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Prof. Christian Boitard is a professor of clinical immunology, a specialist in type 1 diabetes, and has served as permanent secretary of the National Academy of Medicine since 2023.

He has headed the clinical immunology and diabetology departments at Necker-Enfants Malades Hospital, Hôtel-Dieu de Paris, and Cochin Hospital. A former director of the INSERM U-561 unit and the G2iD doctoral school at Paris-Descartes University, he has also held national positions within INSERM and AVIESAN.

His research focuses on the immunopathology of type 1 diabetes, particularly the interaction between lymphocytes and pancreatic cells and the development of humanized animal models.

He has contributed to the identification of biological markers and to the understanding of T-cell co-activation mechanisms. As a former vice president of the EASD, he has been deeply involved in organizing French research in pathophysiology.

Elected to the National Academy of Medicine in 2017, he is now dedicated to strengthening the Academy's scientific influence, its engagement with society, and its role in public health policy.

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Gloria Lopez, is Full Professor of Medicine at the University of Chile, where she also serves as Director of the Adult Diabetes Specialization Program at the Faculty of Medicine. She is a member of the Chilean Academy of Medicine.

She has contributed to the development of national and international guidelines on diabetes and pregnancy, serving as Co-Editor of the Chilean National Guidelines on Diabetes and Pregnancy (Ministry of Health, 1998 and 2014). She was also an expert reviewer for the International Diabetes Federation (IDF) Global Guideline on Pregnancy and Diabetes (2009 and 2011) and for the WHO Position Statement on Diagnostic Criteria and Classification of Hyperglycaemia First Detected in Pregnancy (2013).

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Ethel Codner, is Full Professor at the Institute of Maternal and Child Research, School of Medicine, University of Chile, and a member of the Chilean Academy of Medicine.

She is a Co-Editor of the International Society for Pediatric and Adolescent Diabetes (ISPAD) Guidelines on Diabetes Care of Children and Adolescents (2018 and 2022). Her research focuses on ovarian and testicular function in adolescents, with and without diabetes, through numerous publications and research projects.



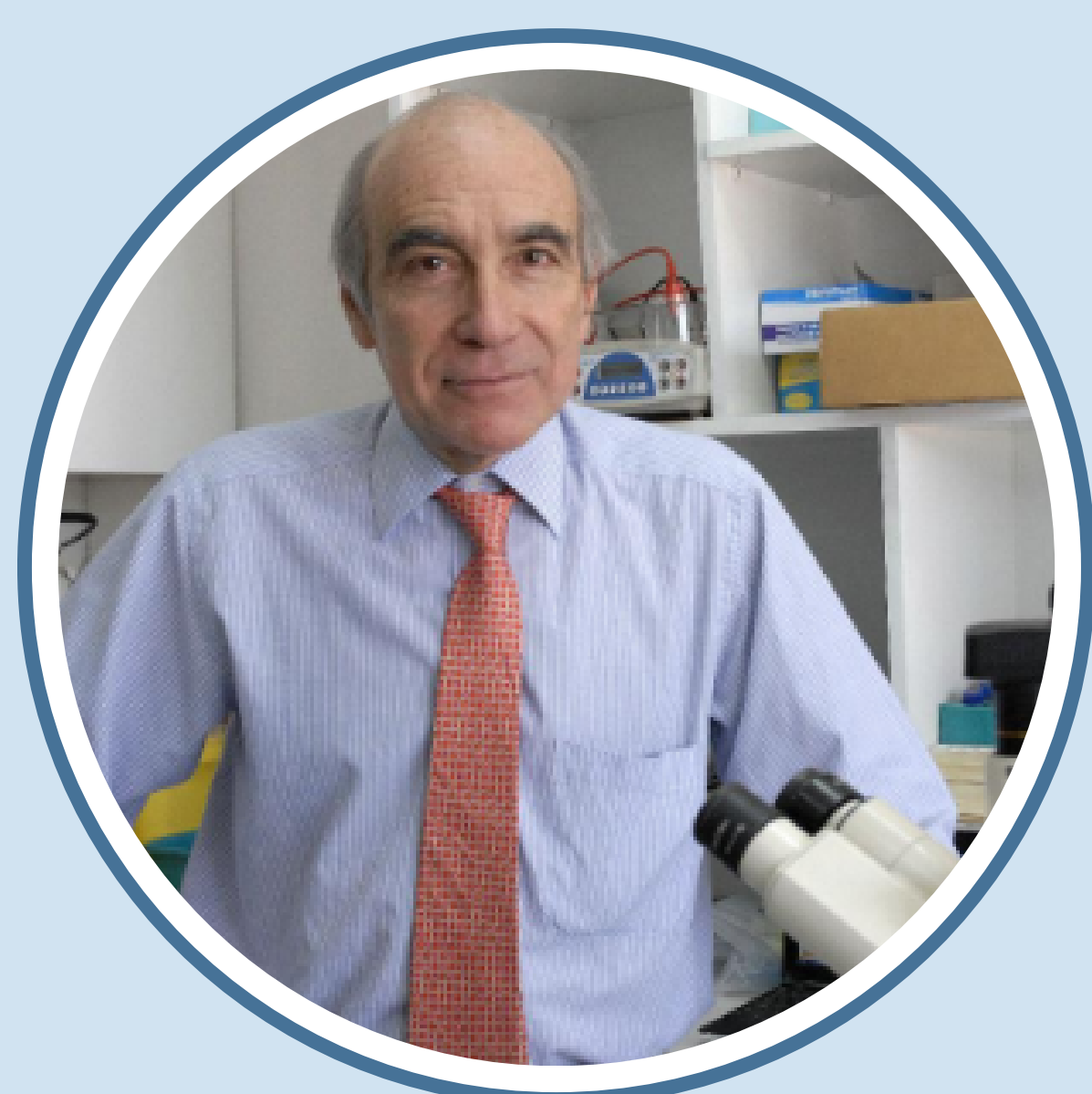
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Professor of Medicine and Chief of the Endocrinology and Diabetes Department at Lariboisière Hospital, Université Paris Cité, Paris, France, where a multidisciplinary outpatient center dedicated to diabetes was established in 2013, comprising cardiology, ophthalmology, hepatology, nephrology, gynecology, urology, orthopedics, podiatry, nurses, dietitians, physical educators, and more...

Professor Gautier's primary research interests focus on the pathophysiology of obesity and type 2 diabetes and its complications. He also studies the effect of the intrauterine environment on susceptibility to type 2 diabetes and cardiovascular disease, as well as the mechanisms involved in the development of atypical forms of diabetes, such as ketosis-prone type 2 diabetes, a subtype frequently observed in sub-Saharan Africa.

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Professor Fernando Cassorla is a pediatric endocrinologist of international renown. He earned his medical degree from the University of Chile (1973), completed his residency in pediatrics at Albany Medical Center (New York), and then a fellowship in pediatric endocrinology at the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia.

From 1979 to 1993, he served as a principal investigator and later as clinical director at the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NIH, United States). In 1993, he returned to Chile as a full professor and head of the pediatric endocrinology department at the Institute for Maternal and Child Research at the University of Chile, a position he held until 2024. He also served as director of that institute from 1997 to 2001, as well as director of the university's M.D.-Ph.D. program from 2000 to 2007.

Elected a member of the Chilean Academy of Medicine in 2003, he currently serves as its president (2025–2027). Among his many honors are the NIH Director's Award, the Award for Academic Excellence from the Chilean Society of Pediatrics, the Maestro Award from the Latin American Society of Pediatric Endocrinology, and the prestigious 2025 Robert Blizzard Award. He also serves on the editorial boards of several leading journals in endocrinology.



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Emeritus Professor of Immunology at Sorbonne University and full member of the French National Academy of Medicine, Professor Patrice Debré formerly served as Head of the Immunology Department at Pitié-Salpêtrière Hospital (APHP, Paris) and directed research units at CNRS and Inserm.

He has held numerous national administrative positions within Inserm, CNRS, Pierre and Marie Curie University, Assistance Publique–Hôpitaux de Paris, the French Blood Establishment, and the Ministry of Research and Higher Education. Internationally, he served as France's Ambassador for the fight against HIV/AIDS and communicable diseases at the Ministry for Europe and Foreign Affairs, presided over CIRAD, and represented France in various international multilateral organizations, including the Global Fund, EDCTP, UNITAID, and Roll Back Malaria.

Currently, he serves as an advisor to AVIESAN and the International Relations Directorate of AP-HP. He is a member of the CNRS Ethics Committee and chairs both the International Relations Committee and the Biology Commission of the French National Academy of Medicine.