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Dr. Mita is Professor and Chairman of Department of Molecular and Cellular Parasitology, Juntendo University School of Medicine. He graduated from Nagasaki University, Faculty of Medicine in 1990 and started his professional carrier as gastroentologist. In 1999, he transferred to Department of International Affairs and Tropical Medicine in Tokyo Womens Medical University and initiated malaria research. During his research career, he has worked in the field of evolution and the genetics of drug resistance of malaria parasites. Dr. Mita first discovered and reported the phenomenon of recovery of chloroquine sensitivity seven years after the discontinuation of its usage for malaria treatment in Malawi in 2003. He holds a medical doctor degree and two specializations (Fellow of the Japanese Society of Internal Medicine and he Japanese Society of Digestive Endoscopy). In 2016, he was appointed as the tentative member of the WHO Evidence Review Group meeting on the emergence and spread of drug-resistant malaria.