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CAN Statement on Racism, Discrimination and Violence

This is a tragic and painful time for the Black community all over the world, including here in Canada. The Canadian Association for Neuroscience condemns racism in all its forms. The tragic death of George Floyd and many others obligate all of us to reflect on important questions about systemic forms of racism present in our society today.

In addition, we recognize the fear, anxiety, frustration, and weariness that is being felt by all. We will continue to work towards creating an inclusive and welcoming environment for Black scientists within our community. We pledge to support our Black students, colleagues, and neighbours not just during this difficult time, but also moving forward. We will listen to their concerns, and amplify their voices. Our mission is to promote research related to the brain and to advocate for increased attention to the mental well-being of Canadians. We recognize there are existing disparities in access to mental health resources as a consequence of social, racial and ethnic factors and we strongly support increased access for all. The Canadian Association for Neuroscience is committed to creating positive social change, and a more progressive and inclusive science ecosystem.

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