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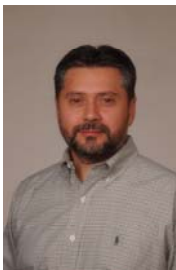
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## **Dr. René Etcheberrigaray to Lead CSR's New Division of Neuroscience, Development and Aging**

The NIH Center for Scientific Review (CSR) has named Dr. René Etcheberrigaray as Director of its new Division of Neuroscience, Development and Aging.

"Dr. Etcheberrigaray will vitalize this key division with his keen management skills and a strong commitment to peer review and the neuroscience community," says CSR Director, Toni Scarpa. "We are pleased to have selected him from an impressive group of candidates."

The new Division of Neuroscience, Development and Aging (DNDA) includes all four of CSR's neuroscience Integrated Review Groups (IRGs)—which were previously dispersed across three divisions. DNDA also includes the Biology of Development IRG.



Dr. Etcheberrigaray has been the Chief of CSR's Brain Disorders and Clinical Neuroscience Integrated Review Group as well as the Scientific Review Officer (SRO) of the Clinical Neuroscience and Disease Study Section.

Dr. Etcheberrigaray obtained his M.D. degree from the University of Chile in early 1987, and later that year he came to NIH as a postdoctoral fellow in the intramural research program at the National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke. He continued in its intramural program as visiting associate and then visiting scientist. Dr. Etcheberrigaray later joined the faculty of Georgetown University, Department of Neurology. He has an impressive publication record with many seminal research publications in very prestigious journals.

Prior to coming to CSR in 2002, Dr. Etcheberrigaray was the laboratory director of a biotechnology company in Rockville, Maryland. Dr. Etcheberrigaray's research was focused on molecular and cellular mechanisms of memory and their implications for Alzheimer's disease.

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