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| 1. Country/location of visit |
| Miyama, Kyoto |
| 2. Research project |
| Miyama Field Training For Snow Season |
| 3. Date (departing from/returning to Japan) |
| 2022. 2. 2 – 2022. 2. 4 (3 days) |
| 4. Main host researcher and affiliation |
| Dr. Idani, Professor at Wildlife Research Center, Kyoto University |
| 5. Progress and results of your research/activity (You can attach extra pages if needed) |
| Please insert one or more pictures (to be publicly released). Below each picture, please provide a brief description. |
| <p>During this visit, I was able to experience fieldwork during snow season. On the first day, we established a camping site on the snow of a mountain area. We spent a night there and learned how to manage ourselves in the field with a lot of snow. By using various equipment specialized for surviving during harsh winter, such as thick air mattress and sleeping bag, we were able to successfully complete our training without any issues. On the next day, we observed the deer hunting culture of Miyama area. In the Miyama region, wild deer have been designated as ones that destroys the balance of nearby ecosystem due to their increasing population. The hunters showed us their way of hunting deer utilizing their dogs’ exceptional smell and chasing skills trained just for locating deer in such a mountainous area. 3 dogs in each hunting session were released in the mountain and the hunters located the movement of deer by using GPS attached on the collar of the dogs. We observed total of 2 hunting sessions and 3 deer were caught as a result. Then, we were able to eat those freshly caught deer during the day. From this field trip, I was thankfully able to learn survival skills in such extreme environment and traditional Japanese culture at once.</p> |
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| <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>Figure 1. Camping site at Miyama</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>Figure 2. Camping site construction</p> </div> </div> |
| 6. Others |

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