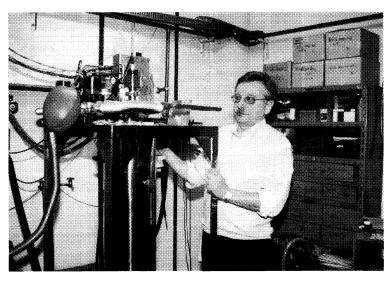
ヴァシュティンスキー(Tadeusz Wasiutynski)助教授

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タデウス・ヴァシュティンスキー助教授はポーランド第2の都市クラクフにある核物理研究所に勤務しておられる方で、昨年9月7日~12月7日の期間当センターの客員助教授として滞在された ヤチェック・マイヤー(Jacek Mayer)助教授と同じ研究所である。この研究所と分子熱力学研究センターの間には、政府間協定による日本・ポーランド科学技術協力事業プロジェクトが長年継続されている。ヴァシュティンスキー助教授は分子磁性体の磁気測定による研究を主にされており、当センターでは持参された試料の磁場中での熱容量測定をされ、ご自身でさまざまな解析を楽しんでおられた。磁性体以外にもクラクフの研究グループが力を入れている有機化合物のガラス状態、特に中性子散乱実験による格子振動の状態密度と熱的性質の関連についての研究をさらに推進させるために計画された、センターでの精密な熱容量測定にも参画された。

今回が初めての来日で、研究・教育のみならず日本の文化や自然、社会生活に大きな興味を示され、フレッシュな感想を折に触れ伺った。ポーランドの多くの人々がそうであるように、熱心なカトリック信者で、特別の予定が無い限り日曜日には必ず大阪市内の英語のミサが行われている教会を訪ねておられた。日本は桜の国なので咲き誇る実物を是非見て帰国したいと願っておられた。幸いなことに暖冬の影響で3月末には開花が始まり、写真を相当の枚数撮っておられた。

(徂徠道夫)



Visiting Prof. Wasiutynski in the laboratory



Dr. Tadeusz Wasiutyński

Kraków, July 10, 2002

Professor Michio Sorai RESEARCH CENTER FOR MOLECULAR THERMODYNAMICS Graduate School of Science, Osaka University Toyonaka, Osaka 560-0043

Dear Michio,

It is for couple of weeks already that I have been back in Kraków. In spite of that, good memories of the time spent in the Research Center for Molecular Thermodynamics in Osaka still come back very often. Thanks to kind invitation of the President of the Osaka University I was privileged to stay at that world-famous scientific center. Many scientific papers published by the members of that laboratory, some of them I had had the pleasure to meet some of them before, were known to me. I must admit that there was something exceptional about staying there with the opportunity meet the scientist as well as the students and to participate in the experiments. I have good memories of the cooperation with Michio Sorai, Tadahiro Nakamoto, Yasuhiro Nakazawa and Yuji Miyazaki, not to mention interesting and in-depth discussions with Michio Sorai, Kazuya Saito, Takasuke Matsuo and Akira Inaba. It would be a great honor for me to share publications with the members of the Osaka Group. I felt very much impressed by the students graduated at the University. I do believe that those jolly people will one day become respected scientists in that or another research institution.

The equipment of the laboratory evoked my great respect: dozens of highly specialized instruments that during the last few decades earned for the Center the leading position in the world. Since many years Japan has been known in the world as the leader in the field of chemical thermodynamics and undoubtedly the laboratory in Osaka has substantially contributed to that opinion. I very much appreciated the chance of visiting the important and impressive laboratories in Kanagawa Academy of Science and Technology. The discussions with outstanding scientist there were of great value for me.

My encounters with Japanese civilization were a fascinating experience. Thanks to your generous hospitality I had the unique chance to see the great monuments of Japanese history and learn a great deal about your culture. Wherever I turned I met many kind and hospitable people.

It was my first visit to the Country of Cherry Blossom. The time of my visit could not be more adequate, as it was when the cherry trees were actually in full blossom, which made my stay even more unforgettable. Over a hundred of snaps will remind me of those fantastic days.

Sincerely Yours

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