

Case Study 3:

Raise awareness of strategies and technologies available, for future development and use of clinical diagnostics in the region - specifically Indonesia

Situation:

Improved next-generation diagnostic technologies and tests, developed in research institutions and diagnostics companies in Australia were of keen interest to researchers, clinicians and diagnostics companies in Indonesia. However, they needed to develop an understanding of and evaluate their applications and make links with developers of the appropriate technologies and tests. State of the art equipment was readily available but not strategies or expertise for its use.

Approach (through CSIRO):

Coordinated researchers from Australian institutions, universities and biotechnology diagnostics companies, in addition to WHO, with leaders from the Inter-University Biotechnology Centre's in Bandung and Yogyakarta, for a series of workshops in Indonesia.

Result:

Two 2-day workshops proceeded with input from academics, applied scientists and clinicians from the Australian and Indonesian participating Centre's. Universities, diagnostics and clinical diagnostics companies from across Indonesia registered for the workshops and attended at one of the two locations. Participating institutions in Australia supported and/or provided access to Indonesian researchers for follow up after the workshops.