

April 20, 2020

Dear FRIS members:

Subject: Raising to Tohoku University Emergency Action Plan for Preventing Spread of COVID-19 Infection Level 4

With the announcement of an emergency situation nationwide, the action plan has been raised to Level 4 from April 17 to May 6 in order to further prevent infection spread at our university. This is the highest priority measure to protect the health and safety of FRIS members, and thus to protect the health and safety of society. We strongly request that all of you are aware of and take actions to prevent the spread of infection.

TU Emergency Action Plan <Level 4> ([Action Plan download](#))

- The following research staff (depending on circumstances, may also apply to graduate students and researchers) are permitted to enter their laboratories.
 - 1) Research staff who are currently conducting long- term experiments that would experience a significant loss to their research if it stopped.
 - 2) Research staff who are involved with finishing or stopping experiments in progress.
 - 3) Research staff who will enter the laboratories briefly to take care of living organisms, replenish liquid nitrogen, conduct maintenance to preserve research materials such as repairing freezers, or conduct server maintenance.
- On-campus meeting: Online conferences only
- Administrative management system: Only the minimum number of staff necessary are permitted to enter the offices in order to continue important work. In this case, in principle they must enter offices in shifts. They are prohibited to meet with other persons.

Responses at FRIS

From today, it is obligatory to report to the institute director and the office director when FRIS members enter the FRIS building. Make sure to register the entering date and time, etc. in the form below.

URL: <https://forms.gle/SoKsHQABE7EyxMnq8>

Please follow the policy of the department or the institute when you enter a laboratory of the mentor department or institute,

Sincerely yours,

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Director of FRIS