



INSTITUTE OF PHYSICAL SCIENCES (ICF), UNAM
INTERNATIONAL CALL FOR APPLICATIONS
FULL-TIME ASSOCIATE RESEARCHER POSITION (“C”)



The Institute of Physical Sciences (ICF) at the National Autonomous University of Mexico (UNAM) invites applications from outstanding early-career researchers for a full-time Associate Researcher “C” position, under contract in accordance with Article 51 of UNAM’s Academic Staff Statute.

RESEARCH AREA:
BIOPHYSICS AND MATERIALS SCIENCE

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

Applicants must meet the following requirements:

- A Ph.D. in Materials Science or closely related fields.
- At least two years of research experience after obtaining a doctorate degree.
- Age limit: under 39 years for women and under 37 for men (in accordance with SIJA program guidelines).
- The applicant should meet the requirements given in the below link of the Subprogram for the Incorporation of Young Career Academics ([SIJA](#)).
- Preferably an active member of the Mexican National System of Researchers (SNII).

POSITION PROFILE:

The successful candidate is expected to design and lead experimental research projects in advanced materials which includes physicochemical and electrochemical characterization, as well as conducting industrial failure analysis to identify root causes and improve materials performance.

Candidates should demonstrate the ability to strengthen and expand ongoing research and academic activities at ICF. Experience with salt spray chambers will be considered an advantage.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:

1. A cover letter mentioning the research and teaching statements addressed to the Director of ICF
2. A three-year research proposal (maximum 5 pages)
3. Updated curriculum vitae
4. Proof of Ph.D. degree (or official certificate). Degrees obtained abroad must include an apostille and official translation
5. List of publications
6. Birth certificate (apostilled and translated if applicable)



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7. Valid government-issued ID (passport recommended for international applicants)
8. Teaching statement (maximum 2 pages)
9. Three letters of recommendation, sent directly by referees from their institutional email addresses

Submission email: secacademica@icf.unam.mx

New application deadline: ~~May 31, 2026~~ June 15, 2026

SELECTION PROCESS

Applications will be evaluated by an ad hoc committee trained in fair and inclusive hiring practices. A shortlist of 4–5 candidates will be invited to present an open seminar and interview.

Selection will be based on the following criteria:

- Research excellence
- Teaching experience
- Ability to utilize ICF infrastructure
- Alignment with Institute's development objectives

Please note that this process does not constitute an open competitive examination, and the final decision is not subject to appeal.

COMMITMENT TO DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION

ICF-UNAM is committed to fostering a diverse and inclusive academic environment. As part of its institutional policy to reduce gender disparities and broaden representation, affirmative measures may be applied to select candidates who contribute to a balanced and diverse academic community.

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY STATEMENT

ICF-UNAM upholds the principles of equality, diversity, and non-discrimination as essential to academic excellence. The Institute guarantees equal opportunities throughout the selection process and is committed to preventing and addressing all forms of discrimination and violence, including gender-based violence.

CONTACT INFORMATION

For further inquiries, please contact: secacademica@icf.unam.mx