

Japan GEOTRACES National Report 2013

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Activities in 2013

- National sub-committee on GEOTRACES in the Science Council of Japan
 - 24 March 2013, Tokyo University of Marine Science and Technology
 - Discuss international and national problems and information on GEOTRACES program
- GEOTRACES Relevant Scientific Sessions
 - 2013 Asia Oceania Geosciences Society Annual Meeting (AOGS2013)
 - Controls on the Biogeochemistry of the Northwestern Pacific Ocean and its Adjacent Marginal Seas
 - 24 June 2013, Brisbane, Australia
 - Co-conveners: T-Y Ho , Y Sohrin, I-I Lin and G T F Wong
 - Annual Meeting of GSJ 2013
 - Trace metals and their isotopes in the ocean
 - 13 Sep 20, Tsukuba, Japan
 - Co-conveners: H Obata, J Zhang, K Norisuye and K Horikawa

New research vessel

R/V Shinsei Maru



- R/V Tansei Maru (JAMSTEC) was retired at the end of January 2013
- The successive new vessel Shinsei Maru (1630t, 15 scientists) has been constructed by JAMSTEC
- She is equipped with a Kevlar armored cable and a clean container laboratory, and will be used for trace element studies chiefly in coastal areas

Future plans

- Cruises
 - GEOTRACES section GP10 and GP18, GEOTRACES cruise in the South Pacific, 2 Dec 2014- 26 Feb 2015 (PI: T. Gamo)
 - GEOTRACES section GP06, regional GEOTRACES cruise in the East China Sea, 2016 or 2017 (PI: J. Zhang)
- Scientific Meetings
 - 2014 Asia Oceania Geosciences Society Annual Meeting (AOGS2014)
 - 28 Jul to 01 Aug, 2014, Sapporo, Japan
 - Goldschmidt 2016
 - June 26 - July 1, Yokohama, Japan

GEOTRACES Pacific Sections

