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Volcanic features and volcanic massive sulfide deposit of Myojinnsyo caldera, Izu-Ogasawara Arc.

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There are some submarine calderas on the volcanic front of Northern Izu-Ogasawara Arc. Volcanic massive sulfide deposits were reported from some of this caldera. Geological and geophysical investigations were carried out around the Myojinsho caldera. Caldera wall consists altered volcaniclastic deposits on the lower part, massive dacitic volcanic body on the middle part, and fresh pumiceous fragments on the upper part. There are some fossils with coral debris and shells, which show the shallow environments, on the caldera slops. Massive andesite to rhyolite were sampled from the central cone and middle part of caldera slop. These volcanic rocks are quite similar on geochemical composition. Many pumice samples were also collected from the caldera area. These samples are slightly different by trace element from back-arc samples.

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