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Professor Cevayir COBAN is currently at the Immunology Frontier Research Center (IFReC), Osaka University, in Japan. She is an Immunologist with microbiology and parasitology background, and has been studying host-pathogen interactions primarily in the context of malaria disease for more than 15 years. Her group has focused on the understanding of the innate and adaptive immune responses to Plasmodium parasites, their cause of disease pathology at the organ and tissue level. The final aim of her team is to discover novel vaccine antigens and adjuvants against malaria.

Prof. Coban obtained her MD from the Hacettepe University Medical School in Ankara, Turkey and completed her postdoctoral training at FDA and Johns Hopkins University School of Public Health, USA. She moved to Osaka University to study innate immune responses to infectious agents including Plasmodium parasites. In 2015, she was promoted to a full Professor position at Osaka University. In 2017, she won the Japanese Society of Immunology Woman Scientist Award for her contribution to the field of immunology.