

Summary :the Asia nano-tech Camp 2008

The Asia nano-tech camp was held from 2008 February 4th over 18days. 30 graduate students and young researchers who are studying in the nano- technology field were invited from southeast Asian and Oceania 12 countries for that camp. 5 graduate students participated from Tokyo Institute of Technology and made very active exchange among wide range of information. This camp was organized jointly by the four organizations which are AIST, NIMS, ANF and Tokyo Tech and aimed to rear the excellent talent of Asian countries and to make Asian countries stronger by establishing the human network related to close friendship. Camp was held first in Tsukuba, secondly in Tokyo and then Nagoya respectively. During the camp, many programs were prepared namely tour to the government and private research institutions, lectures, seminars, the workshops and nano-tech 2008 exhibition held in Big Sight.

Every participant explained their research in oral and poster sessions. In addition, the participants were divided in 9 groups and they made group work during camp. The results of the group work were presented each other in the final session of the camp. Lastly, 5 excellent young researchers are commended as winners of the Tokyo Tech Young Researcher Award for their excellent research records and successful performance throughout the camp period.

As for the latest camp, all participants are in excellence and hunger after new knowledge with high motivation, and it is easily expected that they understand well real situation of the nano- tech research proceeding in Japan and the forefront of nano- tech research of each country through the many respective events and the sufficient information interchange which goes by sleeping and eating together during the camp. This is the experience which exceeds that in the home country for every participant, and it is thought as a thing which has become very valuable and significant time in their future for young researchers who participated. Furthermore, it is the schedule that the Asia nano-tech camp 2009 moves the meeting place to Taiwan.