

GHD Monthly Newsletter



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The Global Help Desk (GHD), a part of the Global Relations Team within the Institute for Basic Science (IBS), presents this monthly newsletter to introduce you to life in Korea and let you know some recent domestic news, holiday or event information, language support, recent IBS news, and free phone numbers to get help and support. All GHD newsletters are available online at the website Living in Korea at www.ibs.re.kr/livinginkorea. Hosted by IBS, it has hundreds of pages of contents and photos to help you thrive, not simply survive.

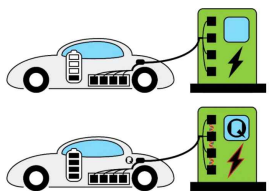
Living in Korea Highlight

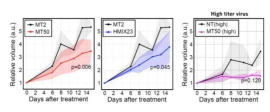
Spring is upon us and so you might engage in some spring cleaning. If you are wondering what to do with old items, but don't want to throw them away, [there are a few options](#). There are green metal bins put up by private companies in residential and some business districts for clothing, or you can donate clothing or other items to certain NGOs including Beautiful Store, Goodwill Store, and Salvation Army. Donations at these also help with your year-end tax settlement but you will need to do a few steps to get credit.


Domestic News and Notices

	<p>Quarantines being dropped for people coming to Korea</p> <p>Starting March 21, people vaccinated in Korea and overseas will no longer have to go into seven days of quarantine after entering the country, except for four countries: Pakistan, Uzbekistan, Ukraine and Myanmar.</p> <p>Read more</p>		<p>Taste of spring with every bite of namul</p> <p>As the saying "The March winds are the morning yawn" goes, a fresh spring breeze not only awakens our souls, but imbues renewed energy in nature.</p> <p>Read more</p>
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IBS News and Events

	<p>New technology to make charging electric cars as fast as pumping gas</p> <p>Whether it's photovoltaics or fusion, sooner or later, human civilization must turn to renewable energies. This is deemed inevitable considering the ever-growing energy demands of humanity and the finite nature of fossil fuels. As such, much research has been pursued in order to develop alternative sources of energy, most of which utilize electricity as the main energy carrier.</p> <p>Read more</p>
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	<p>Scientists develop a new platform technology for personalized cancer therapy</p> <p>Diagnosis of cancers may be one of the worst news to patients and their families. Conventional treatment options such as radiation and chemotherapies often kill not only cancer cells but also normal cells, which results in painful side effects. Radiation and chemotherapies destroy cancer cells by producing DNA double-strand breaks in their DNA.</p> <p>Read more</p>
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	<p>A scientist who cures diseases</p> <p>COVID-19 pandemic, which originated from Wuhan, China in December 2019, is still ongoing as of February 2022 and is still spreading day by day. There are individuals other than the quarantine authorities and medical staff who are combating COVID-19. They are scientists at the forefront of the research to uncover the secrets of the virus.</p> <p>Read more</p>
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Regional Events

 <p>Title: Off the Page Period: 22 February 2022-8 May 2022 Venue: Daejeon Art Center Learn more</p>	 <p>Title: Play 'No Way!' Period: 26 March 2022-10 April 2022 Venue: Sejong M Theater, Seoul Learn more</p>
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Let's Learn Korean!

 <p>Click here to learn transition words in Korean!</p> <p>And click here for a good introduction to the Korean language.</p>	<p>Individual Support</p> <p>Phone Numbers <u>Emergency</u> 119 or interpretation provided by 1330 Korea Travel Hotline</p> <p><u>Korea Travel Hotline & Complaint Center</u> 1330 or +82-2-1330 Website 24/7: Korean, English, Japanese, Chinese, Russian, Vietnamese, Thai, and Malay 08:00-19:00: Russian, Vietnamese, Thai, and Malay</p> <p><u>Before Babel Brigade Korea (BBB Korea)</u> 1588-5644 Website 24/7: English, Japanese, Chinese, Spanish, French, Russian, Italian, German, Portuguese, Arabic, Vietnamese, Mongolian, Polish, Turkish, Swedish, Thai, Bahasa Indonesia, Hindi, Bahasa Malaysia and Swahili</p> <p>Global Help Desk If you are associated with the Institute for Basic Science and wish to get in contact with the Global Help Desk, please send an email.</p>
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COVID-19

 <p>Korea Disease Control and Prevention Agency</p> <p>About COVID-19 Website Cases in Korea Website Press Releases Website</p>	
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