

Dear ARNOVA members and friends,

As you might imagine, we've been in close contact with our partners at Yonsei University in Seoul, South Korea to explore how to best respond to the coronavirus and its potential impact on the 4th Annual ARNOVA-Asia conference scheduled for June 11 and 12, 2020. After careful consideration and discussion, and with an abundance of caution for attendees across Asia and beyond, we have decided that, regrettably, we must cancel this conference.

We want to express our sincere thanks to Yonsei University for the work they've done to prepare for this conference.

Our thoughts and good wishes remain with our colleagues in China, Korea, Japan, and other locations who are focused on minimizing the impact of COVID-19. We appreciate your patience and understanding, and we hope you will be able to join us next year for the ARNOVA-Asia conference planned for early June at Zhejiang University in China.

We also hope that you'll consider joining us for the 49th Annual ARNOVA conference from November 12 to 14th, 2020, to be held in Indianapolis, IN. Those of you who have submitted proposals for the Seoul conference are encouraged to submit for the Indy conference (submissions are accepted <u>here</u> until April 1, 2020).

Again, thank you for your understanding. I know we all wish for good health and a quick resolution to this public health crisis for our friends in Asia. Please feel free to contact me directly with questions and concerns.

Warm regards,

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