

A low-angle photograph of a dense bamboo forest. The bamboo stalks are tall, slender, and light green, rising vertically from the bottom of the frame towards the top. The canopy is thick with green leaves, and sunlight filters through, creating a dappled light effect. The overall color palette is dominated by various shades of green and yellow from the sunlight.

# **JSPS summer Program 2018**

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# About me

PhD, Geochemistry - Stockholm University, 2014-2019

**JSPS 2018 - Institute for Planetary Materials - Okayama University**

**My goal with JSPS summer program was to interact with another lab with relevant expertise and acquire data for my PhD work**



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# Pre departure

## **Accommodation**

- Arrange with your host

## **Transport from SOKENDAI to host**

- Arrange transport by yourself

## **Luggage**

- 1 Large (send to host)
- 1 small (for Sokendai and homestay, bring swimsuit to Sokendai)

## **Other useful things to remember**

- Pocket WiFi / SIM card
- If you are planning to travel
  1. Get approval from supervisor first (communicate this ASAP) as an official request need to be sent from your supervisor to JSPS
  2. Order JR pass (easiest to do from Sweden depending on when it will be used)
- Bring gifts (hosts, supervisors)
- Get to know your JSPS fellows
- Cash, not card!
- Business cards are very helpful!

# At Soken-dai

## Scientific exchange

There will be a poster session,  
perfect opportunity to mingle with  
other JSPS fellows

## Cultural Exchange

Getting started in Japan: language  
classes, trip to historical Kamakura,  
cultural activities (tea ceremony,  
origami, calligraphy)  
kimono/yukata dressing (remember  
to sign up early, on the board in the  
atrium, due to very few spots)

## Networking

Keep in touch with other JSPS  
fellows (e.g. create chat groups) who  
will be in your area or nearby areas







Homestay



# Research

**Prof. Eizo Nakamura**

Institute for Planetary Materials,  
Okayama University

## Research project

Synthesise mineral samples for  
isotopic analysis in order to  
understand ancient ocean Si  
dynamics





# Living in Misasa

The town of Misasa in Tottori Prefecture, Chūgoku region, hosts the Institute for Planetary Materials, part of Okayama University. It's a small town known for their hotsprings with a lot of lovely nature surrounding the town.





## **Japan Guide**

<https://www.japan-guide.com>

## **Unconventional sites, Atlas Obscura**

<https://www.atlasobscura.com>

## **Society and Culture**

- Youtube

## **Language**

- Classes taught at Soken-dai
- Apps (Dr. Moku's mnemonics)
- Films and manga