

**Research Activity Report**  
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<b>1. Country/location of visit</b>
Jigokudani Monkey Park, Japan
<b>2. Research project</b>
Field Trip to Jigokudani Monkey Park
<b>3. Date (departing from/returning to Japan)</b>
2016. 02. 24 – 2016. 02, 26 (3 days)
<b>4. Main host researcher and affiliation</b>
Toshio Hagiwara, Director of Jigokudani Monkey Park
<b>5. Progress and results of your research/activity</b> (You can attach extra pages if needed)
Please insert one or more pictures (to be publicly released). Below each picture, please provide a brief description.
<p>During this visit I was able to visit the snow monkeys in Jigokudani Monkey Park for the first time. I was excited to see the famous monkeys soaking in the hot spring, a popular group I have seen in many documentaries and news stories. I was worried I would not get the chance to see this famous group before I left Japan, so I am very thankful for this opportunity. I was also able to meet a PhD student from the University of Vienna, Lena Pflugger, and the owner of the Affenberg Monkey Park in Austria. This trip was an excellent opportunity to network and enjoy visiting this famous group of snow monkeys.</p> <p>I am very grateful to PWS for this wonderful trip, and I hope to return someday to see these monkeys again.</p>

**6. Others**



With the park staff at dinner



At the entrance to the park

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Excited to enter the park!



First sight of the monkeys in the hot spring!



Juvenile enjoying the hot spring!



A juvenile makes a coo call



With our hosts at Shimaya Ryokan

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