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Visit to Kobe Ocean Bottom Exploration Center, Kobe University

Discussion and special lecture from Prof. Yoshiyuki Tatsumi

[Overview] We visited the Department of Planetology, Graduate School of Science, Kobe University and Kobe Ocean-Bottom Exploration Center (KOBEC) to meet the director of KOBEC, Prof. Yoshiyuki Tatsumi. We had discussion and a presentation about our theme-based research. Also we had a special lecture from Prof. Tatsumi about the recent topics of the volcanos and earthquake.



Each one of us did a presentation. He gave us a feedback about what we should do to improve our research.



We learned about the new topics related to volcanos and earthquakes.



Photo with Prof. Tatsumi

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The biggest impression was to know the earthquake occurrence rate. It was my first time to see the map of earthquake occurrence map for 30 years from now, but I already know that the Nankai Trough earthquake will surely happen in the near future, so I was thinking that this map is reasonable. At the same time, I was thinking to myself that we are already used to earthquakes and other natural disasters. As Tatsumi-sensei said, if we get used to natural disasters, people may think that they would be safe and alive although their life is in danger. This is causing a lack of awareness in Japan. I am learning Japanese History and Earth Science at school, so his lecture was related to the studies. It was very impressive to learn more deeply. I realized that I should go back to the basics and research why Japan is an earthquake-ridden country and why earthquake happens.