

# GHD Monthly Newsletter

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The Global Help Desk (GHD) presents this monthly newsletter to introduce ourselves and let you know some recent domestic news, event information, and recent IBS news. All information presented in the newsletter is available online, and to read the full contents you'll need to be connected to the internet. We hope this information is useful to you. Also, visit the website Living in Korea at [www.ibs.re.kr/livinginkorea](http://www.ibs.re.kr/livinginkorea). Hosted by IBS, it has hundreds of pages of contents and photos to help you thrive, not simply survive.

## Living in Korea Highlight

While solar new year was in January, lunar new year is in February. This year will be different due to COVID, but we still get several days of vacation. If you have been interested about learning Korean but have been unsure where to start, there are multiple pages that offer an introduction to the language. [Historical background and how vowels and consonants are grouped](#), list of [consonants](#) and [vowels](#), why there are [two sets of Romanizations](#), the [role that Chinese characters play in Korean](#), and more.

## Domestic News



### 10 Korean Winter Street Foods To Help Beat The Cold

*These Korean winter street foods are the perfect snacks to warm you right up. Rustle up a couple KRW 1,000 bills and see if you can find one of the following street treats*

[Click to read more.](#)



### All foreigners entering Korea must present negative COVID-19 (PCR) test result

*All foreign visitors entering ROK will now be required to provide a proof of a negative COVID-19 test.*

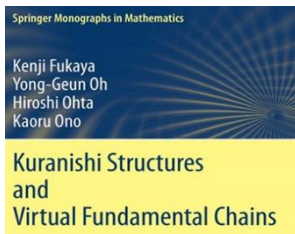
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## IBS News & Events



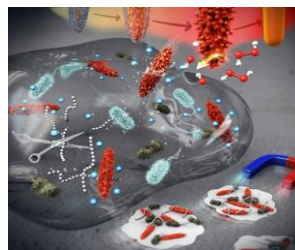
### 2021 IBS-SNU MINI-SYMPOSIUM ON RNA BIOLOGY & THERAPEUTICS

The Center for RNA Research at the Institute for Basic Science (IBS) and Seoul National University (SNU) is hosting a series of 6 virtual mini-symposia together titled ‘RNA Biology and Therapeutics.’ Each 2.5-hr mini-symposium will consist of leading research presented by both senior and young scientists. [Read more](#)



### Director OH Yong-Geun from IBS Center for Geometry and Physics Published a New Book on Kuranishi Structure

Director OH Yong-Geun’s new book, 『Kuranishi Structure and Virtual Fundamental Chains』 has been recently published by Springer, an esteemed publisher of many peer-reviewed journals including Nature. The new book was co-authored by OH Yong-Geun (Institute for Basic Science & POSTECH) and three other esteemed scholars. [Read more](#)

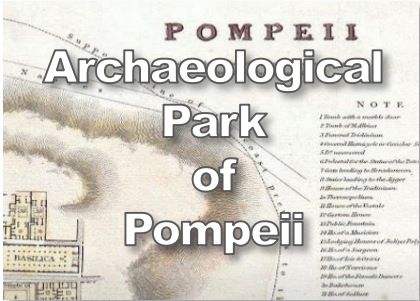


### Korea Invents Nanocrystals that Eradicate Bacterial Biofilm

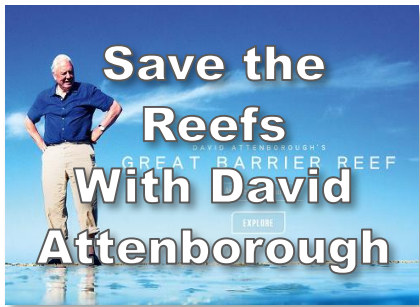
A joint research team from POSTECH and UNIST in has recently drawn attention for developing the technology for removing antibiotic-resistant bacteria by controlling the surface texture of nanomaterials. This research was conducted with the support from the Leader Researcher Program of the National Research Foundation and the Institute for Basic Science of Korea. [Read more](#)

## Coronavirus Lockdown Pastime Tips

### Art & Culture



### Free Entertainment



### Outdoor Trails



### Let’s Learn Korean!

[Click here](#) for a good intro to the Korean language.

And [click here](#) to find information on the free language classes hosted by IBS and other learning options.



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