

## Visitors

### 1. Open House Day 2006

The Institute opened its doors to the public on 19 April during Science and Technology Week 2006. Visitors including students and various professionals—more than 1200 in total. They studied displays on research topics, watched specimens in the exhibition rooms of the Natural Resources Inventory, attended mini lectures, tried hands-on experiments, and participated in vegetable picking in the field. All events were arranged under the general theme “Let’s hand over sound farmland and environment to future generations.” (Photos 1, 2)



Photo 1 Visitors looking at familiar wildflowers

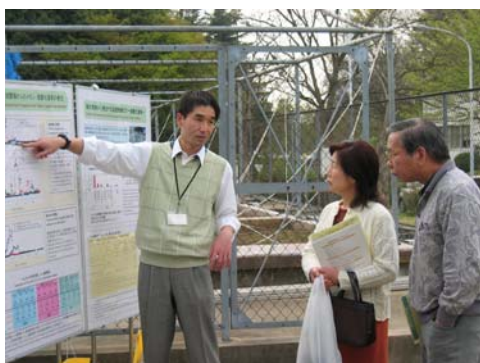


Photo 2 Explanation of greenhouse gas emissions from farmland

### 2. Summer Science Camp 2006

Science Camp 2006, organized by the Japan Science Foundation (JSF), was held at various institutes and universities. This program aims to give an excellent opportunity for high school students to experience advanced science and technology and expand their interest in sciences.

Summer Science Camp 2006 at NIAES took place from 9 to 11 August 2006, with 12 high school students from all areas of Japan. Every student participated in one of the three courses: a) use of mass spectrometry for the ultramicroanalysis of environmental pollutants, b) the study of allelopathy (chemical interactions between plants), and c) the study of the behavior of wild animals with a GPS device. (Photos 3, 4, 5)



Photo 3 Learning how to calculate the concentration of pollutants



Photo 4 Lecture on the application of allelopathy



Photo 5 Walking around the field with a GPS recorder