## **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

Whether you are just moving to Korea or might be moving within the country, it is good to know what is available. While most people are familiar with apartments, dormitories, and studio apartments, there are some notable differences in terms and other types of housing. Click to see common types

#### **Domestic News and Notices**



#### Squid Game' to return for 2nd season

The global sensation "Squid Game" will return for a second season, Netflix confirmed Monday. "A whole new round is coming," director, writer and executive producer Hwang Dong-hyuk said in a letter to fans released by

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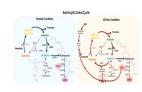


#### [Visual History of Korea] Hahoe mask dance, a humorous social satire that mocks elites

Humor has been the essential grease that nourishes life's joy for ordinary Koreans. Among many humorous Korean music and performing arts, Andong Hahoe Byeolsingut Talnori, or the Hahoe mask dance, gives performers the courage to say and do a multitude of outrageous things at the expense of the social elite.

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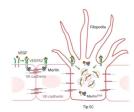
#### **IBS** News and Events



#### The astrocytic urea cycle in the brain controls memory impairment in Alzheimer's Disease

The number of elderly suffering from Alzheimer's Disease has been rapidly rising over the past decades. For a long time, scientists believed that misfolded aggregates of amyloid-beta protein accumulate and form plaques in the brain, leading to memory loss and neuronal death.

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### "Merlin" serves as a gatekeeper in new blood vessel formation

Blood vessels are the body's essential architecture that exists in order to nurture cells with sufficient nutrients and oxygen. Angiogenesis, or the formation of new blood vessels, is of great research interest in cancer medicine. As tumors need to generate new blood vessels to grow, inhibiting angiogenesis has been suggested as a promising approach to treating cancer.

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#### Using IBS as a stepping stone to pursue one's dreams!

Regardless of the field, scientists today seek a suitable 'research environment' to continue stable research. This is because the environment mostly determines whether research can be continued or not. Therefore, many Korean basic scientists leave for research institutes in advanced countries that have relatively better research environments.

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### **Regional Event and Information**



Title: Boryeong Mud Festival Period: 16 July 2022-15 August 2022 Venue: Daecheon beach, Boryeong

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Click here to learn 10 ways to say "You" in Korean!

And click here for a good introduction to the Korean language.

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