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Born on October 6th, 1965 Professional career

1986: Degree in Chemistry with honors at the Federal University of Rio Grande do Norte, Natal, Brazil

1987–1991: Associate researcher at the Brastemp Chemistry Development Laboratory (Whirlpool Co)

1991: Graduated in Analytical Chemistry with honors at the University of São Paulo (his thesis dealt with thermal analytical evaluation of flame retardants systems for rigid polyurethane foams)

Since 1992: Associate professor of Analytical Chemistry at the Federal University of Rio Grande do Norte; Associate researcher at the Laboratory of Catalysis and Petrochemicals of UFRN

Since 1993: Associate researcher of CNPq (National Council for the Scientific and Technological Development)

Since 1995: Director of Research Department of the Federal University of Rio Grande do Norte, Natal, Brazil

Since 1996: Vice-president of ABRATEC (Brazilian Association for Thermal Analysis and Calorimetry)

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## Main research areas:

Thermal analysis applied to: solid catalysts (acidity, activity and regeneration) and polymer degradation kinetics.

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