Twenty-Second Symposium on Separation Science and Technology for Energy Applications

November 3-6, 2025 Oak Ridge National Laboratory Oak Ridge, Tennessee 37830







Symposium Agenda

Monday, November 3, 2025

Badging and Registration	7:30 – 8:00 a.m.
Welcome and Introduction	7:55 - 8:00 a.m.
Session I: Plenary Session	8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Lunch (on your own)	12:00 – 2:00 p.m.
Session II: Sorption and Ion Exchange	2:00 - 4:50 p.m.
Session III: Student Lightning Talks	5:00 – 5:30 p.m.
Session IV: Poster Session and Reception	6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Tuesday, November 4, 2025

Badging and Registration	7:30 - 8:15 a.m.
Session V: Solvent Extraction	8:15 – 11:55 a.m.
Lunch (on your own)	11:55 a.m.
Afternoon Free for individual discussions	
Session VI: Medical Isotopes	6:00 – 7:45 p.m.

Wednesday, November 5, 2025

Badging and Registration	7:30 – 8:15 a.m.
Session VII: Novel Separations	8:15 – 11:30 a.m.
Lunch (on your own)	11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.
Session VIII: Nuclear Fuel Cycle Separations	1:30 – 4:45 p.m.
Banquet Reception	6:00 – 8:00 p.m.



Thursday, November 6, 2025

Badging and Registration 7:30 – 8:15 a.m.

Technical Session IX: DOE Applications 8:15 – 11:30 a.m.

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Technical Session I Iran Auditorium

Plenary Session

Chair: Lætitia Delmau (Oak Ridge National Laboratory)

8:00 a.m.	Separation Needs for the Isotope Science and Enrichment Directorate	
	Jeremy Busby	Oak Ridge National Laboratory
8:45 a.m.	Practical Considerations in the Production of Rare-Earth Elements	
	David Harvey	MP Materials
9:30 a.m.	30 a.m. Open Questions and Opportunities in Solvent Extraction and Beyond	
	Bruce Moyer	Oak Ridge National Laboratory
10:15 a.m.	Break	
10:30 a.m.	Transforming Nuclear Waste Management – SHINE's Integrated UNF Recycling and Transmutation Strategy	
	Abdul Momen	SHINE Technologies
11:15 a.m. Separations for Radioisotope Recovery and Environmental Remediation		
	Paul Sylvester	Energy Solutions
12:00 p.m.	Lunch	



November 3, 2025 Monday Afternoon

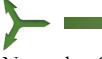
Technical Session II Iran Auditorium

Membranes/Sorption/Ion Exchange Separations

Chair: Shalina Metzger (Oak Ridge National Laboratory)

2:00 p.m.	Combined Electrocoagulation and Activated Carbor Swapnamoy Dutta	n Treatment of Farm Wastewater Oak Ridge National Laboratory	
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2:25 p.m.	Alkaline-Side Recovery and Purification of Uranium by Ion-Exchange		
	Joel Castillo	Pacific Northwest National Laboratory	
2:50 p.m.	Loading and ion-Exchange Behavior of Zirconium I	Loading and ion-Exchange Behavior of Zirconium Phosphate Nanoplatelets	
	Adrianna Orsi	University of Alahama - Birmingham	
3:15 p.m.	Break		
3:35 p.m.	Electrochemically Enhanced Critical Materials Separations in 2D COF-MXene Membranes		
	Julia Chung	Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory	
4:00 p.m.	High-Pressure Ion Chromatographic Chemical Sepa	rations for Inductively-Coupled Plasma	
	Mass Spectrometry Assay at Oak Ridge National Laboratory		
	Tamara Keever	Oak Ridge National Laboratory	
4:25 p.m.	Processing Elusive f-Elements at ORNL: ¹⁴⁷ Pm, ²⁴⁹ Bk, ²⁵⁴ Es, and ²⁵⁷ Fm		
-	Cristian Celis-Barros	Oak Ridge National Laboratory	

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November 3, 2025 Monday Evening Technical Session IV 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Poster Presentation and Reception

Chair: Lætitia H. Delmau (Oak Ridge National Laboratory)

- 1 **Krishna P. Gnyawali**, *Tennessee Technological University*, TODGA-Inspired, Amide Functionalized Bis-1,2,4-Triazinyl-2,6-Pyridine as a Complexant for Minor Actinide Extraction from Lanthanides
- 2 **Ashley Harvey**, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, Processing of Es-253/254 and Fm-257 from the Cf-252 Campaign
- 3 **Konstantinos Kavallieratos**, *Florida International University*, Lipophilic mono- and bis-Sulfonamidophenol Ligands as f-Element Chelators for High-Level Waste Separations under Alkaline Conditions
- 4 **Kenneth O. Klutse**, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, Crystal Clear: Insights into Rare Earth Separation via a Tunable Ligand
- 5 **Amanda Morgan**, *Indiana University*, Multi-Ion Complexes and Competition from Bulky BArF⁻ Anions for Chloride Binding in Ion Pairing Conditions
- 6 Nathan Sims, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, Recovery and Purification of Bk-249 from the Cf-252 Campaign
- 7 **Daniel G. Racz,** *University of Tennessee-Knoxville*, Improved Adjacent Lanthanide Separation with Diglycolamide Resins and Neutral Aqueous Complexants
- 8 **Shayla G. Wood**, *Tennessee Technological University*, Progress Towards the Hofmann Rearrangement of Heteroaryl Carboxamides to Afford Heteroaryl Amino Complexant Synthons
- 9 **Sara E. Speetjens**, *Pacific Northwest National Laboratory*, Robust Lithium Recovery from Lithium-Aluminum Matrices: A Scalable Ion Exchange Approach
- 10 **Lakshi M. Thilakarathne**, *Tennessee Technological University*, Development of Advanced Complexant Frameworks and Solvent-Impregnated Resins for Sustainable Separation of Trivalent Actinides from Lanthanides in Spent Nuclear Fuel
- 11 **Joshua O. Aggrey**, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, Synthesis of Aqueous Bis-lactam-1, 10-phenanthroline for Lanthanide Separation



November 4, 2025 Tuesday Morning

Technical Session V Iran Auditorium

Solvent Extraction

Chair: Santa Jansone-Popova (Oak Ridge National Laboratory)

8:15 a.m.	Understanding the Kinetics of Lanthanide(III) Extraction from Nitric Acid Media by TODGA with and without Phase Modifiers	
	Wyatt S. Nobley	Colorado School of Mines
8:40 a.m.	Investigation of Rare Earth Solvent Extraction Separa Tatiana Levitskaia	ation from Monazite Feed Pacific Northwest National Laboratory
9:05 a.m.	Partitioning of Np and Tc in the Direct Extraction Pr Peter Tkac	rocess Using DEHiBA Solvent Argonne National Laboratory
9:30 a.m.	Synthesis of Sequence-defined Triazolophane Macrocycles: Toward the Binding of ReO ₄ for Dilute Liquid-Liquid Extraction	
	Luigi Gutierrez-Cruz	Indiana University
9:55 a.m.	Break	
10:15 a.m.	Direct Extraction of Uranium Oxides with Monoamie	de Ligands
	Amy Speelman	Pacific Northwest National Laboratory
10:40 a.m.	Solvent Extraction Flowsheet Optimization of a Pm-147 Surrogate in N,N,N',N'-Tetraoctyl Diglycolamide Using the Argonne Model for Universal Solvent Extraction (AMUSE) Code	
	Clarice Phelps	Oak Ridge National Laboratory
11:05 a.m.	Extraction and Light-Driven Release of Superhydrophilic Oxoanions Using Amphiphilic Iminoguanadine Ligands	
	Nabarupa Bhattacharjee	Oak Ridge National Laboratory
11:30 a.m.	Characterization of f-Element Complexes with Hydroxypyridinone Chelators for Redox Stabilization and Extraction	
	Marlom Martinez	Florida International University
11:55 a.m.	Lunch	

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Afternoon Free for individual discussions

Technical Session VI Iran Auditorium

Medical Isotopes/Novel Separations

Chair: Subhamay Pramanik (Oak Ridge National Laboratory)

6:00 p.m.	Advanced Separations for Scalable, High Specific-Activity, No Carrier-Added Lutetium-177 Production	
	MD. A. Momen	Shine Technologies
6:25 p.m.	Small-Scale ²²⁵ Ac Production from Photonuclear Tran Cory Hawkins	nsmutation of ²²⁶ Ra Targets NorthStar Medical Radioisotopes
6:50 p.m.	From Architecture to Selectivity: Computational Insights into Lanthanide-Ligand Complexation Anton Pozdeev Vanderbilt University	
7:15 p.m.	Ligand Design for Rare Earth Separations: Crafting S Subhamay Pramanik	3



November 5, 2025 Wednesday Morning

Technical Session VII Iran Auditorium

Novel Separations

Chair: Abdul Momen (SHINE Technologies)

8:15 a.m.	Rare Earth Ion Transport in Small Diameter Metallic and Semiconducting Carbon Nanotube Porins	
	Alexsandr Noy	Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory
8:40 a.m.	Stimuli-Responsive Iminoguanadine Receptors for Selective Separation of Superhydrophilic Oxyanions from Ultradilute Aqueous Environments	
	Radu Custelcean	Oak Ridge National Laboratory
9:05 a.m.	Small Molecule Chelating Extractants for Select Ecor Stephen Long	nomically Critical Metals National Energy Technology Laboratory
9:30 a.m.	Transuranic Trapping Inside Guanidinium-Uranyl-Ca Peter Zalupski	arbonate Double Salt Idaho National Laboratory
9:55 a.m.	Break	
10:15 a.m.	Advancing Minor Actinide Extraction via Alkoxy-Functionalized BTPs	
	Jesse Carrick	Tennessee Technological University
10:40 a.m.	Chemoinformatics-Guided Design of MA Extractants – Integrating Fluorinated Solvents and Machine Learning	
	Masahiko Nakase	Institute of Science Tokyo
11:05 a.m.	Masahiko Nakase Redox Behavior of Eu(III) Using TODGA-Function	alized Carbon Paste Electrodes
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Technical Session VIII Iran Auditorium

Nuclear Fuel Cycle Separations

Chair: Gabriel Hall (Pacific Northwest National Laboratory) Co-Chair: Peter Tkac (Argonne National Laboratory)

1:30 p.m.	Effect of Radiolytic HNO ₂ and DBP on the Extraction Gabriel Flores	on of Np in CoDCon Argonne National Laboratory
1:55 p.m.	Separation of TRISO Particles from bulk graphite Gabriel Hall	Pacific Northwest National Laboratory
2:20 p.m.	Experimental Studies and Molecular Modeling of the Monoamide Extractants	•
	Clovis Poulin-Ponnelle	University of Montpellier, France
2:45 p.m.	Dissolution Characteristics of Mixed Oxide Fuel in Alniflex	
1	Jarrod M. Gogolski	Savannah River National Laboratory
3:10 p.m.	Break	
3:30 p.m.	Np(V)/Np(VI) Equilibria and Kinetics in Advanced David Bettinardi	Nuclear Fuel Recycling Argonne National Laboratory
3:55 p.m.	Correlating Radiolytic, Non-Radioactive Radical, and Computational Methods for Monoamide Degradation	
	Julia Brumaghim	Clemson University
4:20 p.m.	PUMAS – From Recycling to Multicycling: A Monoa for C-Recovery of Uranium and Plutonium from Spe Loic Daronnat	
6:00 p.m.	Banquet Reception at the Double Tree Hotel Conference Banquet, Student Poster Awards, and Af	ter-Dinner Presentation



November 6, 2025 Thursday Morning

Technical Session IX Iran Auditorium

DOE Applications

Chair: Thomas Shehee (Savannah River National Laboratory) Co-Chair: Jarrod Gogolski (Savannah River National Laboratory)

8:15 a.m.	Rethinking Rare Earth Element Separations: Harn Lesta Fletcher	lessing Selectivity at the Leaching Stage Oak Ridge National Laboratory	
8:40 a.m.	Zirconium Tetrachloride (ZnCl ₄) Recovery Utilizing Advance Chlorination, Sedimentation, and Microfiltration		
	Laura Arias Chavez	Oak Ridge National Laboratory	
9:05 a.m.	Development of an Am/Bi Separation After Oxid Jennifer Pyles	ation of Am(III) using NaBiO ₃ University of Alahama at Birmingham	
9:30 a.m.	Progress for HALEU Production at the Savannah Thomas C. Shehee	River Site Savannah River National Laboratory	
9:55 a.m.	Break		
10:15 a.m.	Analytical Capabilities in the Radioactive Materials Shalina Metzger	Analytical Laboratory Oak Ridge National Laboratory	
	Shaima Wetzgei	Ouk Kage National Laboratory	
10:40 a.m.	Orphaned Fuels: Adopting a Domestic Nuclear Fu Richard Mayes	uel Cycle Pacific Northwest National Laboratory	
11:05 a.m.	Removal of Calcium and Silica from Simulated Blo Swapnamoy Dutta	owdown Water Oak Ridge National Laboratory	
11:30 a.m.	Concluding Remarks		

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