

PACMOSSI MONTHLY BUZZ #2 3 April 2025



Items

Hot topic

Recent vector control responses to dengue cases

PacMOSSI team updates

- 1. Surveys for online course
- 2. Annual meeting
- 3. 2025 practical training
- 4. Potential regulatory assessment
- 5. Mentoring program



Hot topic

- Recent vector control responses to dengue cases
 - Nelson Ngaiorae, Cook Islands
 - Lesieli Mahe, Tonga

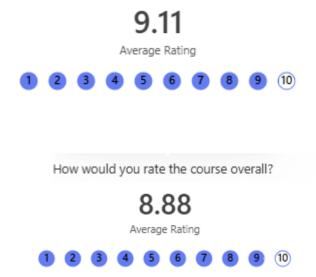


1. Surveys for online course

Overall course

- Thank you to those who responded 146!
 - 110 from Oceania
 - 12 Program Managers
 - 37 entomology/vector control officers
 - 51 Environmental Health Officers

. How likely are you to recommend this course to a colleague or classmate?



Specific modules

- Survey ongoing
- Let us know if interested to provide feedback for ongoing modules



2. Annual meeting

• Date: Tuesday 13 May – Wednesday 14 May

Note: Monday 12 May – Tuesday 13 May for American

Samoa, Cook Islands, Niue and French Polynesia

• Time: 9 am to 12 midday (Suva time) each day

• Translation: Concurrent to French

• Please send suggested topics or presentations to amanda.murphy@jcu.edu.au or pacmossi@jcu.edu.au



3. 2025 practical meeting

- To be held Q3 or Q4 this year
- One participant to be invited per country (co-funded by SPC)
- Location not yet selected (prefer PIC host)
- Criteria:
 - Appropriate accommodation (20-30 participants/facilitators)
 - Easy access to field sites/communities for collections
 - Lab spaces for rearing and testing
- For proposed venues, please contact brian.johnson@qimrb.edu.au or pacmossi@jcu.edu.au



4. Potential regulatory assessment

 Product development partnership - facilitates development of novel and improved public health insecticides and formulations to combat insecticide resistance



- Opportunity for a brief "landscape analysis" for selected PICs for residual sprays and larvicides:
 - Who are the regulatory authorities?
 - What regulatory systems are in place?
 - What are the timelines for availability of products?
 - Any opportunities to harmonise regulatory requirements across PICs?
- Aim to inform improved availability of public health insecticides (eg. for response in outbreaks)





5. Mentoring program

- Round 1 ongoing
 - Need active engagement and feedback to optimize program
- Round 2 planned
 - Looking for motivated and interested mentors and mentees

• To nominate, please contact edgar.pollard@jcu.edu.au



Wrap-Up

Please contact us:

- Nominate to review online modules Tessa
- Annual meeting topic or presentation suggestions <u>Amanda</u>
- Proposed venues for 2025 practical training Brian
- Nominate to be a mentor or mentee Edgar

All team contact details are on website: https://pacmossi.org/team/

Next "Monthly Buzz" will be after Annual Meeting

