Satellite Session #9 –
HU-SNU-MU-WU Joint Course: Environmental Chemicals and Human Health

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On 29 and 30 November 2018, the Centre for Environmental and Health Sciences of Hokkaido University (HU) held a satellite session as the third time of a joint course with Seoul National University (SNU). This year, Mahidol University (MU) and Walailak University (WU), Thailand also joined this course, and we welcomed twenty faculties and twenty-eight graduate students in total. The class taught basic knowledge on environmental epidemiology, exposure sciences, as well as a wide-range of discipline including latest environmental issues and its countermeasures in Asia. From HU, both domestic and international students from the Graduate Schools of Health Sciences, Veterinary Medicine, Infectious Diseases, Life Sciences, Science, Engineering, and Environmental Science joined the class positively. Five mixed groups of students from four universities had pre-class discussion and preparation for group presentations, and all of them were highly performed. It was certainly rewarding to build a graduate student network of HU and SNU together with those of MU and WU through this joint course, so we believe that this class is also effective for the career development of the participants. Feedback from the participants was positive as wishes to come back to join the class next academic year again. The satellite session was closed with a promise to keep this joint class organisation under cooperation with the counterparts of each university.

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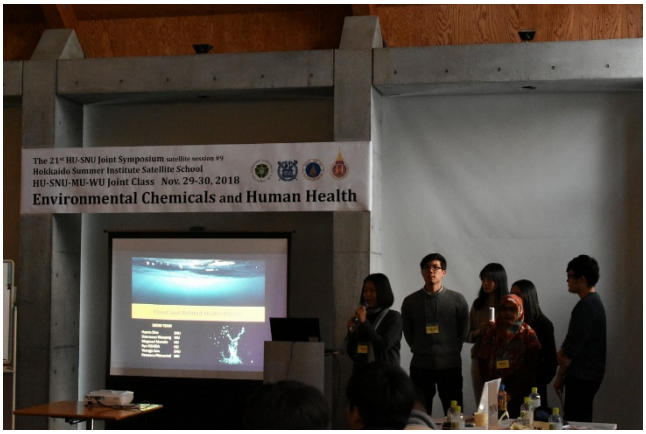
Right: Group Presentation