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The NIH community has watched in horror as the natural catastrophe in Japan has unfolded. Many of us have scientific colleagues, students, friends, and family in areas of Japan affected by the earthquake and tsunami. Our hearts go out to them.

Many of you have asked me whether there is anything we can do to help. Plans are underway to provide temporary scientific homes at NIH for Japanese colleagues and fellows who may have lost research facilities in Japan. Also, the Foundation for Advanced Education in the Sciences (FAES) has established a fund to help earthquake victims in Japan. Voluntary contributions may be sent to FAES, NIH Building 60, Suite 230 (One Cloister Court, Bethesda, MD 20814) and designated for the "Japanese Earthquake Fund."

Sincerely,
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Message from NIH Japanese scientists

The events unfolding in Japan after the earthquake and tsunami are heartbreaking, and the failure of the nuclear reactors is agonizing to witness.

Dr. Michael Gottesman, Deputy Director for Intramural Research, is taking the lead to form a NIH-wide network to support relief efforts. Kinyo-kai, an ad-hoc association of Japanese post-docs and the NIH Japanese Scientists Association wish to join forces with Dr. Gottesman to strengthen NIH's effort.

To enhance relief efforts, one can make donations through FAES, as suggested in Dr. Gottesman's e-mail. The funds collected will be transferred to the Japanese Red Cross, which is active in the affected areas and has established connections with other Japanese relief organizations.

Our long-term goal is to assist the biomedical research community in affected areas by providing temporary work space for affected Japanese scientists, and coordinating with public health scientists to help with issues such as treatment of infectious diseases, mental health problems, and possibly radiation exposure.

We are very grateful to the entire NIH community for supporting Japan's recovery efforts, and we hope that this drive will strengthen the cooperative tie between the NIH and the Japanese biomedical research community.
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How to donate through FAES

- 1) Check can be sent by mail or Intra-Department Mail to FAES / Bldg60 / Rm230
- 2) Please make check payable to FAES
- 3) Please write a memo as "Japanese Earthquake Fund"
- 4) A Thank you letter / Acknowledgement will be sent to the address on check. If you want it to be sent to your lab, please write a cover letter with the lab address.
- 5) If you want to donate cash, please go to FAES / Bldg60 / Rm230 directly.
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