Conference Report

SD 2011 Conference Report Zhuang Li

Shikata Discussion 2011, International Symposium on Electroanalytical Chemistry, was held from May 27-29 at the Yumebutai International Conference Center in the Westin Awaji Island, Japan.

Scientists from over 13 countries presented 36 oral and 38 poster presentations on the meeting. The topic covered a wide range of scientific interest including Micro-electrochemistry, Electroanalytical Chemistry, Biosensors, Aptasensors, Biofuel-batteries, Bioelectrochemistry, Electrochemiluminescence, Photo Electrochemistry, Spectroscopy, Scanning Electrochemical Microscopy, C₆₀, Carbon nanotubes, Graphene, Conducting Polymer, Ionophore-Based Reference Electrode, Ionic Liquid Double Layer, Liquid-Liquid Interface, and Nanomaterial Fabrication and their applications in electrochemistry.

Five professors from our laboratory --- State Key Laboratory of Electroanalytical Chemistry, Changchun Institute of Applied Chemistry, Chinese Academy of Sciences --- took part in the meeting. Prof. Erkang Wang introduced the story about Prof. Shikata who helped new China to establish polarography research group and how the group growing up to the present State Kay Laboratory of Electroanalytical Chemistry, which contains about 30 professors, 60 staffs and over 100 post graduate students. Prof. Wang also gave a lecture on “Simple Approach for Nanomaterial Fabrication and Its Applications Related to Electrochemistry”. Prof. Shaojun Dong, who was the one together with Prof. Wang listened to the lessons and was guided by Prof. Shikata among the people in SD2011 meeting, gave a talk about

Arrived Awaji Westin Hotel (at 17:40 on 26 May 2011)

History of Shikata Lab

“Aptasensors Based on Molecular Recognition for Sensitive Analysis”; Prof. Guobao Xu, Prof. Cong Yu and I (Prof. Zhuang Li) also reported our recent works.

We met lots of our old friends or those who ever visited our laboratory, e.g., Prof. Christian Amatore (France), Prof. Koichi Aoki (Japan), Prof. Philippe Bühlmann (USA), Prof. Hubert Girault (Switzerland), Prof. Tokuji Ikeda (Japan), Prof. Ari Ivaska (Finland), Prof. Hasuck Kim (Korea), Prof. Takashi Kakiuchi (Japan), Prof. Sorin Kihara (Japan), Prof. Fusao Kitamura (Japan), Prof. Fumiyo Kusu (Japan), Prof. Kohji Maeda (Japan), Prof. Toshiyuki Osakai (Japan), Prof. Munetaka Oyama (Japan), Prof. Takamasa Sagara (Japan), Prof. Isao Taniguchi (Japan), and Prof. Tomoyuki Yasukawa (Japan).

Of course we got known new friends: Prof. Shigeru Amemiya (USA), Prof. Robert M. Corn (USA), Prof. Robert Dryfe (UK), Prof. Michael V. Mirkin (USA), Prof. Zdeněk Samec (Czech), Prof. Steven A. Soper (USA), and lots of Japanese e.g., Prof. Kenji Kano, Prof. Hiroshi Nishihara, Prof. Katsuhiko Nishiyama, Prof. Mikito Yasuzawa, Prof. Masaaki Haga, Prof. Masato Tominaga, Prof. Akio Ichimura, Dr. Yuki Kitazumi, especially Prof. Naoya Nishi who helped us a lot during the process of getting our Visa. We also met Prof. Baohong Liu (Fudan University, China), Prof. Chun-hsien Chen (National Taiwan University, China), Prof. Jinjuan Chen (University of Fukui, Japan) and Dr. Huiqing Yuan (Kyoto University, Japan).

It was a pity that the scientific discussion program was so busy, and it rained cats

A glance of the Awaji Island from Westin Hotel

Nice food at Reception

Left Awaji at 13:12 on 29 May 2011. It rained hard

and dogs those days. We did not have time to see the beauty of the Awaji Island, however, we had the chance to visit Prof. Takashi Kakiuchi's hometown and his old house in Wakayama.

Anyway, this is the first time for me to visit Japan; the beautiful and clean cities, the friendly and kindly people (at least everyone we meet), the delicious foods, and of course also the fruitful scientific discussions, gave me a very good impression. We really have a good time.

I hope we will further cooperate with each other, help each other, promote the friendship and peace, and make contributions to the welfare of human being.

Mini discussions in Wakayama

A glance of the Wakayama city from hotel

In Prof. Takashi Kakiuchi's old house

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(「In Prof. Takashi Kakiuchi's old house」の写真、向かって前列左から3番目が著者)