Meetings
- An international GEOTRACES relevant scientific session “Controls on the biogeochemistry of the northwestern Pacific Ocean and its adjacent marginal seas” (8 oral presentations) was co-convened by T-Y. Ho, Y. Sohrin, I-I. Lin and G.T.F. Wong in the 2013 Asia Oceania Geosciences Society (AOGS 2013) on 24 June 2013, at Brisbane, Australia.
- A national GEOTRACES session in Annual Meeting of the Geochemical Society of Japan was co-convened by H. Obata, J. Zhang, K. Norisuye and K. Horikawa on 13 Sep 2013 at Tsukuba Univ, Tsukuba, Japan. There were 11 oral presentations and 2 posters, awaking fruitful discussions on trace elements and isotopes in the Pacific and Indian Oceans.
- A national sub-committee meeting on GEOTRACES (affiliated to the national SCOR committee) in the Science Council of Japan was chaired by T. Gamo at Atmosphere and Ocean Research Institute, the University of Tokyo at Kashiwa (Japan) on March 14, 2014, for the purpose of the overall exchange and discussion of recent information on the international GEOTRACES program. Just before the sub-committee meeting, a research symposium “Advancement and new challenges in marine researches of trace elements and their isotopes” was convened by T. Gamo on March 13 and 14 at the same location. There were 18 oral presentations including a special lecture by Dr. Ken Buesseler (WHOI) entitled “Fukushima --- a view from the ocean”.

Cruises
- No GEOTRACES cruises were conducted in the past year.

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New publications

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