

5 days has passed since the closing ceremony of UTRIP. During these five days, I was busy cleaning my dormitory and preparing for my trip back to my hometown. There was no time for recalling during daytime but when it came to night and everything was quiet, I lay down on my bed and began thinking of the days in Tokyo, especially the time I spent in Kuroda Lab.

These 30 days studying and working in Kuroda Lab was a valuable and unforgettable experience for me. I was deeply impressed the first day I arrived at the lab when I saw my name printed on a white board like everybody else in the lab, although I was merely a temporary member and would only stay for 30 days. From that day on, I was sure that I was going to have a wonderful time there and it turned out, 30 days later, that I was right.

In my opinion, Kuroda Lab was a very successful lab. Although I seldom did experiments, I could tell that the laboratory equipments there were very advanced. Working condition there is also fantastic. I once said, after tasted an excellent meal cooked by Saito-kun in the lab, that you could get everything you want in Kuroda lab. Although it is an exaggeration, yet one can clearly see my point.

Other members of the lab were very friendly and helpful to me. Every time I had a question about my project and asked one of them for help, I would get a satisfactory answer. Because of the language difference, it took them more time than usual to answer my questions. But they never felt impatient and tried every way they could think of to help me get the answer. In addition, they invited me to different places in Tokyo, such as Asakusa, Akihabara etc. which made my internship quite enjoyable. I really appreciated their hospitality and friendliness.

I have learned a lot in the lab, but experimental operations are only part of the whole gain. Another part, which is far more important, is the attitude and spirit a researcher should have. I have seen assiduousness, perseverance and creativity in this lab and these things had a great influence on me, telling me what I should really master if I wanted to be a researcher.

30 days passed quickly and I had to leave the lab. I assumed before I went to Toyo that I could learn a lot in Kuroda lab and when I left, I was assured that I did it. Many thanks to Professor Kuroda and all the members in Kuroda lab for making my UTRIP an excellent experience!