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Dear Carlos, (CC: Dr. Jorge Rodriguez, Physics Department Graduate Program Director)

Congratulations! It is with great pleasure to notify you that you have been awarded a Ph.D. Nuclear Research Fellowship, from the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry at Florida International University, starting on Spring Semester 2017! This award has an initial duration of 1 semester, and is potentially renewable for up to 1 year of support, upon review. As part of the award package you will be awarded a stipend of \$23,460/year. This stipend does not require you to teach for the duration of the fellowship, and is equivalent to a research assistantship requiring you to be engaging in nuclear-related research. Upon the expiration of the fellowship award you will be supported either by a teaching assistantship or a research assistantship, according to departmental graduate student policies, as they have been communicated separately to you by your graduate program director, in your graduate program admission letter. Your graduate program director will also be communicating to you the detailed schedule of semester fees that you will be responsible for, which are mandatory for all graduate students, and independent of this fellowship.

The two conditions set for you in order to receive this award are the following:

- 1) A Physics graduate committee or graduate program director approval.
- 2) Continuing good standing (satisfactory or higher) and a GPA>3.3 in your current progress towards a Ph.D degree, and other current NRC fellowship obligations until the time of your transfer.

Furthermore, NRC mandates that in order to receive your award you need to maintain an overall GPA of 3.3 or higher each semester in the program. The Nuclear Fellowships Awards committee will evaluate your progress, in May 2017, and to ensure you fulfill the GPA requirements and have a satisfactory progress in the Ph.D program, both in terms of coursework and research progress, (reflected with an at least “satisfactory” level on the annual graduate student evaluation and mentorship form) in order to continue your fellowship award. You will also need to provide to me at the end of each semester with i) copies of your publications and presentations, as they occur (acknowledging NRC support from work carried out during your fellowship period) ii) a 5-page research progress report due April 1st 2017. iii) an annual 10-page comprehensive report written in the style of a full journal paper by Oct 30th, 2017. These items will be provided to NRC, as part of our grant progress overall reporting, and have to be approved by your research advisor. Other nuclear fellow obligations include acknowledging NRC fellowship support (including the NRC grant number NRC-HQ-84-14-G-0040) in your publications and presentations, and mandatory attendance of our “*Nuclear Distinguished Speaker Seminar Series*”, regular Nuclear Scholar and Fellow meetings and other Nuclear Program events/lectures, that occur sporadically throughout the year and will be communicated to you by the program.

Your NRC fellowship award comes with the attached Post-Graduation Nuclear Service

Agreement obligation. You will need to sign a new form as you are switched to a different grant. This means that upon graduation you are obligated to seek nuclear-related employment or postdoctoral appointment at an NRC or DOE facility or in the Nuclear Industry. NRC has several resources that help graduates to seek employment in this lucrative field. Please read the terms of your NRC commitment carefully, as it constitutes a binding obligation that results from accepting the NRC fellowship.

Congratulations on your prestigious award! To accept the \$23,460/year NRC fellowship, please sign and return this letter **by November 28th, 2016**. Please contact me by phone or e-mail if you have any questions or concerns.

The Nuclear Fellows Selection Committee and I are all looking forward to having you joining our Ph.D. Nuclear Fellows cohort this Spring!

Cordially yours,



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Offer Accepted _____ Date _____

By signing above I affirm that:

- 1) I am a student in good standing at the Ph.D. program in Physics at FIU, and will work on a nuclear-related project with one of the department faculty mentors.
- 2) I am currently a US Citizen or a legal permanent resident of the US. I commit to inform Dr. Kavallieratos and NRC immediately upon any adverse change in my US legal permanent resident status, that may make me ineligible for receiving this fellowship.

CC: Jorge Rodrigues, Ph.D.
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