SEMINARS OF THE INSTITUTE FOR VIRUS RESEARCH

Thirty-four seminars were held at the Institute for Virus Research under auspices of the Institute in 2006. Twenty-five lecture were from abroad and Nine others were from Japan.

- Dr. Murray Stewart, MRC Laboratory of Molecular Biology, Cambridge, U.K. January 16 "Structural basis for the nuclear protein import cycle". January 17 Dr. Mitsutoshi Yoneyama, The Tokyo Metropolitan Institute of Medical Science, Japan. "Virus-induced Signaling for Activation of Antiviral Innate Immunity". February 1 Dr. Franck POLLEUX, University of North Carolina Neuroscience Center -Department of Pharmacology, U.S.A. "Transcriptional specification of neuronal migration properties and morphology in the developing cortex". Dr. Shizue Tani-ichi, Osaka University Graduate School of Medicine, Japan. February 24 "Role of lipid rafts in T cell signaling". March 10 Dr. Ma. Xenia Garcia Ilagan, Department of Molecular Biology and harmacology Washington University Medical School, U.S.A. "Reporters for real-time monitoring of protein". March 10 Dr. Nathan Walter Goehring, Department of Microbiology and Molecular Genetics, Harvard Medical School, Boston, U.S.A. "In vivo approaches to dissect assembly of the bacterial cell division machinery". Dr. Azel ZINE, University of Montpellier I, France. March 22 "Development, Regeneration and Protection of Inner Ear Hair Cells". Dr. Makoto Senoo, Dept. of Cell Biology, Harvard Medical School, Boston, USA. April 7 "p63 is essential for the proliferative potential in epithelial stem cells". April 20 Dr.Anne Ephrussi, European Molecular Biology Laboratory, Heidelberg, Germany. "Assembly of an RNP Complex for Intracellular mRNA Transport and Translational Control". Dr. Dong-Sung An, Department of Medicine University of California Los May 1 Angeles, U.S.A. "Lentiviral vector mediated stable delivery of small interfering RNA against CCR5 in human primary T lymphocytes". Dr. Chris A. Kaiser, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, U.S.A. May 26
- "Pathways for the regulation and formation of disulfide bonds in living cells".
- June 8 Dr. Tadahiro Imura, Stowers Institute for Medical Research Kansas City, Missouri, U.S.A. "Regulation of mesodermal fomation by Hox genes".
- June 20 Dr. Wei Yang, LMB, NIDDK, NIH, U.S.A. "Lesion recognition in DNA synthesis and excision repair".

- June 24 Dr. Julian Lewis, Cancer Research London Research Institute, UK. "Analysis of the zebrafish somite segmentation clock"
- July 4 Dr. Satoru Ishihara, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID), National Institutes of Healthl, U.S.A. "From closed structure to open structure: Induction of transcription of IL-2 by structural change of chromatin".
- July 24 Dr. Patrick Daniel Matthias, University of Basel, Switzerland. "Aiolos and OBF-1 control B cell development at multiple stages".
- September 1 Dr, Isaac P. Witz, Department of Cell Research and Immunology Tel Aviv University, Israe. "The Tumor Microenvironment. The involvement of E-Selectin and its Ligands in Tumor-Endothelium Interactions".
- September 19 Dr. Ronald Swanstrom, UNC Center For AIDS Research University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, U.S.A. "Using HIV Genetic Diversity To Study HIV Biology".
- October 3 Dr. Kouich Nakajima, Department of Immunology,Osaka City University Graduate School of Medicine, Japan. "IL-6 signal transduction from it receptor to transcription factor- Spatio temporal regulation of c-Fos by ERK5 and the E3 ubiquitin ligase UBR1, and its biological role".
- October 3 Dr. Takeaki Dohda, Department of CMB, Karolinska Institute Stockholm, Sweden. "Notch signaling and Sel-10 in tumor development".
- October 5 Dr. JIN Ningyi, Changchun Institute of Genetic Engineering Pharmaceuticals, China. "Emerging infectious virus zoonosis".
- October 16 Dr. Jean-Jacques Muyembe-Tamfum, National Institute of Biomedical Research, Democratic Republic, Congo. "Ebola virus outbreaks in Africa: past and present".
- October 30 Dr. Masato Yonezawa, Research Institute of Molecular Pathology (IMP) The Vienna Biocenter, Austria. "Regulation of chromatin structure and function by novel histone lysine demethylases in *Drosophila* and mammals".
- November 7 Dr. Roberto Sitia, Cell and Molecular Biology Universita' Vita-Salute San Raffaele, Italy. "Plasma Cell Biogenesis and Death: the Making, Functioning and Dismantling of an Efficient Antibody Factory".
- November 8 Dr. Irina Stancheva, The Wellcome Trust Centre for Cell Biology University of Edinburgh, Scotland. "Transcriptional gene silencing by proteins that bind methylated DNA".
- November 22 Dr. Tohru Minamino, Graduate School of Frontier Biosciences, Osaka University Japan. "Function and structure of Salmonella FliI, an ATPase component of the type III flagellar protein export apparatus".
- November 27 Dr. Chi-chung Hui, Program in Developmental and Stem Cell Biology The Hospital for Sick Children, Canada. "Conservation and divergence of the mammalian Hedgehog pathway".

- November 28 Dr. Atsushi Koito, Division of Clinical Retrovirology and Infectious Disease, Center for AIDS Research, Kumamoto University, Japan. "Suppressive effect of rodent APOBEC molecule on HIV replication".
- December 4 Dr. Tsukasa Seya, Graduate School of Hokkaido University of Medicine, Japan. "Molecular mechanisms of activation of acquired immunity triggered by TLR signaling of dendritic cells".
- December 7 Dr. Heinrich Gottlinger, UMass Medical School, Worcester, MA, U.S.A. "Host Factors in HIV Budding".
- December 11 Dr. Florence Tama, Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biophysics University of Arizona, Tucson, U.S.A. "Multi-Scale Modeling from Multi-Resolution Data: Unveiling Functional Motions of Macromolecular Machines"
- December 15 Dr. Eiji Hara, Tokushima University, Japan. "Molecular mechanism of cell senescence and tumor suppression"
- December 25 Dr. Kazuhiro Iwai, Osaka City University, Japan. "Perspectives from the analysis of iron-dependent degradation of IRP2"
- December 25 Dr. Yoshinori Akiyama, Kyoto University, Japan. "Quality control and functional regulation of membrane proteins by membrane proteases; roles of proteolysis in dynamics of E. coli membrane proteins".