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I am Full Professor at the Universidad de Chile, Director of the Geroscience Center for Brain Health and Metabolism (GERO) and Adjunct Professor at The Buck Institute for Research on Aging. I obtained my PhD in Cell Molecular Biology at the Center for Molecular Biology Severo Ochoa in Spain in 2000. I returned to my homeland to start my independent career in 2003.

Here, I've been the President of the Chilean Society for Biology, the oldest and most traditional scientific society in Chile. At ISN, I served at the Conference Committee and I am part of the Schools Initiative Committee. I joined the Biennial Program Committee for the upcoming ASN-ISN in Montreal. Currently, I participate as Associate Editor of the Journal of Neurochemistry. Under the umbrella of the ISN, I initiated the "Emerging Concepts of the Neuronal Cytoskeleton", a series of workshops that took place in 2011, 2013, 2015, 2017, with an additional workshop programmed for 2019. Along these years, while organizing these series of conferences I witnessed the immense talent available in our continent. In addition, I am truly inspired by the outstanding work my Brazilian colleague Prof. Flavia Gomez is doing at ISN. Therefore, I am strongly committed to bring more South American scientists to ISN. In past years, Argentina, Brazil, Colombia, Uruguay and Chile have improved their scientific performance, while other countries in the region still need some help to further develop their science. One of my goals, if I am elected to the Council, will be to help other countries to engage into scientific research. There's lot of talent waiting to be discovered.

I envision a vibrant future for ISN as a global organization that will continue to train and teach the next generation of neurobiologists, and I want to put my capacities at its service.