

Additional measures to prevent the spread of the new coronavirus COVID-19 in AORI

For the time being from March 30, 2020

(These measures are subjected to changes according to developing situations)

1. Returnees from overseas

- If you return to Japan from overseas after March 15, check your body temperature every day for 2 weeks after the day of return. Report the results to the safety management team (fm-hs@aori.u-tokyo.ac.jp).
- Contact the safety management team and your supervisor/superior if you have a fever > 37.5 °C, or if you experience strong fatigue (malaise) or difficulty in breathing (dyspnea). In these cases, stay home and avoid physical contact with others.

2. Overseas and domestic business trips

- Overseas business trips must be postponed or canceled.
- Domestic business trips should be postponed unless they are urgent cases. In that case, contact the general affairs team in advance.

3. Collaborative Research at Kashiwa and Otsuchi

- Kashiwa and Otsuchi collaborative researchers should be postponed unless they are urgent cases. In that case, researchers are required to measure body temperature daily for one week before the visit and report the result to the international research promotion team (iarp@aori.u-tokyo.ac.jp) or Otsuchi Center Office (engan-jimu@aori.u-tokyo.ac.jp).
- Cancel the visit if you have symptoms stated in point 1.

4. Boarding Research Vessels (Hakuho Maru, Shinsei Maru, etc.)

- Follow the boarding instructions given by JAMSTEC. Detailed instructions will be noticed from the PI of the cruise.

5. Research activities

- In order to minimize the risk of infection among students, researchers, technicians, administrative staff, it is recommended to reduce time spent at the institute and work from home if possible.

6. Classes (lectures, exercises, practical training)

- Follow the instructions given by each graduate school and department.

7. Meetings in AORI

- Minimize face-to-face meetings and utilize online meeting system.

8. Student extracurricular activities

- All the extracurricular activities are prohibited until further notice.

9. Office work

- In order to minimize the risk of infection from crowding, it is recommended to attend work with staggered working hours. For jobs that can be performed at home, employee may work at home in rotation under supervision of the superior. Considering the current situation of COVID-19 pandemic, many scheduled assignments may be extended or postponed. For details, inquire the team in charge.

10. Labor regulation to prevent the spread of infection (R2.3.30 Partial renewal of the labor regulations of UTokyo)

- If an AORI staff who is recognized by the superior that he/she may carry the risk of infection spreading, and cannot effectively work from home, he/she is ordered to stay at home and the period is treated as “Special Holiday (特別休暇)”. In this case, please contact the General Affairs Team Consultation Desk (soumu@aori.u-tokyo.ac.jp).