A short-term visit to the group of Prof. N. Tokitoh

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My stay in the group of Prof. Tokitoh at the Institute for chemical research (ICR) at Kyoto University, like many visits to Japan, started with a very nice welcome party, allowing me to enjoy the japanese cuisine and culture at the beginning.

After this, my focus turned to the research on reactions of oxaphosphirane and phosphinidenoid complexes of tungsten with different Ge-containing compounds, allowing me to combine my own knowledge with the strong background in main group chemistry present in the group of Prof. Tokitoh. Thanks to the great atmosphere in the group and the help I got from my colleagues, I could also learn new synthetic and analytical methods, which will help me also in my future studies. The very fruitful discussions in seminars and also small meetings yielded some new ideas, helping to further expand the research and obtain new interesting results.

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