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2. T3土坑1一括遺物

The Summary

Hikozaki shell mound is located around at 2994 Hikozaki, Nadasaki-town in Okayama city. In 1948 and 1949, investigation team headed by Dr. Hisashi Suzuki (Department of anthropology in Faculty of science in Tokyo University) excavated this site and discovered numerous well-preserved artifacts such as 30 human bones, many earthen vessels, stone implements, bracelets which date back to the Jomon Period of prehistoric Japan. Analyzing the results of excavation, Dr. Sugao Yamanouchi adopted the Jomon pottery found here as the standard chronological type of the Jomon pottery, naming them Hikozaki Z1, Z2, K1, and K2 style after the name of this Hikozaki site. Accordingly Hikozaki shell mound became famous and highly valued in Japan as the most or an important Jomon type site.

As the preservation and utilization of this site had been planned, Nadasaki-town board of education (present Okayama municipal board of education) conducted two seasons of excavation from 2003. In 2005, a report will be published including the results of this excavation from 2003 to 2004.

The results of this excavation are as follows:

1. Although this shell mound had continued during the entire Jomon Period for more than 5000 years, it can be categorized mainly in the following four phases: the early (about 6000 years ago), the middle (about 5000 years ago), the late (about 4000 years ago) and the final (about 3000 years ago). The artifacts were preserved in good condition. It is noteworthy that the early Jomon shell mound, measuring about 100m in diameter and about 1.7m in height was the biggest in the contemporary shell mound in western Japan.
2. We found many features such as graves from the early to the final Jomon period, storage pits to preserve nuts such as acorn, fireplaces for cooking shellfish, and holes from pole or stake.
3. We could also find the numerous artifacts including pottery, stone implements, bracelets and necklaces. It is assumed that stone tools found here were arrowheads and spears for hunting deer and wild boars. Also, there were net sinkers, fishhooks and harpoons for fishing, mortars and grinding acorns axes for cutting down trees, hoes for digging and many more things.
4. Ritual ceremonial behavior could be identified from pottery excavated from the site. This pottery was painted red the rust from iron and held bones of a wild boar and a deer inside it.
5. Organic flora such as nuts, branches, leaves. Also, woven items were discovered.
6. We found small seeds which can't be observed without a microscope.
7. We excavated new evidence of agriculture in the Jomon Period.
8. During the investigation, about 10,000 people visited this site not only from domestic area but also from overseas.

Based on this report, we are scheduled to designate this Hikozaki shell mound as the national historic site from next fiscal year. After it is owned by public, we will make exhibition gallery next to this site, we will make an effort to conserve and utilize this site under the principal policies of Okayama city. In the near future, this site will be a new tourist site of Okayama city. This new attraction will make Okayama city well-known for both its natural wonders and historical site.

We thank our ancestors who left such a splendid cultural property to us.

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