

Research Group: Atomic Structure-Composition of Materials

The Atomic Structure-Composition of Materials Research Group is dedicated to investigating the atomic structure, atomic composition, and defect behavior of nanomaterials, through transmission electron microscopy.

Job Title:	Research Fellow (Postdoc) – Electrolyte/electrode interfaces and electrolytes of Li-based and Na-based batteries by in situ electron microscopy
PRR Agenda (s):	New Generation Storage
Project Title (s):	Production of sodium-ion based structural batteries
Job Reference:	RRP.12.42.01.3/1
Contract duration:	26 months
Expected hiring date:	November 2023
Main Job Duties:	 Conduct and produce high quality original research, following the objectives of the aforementioned project, in particular determining the morphology, structure and composition of Li-based solid electrolytes by aberration corrected TEM/STEM and monitor the electrodes/electrolyte interfaces as a function of cycling by in situ aberration corrected TEM/STEM. Compound research activities and results and disseminate such results in research papers and reports. Engage in collaborative research with researchers from other clusters and Institutions. Engage in RTDI activities together with industrial and other entities ensuring timely and accurate deployment of compounded knowledge to such entities. Participate in national and international conferences.
Required Qualification:	PhD in Science or Engineering.
Mandatory requirements:	 Experience with aberration corrected TEM and STEM imaging techniques. Experience with SEM/FIB. Experience with electron diffraction techniques, namely selected area diffraction and nanobeam diffraction. Experience with In-Situ Gas and/or Liquid TEM/STEM microscopy. Experience with Energy Dispersive Spectroscopy (EDS). Experience with Electron Energy Loss Spectroscopy (EELS). Experience with image processing and standard software for electron microscopy. Experience with sample preparation of materials for TEM/STEM observations.
Other preferred qualifications:	 Experience with battery materials and/or oxide-based materials. Experience with STEM-DPC. Experience with 4D STEM.
Supervisor:	Dr. Paulo Ferreira