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Sept 9 (Sat)	No practical training. Actually I have a diarrhea since yesterday, so my condition is not better. And in my flight, I couldn't eat a meat so much. It was little sorry.
Sept 10 (Sun)	No practical training. We received our uniforms, boots and so on, and a Teacher showed us around the campus. My condition is getting better.



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Sept 11 (Mon)	We had a lecture about swine management. And we had a welcome party in Bangkok. It took for 2 hours to go to Bangkok, but we could stay only 1 hour in Bangken campus... But I was glad to talk with some Thai students who will go to HU next week.
Sept 12 (Tue)	We went to farm visit. We went to two of a big swine farm around Kamphaeng Saen. They had some problems each other, so Dr. Gee discussed with owners about that. After the class, we students discussed about the problems until late, midnight...!! The piglets were so cute.
Sept 13 (Wed)	We discussed about the farms that we visited yesterday and prepared a presentation for Friday all the day. In this night Yanagawa sensei and we went to the Sadao market There were many stall and it was like a festival. We ate Pattai and it was delicious.
Sept 14 (Thu)	Today was the hottest day since we came to Thai. It was 37°C and very humid. We visited one more farm again in the morning. After that we came back to our school and continued preparing the presentation until midnight.
Sept 15 (Fri)	We had presentations about swine. Our team talked about pig farms, and another team talked about necropsies of piglets. The discussions are little bit confusing but we consulted together and answered some questions. After the presentation, we went to eat Shabu together. It was so delicious and reasonable. I think Japanese food is the best for me.
Sept 16 (Sat)	No practical training. We went to Bangkok this weekend.
Sept 17 (Sun)	No practical training.



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Sept 18 (Mon)	This week, we will do necropsy. But today, we didn't have any cases, so we just had a discussion about swine disease. After the class, we went for dinner with TUAT friends and we ate Shabu again.
Sept 19 (Tue)	We had no necropsy cases so that we did a case report discussion about PCV2 and Salmonella all the day. After the class we went to eating stake for dinner, and Kakigori and Binsu (Kakigori from Taiwan) for dessert. It was like Joshi-kai in Japan.
Sept 20 (Wed)	We had a group study for a presentation. But we didn't have any necropsy this week so we have almost nothing to do. So we finished discussion earlier and went to shopping at the department store near Bangkok. And we ate Japanese dishes at Yayoi-ken. I was very happy to eat Toon-katsu!
Sept 21 (Thu)	We had a case report discussion about CSF (Classical Swine Fever) in the morning, and one new necropsy afternoon! The case has 4 abortion fetuses but they were very old samples so we were not sure we could get good results. But it was a good experience.
Sept 22 (Fri)	Today was the presentation day. Our group talked about necropsy cases that we had this week, and another group talked about pig farms like we did last Friday. After that we took a photo with our swine unit teachers. My diarrhea has completely cured! But I got a cold instead...
Sept 23 (Sat)	No practical training. We went to Ayutthaya this weekend!
Sept 24 (Sun)	No practical training.



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Sept 25 (Mon)	This week we are the poultry unit. We had a lecture for poultry farm management in the morning, and visited a broiler farm in the afternoon. One of our teachers was a very scary but cute and interesting person who is always talking something himself. For dinner, we went to Japanese restaurant with TUAT students, and met a Tsukuba Univ. student there.
Sept 26 (Tue)	We visited a broiler farm again, but this time we went with only Japanese students. After the farm visit, we did the chicken necropsy that case was from the farm. And we discussed about the problem of the management at the farm and reason of the chicken death. For dinner I ate carbonara.
Sept 27 (Wed)	We went to a hatchery farm of the Thai Food Company today. This farm had a most strict security in the farms that I visited in Thai before. However, I think it is still not enough. We did the Egg break out test and Chick quality test at the farm. In the evening, we left a school and went to Hua-Hin to join The International Conference for Rabies as a staff.
Sept 28 (Thu)	I was a staff at the security part. But I could give a stacker to everyone who passed security gate with or without alert and there were not so much things to do. So we were waiting and eating and waiting and talking all the time. And after that we finally welcomed the Princess Chulabhorn who is a Prof, about rabies. It was an awesome experience.
Sept 29 (Fri)	We listened a part of conference and got back to the Kamphaeng Saen. I could be friends with many Thai students in other group, so I enjoyed this trip very much.
Sept 30 (Sat)	We had a lesson instead of the days off of last 2 days. We did the chick necropsy and egg quality test. After the lesson we prepare the presentation at the Thai friend's dorm. For dinner, I ate a Tom Yum Soup for the first time. It tasted very nice but very spicy. Thai has many delicious but spicy foods.
Oct 1 (Sun)	No practical training.



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Oct 2 (Mon)	We did the Egg Analysis in a laboratory using an automatic. So we could easily do the practice. In the afternoon, we had presentations about Thai commercial vaccines of poultry. It was hard and little funny because it conducted by Dr. Narin who is very strict man. For this presentation, I didn't sleep so much yesterday that I'm very sleepy now.
Oct 3 (Tue)	We visited a layer farm with only Japanese students. It was the first time for me to see the layer farm and interested for me. The owner was so kind and the farm has very excellent production efficiency. On the way to University, we went to sightseeing a Wat around the farm. Teachers were very kind and it was a nice trip.
Oct 4 (Wed)	Today we had a presentation about layer farm that we visited last week. Also Thai student had presentations about poultry disease themselves. And after the class we went to the night market. I ate a crape with banana and Thai chocolate and it was good. And sadly I caught a cold again. I had a slight fever.
Oct 5 (Thu)	Because still I have a fever, I went to see a doctor and I stayed in my dorm.
Oct 6 (Fri)	We had a final presentation with Dr. Narin. I think it carried out well and everything finished around noon. This night we had a party!!! It was very fun.
Oct 7 (Sat)	No practical training.
Oct 8 (Sun)	No practical training. I went to Bangkok for shopping.



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Oct 9 (Mon)	This week, we are in the fish unit. We had a lecture about fish disease and fish farm management and their differences between fish and other livestock animals in the morning. Also we learned about water quality and how to manage these factors in the afternoon. After that we were given one paper about fish as an assignment one by one.
Oct 10 (Tue)	We went to a fighting fish farm. This is the first time for me to see a fish farm. Each fish are packed in the bottles and spread on the floor. We observed fish with staying on the bottles. Fighting fish are beautiful but because farmer gives mosquito warms for feed, there many mosquitos and I got itchy very much.
Oct 11 (Wed)	We had a presentation about the fighting fish farm that we visited yesterday. After that we prepared for the paper presentation until midnight again. In the middle, we had one case of arowana which had swollen skin and our friends treated him and explained to the owner.
Oct 12 (Thu)	We had presentations about papers. I had a review paper about fish vaccine adjuvants. There are many kinds of adjuvants but not so much of them are used for fish. After the presentation, we had a party and went to the disco by our friend's car. That was, of course, fun.
Oct 13 (Fri)	This is the day that the king dead last year. So we have no class.
Oct 14 (Sat)	No practical training.
Oct 15 (Sun)	No practical training.



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Oct 16 (Mon)	This week we are the shrimp unit. We had a pre-test about shrimp culture in Thai at first, and after that we discussed about that. Also we got some assignments about shrimp disease and water quality, so we made slides for presentation.
Oct 17 (Tue)	We had presentations about water quality and discussed in the morning. After that we got a necropsy case of snake-head fish, and we did the necropsy. I was surprised that fish kidney was very small. In the evening, we bought a bento and prepared for presentation about the case.
Oct 18 (Wed)	Today we did the laboratory practice about RT-PCR that we are familiar with in HU. We separate in two groups and did RT-PCR for detection of plasmid of <i>Vibrio</i> . But in my team, it resulted in failure because some contents were not putted in, so I was sad. Today was the one of our friend's birth day, and we had a party at shabu-shabu store.
Oct 19 (Thu)	We went to the shrimp farm visit. The weather was very good and there were few roofs covering ponds so it was very hot. But it was very interesting because we could catch shrimps from the pond and see them in detail. We were able to detect the sex of shrimps. And we had presentation about shrimp disease in the afternoon.
Oct 20 (Fri)	We did the 3 presentations about shrimp farm, necropsy case and one assignment in the morning. After lunch, we had examinations for group and individuals. It was little difficult because we had only one minute for answering the each questions. In the aquatic unit, every practice was almost for the first time so that it was very interesting for me.
Oct 21 (Sat)	No practical training. We went to Phuket.
Oct 22 (Sun)	No practical training.



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Oct 23 (Sun) Chulalongkorn Memorial Day	No practical training.
Oct 24 (Tue)	Case conference day.
Oct 25 (Wed)	No practical training. We visited Chaing Rai.
Oct 26 (Thu)	No practical training. King's funeral day.
Oct 27 (Fri)	No practical training.
Oct 28 (Sat)	No practical training.
Oct 29 (Sun)	No practical training.



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Oct 30 (Mon)	The second half of semester began. We are the bovine unit and we will do the practice at the demonstration farm in the university. We had some lecture about dairy cattle in Thai, and decided some theme that we should investigate in the farm. At dinner, we welcomed Aoshima sensei.
Oct 31 (Tue)	Today we practiced in the demonstration farm. The cows were smaller than that of Japanese. And there were two breeds, holstein and jersey. Jersey cows were so cute. The demonstration farm was well managed. After we see around the farm, we did some investigation and make presentation until late.
Nov 1 (Wed)	We had a palpation practice in the morning. We had 13 cows and did palpation for all cows. After that we did preparation for presentation again.
Nov 2 (Thu)	We had preparation all day. In the evening, we had a dinner with Aoshima sensei and RGU students at the Shabu Shabu restaurant. It was very fun.
Nov 3 (Fri)	We prepared for presentation in the morning. And after the lunch, we had presentations with another bovine unit group. Some teacher could speak Japanese and I talked with one of them about Consadole-Sapporo. After the class, we went to the Loy Krathong festival. It was very big festival that is like Toro-nagashi in Japan and was very very beautiful.
Nov 4 (Sat)	No practical training.
Nov 5 (Sun)	We had Poultry examination with Dr. Narin. 'There are 4 times of chance to pass the exam.' Dr. Narin said, and 'If you cannot pass, you should dance in front of the class.' I was still not sure that I could pass. So we practiced for dancing 'Koi-Dance'. After that we did badminton, it was very fun.



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Nov 6 (Mon)	This week I am in the bovine unit, and started practicing in the hospital. At first, I stayed in the hospital and had two cases. 1 st case had an abomasal displacement because of over feeding of concentration. 2 nd case had a persistent urachus and it ruptured, so she has excess amount of urine in her abdominal cavity and we saw surgery.
Nov 7 (Tue)	Today I went to farms and found the cases like hardware disease with arrhythmia, AI and prevention for hardware disease. The 1 st case had strange heart sound that could be heard from abnormal position. So for treatment we gave a magnet. The cases in this country were often seemed to relate with their breeds. And I was very interested in this unit.
Nov 8 (Wed)	I had a case of uterine torsion with abnormal presentation of fetus in heifer. Doctor did rectal/vaginal palpation and after that we conducted rolling. Her procedure was so quick and skilled that I was really impressed. After the case, I saw the cow that had hardware disease yesterday. It was getting better. And I saw another parturition case.
Nov 9 (Thu)	Today I stayed in the hospital. I had a case seems to had a rumen or intestine impaction. She had no feces and no appetite since 2 days ago. I could hear the resonance sound from rumen, so it might have too much gas. Doctor gave her paraffin to reduce bubbles in the rumen and make the contents flow throughout the intestine easily.
Nov 10 (Fri)	The yesterday's case was getting better and had little hard feces and regain appetite. And I had some calf's cases like anal atresia and umbilical hernia. The former was conducted euthanizing and latter dead during the surgery. Also I had some goat cases. After we saw these cases, we had presentations and discussions.
Nov 11 (Sat)	No practical training. We went to Kanchanaburi with all group members.
Nov 12 (Sun)	No practical training.



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Nov 13 (Mon)	I am in wildlife unit this week. I went to Bang Khen campus to see exotic cases. Then I got one following rabbit case that had pododermatitis, and I learned POMR protocol which help us to make a diagnosis plan or a treatment plan. Furthermore, I saw many cases such as soft shell of turtle, ovarian cysts of carp, a wild chick fell out of its nest and so on.
Nov 14 (Tue)	I followed some cases from yesterday, and also got some new cases such as a tree shrew from wildlife who got fracture at thoracic vertebrae part. We did the neurological examination and X-ray examination for this case and told owner how to take care the animal. I was surprised that Thai students know well about exotic animal.
Nov 15 (Wed)	We got back to Kamphaen Saen campus and saw an Asian elephant case at the wildlife unit. The elephant had a complex fracture at right hind limb phalanges and got fatty tissue hyperplasia. So we washed the lesion and did the laser treatment for the skin to close. After that we had a presentation about exotic clinic.
Nov 16 (Thu)	We followed the elephant case in the morning and had some lecture about Gaurs and Banteng; both species are now decreasing in Thai mainly because of disease and hunting. World war II , that we Japanese conducted in Thailand is also one of the factors. After that we moved to Hua Hin to join the conference about EEHV.
Nov 17 (Fri)	The conference about elephant endotheliotropic herpesvirus (EEHV) was held in Hua Hin, and we joined it. It causes a highly fatal hemorrhage to young Asian elephants. Many experts of wildlife animals gathered from all Asia and some Europe countries and U.S., so it was very interesting for me. One Japanese veterinarian also attended there.
Nov 18 (Sat)	We also had a conference in the morning. We joined the brain storming about the disease and saw a demonstration of cross match of elephant blood. After that, we went to Kui Buri National Park. We could see a family of Asian elephant and one Gaur in the park. Although they were too far to observe in detail, I was enjoyed this field trip.
Nov 19 (Sun)	No practical training.



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Nov 20 (Mon)	I am in the bovine unit in Nong Pho this week. We had some lecture in the hospital at first and I went to the farm visit. At the 1 st farm, we did rectal palpation for 13 cows. After that, we had some cases like calves that got diarrhea and a heifer that got bloat. The dorm had no insect today, so it was more comfortable than I expected..
Nov 21 (Tue)	It was a day of graduation ceremony for KU students, so only us, Japanese had a practice. I went to farm visit and I did rectal palpation so many times. So gradually I understood which one is the ovary and if it had a follicle or corpus luteum. After that I did blood collection for check brucellosis and bovine tuberculin reaction test.
Nov 22 (Wed)	I went to some farm and did rectal palpation or got some new cases. One case was a downer cow syndrome 1 month after her parturition. It showed also ketosis and I could smell like ketosis from her nose. The doctor gave her glucose and steroid and massage. Also I had a goat case that showed a neurological sign suspected encephalomalasia.
Nov 23 (Thu)	Last night we encountered paederus; the insect is called 'Yakedo-mushi', so we all made a fuss. It was like a disaster. And this was the last day in Nong Pho. I went to three farms visit again and did palpation all the day. I had an opportunity to do the pregnancy diagnosis and I could catch some feelings of pregnant like membrane slip and asymmetry uterus.
Nov 24 (Fri)	This is the job fare day for Thai student. No practical training.
Nov 25 (Sat)	No practical training.
Nov 26 (Sun)	No practical training.



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Nov 27 (Mon)	We are in equine unit in the last 2 weeks. We separated into 4 groups and each groups had an individual case. I had a pony's case that was showing a neurological sign like ataxia, neck and back pain. I saw acupuncture treatment for this pony. After that we had a lecture about how to treat and do the physical examination to horses.
Nov 28 (Tue)	We took care of the pony and did neurological examination by ourselves. We found some signs that indicate the lesion might be located in cerebrum and spinal cord both. So we decided to take CT or MRI in addition to X-ray because the owner gave us a lot of money for making diagnose and treatment. Also we did under sound and took a CSF.
Nov 29 (Wed)	A neurological doctor came to see the case, and we did the neurological examination again. And we gave him some medicines. Also we had another neurological case looks like epilepsy, but he ran away when he took some physical examination. So everyone started to chase him after that.
Nov 30 (Thu)	The condition of the pony looked like getting worse. He showed urine incontinent, so we took urine. And we decided the date that we will take MRI on next Monday. In the afternoon, we had a treatment for elephant that we took care before.
Dec 1 (Fri)	We had a lecture about some equine cases like colic, umbilical hernia, parasite nematode and so on. After that we discussed about the case with teacher. This evening Kaset festival has started at the university, and it will last until next weekend. We see around the festival and buy some foods and did some games.
Dec 2 (Sat)	No practical training.
Dec 3 (Sun)	I had an externship for one day to exotic and wildlife unit at the university. And I saw some exotic pet cases and wildlife cases. Also I took care of the elephant case.