



12th Annual Research Symposium

HENDERSON CAMPUS AGENDA

Wednesday, February 18, 2026 | 3pm (Local time)

2:30 – 3pm	Registration and Presenter Check-In
3 – 4:30pm	Poster Session
4:30 – 4:35pm	Welcoming Remarks – <i>P1 Classroom</i>
4:35 – 5:30pm	Reimagining Health Equity in the Era of Precision Medicine <i>P1 Classroom</i> Keynote Speaker: Dr. Rick Kittles, PhD Senior Vice President for Research, Morehouse School of Medicine
5:30 – 5:45pm	Break with food provided
5:45 – 6:30pm	Podium Presentations – <i>P1 Classroom</i>
6:30 – 6:50pm	Awards and Closing Remarks – <i>P1 Classroom</i>

2026 Keynote Speaker



Dr. Rick Kittles, PhD

Senior Vice President for Research
Morehouse School of Medicine
Atlanta, GA

Rick Kittles, Ph.D., is the inaugural Senior Vice President for Research at Morehouse School of Medicine. Dr. Kittles was previously Professor and founding Director of the Division of Health Equities within the Department of Population Sciences at the City of Hope (COH) and Associate Director of Health Equities of COH Comprehensive Cancer Center.

Dr. Kittles is also Co-founder and Scientific Director of African Ancestry, Inc. Dr. Kittles serves on many national and international steering committees and advisory boards. He has been a member of the Board of Scientific Counselors (BSC) for the National Human Genome Research Institute (NHGRI/NIH) and is Past Council Chair of the Minorities in Cancer Research (MICR) of the American Association for Cancer Research (AACR). He has been at the forefront of the development of genetic markers for ancestry and how genetic ancestry can be used in studies on disease risk and outcomes. He received a Ph.D. in Biological Sciences from George Washington University in 1998.

Dr. Kittles' research has focused on understanding the complex issues surrounding race, genetic ancestry, and health. He has published over 260 research articles and is well known for his research on prostate cancer and health disparities among African Americans.

Program & Abstract Book

The Research Symposium Program and Abstract Book are available to view/download by scanning the QR code or visiting www.roseman.edu/research/research-symposium/



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