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Dr. Jack de la Torre is a leading authority in the field of Alzheimer's disease (AD). In 1993, he first advanced the concept of AD as a vascular disorder with neurodegenerative consequences in a series of papers that culminated in the CATCH (critically-attained threshold of cerebral hypoperfusion) hypothesis of AD. This concept has had a profound impact and influence on research studies involving epidemiology, neuroimaging, neuropathology and therapeutics that continue to clarify the pathophysiology and pathogenesis of AD.

Dr. de la Torre has edited 6 major volumes on the subject of vascular factors in AD and written a substantial number of papers on the cellular and molecular pathology associated with cerebral hypoperfusion and AD. He organized the first international conference in 1996 that dealt with the effects of vascular factors in AD titled *Cerebrovascular Pathology in Alzheimer's Disease*, published by the Annals of the New York Academy of Sciences. Dr. de la Torre continues his active research on Alzheimer's disease as a Senior Scientist at the Sun Health Research Institute in Sun City, Arizona.