

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.

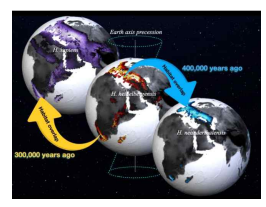
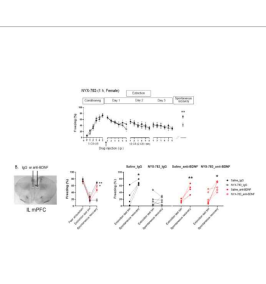
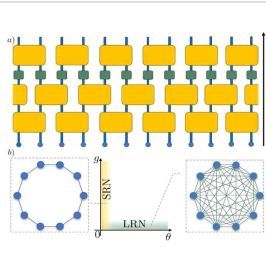
Living in Korea Highlight

Fully being in spring and getting closer to summer, we change what clothes we use; some of which will require repair and others might require dry cleaning. For related terms and how to find both services, [go to the section on dry cleaning and mending clothing](#).



Domestic News and Notices

	<p>S. Korea mulls dropping outdoor mask mandate amid sharp decline in COVID-19 cases</p> <p>While restrictions on private gatherings and business hours were completely lifted in South Korea on Monday, the daily COVID-19 caseload in the country continued to drop, falling to the 40,000s for the first time in 68 days.</p> <p>Read more</p>		<p>Plastic, paper cups-to-go will soon cost 300 won</p> <p>Coffee shops and fast food chains will start charging customers 300 won (25 cents) per single-use plastic or paper takeout cup on June 10, according to the Ministry of Environment.</p> <p>Read more</p>
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IBS News and Events

	<p>Early human habitats linked to past climate shifts</p> <p>A study published in Nature by an international team of scientists provides clear evidence for a link between astronomically-driven climate change and human evolution.</p> <p>Read more</p>
	<p>Unlocking the molecular mechanism of PTSD treatment</p> <p>Post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) is a difficult-to-cure mental health condition that is caused by experiencing a traumatizing event, such as interpersonal violence or disaster. While sufferers of PTSD have existed across all of human history and the condition is even observed in animals, the diagnosis of this condition only appeared in the 1970s after the Vietnam War.</p> <p>Read more</p>
	<p>Novel framework for classifying chaos and thermalization</p> <p>One popular example of chaotic behavior is the butterfly effect – a butterfly may flap its wings in somewhere in the Atlantic Ocean and cause a tornado in Colorado. This remarkable fable illustrates how the extreme sensitivity of the dynamics of chaotic systems can yield dramatically different results despite slight differences in initial conditions.</p> <p>Read more</p>

Regional Event and Information

 <p>Title: Tea Time& Coffee Break Period: 11 March 2022–19 June 2022 Venue: ASEAN Culture House, Busan</p> <p>Learn more</p>	 <p>Title: Feast of Lights: Buddhist Hanging Scroll at Sudeoksa Temple Period: 13 April 2022–16 October 2022 Venue: Buddhist Painting Gallery, National Museum of Korea, Seoul</p> <p>Learn more</p>
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Let's Learn Korean!

 <p>Click here to learn fun and easy mimetic 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>
<p>COVID-19</p>  <p>Korea Disease Control and Prevention Agency</p> <p>About COVID-19 Website Cases in Korea Website Press Releases Website</p>	