

GHD Monthly Newsletter

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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

As the old saying goes “an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure”. This reminds us that a little preparation can save us a lot of grief. In the highly unlikely event that you find yourself stuck in an elevator, [here is a detailed guide](#) to help get you out. Every elevator comes with an emergency communication system and a unique number so they know exactly where you are.

Domestic News and Notices



'The Roundup: No Way Out' with Don Lee to premiere on May 31

“The Roundup: No Way Out” starring actor Don Lee will premiere in cinemas on May 31, distributors ABO Entertainment and PlusM Entertainment announced Wednesday.

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National Museum of Korea hosts special exhibition with London's National Gallery

The National Museum of Korea in Yongsan District, central Seoul, will be hosting a special exhibition in collaboration with the National Gallery in London, in June.

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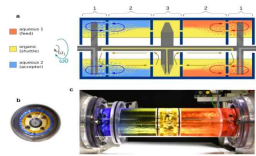
IBS News and Events



Human ancestors preferred mosaic landscapes and high ecosystem diversity

A new study published in the journal Science by an international team finds that early human species adapted to mosaic landscapes and diverse food resources, which would have increased our ancestor’s resilience to past shifts in climate.

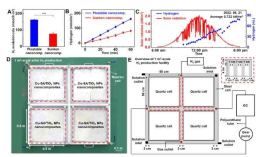
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Recycling of Valuable Metals from Spent Lithium Ion Batteries Using Spinning Reactors

In a world that is slowly distancing itself from carbon-based energy, there has been a meteoric rise in the use of lithium-ion batteries as a next-generation energy storage solution. However, this has resulted in another problem - an increase in the amount of lithium battery waste. Lithium-ion batteries degrade slowly over their lifetime, losing anywhere from 12% to 24% of their total capacity over 500 charging and discharging cycles.

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Newly developed hydrogel nanocomposite for the mass production of hydrogen

A research team led by Prof. HYEON Taeghwan at the Center for Nanoparticle Research within the Institute for Basic Science (IBS) in Seoul, South Korea has developed a new photocatalytic platform for the mass production of hydrogen. The group’s study on the photocatalytic platform led to the development of a floatable photocatalytic matrix, which allows efficient hydrogen evolution reaction with clear advantages over conventional hydrogen production platforms such as film or panel types.

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Regional Information



Title: VISION AND PERSPECTIVE 2023
MY YOUNG & SAD DAYS

Period: 10 March 2023–6 August 2023

Venue: Busan Museum of Art

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Title: Hangang Moonlight Market

Period: 7 May 2023–11 June 2023

Venue: Banpo Hangang Park, Seoul

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