

# the black women in science network

Greetings to our beloved BWIS community!

As May draws to a close, we're excited to present this month's newsletter packed with opportunities and updates. Keep an eye on our social media platforms for ongoing news as we journey through the second half of the year. Happy reading!

## Experiencing AI as a Black Woman

The Rise of AI is our most recent blog post that focused on tackling the pros and cons of AI and how this experience may be different for Black women. In the blog we explore how *“current versions of AI are unable to recognise when they are being biased”* and the solutions on how this can be corrected in the future. To find out more, you can read the full blog post [here](#).



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## Brunch Talks with BWiS: Save the Dates!

Thank you for joining us for our latest Brunch Talk session this month! We spoke about how peoples' months had been, some of the challenges we had faced, and what we have to look forward to in coming month. It was truly uplifting and inspiring space. Thank you to all those who have attended. Your enthusiasm and the time you give you this special space means the world to us.

For those who haven't been to a Brunch Talks with BWiS before, it is an online space that we hold for Black women in the Sciences to come and talk about whatever is on their minds. A link is sent to all Member's directly to their inbox at the start of every month. If you haven't been receiving the emails, and you think you should have, get in touch with [admin@bwisnetwork.com](mailto:admin@bwisnetwork.com). If you have never got the link, and you're a Black woman who wants to join

Be sure to save the following dates in your calendars: **June 15<sup>th</sup>**, **July 20<sup>th</sup>** and **August 17<sup>th</sup>**. We start at 11am UK time and usually stick around for about one hour. This is a friendly, come-as-you-are environment so don't be discouraged or shy, we hope to see you there!

## Data Analysis and Psychosexual Therapy

There isn't ever a dull day on the Black Women in Science Network Podcast. We see that you love to listen and we are very pleased to keep bring you variety. This month, we gave you two episodes, the first being about our very own Juliana's [career journey in data analysis](#) and the second being about an [insight into psychosexual therapy](#). We hope you enjoy both episodes!

Better yet, follow our podcast on your favourite streaming platform to be updated on when we release more episodes. The podcast is available on [Spotify](#), [Google Podcasts](#), and [Apple Podcasts](#).

If you have any feedback for us regarding the podcast, you can make it here. We are creating the space for our audience, so your feedback is invaluable.

### Join Our Team: Volunteer Opportunities Available!

As our community grows, we're eager to welcome more helping hands. We're particularly looking for people to join the team as Campaigns Officers, Social Media Managers and Blog Writers. If you are even the slightest bit interested in volunteering for the Network, [explore the specific roles and responsibilities](#) outlined and consider filling out the [application form](#). Your support is essential in maintaining our vibrant and thriving space.



### Welcoming a New Team Member

We are pleased to announce the joining of Deborah Ajulo to the Black Women in Science Network Committee. Deborah joins as a social media manager, who will primarily be running our [LinkedIn](#) page. A bit about Deborah... Deborah holds an MSc in Environmental Sciences and specialises in Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) practices. She is passionate about empowering young black women in STEM and looks forward to connecting with you all on LinkedIn. To find out more about Deborah, please [visit our website](#). Deborah is contactable via [deborah@bwisnetwork.com](mailto:deborah@bwisnetwork.com).

### Black Leaders In Diabetes Internship Scheme

Diabetes United Kingdom is launching a pilot [Summer Internship program](#) and a [PhD Studentship](#) to support aspiring Black researchers in diabetes, addressing their underrepresentation in the UK diabetes scientific community. These initiatives aim to provide research opportunities for Black students and foster mentorship from established scientists to cultivate future Black research leaders. Please contact [research@diabetes.org.uk](mailto:research@diabetes.org.uk) for more information.

We hope your May has been great, and that your June is greater. Hoping that you are looking after yourselves and look forward to seeing some of you online on the 15<sup>th</sup> June.

**Have a bright month,  
The Black Women in Science Network**