CURRICULUM VITAE

NAME: Sophia B. Bellegarde

PRESENT POSITIONS:

Anatomic and Clinical Pathology Resident Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Boston, MA July 2024 – Present

Clinical Laboratory Science Adjunct Professor/ Didactic Instructor NYP Brooklyn Methodist Hospital Allied Health Education September 2016 – Present

BIOGRAPHICAL:

Date of Birth: September 16, 1991

Citizenship: United States of America

Email Address: sbellega@bidmc.harvard.edu

EDUCATION:

American University of Antigua, College of Medicine, Antigua, West Indies, M.D. Degree *January 2020 – May 2024*

St. Joseph's University, New York, NY, MBA in Health Care Administration and Information Systems September 2015 – May 2017

St. Joseph's University, New York, NY, Bachelor of Science in Biology and Medical Laboratory Science September 2010 – August 2014

POSTGRADUATE TRAINING:

Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center AP/CP Residency Program, Harvard Medical School Boston, MA *July 2024 – Present*

LICENSURE:

Limited Medical License, State of Massachusetts 2024-Present

Clinical Laboratory Technologist, New York State 2014 – Present

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

Anatomic and Clinical Pathology Resident, PGY1 / Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Boston, MA *July 2024 – Present*

Clinical Laboratory Science Adjunct Professor/ Didactic Instructor NY Presbyterian Brooklyn Methodist Hospital, NYC, NY

September 2016 — Present

Clinical Laboratory Scientist/ Medical Technologist, SUNY Downstate Medical Center, Brooklyn, NY July 2022 – May 2024

Clinical Laboratory Science Adjunct Professor/ Didactic Instructor, Marist College through Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center, NYC, NY

September 2018 - December 2019

Quality Assurance Supervisor, Transfusion Medicine, NYCHHC Coney Island Hospital Blood Bank *June 2018 – February 2020*

Clinical Laboratory Scientist / Transfusion Medicine, Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center, NYC, NY July 2015 – March 2019

Clinical Laboratory Scientist / Core laboratory, NY Presbyterian Brooklyn Methodist Hospital, NYC, NY *July 2014 – March 2019*.

HONORS:

Pathology Residency Social Chair

Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center AP/CP Residency Program, Harvard Medical School July 2024 – Present

Graduated Summa Cum Laude

American University of Antigua, College of Medicine, Antigua, West Indies *May 2024*

Highest Academic Achievement Award (Top GPA of Preclinical Cohort) American University of Antigua, College of Medicine, Antigua, West Indies December 2021

Dean's List,

American University of Antigua, College of Medicine, Antigua, West Indies *May 2020 – May 2024*

Graduated with Honors

St. Joseph's University, New York, NY, Bachelor of Science in Biology and Medical Technology *August 2014*

Siemens Scholarship Recipient - American Society of Clinical Pathology (ASCP) St. Joseph's University, New York, NY *December 2013*

GRANTS AND CONTRACT AWARDS

Harvard University's Diversity and Inclusion Express Grant Recipient for the Haitians at Harvard Conference 2025.

Boston, MA

INVITED PRESENTATION

Co-lecturer: Foundations and Cancer, Harvard Medical School, Boston, MA. *September 2016 to Present.*

Lecturer: Immunology, Hematological/Immunological System course, Hematology, NY Presbyterian Brooklyn Methodist Hospital, New York City, NY September 2016 to Present.

Lecturer: Clinical Chemistry, Marist College through Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center, NYC, NY

September 2018 - December 2019.

Resident Grand Round: Focal Cortical Dysplasia vs Low grade gliomas. Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Harvard Medical School.

March 2025

Educational session speaker: Student Engagement in Future Health Care Roles, Madison Park Technical Vocational High School
75 Malcolm X Blvd Roxbury, MA
February 2025

Educational session speaker: Inspirational speaker at the American University of Antigua College of Medicine White Coat Ceremony, Antigua, West Indies

October 2022

COMMITTEES:

See Test & Treat Committee, College of American Pathologists (CAP) Foundation January 2024 – Present

GME Diversity, Inclusion & Advocacy (DIA) Council Executive Board Member - Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Harvard Medical School.

September 2024 — Present

Haitians at Harvard annual conference planning committee- Harvard University October 2024 – Present

Pathology Ambassador – American Society of Clinical Pathology (ASCP) *August 2024 – Present*

Medical Education Curriculum Committee – American University of Antigua, College of Medicine, Antigua September 2020 – December 2021

Transfusion Committee, Coney Island Hospital *June 2018-January 2020*

Clinical Laboratory Science Program Advisory Committee – New York-Presbyterian Brooklyn Methodist Hospital

January 2017 – August 2024

INSPECTIONS:

Participated in NYS Inspection for pathology labs at NYCHHC Coney Island Hospital Blood Bank October 2018 – February 2020

MEMBERSHIPS IN PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES:

College of American Pathologists (CAP)

Association for the Advancement of Blood and Biotherapies (AABB)

American Society of Clinical Pathology (ASCP)

United States and Canadian Academy of Pathology (USCAP)

OTHER ACTIVITIES:

Interviewing prospective applicants for the pathology residency December 2024-Present

Lead Teaching Assistant for The Epidemiology Department at American University of Antigua College of Medicine

September 2020 – December 2023

Teaching Assistant for Preclinical Science at American University of Antigua College of Medicine September 2020 – December 2023

Collaborated with the hospital administration at NYCHHC Coney Island Hospital Blood Bank to establish The Therapeutic Phlebotomy in-house Service. 2018 - 2019

Assisted in facilitating workshop on quality improvement post-NYS inspection and internal audits for the blood bank staff.

October 2018- December 2019

Educational preceptor for medical students and rotating residents in the Blood Bank labs *May 2016 – March 2019*

PEER REVIEWED MANUSCRIPTS:

Bellegarde, S.B., Gibson, V., Andaz, S., Huang, L., Robinson, E., Turi, G., Tofuah, D., Ekhator, C., Bardarov, S.. (2023, Sep). Massive Hemorrhage Following Spontaneous Mediastinal Inflammatory Myofibroblastic Tumor Rupture: A Case Report. Cureus Part of Springer Nature Group, 15(8), e45833. Cited in PubMed; PMID: PMC10518044. Pub Status: Published. Article URL: https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC10518044

Bellegarde, S.B., Gibson, V., Andaz, S., Purrazella, R., Robinson, E., Noel, P., Punter, L., Tofuah, D., Gapizrov, A., Ekhator, C.. (2023, Sep). Rare Diffuse Idiopathic Pulmonary Neuroendocrine Cell

Hyperplasia (DIPNECH) Finding in 9/11 World Trade Center Survivor. Cureus Part of Springer Nature Group, 16(1):e51862. Pub Status: Published. Article URL: https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/38327919/

Bhandari, S., Butt, S.R.R., Ishfaq, A., Attaallah, M.H., Ekhator, C., Halappa Nagaraj, R., Mulmi, A., Kamran, M., Karski, A., Vargas, K.I,..., Bellegarde, S.B., Ullah, A.. (2023, Jul). Pathophysiology, Diagnosis, and Management of Takayasu Arteritis: A Review of Current Advances. Cureus Part of Springer Nature Group, 15(7), e42667. Cited in PubMed; PMID: 37525862. Pub Status: Published. Article URL: https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/37525862/

Bhandari, S., Yadav, V., Ishaq, A., Sanipini, S., Ekhator, C., Khleif, R., Beheshtaein, A., Jhajj, L.K., Khan, A.W., Al Khalifa, A., Naseem, M.A., **Bellegarde, S.B.**, Nadeem, M.A.. (2023, Aug). Trends and Challenges in the Development of 3D-Printed Heart Valves and Other Cardiac Implants: A Review of Current Advances. Cureus Part of Springer Nature Group, 15(8), e43204. Cited in PubMed; PMID: 37565179. Pub Status: Published. Article URL: https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/37565179

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Ekhator, C., Grezenko, H., Haider, Z., Ali Cheema, U., Haider, H., Mohsin, S.N., Affaf, M., **Bellegarde, S.B.,** Amir, S., Kumar, S., Shehryar, A., Arif, S., Fareed, M.U., Rehman, A. (2023, Sep). Beneath the Layers: Deciphering the Molecular Pathways, Therapeutic Avenues, and Neurological Connections of Soft Tissue Sarcomas. Cureus Part of Springer Nature Group, 15(9), e44694. Cited in PubMed; PMID: 37674761. Pub Status: Published. Article URL: https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/37674761/

Ekhator, C., Qureshi, M.Q., Zuberi, A.W., Hussain, M., Sangroula, N., Yerra, S., Devi, M., Naseem, M.A., **Bellegarde, S.B.**, Pendyala, P.R.. (2023, Aug). Advances and Opportunities in Nanoparticle Drug Delivery for Central Nervous System Disorders: Current Advances. Cureus Part of Springer Nature Group, 15(8), e44302. Cited in PubMed; PMID: 37649926. Pub Status: Published. Article URL: https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/37649926/

Gapizov, A., Sidhu, H.K., Affaf, M., Safdar, S., Irfan, R., Ekhator, C., Saddique, M.N., Devi, M., Silloca Cabana, E.O., Kamran, M., **Bellegarde, S.B.**, Hussain, I. (2023, Sep). Unraveling Intravascular Lobular Capillary Hemangioma: A Comprehensive Scoping Review. Cureus Part of Springer Nature, 15(9), e45142. Cited in PubMed; PMID: 37711265. Pub Status: Published. Article URL:https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/37711265/

Grezenko, H., Ekhator, C., Nwabugwu, N.U., Ganga, H., Affaf, M., Abdelaziz, A.M., Rehman, A., Shehryar, A., Abbasi, F.A., **Bellegarde, S.B.**, Khaliq, A.S.. (2023, Aug). Epigenetics in Neurological and Psychiatric Disorders: A Comprehensive Review of Current Understanding and Future Perspectives. Cureus Part of Springer Nature Group, 15(8), e43960. Cited in PubMed; PMID: 37622055. Pub Status: Published. Article URL:https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/37622055/

Halappa Nagaraj, R., Grezenko, H., Raut, Y., Butt, S.R.R., Ekhator, C., Anwaar, M.A., **Bellegarde, S.B.,** Shahzed, S.M.I., Das, A., Shehryar, A., Rehman, A.. (2023, Jul). Recurrent Retroperitoneal Spindle Cell Sarcoma: A Challenging Case Report and Management Considerations. Cureus Part of Springer Nature Group, 15(7), e42658. Pub Status: Published. Article URL: https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/37521593/

Orji, G.I., Mansoor, M., **Bellegarde, S.B.,** Punter, L., Odenigbo, N., Fouron, P.. (2023, May). Extrapyramidal Symptoms in a Bipolar 1 Patient Following Re-initiation of Lithium: A Case Report. Cureus Part of Springer Group, 15(5), e39361. Cited in PubMed; PMID: 37362457. Pub Status: Published. Article URL: https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/37362457/

Saeed, S., Ekhator, C., Abdelaziz, A.M., Naveed, H., Karski, A., Cook, D.E., Reddy, S.M., Affaf, M., Khan, S.J., **Bellegarde, S.B.,** Rehman, A., Hasan, A.H., Shehryar, A. (2023, Sep). Revolutionizing Inflammatory Bowel Disease Management: A Comprehensive Narrative Review of Innovative Dietary Strategies and Future Directions. Cureus Part of Springer Nature Group, 15(9), e44304. Cited in PubMed; PMID: 37664362. Pub Status: Published. Article URL: https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/37664362/

Shaikh, U., Khan, A., Kumari, P., Ishfaq, A., Ekhator, C., Yousuf, P., Halappa Nagaraj, R., Raza, H., Ur Rehman, U., Zaman, M.U., Lakshmipriya Vetrivendan, G., Nguyen, N., Kadel, B., Sherpa, T.N., Ullah, A., **Bellegarde, S.B**. (2023, Jul). Novel Therapeutic Targets for Fibrodysplasia Ossificans Progressiva: Emerging Strategies and Future Directions. Cureus Part of Springer Nature Group, 15(7), e42614. Cited in PubMed; PMID: 37521595. Pub Status: Published. Article URL: https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/37521595/

Yadav, V., Irfan, R., Safdar, S., Sunkara, V., Ekhator, C., Pendyala, P.R., Devi, M., Shahzed, S.M.I., Das, A., Affaf, M., **Bellegarde, S.B.**, Shrestha, R., Naseem, M.A., Al Khalifa, A.. (2023, Aug). Advances in Understanding and Managing Autoimmune Hepatitis: A Narrative Review. Cureus Part of Springer Nature Group, 15(8), e43973. Pub Status: Published. Article URL: https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/37622052/

PRESENTATIONS AT PROFESSIONAL SOCIETY MEETINGS:

Bellegarde, S.B., Mejia, E., Rosenbaum, M.W.: Evaluating the Discrepancy Between Pathology Resident Compensation and Local Cost of Living Across the United States. The United States and Canadian Academy of Pathology, 94th Annual Meeting, March 22 – March 27, 2025, Boston, MA

Bellegarde, S.B., Gibson, V., Andaz, S., Huang, L., Robinson, E., Turi, G., Tofuah, D., Ekhator, C., Bardarov, S.:Massive Hemorrhage Following Spontaneous Mediastinal Inflammatory Myofibroblastic Tumor Rupture: A Case Report. Mount Sinai South Nassau Annual Clinical Research Day, March 24, 2023. Oceanside, NY, USA.

Robinson, E., **Bellegarde, S.B.,** Purrazella, R., Gibson, V., Andaz, S.: Rare Diffuse Idiopathic Pulmonary Neuroendocrine Cell Hyperplasia (DIPNECH) Finding in 9/11 World Trade Center Survivor. Mount Sinai South Nassau Annual Clinical Research Day, March 24, 2023. Oceanside, NY, USA.

LANGUAGES:

French, Haitian Creole, Spanish

HOBBIES:

Cooking and Running