

PRESS RELEASE

CIC bioGUNE celebrates its sixth anniversary with a special lecture by Professor Jesús Ávila

- *The researcher from the Severo Ochoa Molecular Biology Centre spoke of the advances made in research into Alzheimer disease in his lecture entitled “How to explain the loss of memory in Alzheimer disease”.*

(Bilbao, 29 January 2011).- On 28th of January, the Centre for Cooperative Research in Biosciences, CIC bioGUNE, commemorated its sixth anniversary with a star guest, Professor Jesús Ávila, a renowned scientist who has accumulated many awards throughout his career as a researcher. Among others, these include the Ramón y Cajal National Research Award, the Award of the Royal Academy of Exact, Physical and Natural Sciences, and the medals from the University of Helsinki and the Community of Madrid.

Professor Ávila offered an interesting lecture, “*How to explain the loss of memory in Alzheimer disease*”, during which he presented the most important advances made in scientific research in neurodegenerative diseases, such as Alzheimer’s. He also presented the work carried out by his research team at the Severo Ochoa Molecular Biology Centre, of which he used to be the director.

Before the seminar, Professor Ávila had the chance to visit the CIC bioGUNE’s facilities, accompanied by its general director, José M. Mato, and the scientific director of CIC biomaGUNE, Manuel M. Lomas.