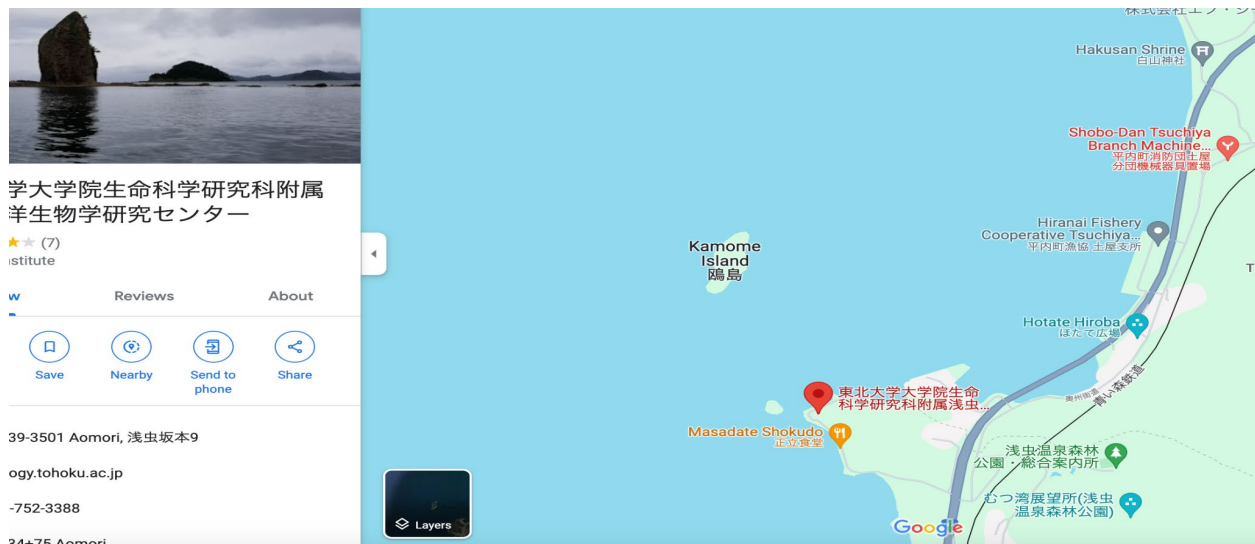


## WPI-AIMEC Marine Biology Integrative Analysis unit Asamushi Retreat - March 18-20, 2024



### Location: Asamushi Research Center for Marine Biology

Website: <http://www.biology.tohoku.ac.jp/lab-www/asamushi/aboutus.html>

### Contact Information

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Emergency contact: 080-3192-4955 (AMES mobile, or via LINE)

### Meeting time and place:

7:30AM sharp! at Sendai Station on the 3F in front of the JR ticket office (Midori-no-madoguchi) – At that time Ames will distribute the tickets to all 9 participants (7 students; 2 professors).

### Access By Shinkansen and local trains

8:05AM Sendai (Tohoku Shinkansen)→ JR Shin-Aomori Station

<https://www.jreast.co.jp/multi/en/traininformation/>

*Change to local train, Ou line - use same JR ticket*

<https://www.jreast.co.jp/multi/en/destinations/aomori/>

JR Shin-Aomori Station (Ou line)→ 9:49AM JR Aomori Station

*Change train to Aoimori Railway - buy new ticket*

[https://aoimorirailway.com/lang\\_en/](https://aoimorirailway.com/lang_en/)

10:46AM JR Aomori Station (Aoimori Railway)→ 11:07AM Asamushi-Onsen Station

*Eat lunch: Here are some examples of restaurants.*

[https://www.tripadvisor.com/RestaurantsNear-g1120394-d4564210-Asamushi\\_Onsen\\_Station-Hiranai\\_machi\\_Higashi\\_Tsugaru\\_gun\\_Aomori\\_Prefecture\\_Tohoku.html](https://www.tripadvisor.com/RestaurantsNear-g1120394-d4564210-Asamushi_Onsen_Station-Hiranai_machi_Higashi_Tsugaru_gun_Aomori_Prefecture_Tohoku.html)

From Kumano sensei: Tsurukameya Shokudo( 鶴亀屋食堂) is the best known place in Asamushi by people even from outside. It serves a huge amount of sea foods. Modern-type places are also running in Asamushi recently such as Apricot (アプリコット) and Asameshi Dining Room (浅めし食堂) among the places in the website, and Asamushi Dorridor (浅虫コリドー) near the Asamushi onsen station.

Aomori station has plenty of options too but might be a bit early for lunch. Let's see how people feel that day.

*Walk to Asamushi Research Center(1.8 km, 22 min)*

1:00PM Arrive at Asamushi Research Center for Marine Biology

Map on Website: <https://maps.app.goo.gl/XdSV3pEgkbLnb4F46>

## **Retreat Schedule**

### **Monday 3/18:**

13:00 Orientation at Asamushi Field Center

14:00 - Student & Faculty Presentations (10 mins) and Q&A (5 mins) (All members)  
*Presentation Content - Include 1-2 slides about you (background and something you want to share) and the rest about your research project and how it relates to WPI-AIMEC (Marine Biology Integrative Analysis Unit)*

18:00-19:30 Dinner at Asamushi

20:30 Free time

**NOTE: For coffee/tea times, there are no vending machines so people should bring drinks/snacks. There is a convenience store MiniStop nearby, but it still takes 10 to 15 mins to get there depending on the traffic signal.**

**Alcohol: Since everyone is of legal drinking age, drinking alcohol is permitted onsite, in the conference room or the cafeteria of the dormitory. People who wish to have some drinks after dinner can bring their own (or buy at the MiniStop) and do so in the designated areas. Feel free to bring cards or other games. Please drink responsibly. No rowdiness will be tolerated.**

**It is imperative that we leave the place spotless. Please remain particularly mindful to clean up spills immediately and do not leave any empty bottles, cans or garbage lying around.**

**Asamushi Center is a smoke-free place.**

### **Tuesday 3/19:**

8:00AM-9:00AM Breakfast at Asamushi

9:30AM Tour of surrounding coastal area by Kumano sensei

Possible boat ride for one and a half hours depending on the weather. Kumano sensei has asked a technician to take us out on any day there is good weather, so we should be prepared for a last-minute change of schedule

12:00-13:00 Lunch at Asamushi

13:30 Discussion on 3/25 mini symposium and student roles (Ames and Katayama)

15:00 Individual student meetings with Ames

17:00-18:00 Dinner at Asamushi

18:00 Free time.

Note: Those interested can join us at a brewery serving craft beers near Asamushi-Onsen station. It is open from 17:00 to 20:00, So we would like right after dinner.

### **Wednesday 3/20:**

8:00AM-9:00AM Breakfast at Asamushi

9:30AM Journal Club schedule and planning meeting for the semester

11:00AM Depart Asamushi

*Walk to Asamushi-Onsen Station Walk (1.8 km, 22 min)*

*Eat lunch around the station*

Asamushi-Onsen Station (Aomori Railway)→ JR Aomori Station

*Change to local train, Ou line - use JR Shinkansen ticket*

JR Aomori Station (Ou line)→ JR Shin-Aomori Station

*Change to Shinkansen - use JR Shinkansen ticket*

14:38 JR Shin-Aomori Station (Shinkansen) → 16:29 Sendai (Tohoku Shinkansen)

Participants (7 students 5 professors)

1	Bryson Yerik Torgovitsky
2	Muhammad Izzat Nugraha
3	Tan Kei Chloe
4	Junho Hwang
5	Jocelyn Nathaniel Sutedja
6	Totsu Ayane
7	Yongstar Chanikarn
8	Dr. Katayama Satoshi
9	Dr. Cheryl Lynn Ames
10	Dr. Kumano Gaku
11	Dr. Iwasaki Aiko
12	Dr. Morita Shunpei