

Section 3: Appendices

Appendix A: Deceased Black Entomologists

Black scientists have contributed to the profession of entomology in North America since the early 1900s. As mentioned in the first section of this work, Dr. Charles H. Turner was likely the first black scientist to specialize on insects for the dissertation (Ph.D., 1907, Zoology, University of Chicago) in North America. A decade or so later, Ernest DuPorte, from the West Indies, was awarded the Ph.D. in entomology from McGill University in Canada. In a book titled *Blacks in Science and Medicine*, four African Americans are on record as receiving their doctorates from American universities in the mid-1900s (Sammons 1990). They were Vivian Murray Chambers (Ph.D., 1946, Cornell University), Madison Spencer Briscoe (Ph.D., 1950, Catholic University), Leon R. Roddy (Ph.D., 1953, Ohio State University), and Glen Herman Cooke (Ph.D., 1962, University of Wisconsin). Extensive biographies on the careers of these deceased entomologists are not presented in Sammons (1990) or elsewhere, to our knowledge.

In this appendix, we briefly highlight the lifespan, education (universities attended and degrees earned), career employment, major accomplishments, and select publications of five deceased black entomologists. These include Margaret S. Collins, Lonnie N. Standifer, Lincoln M. Moore, Thomas S. Odhiambo, and Ernest M. DuPorte. Extensive biographies on the careers of Dr. Collins and Dr. Odhiambo are available in a book (Warren 1999) and journal article (Meinwald and Nakanishi 2011), respectively. Several black entomologists organized symposia at the Annual Convention of the Entomological Society of America in 1997 and 2006 to recognize the contributions and careers of Dr. Collins and Dr. Odhiambo, respectively. Perhaps extensive biographies on the careers of Drs. DuPorte, Standifer, and Moore will become available in a subsequent work.

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