

Dear all,

On behalf of the members of the Japanese Association of Laboratory Animal Science, we would like to express our sincere condolences to the victims of the earthquake and tsunami that were inflicted on the Tohoku and Kanto Districts on March 11, 2011. We sincerely hope for a speedy recovery of all the affected areas.

As you may know, Tokyo has not suffered from the earthquake and aftermath as severely as the above areas, but you may have experienced occasional disconnections from the JALAS home page until recently. This was because of the physical damage to our office in Tokyo, and to scheduled power cuts to our server located at Shizuoka. We apologize for any inconvenience.

Now that everything is being restored to its normal state in Japan, except for the areas severely damaged in Tohoku, we have decided to hold the 58th Annual Meeting of JALAS in Edogawa (Tokyo) on May 25–27, 2011, as previously scheduled. All international airports are now operational, and land traffic, including trains and buses, in and around Tokyo are working to schedule. We anticipate that the electricity supply will have improved further by May.

We will continue to provide you with any information on the 58th Annual Meeting on our homepage. Therefore, please pay particular attention to program changes that may have to be made because of any unavoidable circumstances. If we can assist you in this matter, then please do not hesitate to e-mail us at <JDK06323@nifty.ne.jp>.

We would like to thank you for your kind cooperation for the success of our 58th Annual Meeting, and look forward to seeing you all soon in Edogawa, Tokyo.

Yours sincerely,

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