

WOAH Aquatic Regional Workshop Internship Report



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Ten first-year doctoral students from the International Core Human Resource Development Program for the Control of Transboundary Aquatic Animal Diseases (Fish Disease Course) participated as WOAHP interns in the [Regional Workshop for WOAHP Focal Points for Aquatic Animals](#), held on 7-9 July at the TUMSAT Shinagawa Campus.

The workshop brought together aquatic animal health focal points from across the Asia-Pacific region, together with representatives from the WOAHP Reference Laboratories, Collaborating Centre, partner organisations, WOAHP Headquarters, the Regional Representation for Asia and the Pacific, and the Aquatic Animal Health Standards Commission.

The meeting focused on aquatic animal disease challenges, prevention and control strategies, and strengthening regional cooperation. As interns, the students documented and summarized discussions and engaged with international experts and delegates.

This experience significantly enhanced their understanding of transboundary aquatic animal diseases, international disease control policies, and global collaboration in aquatic animal health.

Key Outcomes

- Knowledge of aquatic animal health and disease control
- Experience supporting an international workshop
- Networking with regional and global experts
- Understanding WOAHP-led international cooperation

