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EDUCATION AND TRAINING

National University of Engineering, Perú	B.Sc. Physics	1993
Brazilian Center for Research on Physics, Brazil	M.Sc. Physics	1996
Brazilian Center for Research on Physics, Brazil	Ph.D. Physics	2000
University of California, San Diego	Post-Doc Biophysics	2000-2004

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

Arizona State University, Manager of the Single Crystal X-ray Diffraction Facility	2022-Present
Arizona State University, Manager at the Ultrafast Laser Facility	2018-2021
Arizona State University, Research Professional and Manager of the EPR Facility	2008-Present
Max-Planck Institute for Bioinorganic Chemistry, Germany, EU Research Fellow	2004-2008
Brazilian Center for Research on Physics, Brazil, Visiting Scientist	2004
Private University Antenor Orrego, Perú, Teaching Assistant	1991-1993

FELLOWSHIPS AND HONORS

National Science Foundation (NSF), MRI Program, Member of EPR Review Panel	2015-2017
Wolf Foundation, Israel, Special Guest to the Ceremony of the Wolf Foundation Prize	2007
European Union/Energy Network Project (SOLAR-H), Research Fellowship	2004-2008
National Institutes of Health (NIH), Postdoctoral Fellowship	2000-2004
Ministry of Education, Brazil (CAPES), Ph.D. Fellowship	1996-2000
Ministry of Education, Brazil (CAPES), M.Sc. Fellowship	1993-1996

INVITED TALKS AND ORAL PRESENTATIONS

ASU Core Facilities Symposium, Tempe, AZ	2018
George Feher Memorial Symposium, La Jolla, CA	2018
XL Encontro Nacional de Física da Matéria Condensada, Armação dos Búzios, Brazil	2017
American Chemical Society, 45 th Western Regional Meeting, San Marcos, CA	2015
54 th Annual Rocky Mountain Conf. on Analytical Chemistry, Copper Mountain, CO	2012
Department of Physics, University of California, San Diego, La Jolla, CA	2008
6 th European Federation of EPR Groups Meeting (EFEPR-06), Madrid, Spain	2006
SOLAR-H Workshop 2006, Gelsenkirchen, Germany	2006
Department of Physics, Free University Berlin, Berlin, Germany	2005
Max-Planck Institute for Bioinorganic Chemistry, Mülheim an der Ruhr, Germany	2004
48 th Annual Meeting of the Biophysical Society, Baltimore, MD	2004
School of Sciences, National University of Engineering, Lima, Perú	2000
XXIII Encontro Nacional de Física da Matéria Condensada, São Lourenço, Brazil	2000
Institute of Biophysics "Carlos Chagas Filho", UFRJ, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil	1996
School of Sciences, National University of Engineering, Lima, Perú	1996

CURRENT COLLABORATORS

James Allen, School of Molecular Sciences, Arizona State University
Kevin Redding, School of Molecular Sciences, Arizona State University
Ryan Trovitch, The Biodesign Institute, Arizona State University
Gary Moore, The Biodesign Institute, Arizona State University
Tijana Rajh, School of Molecular Sciences, Arizona State University

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**Arizona State University, Tempe***September 2008-Present*

My research focuses on the study of radicals, radical pairs, triplet states and transition metal complexes involved in bioenergetics and related model systems using modern electron paramagnetic resonance (EPR) techniques. In particular, I am investigating the electronic structure of metals at a metal-binding site introduced in modified bacterial reaction centers or in artificial metalloproteins (see publications 15, 26, 29 and 34). The metal-binding site is designed to mimic the one present in photosystem II, which harbors the oxygen evolving Mn cluster.

Max-Planck Institute for Bioinorganic Chemistry, Germany*November 2004-August 2008*

My research was focused on the study of the structure and function of the enzyme [NiFe] hydrogenase. This enzyme is important for future biologically based hydrogen production technology. EPR techniques were used to characterize the electronic structures of the oxidized states, Ni-A and Ni-B, in order to understand the inhibition of the enzyme by O₂ (see publications 12 and 13). In addition, Fourier transform infrared (FTIR) spectroscopy was used to investigate the activation process of the enzyme and its inhibition by CO (see publications 14 and 17).

University of California, San Diego*July 2000-October 2004*

I worked on the elucidation of the primary processes in photosynthetic reaction centers. The light-induced structural changes associated with the reduction of the electron acceptors (Q_A and Q_B) were investigated using EPR related techniques (see publications 4, 7, 10, 11 and 18). Furthermore, the geometry of the hydrogen bonds to Q_A^{•-}, which is believed to define its physical properties and function, was determined by electron-nuclear double resonance (ENDOR) spectroscopy (see publications 3, 5, 6 and 8).

Brazilian Center for Research on Physics, Brazil*September 1993-June 2000*

Here I studied the ligand structure in heme proteins. EPR and ENDOR techniques were used to study the paramagnetic complex, Fe²⁺-NO, instead of the diamagnetic complex, Fe²⁺-O₂. The results led to a basic understanding of the electronic structure of this paramagnet and the interactions with its protein surrounding and contributed to a better understanding of the ligand binding process, NO or O₂, to the iron (see publications 1 and 2).

TEACHING EXPERIENCE**Arizona State University, Tempe***September 2008-Present*

I have trained two post-docs (Z. Deng and T. L. Olson, see publications 19, 25, 29 and 34) and fifteen Ph.D. students (L. Liu, A. Dutta, V. Sharma, T. K. Mukhopadhyay, A. A. Tufts, T. S. Kashey, D. Wang, C. Ghosh, J. Cowgill, R. Pal, H. Ben-Daat, C. L. Rock, D. Khusnutdinova, T. T. Nguyen and M. R. Mena, see publications 21 through 44) on the use of EPR technology. In addition, I gave lectures on the basic principles of EPR spectroscopy to graduate students enrolled in Bioinorganic Chemistry.

Max-Planck Institute for Bioinorganic Chemistry, Germany*November 2004-August 2008*

I was the lead researcher in the project: "FTIR and EPR studies on the catalytic intermediates and on the CO inhibited states of [NiFe] hydrogenases". My duties included the design of the experiments, the supervision of a Ph.D. student (M. E. Pandelia) and the preparation of manuscripts. The results produced two articles (see publications 14 and 17).

Brazilian Center for Research on Physics, Brazil*September 1993-June 2000*

I actively participated in the Summer School Program for undergraduates.

Private University Antenor Orrego, Perú*October 1991-April 1993*

General Physics - recitation and laboratory
 Modern Physics - recitation
 Electromagnetism - recitation and laboratory

GRADUATE AND POSTDOCTORAL ADVISERS

George Bemski (deceased), Brazilian Center for Research on Physics, Brazil, M.Sc. and Ph.D. Theses Adviser
 George Feher (deceased), University of California, San Diego, Postdoctoral Adviser

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Sociedade Brasileira de Física
 International EPR Society
 American Chemical Society

PUBLICATIONS

Google scholar profile: <http://scholar.google.com/citations?user=Cibq6JkAAAAJ&hl=en&oi=ao>

h-index: 24, **i10-index:** 35, **g-index:** 41

Papers

- 1) M. Flores, E. Wajnberg and G. Bemski. "Temperature dependence of Q-band electron paramagnetic resonance spectra of nitrosyl heme proteins". *Biophys. J.* 73, 3225-3229 (1997).
- 2) M. Flores, E. Wajnberg and G. Bemski. "Proton electron nuclear double resonance from nitrosyl horse heart myoglobin: The role of His-E7 and Val-E11". *Biophys. J.* 78, 2107-2115 (2000).
- 3) M. Flores, R. A. Isaacson, R. Calvo, G. Feher and W. Lubitz. "Probing hydrogen bonding to quinone anion radicals by ^1H and ^2H ENDOR spectroscopy at 35 GHz". *Chem. Phys.* 294, 401-413 (2003).
- 4) M. L. Paddock, M. Flores, R. Isaacson, C. Chang, E. C. Abresch, P. Selvaduray, G. Feher and M. Y. Okamura. " $\text{Q}_\text{B}^{\bullet-}$ formed by B-branch electron transfer in reaction centers from *Rhodobacter sphaeroides*". in *Photosynthesis: Fundamental Aspects to Global Perspectives*, eds. A. van der Est and D. Bruce, vol. 1, pages. 207-209, Alliance Communications Group, Lawrence, Kansas (2005).
- 5) M. Flores, R. Isaacson, E. Abresch, R. Calvo, W. Lubitz and G. Feher. "Protein-cofactor interactions in bacterial reaction centers from *Rhodobacter sphaeroides* R-26: I. Identification of the ENDOR lines associated with the hydrogen bonds to the primary quinone $\text{Q}_\text{A}^{\bullet-}$ ". *Biophys. J.* 90, 3356-3362 (2006).
- 6) S. Sinnecker, M. Flores and W. Lubitz. "Protein-cofactor interactions in bacterial reaction centers from *Rhodobacter sphaeroides* R-26: Effect of hydrogen bonding on the electronic and geometric structure of the primary quinone. A density functional theory study". *Phys. Chem. Chem. Phys.* 8, 5659-5670 (2006).
- 7) M. L. Paddock, M. Flores, R. Isaacson, C. Chang, E. C. Abresch, P. Selvaduray and M. Y. Okamura. "Trapped conformational states of semiquinone ($\text{D}^{\bullet+}\text{Q}_\text{B}^{\bullet-}$) formed by B-branch electron transfer at low temperature in *Rhodobacter sphaeroides* reaction centers". *Biochemistry* 45, 14032-14042 (2006).
- 8) M. Flores, R. Isaacson, E. Abresch, R. Calvo, W. Lubitz and G. Feher. "Protein-cofactor interactions in bacterial reaction centers from *Rhodobacter sphaeroides* R-26: II. Geometry of the hydrogen bonds to the primary quinone $\text{Q}_\text{A}^{\bullet-}$ by ^1H and ^2H ENDOR spectroscopy". *Biophys. J.* 92, 671-682 (2007).
- 9) A. Savitsky, A. A. Dubinskii, M. Flores, W. Lubitz and K. Möbius. "Orientation-resolving pulsed electron dipolar high-field EPR spectroscopy on disordered solids: I. Structure of spin-correlated radical pairs in bacterial photosynthetic reaction centers". *J. Phys. Chem. B* 111, 6245-6262 (2007).
- 10) M. L. Paddock, M. Flores, R. Isaacson, C. Chang, E. C. Abresch and M. Y. Okamura. "ENDOR spectroscopy reveals light induced movement of the H-bond from Ser-L223 upon forming the semiquinone ($\text{Q}_\text{B}^{\bullet-}$) in reaction centers from *Rhodobacter sphaeroides*". *Biochemistry* 46, 8234-8243 (2007).
- 11) M. Flores, A. Savitsky, E. C. Abresch, W. Lubitz and K. Möbius. "Structure of radical pairs $\text{D}^{\bullet+}\text{Q}_\text{A}^{\bullet-}$ in bacterial photosynthetic reaction centers cooled to cryogenic temperatures in the dark and under illumination: A high-field EPR/PELDOR study". in *Photosynthesis. Energy from the Sun: 14th International Congress on Photosynthesis*, eds. J. F. Allen, E. Gantt, J. H. Golbeck and B. Osmond, pages. 59-63, Springer, Berlin (2008).
- 12) M. Flores, A. G. Agrawal, M. van Gastel, W. Gärtner and W. Lubitz. "Electron-electron double resonance-detected NMR to measure metal hyperfine interactions: ^{61}Ni in the Ni-B state of the [NiFe] hydrogenase of *Desulfovibrio vulgaris* Miyazaki F". *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* 130, 2402-2403 (2008).
- 13) M. van Gastel, J. L. Shaw, A. J. Blake, M. Flores, M. Schröder, J. McMaster and W. Lubitz. "Electronic structure of a binuclear nickel complex of relevance to [NiFe] hydrogenase". *Inorg. Chem.* 47, 11688-11697 (2008).
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- 15) L. Kálmán, M. Flores, J. C. Williams and J. P. Allen. "Electronic structure of Fe^{3+} at a metal-binding site introduced in modified bacterial reaction centers". *Appl. Magn. Reson.* 37, 27-37 (2010).

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- 17) M. E. Pandelia, H. Ogata, L. J. Currell, M. Flores and W. Lubitz. "Inhibition of the [NiFe] hydrogenase from *Desulfovibrio vulgaris* Miyazaki F by carbon monoxide: An FTIR and EPR spectroscopic study". *Biochim. Biophys. Acta - Bioenerg.* 1797, 304-313 (2010).
- 18) M. Flores, A. Savitsky, M. L. Paddock, E. C. Abresch, A. A. Dubinskii, M. Y. Okamura, W. Lubitz and K. Möbius. "Electron-nuclear and electron-electron double resonance spectroscopies show that the primary quinone acceptor Q_A in reaction centers from photosynthetic bacteria *Rhodobacter sphaeroides* remains in the same orientation upon light-induced reduction". *J. Phys. Chem. B* 114, 16894-16901 (2010).
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- 22) A. Dutta, M. Flores, S. Roy, J. C. Schmitt, G. A. Hamilton, H. E. Hartnett, J. M. Shearer and A. K. Jones. "Sequential oxidations of thiolates and the cobalt metallocenter in a synthetic metalloprotein: Implications for the biosynthesis of nitrile hydratase". *Inorg. Chem.* 52, 5236-5245 (2013).
- 23) V. Sharma, C. Tracy, D. Schroder, M. Flores, B. Dauksher and S. Bowden. "Study and manipulation of charges present in silicon nitride films". in *Photovoltaic Specialists Conference (PVSC), 2013 IEEE 39th*, pages. 1288-1293, IEEE (2013).
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- 26) A. A. Tufts, M. Flores, T. L. Olson, J. C. Williams and J. P. Allen. "Electronic structure of the Mn-cofactor of modified bacterial reaction centers measured by electron paramagnetic resonance and electron spin echo envelope modulation spectroscopies". *Photosynth. Res.* 120, 207-220 (2014).
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- 28) T. K. Mukhopadhyay, M. Flores, R. K. Feller, B. L. Scott, R. D. Taylor, M. Paz-Pasternak, N. J. Henson, F. N. Rein, N. C. Smythe, R. J. Trovitch and J. C. Gordon. "A new spin on cyclooctatetraene (COT) redox-activity: Low-spin iron(I) complexes that exhibit antiferromagnetic coupling to a singly reduced η⁴-COT ligand". *Organometallics* 33, 7101-7112 (2014).
- 29) M. Flores, T. L. Olson, D. Wang, S. Edwardraja, S. Shinde, J. C. Williams, G. Ghirlanda and J. P. Allen. "Copper environment in artificial metalloproteins probed by electron paramagnetic resonance spectroscopy". *J. Phys. Chem. B* 119, 13825-13833 (2015).
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- 31) B. Ferlez, J. Cowgill, W. Dong, C. Gisriel, S. Lin, M. Flores, K. Walters, D. Cetnar, K. E. Redding and J. H. Golbeck. "Thermodynamics of the electron acceptors in *Helicobacterium modesticaldum*: An exemplar of an early homodimeric type I photosynthetic reaction center". *Biochemistry* 55, 2358-2370 (2016).

- 32) R. Pal, B. R. Cherry, M. Flores, T. L. Groy and R. J. Trovitch. "Isolation of a bis(imino)pyridine molybdenum(I) iodide complex through controlled reduction and interconversion of its reaction products". *Dalton Trans.* 45, 10024-10033 (2016).
- 33) H. Ben-Daat, C. L. Rock, M. Flores, T. L. Groy, A. C. Bowman and R. J. Trovitch. "Hydroboration of alkynes and nitriles using an α -diimine cobalt hydride catalyst". *Chem. Commun.* 53, 7333-7336 (2017).
- 34) T. L. Olson, E. Espiritu, S. Edwardraja, E. Canarie, M. Flores, J. C. Williams, G. Ghirlanda and J. P. Allen. "Biochemical and spectroscopic characterization of dinuclear Mn-sites in artificial four-helix bundle proteins". *Biochim. Biophys. Acta - Bioenerg.* 1858, 945-954 (2017).
- 35) T. K. Mukhopadhyay, C. Ghosh, M. Flores, T. L. Groy and R. J. Trovitch. "Hydrosilylation of aldehydes and formates using a dimeric manganese precatalyst". *Organometallics* 36, 3477-3483 (2017).
- 36) D. Khusnutdinova, M. Flores, A. M. Beiler and G. F. Moore. "Synthesis and characterization of a cobalt(II) tetrakis(3-fluorophenyl)porphyrin with a built-in 4-vinylphenyl surface attachment moiety". *Photosynthetica* 56, 67-74 (2018).
- 37) T. K. Mukhopadhyay, N. L. MacLean, M. Flores, T. L. Groy and R. J. Trovitch. "Isolation of Mn(I) compounds featuring a reduced bis(imino)pyridine chelate and their relevance to electrocatalytic hydrogen production". *Inorg. Chem.* 57, 6065-6075 (2018).
- 38) D. Khusnutdinova, B. L. Wadsworth, M. Flores, A. M. Beiler, E. A. R. Cruz, Y. Zenkov and G. F. Moore. "Electrocatalytic properties of binuclear Cu(II) fused porphyrins for hydrogen evolution". *ACS Catal.* 8, 9888-9898 (2018).
- 39) T. K. Mukhopadhyay, M. Flores, T. L. Groy and R. J. Trovitch. "A β -diketiminato manganese catalyst for alkene hydrosilylation: Substrate scope, silicone preparation, and mechanistic insight". *Chem. Sci.* 9, 7673-7680 (2018).
- 40) G. Zhang, J. Wu, S. Zheng, M. C. Neary, J. Mao, M. Flores, R. J. Trovitch and P. A. Dub. "Redox-noninnocent ligand-supported vanadium catalysts for the chemoselective reduction of C=X (X = O, N) functionalities". *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* 141, 15230-15239 (2019).
- 41) T. T. Nguyen, J. H. Kim, S. Kim, C. Oh, M. Flores, T. L. Groy, M. H. Baik and R. J. Trovitch. "Scope and mechanism of nitrile dihydroboration mediated by a β -diketiminato manganese hydride catalyst". *Chem. Commun.* 56, 3959-3962 (2020).
- 42) G. Zhang, J. Wu, S. Zheng, M. C. Neary, J. Mao, M. Flores, R. J. Trovitch and P. A. Dub. Correction to "Redox-noninnocent ligand-supported vanadium catalysts for the chemoselective reduction of C=X (X = O, N) functionalities". *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* 142, 16507-16509 (2020).
- 43) C. Oh, J. Siewe, T. T. Nguyen, A. Kawamura, M. Flores, T. L. Groy, J. S. Anderson, R. J. Trovitch and M. H. Baik. "The electronic structure of a β -diketiminato manganese hydride dimer". *Dalton Trans.* 49, 14463-14474 (2020).
- 44) M. R. Mena, J. H. Kim, S. So, H. Ben-Daat, T. M. Porter, C. Ghosh, A. Sharma, M. Flores, T. L. Groy, M. H. Baik and R. J. Trovitch. "Comparing the electronic structure of iron, cobalt, and nickel compounds that feature a phosphine-substituted bis(imino)pyridine chelate". *Inorg. Chem.* 61, 6438-6450 (2022).
- 45) H. Kaur, R. Nsouli, G. Cerna, S. Shariati, M. Flores, E. H. Fini and L. K. G. Ackerman-Biegasiewicz. "Investigation of earth-abundant metal salts for the inhibition of asphalt-derived volatile organic compounds". *ACS Omega* 9, 22941-22951 (2024).
- 46) J. Sinclair, M. Flores, A. M. Brugh, T. Rajh, M. Juelsholt, A. A. Riaz, C. Schlueter, A. Regoutz and C. S. Birkel. "In-depth analysis of the species and transformations during sol gel-assisted V₂PC synthesis". *Inorg. Chem.* 63, 10682-10690 (2024).
- 47) Y. Yang, X. F. Brun, M. H. Weber and M. Flores. "Towards standardization of hybrid bonding interface: In-depth study of dielectrics on direct bonding". in *Electronic Components and Technology Conference (ECTC), 2024 IEEE 74th*, pags. 599-605, IEEE (2024).
- 48) G. K. Mehta, T. T. Nguyen, M. Flores and R. J. Trovitch. "Manganese catalysed dehydrocoupling of silanes and siloxanes with ammonia to prepare polysilazanes and polysiloxazanes". *Chem. Comm.* submitted (2024).

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Abstracts

- 1) M. Flores, E. Wajnberg and G. Bemski. “Estudo por EPR de nitroxido de hemoglobina”. *XVIII Encontro Nacional de Física da Matéria Condensada*, Caxambu, Brazil, June 1995.
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- 4) M. Flores, E. Wajnberg and G. Bemski. “Temperature dependence of ¹H ENDOR of nitrosyl hemoglobin”. *XX Encontro Nacional de Física da Matéria Condensada*, Caxambu, Brazil, June 1997.
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