The Basel Institute of Immunology is known as the most successful institute in the world because of remarkable performance in research including those of three Nobel laureates; Susumu Tonegawa, gene rearrangement; George Koehler, monoclonal antibody; and Niels Jerne, idiotype network theory. It is our great pleasure to have Dr. Fritz Melchers who was the director of this institute in CDB “Konwakai”, a seminar series of distinguished scientists. Many participants will be very much appreciated.