

Ritsumeikan Asbestos Research Project

Ritsumeikan Asbestos Research Project (RARP) is the academically unique institute to conduct international comparative studies on problems and policies of asbestos since 2005. As an academic program, our research project has been financially supported by the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology. In addition, our project is specified as one of the significant researches by Ritsumeikan University's R-GIRO (Ritsumeikan Global Innovation Research Organization) with original fund and facilities.

We have accomplished studies all over the world and strengthened scientific networks in social and natural sciences on asbestos. In Japan, a lot of significant researchers on asbestos issues belong to our project and carry out interdisciplinary studies and policy recommendations. Our project has published journal papers and books on the basis of our research activities in the world, and held domestic and international symposiums.

The major purpose of our academic project is to develop a new science on the emerging "stock-complex disaster" such as asbestos and soil contamination characteristic of long-term effects and many economic processes. It is a pioneering study toward an innovative interdisciplinary and practical academic development.

We hope you to join and cooperate with RARP to practice this challenging study!

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