

Profile



Emmaculate Ogutu

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Position:

PhD Candidate

Organization:

Makerere University

Field of research:

Plant Breeding and
Biotechnology

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Emmaculate Ogutu is a PhD candidate at Makerere University, where she is focusing on the development of sorghum varieties that are resistant to anthracnose disease, a critical challenge for agricultural productivity in Uganda. She is dedicated to contributing to sustainable agricultural practices and food security in the region.

When she joined the AWARD Leadership Program for Emerging African Women in Science, Emmaculate wanted to deepen her understanding of gender challenges to work towards a more equitable scientific landscape. She also wanted to strengthen her leadership skills. "The skills I acquired empowered me to contribute more effectively to enhancing agricultural practices through science that respects and addresses the needs of all community members," she says.

To younger women considering the program, Immaculate says, "Embrace this opportunity wholeheartedly. This program offers more than just skill enhancement, it provides a platform to grow and connect with a network of motivated, like-minded women scientists."