## Call for Papers: Special Issue of Earth, Planets and Space (EPS) "First Results of the 2011 Off the Pacific Coast of Tohoku Earthquake"

The greatest earthquake in the modern history of Japan and probably the fourth greatest in the last 100 years in the world occurred on 11 March 2011 off the Pacific coast of Tohoku, Japan. Large tsunami and ground motions caused severe damage to wide areas, particularly many towns along the Pacific coast. Considering the unprecedented impacts both academically and socially, not only limited in Japan but over the world, we plan two different special issues associated with this earthquake. The present announcement is for a special issue with rapid publication of results obtained immediately after the event. Later this year, we shall announce another special issue more focused on extensive and detailed analyses than the present.

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