

## **Tetsuro Urabe (Japan)**

Date and place of birth: 10 January 1949, Okayama, Japan

### **Education:**

Ph.D., University of Tokyo, 1976, Geology

M.S., University of Tokyo, 1973, Geology

B.S., University of Tokyo, 1971, Geology and Mineralogy

### **Current Positions:**

2011-present	Member, Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf
2008-present	Vice Executive Director, Ocean Alliance, University of Tokyo
2007-present	Adjunct Professor, University of The Air
2000-present	Professor, Department of Earth and Planetary Science, University of Tokyo

### **Professional Experience:**

2006-2007	Chair, Department of Earth and Planetary Science, University of Tokyo
1996-2000	Chief Geologist, Geological Survey of Japan (GSJ)*
1992-1996	Chief, Experimental Mineralogy Section, GSJ
1990-1991	Deputy Director, Research Planning Office, GSJ
1985-1992	Senior Research Geologist, GSJ
1979-1981	Visiting Researcher, Department of Geology, University of Toronto, Canada
1976-1985	Assistant Professor, Geological Institute, University of Tokyo

(\*Geological Survey of Japan (GSJ), Agency of Industrial Science and Technology, Ministry of International Trade and Industry of Japan: GSJ was reorganized in 2001 into AIST (National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology).)

### **Research Activities:**

My current research interests are mainly focused on: (1) the seafloor hydrothermal activities both on the mid-ocean ridge and the arc-backarc systems; (2) the massive sulfide deposits related to hydrothermal activity and the ferromanganese crust deposits as deep-sea mineral resources; (3) the microbial geochemistry of the subseafloor biosphere; (4) the geochemical cycle within and from the hydrothermal systems; and (5) the “rare-metal” mineral resources on land and seafloor. I have led and continue to lead many major sea-going research projects, including: (1) Japan-France-SOPAC *STARMER Project* (1987-1991) on the tectonics and hydrothermal activity in the North Fiji Basin; (2) Japan-US *RidgeFlux Project* (1993-1998) on hydrothermal intensity on the super-fast-spreading East Pacific Rise; (3) *Archean Park Project* (2000-2006) on the deep biosphere related to seafloor hydrothermal

activity, and (4) the current *TAIGA Project* (2008-2012; <http://www-gbs.eps.s.u-tokyo.ac.jp/~taiga/en/index.html>).

#### **Research Cruise Experience:**

(\* As Principal Investigator or Co-Principal Investigator)

May 2011	* <i>R/V Hakureimaru</i> No. 2/BMS cruise to Okinawa Trough, Japan (TAIGA Project)
June 2010	* <i>R/V Hakureimaru</i> No. 2/BMS cruise to Southern Mariana Trough (TAIGA Project)
February 2009	* <i>R/V Natshushima/ROV Hyper Dolphin</i> cruise to Takuyo-Daigo Seamount, northwestern Pacific (JAMSTEC cruise)
June 2004	* <i>R/V JOIDES Resolution</i> Leg 301 of IODP (Integrated Ocean Drilling Program) to Juan de Fuca Ridge, northeastern Pacific
January 2004	* <i>R/V Hakureimaru</i> No. 2/BMS cruise to Southern Mariana Trough, northwest Pacific (Archaeon Park Project)
July 2002	* <i>R/V Hakureimaru</i> No. 2/BMS drilling cruise to Izu-Bonin (Archaeon Park Project)
June 2001	<i>R/V Hakureimaru</i> No. 2/BMS ( <i>tethered marine drill</i> ) drilling cruise to Izu-Bonin Arc, Japan (Japan-US)
September 1998	* <i>R/V YOKOSUKA/SHINKAI 6500**</i> submersible cruise to East Pacific Rise (EPR) (Japan-US)
October 1995	* <i>R/V YOKOSUKA SHINKAI 6500</i> cruise to Papua New Guinea (Japan-PNG-SOPAC)
September 1994	* <i>R/V YOKOSUKA/SHINKAI 6500</i> submersible cruise to EPR (Japan-US)
November 1993	* <i>R/V Melville</i> cruise to southern EPR (Japan-US Ridge-Flux project)
December 1991	* <i>R/V Suroit/Cyana</i> submersible cruise to Vanuatu (Japan-France SOPAC STARMER Project)
August 1991	* <i>R/V YOKOSUKA/SHINKAI 6500</i> submersible cruise to North Fiji Basin (Japan-France-SOPAC STARMER Project)
June 1989	<i>R/V Nadir/Nautile</i> submersible cruise to North Fiji Basin (Japan-France-SOPAC STARMER Project)
July 1987	<i>R/V Atlantis II/Alvin</i> submersible cruise to Izu-Bonin Arc, north-western Pacific (US-Japan cruise)
May 1986	<i>R/V Natsushima/SHINKAI 2000</i> submersible cruise to Izu-Bonin Arc, northwestern Pacific (GSJ cruise)
September 1985	<i>R/V Atlantis II/Alvin</i> submersible cruise to Galapagos Rift, off Ecuador (NOAA expedition)

June 1985            *R/V Nadir/Nautile* submersible cruise to Nankai Trough, Japan (Japan-France KAIKO Project)

(as well as 12 more cruises to eastern and western Pacific basin.)

(\*\* DSV SHINKAI 6500: A manned research submersible vehicle of JAMSTEC (Japan Agency for Marine-Earth Science and Technology) with the greatest depth range of activity in the world. It can dive up to a depth of 6,500m.)

#### **Professional Service Experiences:**

2010-present	Affiliated Member, Science Council of Japan
2003-present	Member, Advisory Committee to the Cabinet for the Extension of the Continental Shelf, Japan
2006-present	Member and Chair of subcommittee, Advisory Committee for Natural Resources and Energy, Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry, Japan
2008-2010	President, <i>Society of Resource Geology</i>
1993-1997	Member, Editorial Board, <i>Economic Geology</i>
1993-1995	Member, Editorial Board, <i>Mineralium Deposita</i>
1988-1990	Editor in Chief, <i>Mining Geology</i> (Tokyo)

#### **Professional Associations:**

- The Society of Economic Geologists
- American Geophysical Union
- The Society of Resource Geology
- The Geological Society of Japan
- The Geographical Society of Japan
- The Geochemical Society of Japan
- The Society of Ocean Policy

#### **Recent Selected Publications:**

Kawada, Y., Seama, N., & Urabe, T. (2011) The role of seamounts in the transport of heat and fluids: Relations among seamount size, circulation patterns, and crustal heat flow. *Earth and Planetary Science Letters*, 306, 55-65.

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- Kato, S., Yanagawa, K., Sunamura, M., Takano, Y., Ishibashi, J., Kakegawa, T., Utsumi, M., Yamanaka, T., Toki, T., Noguchi, T., Kobayashi, K., Moroi, A., Kimura, H., Kawarabayasi, Y., Marumo, K., Urabe, T., & Yamagishi, A. (2009b) Abundance of *Zetaproteobacteria* within crustal fluids in back-arc hydrothermal fields of the Southern Mariana Trough. *Environmental Microbiology*, doi:10.1111/j.1462-2920.2009.02031.x.
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- Yanagawa, K., Sunamura, M., Morono, Y., Futagami, T., de Beer, D., Urabe, T., Boetius, A., & Inagaki, F. (2009) Distribution of metabolically active microbial communities in CO<sub>2</sub>-rich marine sediments. *Geochimica et Cosmochimica Acta*, 73, A1472-A1472 (Abstract).
- Urabe, T., Iizasa, K., & Ishibashi, J. (2009) The latest frontier of earth science and its application to mineral exploration; Submarine hydrothermal deposits as modern analogy. *Resource Geology*, 59(1), 43-72 (In Japanese with English abstract).
- Mori, K., Sunamura, M., Yanagawa, K., Ishibashi, J., Miyoshi, Y., Iino, T., Suzuki, K., & Urabe, T. (2008) First cultivation and ecological investigation of a bacterium affiliated with the candidate phylum OP5 from hot springs. *Applied and Environmental Microbiology*, 74, 6223-6229.
- Marumo, K., Urabe, T., Goto, A., Takano, Y., & Nakaseama, M. (2008) Mineralogy and isotope geochemistry of active submarine hydrothermal field at Suiyo Seamount, Izu-Bonin Arc, West Pacific Ocean. *Resource Geology*, 58, 220-248 (Best Article Award).
- Urabe, T., Chiba, H., & Kato, Y. (2008) IMA Kobe 2006 Special Issue: Seafloor hydrothermal deposits of arc-backarc systems in western Pacific. *Resource Geology*, 58, 205 (Preface).
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