

Report on the science café sponsored by the Kanto Branch, Geological Society of Japan

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Since "science café" was introduced in 2004, many science cafés have been held and settled as Japanese style science café in various areas in Japan (Watanabe et al. 2012). At first, the science café with theme of earth science was very few, however, in recent years has increased. There are some differences between the science café and lecture, such as the science café are designed to emphasizes bi-directional communication and enlightening subject matters, so as to activate communications among the guests (scientists), facilitator and audience (general public). Therefore, the science café has been used as the event to relate a rudimentary knowledge in the leading edge of science and opportunities of learning and interaction for scientists and general public. We held a science café with theme of volcanic disaster in Kanto area, at Tokyo in October 2015, and that event was sponsored by the Kanto Branch, Geological Society of Japan and supported by National Museum of Nature and Science, Science Communicator Association. In this presentation, we will report about the event and results.

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