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### **A. PROFESSIONAL PREPARATION**

<b>INSTITUTION</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>	<b>MAJOR/AREA</b>	<b>DEGREE &amp; YEAR</b>
Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México (UNAM)	Mexico City	Chemical Engineering	B. Sc., 1998
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University Paris VI	Paris, France	Engineering and Technology	Ph. D., 2003
Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México	Mexico City	Nanotechnology	Post-doc, 2004-05

### **B. APPOINTMENTS**

2008– Present	Director, Instituto de Ciencias Aplicadas y Tecnología-UNAM, Mexico City
2008-Present	Titular Researcher, Instituto de Ciencias Aplicadas y Tecnología-UNAM, Mexico City
2013-2018	Director, Centro de Ciencias Aplicadas y Desarrollo Tecnológico-UNAM, Mexico City
2011-2013	Academic Deputy, Centro de Ciencias Aplicadas y Desarrollo Tecnológico-UNAM, Mexico City
2009– 2018	Titular Researcher, Centro de Ciencias Aplicadas y Desarrollo Tecnológico-UNAM, Mexico City
2006 – 2008	Associated Researcher, Centro de Ciencias Aplicadas y Tecnología-UNAM, Mexico City

### **C. MAIN RESEARCH AREAS**

1. Deposition of monometallic and bimetallic nanoparticles of gold, silver, nickel, copper and iridium on reducible and non-reducible powder oxides (e.g. TiO<sub>2</sub>, CeO<sub>2</sub>, Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, SiO<sub>2</sub>, ZrO<sub>2</sub>, MgO, ZnO, CuO) by liquid phase methods (deposition precipitation, ion adsorption, impregnation and colloidal routes).
2. Synthesis of metal oxides, pure and doped.
3. Catalysis focused on exhaust gas reactions (CO oxidation, NO reduction, total oxidation)
4. Catalysis focused on the production and purification of H<sub>2</sub> (Water Gas Shift reaction (WGS) and preferential CO oxidation (PROX))
5. Photocatalytic degradation of organic compounds
6. Photocatalytic production of hydrogen.
7. Artificial Photosynthesis

### **D. PUBLICATIONS**

(I) RECENT PUBLICATIONS

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#### E. SYNERGISTIC ACTIVITIES

1. President of the Mexican Academy of Catalysis 2017-2019.
2. Chair of the XXVII International Materials Research Congress 2019 held in Cancún, Mexico in August 2019.
3. I led the transformation of the Center for Applied Science and Technological Development into the Institute for Applied Sciences and Technology (ICAT) at UNAM.
4. Founder and head of the University Laboratory of Environmental Nanotechnology at UNAM
5. Head of the Catalysis and Surface Processes group at ICAT