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「室町時代の瀬戸内海における荘園の海洋経済・海運習慣」

In this paper, I examine written and archaeological evidence to explore connections between maritime shōen in the medieval Seto Inland Sea. While much of the scholarship on medieval maritime shipping examines center-periphery relationships, I will look at the intra-sea movement of both people and products. Evidence shows a wide variety of interaction between even geographically remote shōen, both in the types of goods being produced and used, and in tracking the movements of skilled workers such as ships' captains. By exploring these connections, I hope to clarify the role of the maritime shōen in economic development during the medieval period.

古文書・考古学の史料を通して、中世瀬戸内海の沿海荘園のつながりを検討する。中世水運史の従来の研究は中心と周縁の関係に注目してきたが、それに対して私は、瀬戸内海の荘園と荘園を結ぶ人間や生産物の移動に目を向けたい。生産物の作成・使用や船頭をはじめとする技術者の移動などの情報を考察したところ、それぞれの荘園が地理的に離れていても深い関係を持っていたところも少なくなかった。こういったつながりを検討しながら中世の沿海荘園は経済発展にどのような影響を与えたかを明確にしたい。