as an Editorial Board Member for the Journal of Hypertension.

When: February 19, 2019, 9:30am

Where: Grambling Hall Auditorium

Abstract of Presentation

Hypertension is one of the most common modifiable risk factors for cardiovascular disease (CVD) in the United States and worldwide. It is more common among Blacks than any other race/ethnic group in the United States. Additionally, Blacks have a higher incidence of hypertension-related CVD and end-stage renal disease. The Jackson Heart Study was designed to identify cardiovascular disease risk factors among African Americans and to develop the infrastructure for training the next generation of disparities researchers. This presentation will focus on recent findings from the Jackson Heart Study and other large epidemiology studies on risk factors for hypertension among Black Adults and the risk for cardiovascular disease associated with high blood pressure. Additionally, important research questions that can be addressed in the next phase of the Jackson Heart Study will be discussed.



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