

## Patrick Schweizer

Born August 26, 1959 in Biel, Switzerland. Swiss citizenship.

- 1979-1985: Biological studies and Diploma at the University of Berne, Switzerland.
- 1985-1988: PhD Thesis at the Institute of Plant Physiology of University of Berne and at Hoffmann-La Roche Co., Basel on "Induced Local Resistance of Winter Wheat (*Triticum aestivum* L.) to *Erysiphe graminis* f. sp. *tritici*: cDNA Cloning and in vitro Transcription of Induced Wheat mRNA".
- 1988-1990: Guest scientist in the laboratory of Prof. Klaus Hahlbrock at the Max-Planck-Institut für Züchtungsforschung in Cologne, Germany. Research on "Characterization of Plant *in-vitro* Transcription Systems" with fellowships from the Swiss National Science Foundation and from EMBO.
- 1990-1993: Postdoctoral position at Sandoz Agro Co. in Basel, Switzerland in the project "Induced Plant Defence of Barley".
- 1993-1996: Postdoctoral appointment with Prof. Jean-Pierre Métraux at the University of Fribourg, Switzerland in the project "Molecular Basis of Disease Resistance in Rice" financed by the Rockefeller Foundation.
- 1996-2000: Appointment as senior scientist with Prof. Robert Dudler at the University of Zürich, Switzerland in the Swiss priority research program "Biotechnology of Wheat and Potato".
- Since 2000: Head of research group „Transcriptome Analysis“ and coordinator of the Plant Genome Resources Centre (PGRC) at the Leibniz-Institute of Plant Genetics and Crop Plant Research (IPK) in Gatersleben.
- 2001: Habilitation at the Faculty of Mathematics and Science of the University of Zürich on „Induzierte Pathogenresistenz in Getreide: Signale und Genexpression“.
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