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1. Laboratory of Quaternary Geology and Geomorphology

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2) Overview of Research Activities

We focus on various earth scientific phenomena and processes on the solid earth surface in order to prospect the futuristic view of environmental changes through the understanding the history and process of surface geology/landform development during the Quaternary period. The followings are some examples of our studies.

- 1) Plate tectonics: The Quaternary tectonics including the historical process of seismic and volcanic activity are our special interest along the plate collision zone.
- 2) Tephra study: Tephra means a generic term on the volcanic ejecta excluding lava-flow and related explosive deposits. We are trying to identify the source volcano, age of the eruption and the distribution of widespread tephras that have covered the Japanese Islands through the Pliocene, Pleistocene and Holocene.
- 3) Paleo-environment and natural hazards: On the basis of geomorphological and sedimentological studies, paleo-environmental change and natural hazards history are reconstructed.
- 4) Chronological studies: We are improving chronological efficiency of tephro-stratigraphy, radio-isotope activity, historical records, and so on through studies on these objectives.
- 5) Modeling: For understanding correlation between intra-surface processes (volcanism, faulting etc.) and land formation, studies on computer simulation are carried out.

3) List of Research Activities in FY2010

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Peer-reviewed Articles

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2. Laboratory of Climatology

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2) Overview of Research Activities

Our laboratory investigates climate system on the earth in various temporal-spatial scales. In particular, we focus on climate changes due both to natural and anthropogenic causes, for example, processes of heat island and heavy rainfall events over and around urban regions, and influences of land-use changes and deforestation on regional climates. We also investigate diurnal, intra-seasonal, and inter-annual variabilities and long-term changes of climate, in particular, rainfall activities in the Asian monsoon region, and influences of global warming on regional climates (future projection).

We apply three major methods, observation (monitoring), data-analysis of various global and regional datasets, and numerical modeling for investigating above-mentioned topics.

- 1) Climate changes and climate variability over Japan and around the world
- 2) Variability and seasonal changes of regional climate over Asian monsoon region
- Observational study on formation processes of urban heat island, detailed structure of urban boundary layer, and elucidation of urban effects on short duration intense rainfall
- 4) Impacts of land-surface conditions and changes on cloud and precipitation activities, in particular, in the tropics
- 5) Reconstruction of past climate during the historical period in Japan and in East Asia

3) List of Research Activities in FY2010

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Peer-reviewed Articles

- Fudeyasu, H., Ichiyanagi, K., Yoshimura, K., Mori, S., Sakurai, N., Hamada, J.-I., Yamanaka, M.D., Matsumoto, J. and Syamsudin, F. 2011. Effects of large-scale moisture transport and mesoscale processes on precipitation isotope ratios observed at Sumatera, Indonesia. *Journal of the Meteorological Society of Japan* 89A:49-59.
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3. Laboratory of Environmental Geography

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2) Overview of Research Activities

Our laboratory focuses on the relations between human and natural environment. For understanding processes enacted upon environment in local and regional scales and their dynamics, we try to integrate subdivisions of both physical and human geography together with interdisciplinary aspects of environmental sciences, such as botanical science, forest ecology, zoology, soil science, landscape design, political ecology, folklore, anthropology and so on. Research methods are in primary based on fieldworks, including topography, soil, vegetation and interview surveys in participative on laboratory analyses of soil-water analyses and interpretations of aerial photo and satellite imagery as well. Overseas field studies are carried out in Asia, Africa, Europe and South America. We are engaged in long-term fieldwork on (1) environmental changes and human responses in Africa, (2) cultural ecology of slash-and-burn cultivators in Africa, (3) domestication process of livestock and crops, and (4) vegetation and climatic landscape in north and South America and Siberia.

Recent research subjects are as follows;

- Characterization of sclerotium grains as soil organic component in subalpine forests in Japan and Central Europe
- Dynamics of water environment surrounding ancient temples in Kharga Oasis, Western Desert,
 Egypt
- 3) Land recovery scenario in the upper Mt. Pinatubo, Philippines
- 4) Evaluation of urban soils on basis of soil genesis
- 5) Geoecological research on landscape, vegetation and soil

- 6) Interrelation between environmental change and human response in savanna area of Africa
- Cultural geography of slash-and-burn cultivators and development of cultivation system in miombo woodland zone of Africa
- 8) Applied ecological study to combat desertification in Sahel zone, Africa.
- 9) Domestication of Camelidae animals and Solanum crops in Andes, South America

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4. Laboratory of Geographical Information Sciences

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2) Overview of Research Activities

This laboratory is going to study the natural environment as a whole which is composed of geomorphology, climate, hydrology, vegetation, and so on. Concretely, deductive approach and inductive approach are combined for conducting studies. The former approach is going to explain results from causes by physical lows such as mass balance, energy balance, equation of motion, and so on. The latter approach is going to explain facts demonstratively based on field surveys and *in situ* observations. Therefore, collection of quantitative data, digital mapping, statistical analyses, numerical modeling, and GIS (Geographical Information Systems) are main methods used in this laboratory.

The main study themes in this laboratory are listed as follows.

- 1) Energy and water cycle in the atmosphere and hydrosphere
- Capturing snow distribution and snow water resources, along with snowmelt-runoff based on remote sensing techniques and field surveys
- Quantitative evaluation of spectral reflectance characteristics of coniferous forests and their leaf area indices
- 4) Water environment around Mt. Aso and Tokyo metropolis
- 5) Numerical simulation of urban climate and local wind
- 6) Capturing surface conditions of cities using GIS
- 7) Monitoring and modeling natural environment and natural hazards

3) List of Research Activities in FY2010

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5 Laboratory of Urban and Human Geography

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2) Overview of Research Activities

This research unit specializes in human geography, with special emphasis on the city and its environs. Our research interests center on the structural explanation of the relationship between human activities and geographic environment by employing approaches of social sciences and humanities. Methodologically, the emphasis lies largely on positivistic (viz., quantitative or mathematical); fieldwork is also encouraged. The research interests cover quantitative,

socioeconomic, urban and behavioral geography. The main themes of our current research are as follows:

- 1. Mathematical modeling of human geographic phenomena
- 2. Regional analysis of human geographic phenomena
 - 1) Relationship between human activities and geographic environment
 - 2) Land use change in the city and its suburbs
 - 3) Spatial organization of the society
 - 4) Transformation of human activities brought about by environmental change
- 3. Geographical studies of urban systems
 - 1) Spatial structures of intra-urban system
 - 2) System of cities
- 4. Geographical thought
 - 1) History of modern geography
 - 2) Bibliometric research of geographical studies

3) List of Research Activities in FY2010

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Books

None

Reports

None

Book Reviews

None

Miscellaneous Reports

None

Presentations

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