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This division has been collaborating with Pasteur Institute in Paris, France via Prof. James DiSanto and Prof. Anavaj Sakuntabhai based on MOU between IMSUT and Pasteur Institute. In FY 2024, Pasteur International Unit on Mucosal Immunomics led by Ken Ishii and James Di Santo together with Prof Sakuntabhai conducted the research and development on immunology and genomics on infectious diseases and cancer. The team also contributed to the establishment of Institute Pasteur Japon (IPJ)

Pasteur Japan SCIENTIFIC WORKSHOP were held June 24 2024 at The French Embassy, Tokyo. Objective was to discuss scientific direction/strategy of Institut Pasteur du Japon with scientists in Japan. Scientific discussion was conducted by Yasmine Belkaid, President, Institut Pasteur and moderated by James Di-Santo

Immunology and vaccine/drug design was chaired by James Di Santo and Ken Ishii

James Di Santo, Institut Pasteur described PIU at IMSUT, AMED-SCARDA – the UTOPIA project. Following Dr. Cevayir Coban, U of Tokyo presented “Interactions between host and pathogens at the barriers”, Dr. Niloufar Kavian, U of Tokyo presented

“Beyond the Spike: SARS-CoV-2 antibody landscape in adults and children, and its relevance for sero-surveillance in a pandemic era”, Prof. Noriko Sorimachi, U of Tokyo presented “Developing a research platform for the next pandemic and promoting drug discovery in academia”, and Prof. Ken J. Ishii presented “Science and design of vaccine/adjuvant as nanoparticles”. In the session for Emerging Infectious Diseases

Chaired by Prof. Anavaj Sakuntabhai and Prof. Fumihiko Matsuda, Prof. Anavaj Sakuntabhai presented “PICREID and AMED-ASPIRE”, Prof. Kei Sato, U of Tokyo presented “SARS-CoV-2”. These discussion led to the establishment of various projects between U Tokyo and PI.

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