Long-term ocean bottom seismographic observation in Aomori-oki

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A large number of destructive earthquakes have frequently occurred along the subduction zone of the Japan trench. In this area, we have started a series of earthquake observation since 2004 using long-term ocean bottom seismographs (LTOBSs). In this meeting, we introduce the first observation in Aomori-oki. In December 2004, we started the observation in Aomori-oki. In the deployment, a helicopter was used. We retrieved 18 LTOBSs using a vessel in October 2005. In addition, the seismic surveys with controlled sources were conducted to obtain a shallow part structure beneath LTOBSs in October 2005 using the R/V Hakuho-maru. This work is founded by the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science, and Technology, Japan.