

現地レポート Report from Participants／

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Status of course/research progress

Over the course of 2 months since I' ve been in here, I have been performing experiments using DNA samples from several human populations. These include sequencing complete mitochondrial sequences using Next-Generation DNA Sequencing machines as well as genotyping genome-wide Single Nucleotide Polymorphisms (SNP). I expect to finish the labwork by the end of August and spend my remaining time here to analyze the data that I generated. I also had the opportunity to travel to Lyon, France for the SBE meeting in early July where I presented a poster of my recent work.

Life situation

The people in Mark Stoneking' s group and the supporting staff of the Max Planck Institute have been very helpful and accommodating. They helped me find a fully-furnished apartment not far from the institute and city center. There are several Chinese students at the institute but I have yet to meet any Japanese here. Even though I don' t speak much German, language isn' t a problem as most people here can speak some English.

Reporting other things

I am due to return to Japan on 16 September 2010.