



"As an early career researcher, I quickly saw how gaining a deeper understanding of the chemistry that underpins the nuclear fuel cycle could strengthen my skills. Working with Leigh has given me key insight into the mission spaces that shape the broader goals of our research."

—Randy Ngelale,  
R&D Associate,  
Fusion and Fission Energy and  
Science Directorate

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From inspiration to impact—mentorship drives our mission.

Before joining ORNL, chemical engineer Randy Ngelale drew on chemist Leigh Martin's foundational research in radiolysis and aqueous reprocessing to shape his doctoral work. Today, they're collaborators. Leigh's mentorship has guided Randy's scientific understanding and insight, supporting his progression into leadership roles in impactful industry collaborations.

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