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Dr. Michelle A. Albert, M.D., M.P.H., is the Walter A. Haas-Lucie Stern Endowed Chair in Cardiology and Professor in Medicine at the University of California at San Francisco (UCSF), Admissions Dean for UCSF Medical School and Director of the CeNter for the StUdy of AdveRsiTy and CardiovascUlaR DiseasE (NURTURE Center). As a physician-scientist-epidemiologist, Dr. Albert has had a *longstanding commitment to health equity* and is engaged in cutting-edge research that innovatively seeks to incorporate “biology” with social determinants of health to transform CVD science and health care of global populations, *i.e.*, “*the biology of adversity*.” She has received numerous awards for her research and mentorship, including recently among others the prestigious American Heart Association Merit Award for visionary research and the 2024 Distinguished Scientist Award from the American College of Cardiology. Dr. Albert is an elected member of the National Academy of Medicine (NAM), the Association of American Physicians (AAP), the Association of University Cardiologists (AUC) and the American Society of Clinical Investigation (ASCI). She is the Immediate-Past 86th President of the American Heart Association, Immediate-Past President of the Association of Black Cardiologists, Inc., and the Past 60th President of the Association of University Cardiologists. She is the first person in history to serve collectively and concurrently as President of these three of the most prestigious cardiovascular societies. Dr. Albert is the first woman of color and Black woman to serve as AHA President and AUC President. Dr. Albert received an Honorary Doctorate in Science (*D.Sc., Hon*) from the University of Rochester in 2023 and also delivered the University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry 2023 Commencement Address. Dr. Albert is named on the 2022 Forbes 50 over 50 list for her impact.