Vanderbilt Diabetes Day Program
(November 10th, 2026, Carmichael College Multipurpose Room)

8:30 AM	**Registration**, poster setup, and light refreshments
9:00 AM	**Enrichment Director** *"Introduction to Vanderbilt Diabetes Day"* **Rafael Arrojo e Drigo, PhD** Director of Enrichment, Training & Outreach, Vanderbilt DRTC
9:10 AM	**Diabetes Center Director** *"State of the Vanderbilt Diabetes Center"*
9:30 AM	**Plenary Lecture 1 (25 min talk & 10 min Q&A)** *"Charting Path(s) from Molecular Understanding to Impact"* **Mohammed K. Ali, MD, MSc, MBA** Co-Director of the Emory Global Diabetes Research Center Associate Director, Georgia Center for Diabetes Translation Research William H. Foege Distinguished Professor of Global Health Vice Chair for Research, Department of Family and Preventive Medicine Emory University
10:05 AM	**Poster Session A**
11:00 AM	**Faculty Short Talks (12 min talk & 3 min Q&A)** **Markie Sneed, PhD, APRN, FNP-BC** Assistant Professor, Nursing Director, Whole Foods Research Lab **Fubiao Shi, PhD** Research Assistant Professor, Medicine **Ray Blind, PhD** Associate Professor, Medicine
11:45	Group Photo
Noon	**Lunch**
12:45 PM	**Plenary Lecture 2 (25 min talk & 10 min Q&A)** *"Decoding Human Adipose Tissue in Metabolic Disease"* **Silvia Corvera, MD** Professor of Molecular Medicine, Endowed Chair in Diabetes Research Director, Clinical Translational Research Pathway UMass Chan Medical School
1:25 PM	**Poster Session B**
2:20 PM	**Presentation of Vanderbilt Scholars in Diabetes Awards and Robert K. Hall Service Award**

	Oscar Crofford Scholar in Diabetes Research Awardee
	Daryl Granner Scholar in Diabetes Research Awardee
	Vanderbilt Diabetes Scholar Awardee
	Vanderbilt Diabetes Scholar Awardee
	Robert K. Hall Service Awardee
3:05 PM	**Poster Presenter Awards**
3:15 PM	**Reception and Diabetes Trivia Night** **Ray Blind, PhD**
4:15 PM	**Conclusion**