Integrated Program for Next Generation Volcano Research and Human Resource Development

Next Generation Volcano Research

Themes

- A. Developing a system for centralization / exchanging of volcanic observation data
- B. Development of advanced technology for volcano observation
 - Muon tomography
 - SAR and thermo-gas camera
 - Geochemical monitoring
 - Volcano internal structure multi-disciplinal observation
 - Contactless power transmission
 - Optical interferometry seismometer

C. Development of technology for forecasting volcanic eruptions

- Mechanisms for branching in event tree
- Middle to long-term eruption forecasting
- Volcanic hazard evaluation by numerical simulation

D. Development of technology for countermeasures against volcanic disasters

- UAV monitoring
- Volcanic ash multi-parameter monitoring at Sakurajima
- Information tools for stakeholders

Participating organizations

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Consortium for Human Resource Development in Volcanology





Participating organizations

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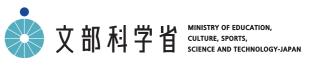
Look to the Future of Volcanoes

The "Integrated Program for Next Generation Volcano Research and Human Resources Development" promotes research on "observation, forecasting and countermeasures", and develops the next generation of volcano researchers.

This program aims to contribute to mitigating volcanic disasters.









Japan Volcanological Data Network

System for centralizing and utilizing volcano observation data and archives throughout Japan, organized in NIED.

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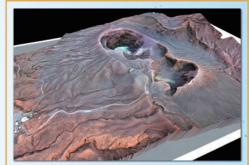
Resistivity structure for a volcano with potential for a phreatic eruption. A low resistive layer (red in color) caps the hydrothermal fluid reservoir.

A. Data Exchange System

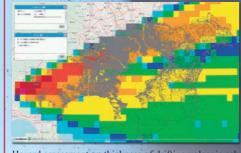
B. Observation

C. Forecasting

D. Countermeasures



3D relief map of the crater area at Aso Volcano, made by DEM taken by UAV immediately after a phreatic eruption in October 2016.



Hazard assessment on thickness of drifting volcanic ash by a plausible large eruption at Fuji volcano (the hotter color shows the thicker ash). Gray dots represent buildings impacted in and around the Tokyo metropolitan region.

- Countermeasures for upcoming/ongoing volcanic hazards; understanding real-time information and presenting their scenarios

- Presenting probabilities of volcanic eruptions
- Fostering and retaining volcanologists with a broad knowledge not limited to science but also including engineering and social science

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Consortium for Human Resource Development in Volcanology

What is

Consortium for Human Resource Development in Volcanology?

This consortium aims to foster young researchers who can deepen their understanding of complex and diverse volcanic phenomena, promote cutting-edge volcanology research through international collaboration, and engage in the discipline of social science to reduce volcanic disaster risks.



Curriculum

Curriculum for the fundamental and application master courses includes: seminars, exercises, and field practices for basic and specialized knowledge on volcanology and disaster mitigation, observation and survey methods for conducting research, skills to embed research results into society, and social science and engineering to mitigate volcanic disasters.

The program also includes overseas field practices, presentations at scientific meetings, and internships at other research institutions.



Next Generation Volcano Research?

to reduce volcano disaster risks through monitoring and forecasting volcanic activity together with preparing precise and timely information.

throughout Japan on volcano observation, forecasting, and countermeasures.

Sixty-three people lost their lives due to a sudden eruption at Mount Ontake, Central Japan, in September 2014.

Following this tragic event, volcanologists have faced high expectations to develop technologies

To this end, this project promotes collaborative research among universities and research institutions

Training classes for students in Consortium program

- 1. Field training of volcanic geology / 2. Lecture in Kagoshima University /
- 3. Field training of geodetic observation / 4. Experimental petrology practice in Tohoku University

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