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William Jacob Knox

Of the handful of the African-American scientists to work on the Manhattan Project, William Jacob Knox Jr. was the only African American supervisor: The Manhattan Project produced the atom bomb used to end World War II and pioneer other nuclear capabilities.

After earning his Ph.D. at MIT, Knox was invited by Columbia University in 1942 to assist a team of scientists attempting to isolate pure U235; the isotope which can sustain the nuclear chain reaction needed for the bomb. Knox was eventually appointed head of the all-white Corrosion Section. In 1944, Lawrence Knox - William's brother - also joined the Manhattan Project. Lawrence's work on anti-malarial Quinine was used in field research on the effects of atomic bomb explosions.

After World War II, Knox (William) was personally recommended for employment as a research associate for the Eastman Kodak Company. Knox was the second black Ph.D chemist hired by Kodak and through his expertise in corrosive substances, he developed wetting agents that maximized the bonding power of film – improving their manufacture and clearer photographic images. Over the course of a lengthy career with Kodak, Knox was considered a highly regarded surfactant expert and granted 21 U.S. patents over a 25-year period.

Sources:
Atomic Heratige.gov; Blackpast.org;MIT.edu; NPS.gov; Wikipedia.org

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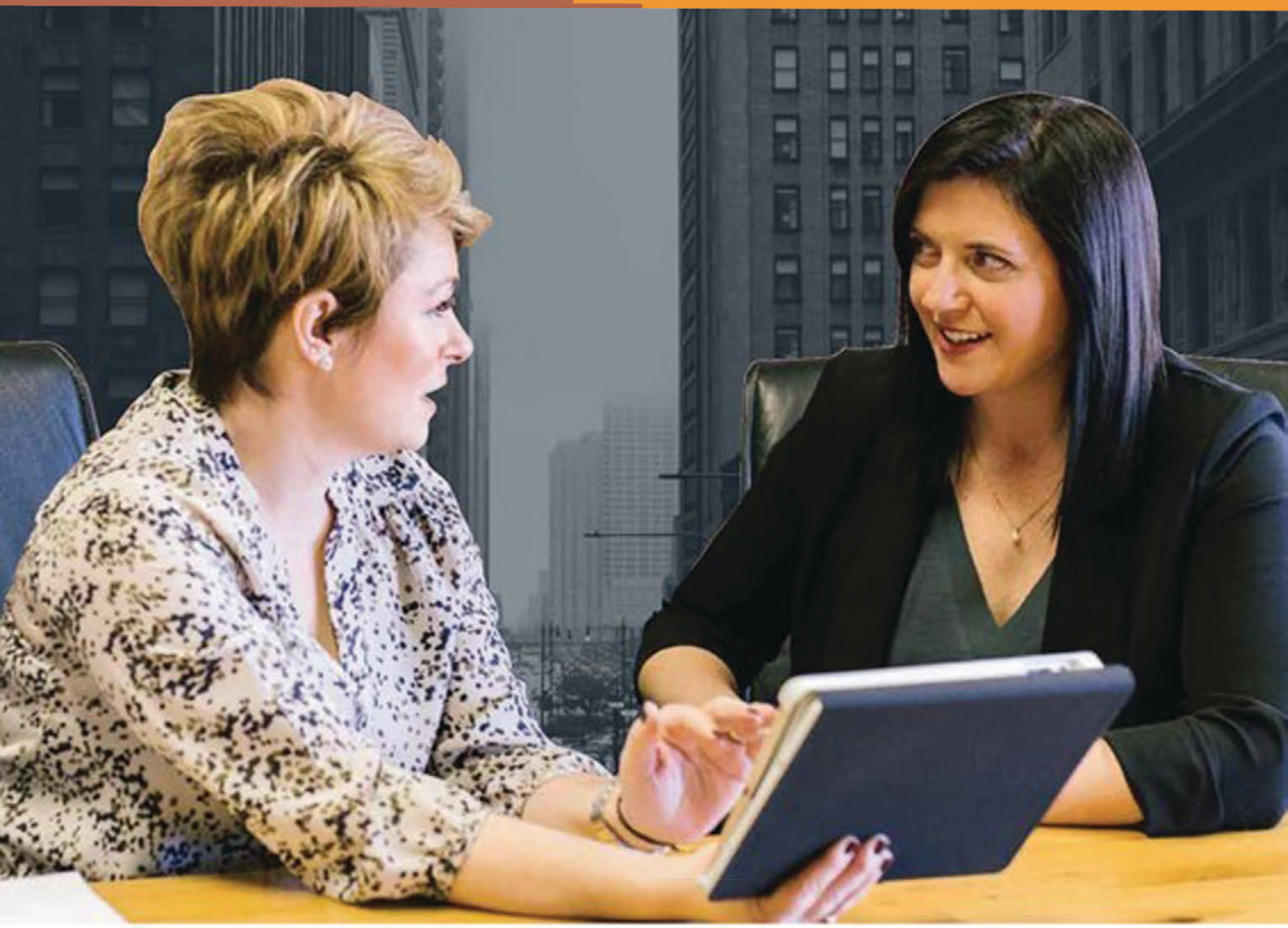

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