

An experiment in a visualization of historical disasters at Tokai area

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The mission of the Disaster Management Office, Nagoya University has been to be prepared toward disasters in local communities and Nagoya University ourselves. One of our main activities is recording and exhibiting historical natural disasters in Tokai area. Many disasters, 1891 Nobi Earthquake, 1944 Tonankai Earthquake and 1945 Mikawa Earthquake, for example, occurred during the past century in this area, but there are few materials of disasters recordings. Therefore, we have to add some information with these little materials to describe real disasters vividly. This time we carried out a fact-finding with victim of 1945 Mikawa earthquake. His name is Mr. Harada. He had taken dozens of pictures at the disaster, and he have conserved these for 60 years. In a fast result, We have made some graphical panels and a booklet of the fact of 1945 Mikawa earthquake from these photographs and the interview. These panels and a booklet are received a warm welcome with audiences of our hall.