The Research Collaboration Building provides dedicated space for visiting researchers to interact with INL research staff at the Materials and Fuels Complex.

The two-story, 13,901-square-foot RCB is located outside of MFC’s perimeter security fence west of the entrance, providing a landing spot, collaborative working space and training areas for the growing number of students, visiting researchers and postdoctoral researchers who conduct research at MFC.

Funding for RCB was provided through the Nuclear Science User Facilities (NSUF), which facilitates the advancement of nuclear science and technology by providing nuclear energy researchers access to world-class capabilities at no cost to the researcher.

**Basic Capabilities:**
- 28 offices for MFC researchers, NSUF staff and long-term visitors.
- 23 researcher work stations and five collaboration spaces where INL scientists can host and work with their research partners and analyze data.
- A 1,000-square-foot non-radiation laboratory that will be used to develop and test instrumentation and test equipment before it is installed in a radiological facility.
- The ability for researchers to monitor research equipment at the Irradiated Materials Characterization Laboratory (IMCL), which focuses on microstructural, thermal, and mechanical characterization of irradiated nuclear fuels and materials.

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