





Research Activity Report
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1. Country/location of visit	Iriomote, Japan
2. Research project	Iriomote field course
3. Date (departing from/returning to Japan)	2018. 11. 7– 2018. 11.11 (5days)
4. Main host researcher and affiliation	Ryuku University
5. Progress and results of your research/activity (You can attach extra pages if needed)	<p>Please insert one or more pictures (to be publicly released). Below each picture, please provide a brief description.</p> <p>I attended Iriomote field course and here I am reporting about the course.</p> <p>7th: arrival and joining seminar</p> <p>We arrived at Iriomote island and attended a seminar about ecology in Iriomote including the issue of invasive species. It was also for people who are living in Iriomote. I think this is good event. When we back to the dormitory, we found lightning firefly larva.</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;">   </div> <p style="text-align: center;">Firefly</p> <p>8th : trekking</p> <p>We went for trekking by ship. We saw multiple kinds of mangrove from ship. During trekking we saw some interesting plants and reptiles. After trekking we visited Iriomote wildlife conservation center.</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;">   </div> <p style="text-align: center;">Mangrove and waterfall</p>

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9th: Kayaking

Before we left for kayaking, we saw box turtle, which had curved shell. I enjoyed kayaking very much although it was not easy for me to row it. We learned some species of mangrove and saw how plants and animals adopted this environment.



From left top: sneak, termite nest, mangrove, turtle

10th: Snorkeling

It was first time for me to do snorkeling with fins and wetsuits and I was scared at the beginning. However, I got used to it finally and enjoy coral, sea snake, fish very much. Some coral were colorful, but most of them were whitened, which made me think about environmental change. It's a shame that we cannot conduct 3rd snorkeling because of bad weather.

11th: Departure

When we left Iriomote, we were lucky enough to observe *Spilornis cheela*!



Spilornis cheela

6. Others

I really appreciated all the people who organize this course, especially professors of Ryuku University. This trip was supported by PWS. I appreciated for that.