

GHD Monthly Newsletter

August 2022

The Global Help Desk (GHD), a part of the Office of Communications 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

Recycling and separating of garbage vary around the world. [To know the types, and see some examples of recycling bins, click here.](#)

Domestic News and Notices



'Extraordinary Attorney Woo's' take on autism spectrum becomes sensation

Autism spectrum characters have popped up in Korean dramas or films once in a while. Yet, it seemed very rare for those characters to become the center of the show's spotlight, as they are rather placed in minor or supporting roles.

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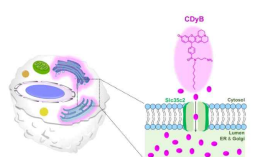


Korean Air freezes fuel surcharges on int'l routes for Aug.

Korean Air Lines Co. is scheduled to freeze fuel surcharges on international routes in August despite high jet fuel prices, industry sources said Monday. Starting Aug. 1, South Korea's leading air carrier will apply a 42,900 won (US\$32.6) to 339,300 won surcharge on one-way tickets for international routes, depending on the route.

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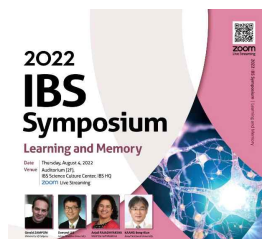
IBS News and Events



Lighting up the B cells

Our immune system is essential for our survival, as our bodies are constantly being exposed to bacteria, viruses, parasites, and other pathogens. Without an immune system, we would quickly lose the war against these pathogens and succumb to these outside invaders.

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2022 IBS Symposium on Learning and Memory

The symposium will be chaired by Gerald ZAMPONI (University of Calgary), bringing together leading scientists in the field to give talks including Daeyeol LEE (Johns Hopkins Univ.), Anjali RAJADHYAKSHA (Weill Cornell Medicine), Kaang Bong-Kiun (Seoul National Univ.). No prior registration is necessary as the symposium is open to public.

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The 8th IBS Art in Science

IBS annually holds an Art in Science contest to share with the public the artistic beauty and awe encountered by the scientists during their experiments and research. Artistic moments captured in the research process have been exhibited since 2015, and from 2020, the contest has been opened so that anyone can enter.

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Regional Event and Information



Title: Aztecs
Period: 3 May 2022–28 August 2022
Venue: National Museum of Korea, Seoul

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Title: Daejeon International Wine Festival
Period: 26 August 2022–28 August 2022
Venue: Daejeon Convention Center II, Daejeon

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