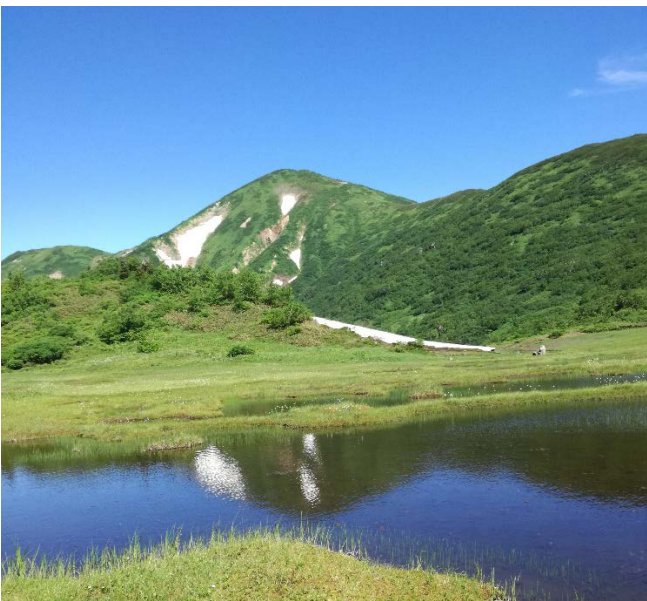


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1. Country/location of visit
Japan, Niigata
2. Research project
PWS Sasagamine Field Science Course
3. Date (departing from/returning to Japan)
2018. 07. 17 – 2018. 07. 20 (4 days)
4. Main host researcher and affiliation
Dr. Sugiyama, Wildlife Research Center, Kyoto University
5. Progress and results of your research/activity (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 course, we stayed at Kyoto University Sasagamine Hütte (cabin) in Myoko-kogen, Niigata prefecture. We learned field work skills mainly by climbing and walking in the mountains.</p> <p>July 17th: We walked around the Hütte and observed plants and insects.</p> <p>July 18th: We went up along Karasawa, walking in the bushes, and found the way to go back by using a map, a compass, and the plants as landmarks.</p> <p>July 19th: We left the Hütte in the early morning and climbed Mt. Hiuchi. We had some lectures about alpine plants and geological features on the way. Vegetation looked quite different on the mountain and it changed as we climbed high. It was really interesting to observe unfamiliar plants in the beautiful environment.</p> <p>July 20th: We learned how to make good use of tents in the field, ropeworks, and how to control drones. Also, we observed Japanese macaques at Jigokudani.</p> <p>I used this opportunity to learn climbing skills and survival skills important for fieldwork. I also learned how important it is to try hard to stay safe again.</p> <p>This experience will be of great help in the future fieldwork such as sampling.</p>

Figure.1 Mt. Hiuchi

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Figure.2 Child Japanese macaques in Jigokudani

6. Others