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Professional Activities

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- 1969-1971. Maize Breeder. INIFAP, Torreon, Coah., Mexico.
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- 1985-1987. Coordinator (“Subdirector”) of Research, Universidad Autonoma Chapingo. April-June, 1991.
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- 1999-2002 General Editor of Revista de Geografia Agricola. Chapingo, Mexico.
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