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Archiving Historical Materials of Earth Science: A Case of the Research on Seitaro Tsuboi Materials

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Today, the society has become more dependent on science and technology. It is therefore essentially necessary to study about them. History of Science (HoS) is a discipline that evaluates how science and technology work from historical viewpoint. It is needless to say that collecting and analyzing historical materials are inevitable to conduct HoS researches. However, there is a great difficulty in handling such materials of recent times, too many materials to evaluate.

The author has studied history of geology of modern Japan, and one of the main subject is a geologist Seitaro Tsuboi, who had greatly influenced geology in Japan. Shogoro Tsuboi, one of the first Japanese anthropologists, was his father, and their materials have been collected and archived by Multi-media and Socio-information Studies Archive, University of Tokyo. The author has studied the materials since 2011. The author introduces the latest findings from the study of them.

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