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[M-IS10]Paleoclimatology and paleoceanography

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 Past environmental changes and events at multi-decadal to tectonic timescale toward an understanding of Earth climate system by an integration of terrestrial and marine proxy studies and numerical modeling will be discussed. We welcome a variety of paleo-environmental studies from a wide range of background. In particular, a series of presentations relating to the Anthropocene will be planned. This is a merged session of A-OS31 "Linkage between oceanography and paleoceanography in marginal, shelf and coastal oceans" and M-IS23 "Paleoclimatology and paleoceanography" sessions at JPGU 2017. We hope that this session will provide an opportunity to promote communication between participants from multidisciplinary field.

[MIS10-P28]Effects of ocean acidification on growth and spinous skeletal composition of the sea urchin (*Mesocentrotus nudus*, *Strongylocentrotus intermedius*)

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Since the Industrial Revolution, ocean acidification has advanced owing to the dissolution of anthropogenic carbon dioxide (CO₂) released into the atmosphere into sea water, and there are concerns about the impact on many marine ecosystems. Particularly, for organisms forming calcium carbonate (CaCO₃) shells and skeletons, since carbonate ion concentration decreases during the ocean acidification, it is predicted that skeleton formation becomes difficult and adverse effect will be exerted. However, many creatures have not been evaluated for their impact. Therefore, in this study, we investigated the influence of acidification based on the change of the chemical composition and structure of the spines of *Mesocentrotus nudus* and *Strongylocentrotus intermedius* in which calcite is the main component of spines and shells.

In this study, the sea urchins were raised under the following five carbon dioxide partial pressures (pCO₂, μatm): (i) 2000, (ii) 1000, (iii) 700, (iv) 350 (controlled setting) and (v) 250. The settings of pCO₂ from (i) to (iii) were adjusted by addition of CO₂ and condition of (v) was adjusted chemically. Five to seven sea urchins were placed in individual bottles in each setting and were raised for more than 6 months for *M.nudus* and *S. intermedius*, respectively. The shell length and the weight was measured monthly. The chemical components (Mg, Sr and Ca) in the spines were measured with an inductivity coupled plasma optical emission spectrometry (ICP – OES). Also, the surface and cross-sectional structure of the spines was observed using a scanning electron microscope (SEM).

As the result of culture experiments, the shell length and body weight of both species decreased with increasing pCO₂. In addition, the Mg/Ca ratios of the spines were relatively higher at higher pCO₂ settings. The mean Mg/Ca ratio of *M. nudus* was about 1.4 times higher than that of *S. intermedius*. As solubility increases for calcite with increasing of Mg content, it is suggested that the spines of *M. nudus*

are more likely to dissolve or making calcification less likely to occur in the future ocean acidification. On the other hand, the Sr/Ca ratio was not clearly related to the $p\text{CO}_2$ condition. Although, in general, the sea urchin spine has a stereomorphic structure with countless holes and such structure was found in the spines reared under controlled setting, the hole filled probably by calcite in the stereomorphic structure was observed in the spines reared under higher $p\text{CO}_2$ settings. Therefore, intense ocean acidification would affect negative impacts on growth of spines of sea urchins.