

## **Press Release**

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## IVCC secures A\$18.75m grant from Australian Government to help eradicate malaria and other vector borne diseases

The Innovative Vector Control Consortium (IVCC) has been awarded a four-year A\$18.75m grant by the Australian Government to help eradicate malaria and other deadly mosquito-borne diseases from the Indo-Pacific region.

As part of the Australian Government's landmark Health Security Initiative which aims to improve the health security of developing countries who bear 99% of the world's malaria burden, the Indo-Pacific Centre for Health Security will support IVCC in its development and dissemination of innovative vector control solutions to address the very real health threat of mosquito borne diseases in the Indo-Pacific region.

Nick Hamon, CEO of IVCC said: "IVCC has supported the development of vector control products since its inception in 2005. This has led to the release of game-changing tools to mitigate insecticide resistance build up. Together with the Australian Government and partners we look forward to leveraging and adapting this robust pipeline of innovative vector control solutions to maximise the opportunity to save lives in the Indo-Pacific region and help prevent the spread of vector borne diseases."

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## About IVCC

IVCC is the only product development partnership (PDP) working in vector control. Established in 2005, IVCC works with stakeholders to facilitate the development of novel and improved public health insecticides and formulations and provides information tools to enable their effective use. IVCC's vision is simply to save lives, protect health and increase prosperity by preventing insect-borne diseases.

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