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Colleagues Honor Career of Professor Keiiti Aki

Colleagues in earthquake physics and seismology met in Tsukuba, Japan on October 23-25, 2000 to honor the work of Dr. Keiiti Aki, upon his retirement from academia. Professor Apostolos Papageorgiou, long-time MCEER investigator and engineering seismologist at the University at Buffalo, made a presentation at the international workshop. Professor Papageorgiou received his Ph.D. from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, as a student of Professor Aki.

On March 16-18, former students of Professor Aki's, including Professor Papageorgiou, held a symposium to honor him at the University of Southern California. Many former students and colleagues presented papers at this symposium, and a future volume of *Pure and Applied Geophysics* is planned in his honor.

Professor Aki is known internationally as one of the most productive and innovative theoretical and observational seismologists of his generation. His career spans over 40 years, and his achievements are numerous. Most recently, he was the founding father of the Southern California Earthquake Center and is its Science Director Emeritus. ❖