



New ICFOnians

Twenty-one ICFOnians joined the different ICFO research groups, units and facilities or changed positions during the month of March

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In the years since ICFO's founding in 2002, the institute has continuously evolved to tackle a wide range of exciting challenges. This has been possible thanks to the contributions of a diverse group of women and men who have come onboard to add their unique skills to ICFO's new and ongoing projects.

In March, twenty-one new ICFOnians joined the institute or took a new position.

We are looking forward to teaming up with you.

Lucia Irati Benito Sans joined the Single Molecule Biophotonics group led by ICREA professor at ICFO Dr. Maria Garcia-Parajo as a student. (not pictured)

Maria Blasco Alquezar joined the Optoelectronics group led by ICREA professor at ICFO Dr. Valerio Pruneri as a student.

Jose Elias Castro Gavela joined the Quantum Information Theory group led by ICREA Professor at ICFO Dr. Antonio Acin as a Student.

Dr. **Junmei Chen** joined the CO2 Mitigation Accelerated by Photons group led by Prof. Dr. F. Pelayo Garcia de Arquer as a Postdoctoral Researcher.

Nadiuska Cueva Medina joined the Finance team.

Gabriela Flores joined the Quantum Engineering of Light group led by Prof. Dr. Juan P. Torres as a student.

Guillermo Garcia Perez joined the Optoelectronics group led by ICREA professor at ICFO Dr. Valerio Pruneri as a student.

Julia Gonzalez Pons joined the Medical Optics group led by ICREA professor at ICFO Dr. Turgut Durduran as a student.

Dr. **Michal Gwizdala** joined the Photon Harvesting in Plants and Biomolecules group led by Prof. Dr. Nicoletta Liguori as a Research Fellow.

Carla Miro Vinyals joined the KTT team as Photoncat Project Manager.

Felicia Iacob joined the Attoscience and Ultrafast Optics group led by ICREA professor at ICFO Dr. Jens Biegert as a student.

Ye Duo Jiang joined the Quantum Information Theory group led by ICREA Professor at ICFO Dr. Antonio Acin as a PhD Student.

Juliette Lignieres joined the Attoscience and Ultrafast Optics group led by ICREA professor at ICFO Dr. Jens Biegert as a student.

Sadeen Alaa Mohamed Ibrahim joined the Quantum Nano-Optoelectronics group led by ICREA professor at ICFO Dr. Frank Koppens as a student.

Albert Mridul Grass joined the Single Molecule Biophotonics group led by ICREA professor at ICFO Dr. Maria Garcia-Parajo as a student.(not pictured)

Aurora Mugnai joined the Quantum Information Theory group led by ICREA Professor at ICFO Dr. Antonio Acin as a PhD Student.

Beata Plaskurova joined the Optoelectronics group led by ICREA professor at ICFO Dr. Valerio Pruneri as a student.

Laia Salvat Costa joined the Photon Harvesting in Plants and Biomolecules group led by Prof. Dr. Nicoletta Liguori as a student. (not pictured)

Nefeli Stamouli joined ICFO as a student in the SLN Lab led by Dr. Pablo Loza.

Junlin Xiong joined the Quantum Nano-Optoelectronics group led by ICREA professor at ICFO Dr. Frank Koppens as a student.(not pictured)

Dr. **Laura Zarraoa** who recently defended her thesis in the Atomic Quantum Optics group, has recently started a position as a postdoctoral researcher in the Atomic Quantum Optics group led by ICREA professor at ICFO Dr. Morgan Mitchell.



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